

Fort Erie Selections: Monday, July 14th, 2025

The Monday program consists of six races, two of which are scheduled for about seven furlongs on the turf. The feature race, a starter optional claiming event for the girls, kicks off the Pick 5. Good luck to today's connections and those wagering on the races! - Ashley Mailloux

Race 1:

#1 Hot Omelet
#3 Born to Be Good
#5 Doodle Dandy

Race 2:

#5 Crafty Oaks
#2 Mountain Sound
#1 Silver Candice

Race 3:

#7 Inittowinit
#1 Bamboo's Babe
#5 Taproom

Race 4:

#3 Grand Ambition
#4 Abe Honestly
#2 Core

Race 5:

#7 Sigiriya
#5 Fixyurhairupretty
#6 Connect It

Race 6:

#4 Dot's Vision
#8 Gus's Gamble
#3 Mister Meseeks

Key Race of the Day – Race 2 – Starter Optional Claiming – 6 Furlongs

Race two on the program kicks off the Pick 5 and features a field of five fillies and mares set to square off at the six-furlong distance. **#5 Crafty Oaks** dominated in her first start of the year for Glenn and Tony Alderson, winning by four and a half lengths at this level. After that effort, she finished a strong third in the LongRun Aftercare Stakes. She's had a month off, which figures to set her up well for this event and the outside draw also plays in her favor, as she has a fair bit of gate speed. Her main rival is the mare that finished directly in front of her last time out, **#2 Mountain Sound**. While she failed to fire last time out, she had to tackle the boys and she had to race over an off track that favored speed. She figures to improve dramatically against this group today and her trainer, John Simms, continues to roll at the meet, as he had a training double on the Sunday program with Fanny M and Bella Future. **#1 Silver Candice** was the runner-up behind Crafty Oaks on the first day of the meet and hasn't been seen since. She set wicked fractions, with a sub 21 opening quarter and 44.70 the half. With her drawing the inside and based on her body of work, she'll be part of the pace and will try to take them for as long as she can, but Crafty Oaks should keep her company early and if pressed at the six-furlong distance, she could be tough to use as a win contender, but definitely one to at least consider using underneath.