

COLONIAL DOWNS - September 7, 2026 - Race 7

STAKES Kitten's Joy S. Black Type - Thoroughbred
OUTER TURF FOR TWO YEAR OLDS. No nomination fee. \$300 to enter and \$300 to start. Supplementary nomination of \$1,250 (which includes entry and starting fees) may be made at the time of entry. \$125,000, with 60% to the owner of the winner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth and 3% to fifth. Weights: Colts and Geldings, 122 lbs. Fillies, 119 lbs. Non-winners of a race other than maiden or claiming at a mile or over allowed 2 lbs. A race other than claiming at a mile or over 4 lbs. Starters and riders to be named through the entry box by the usual time of closing. This race will be limited to fourteen (14) starters. In the event more than fourteen entrants pass through the entry box, preference will be given to stakes winners, then highest lifetime earnings. Any horse excluded from running due to the aforementioned preference shall be refunded the entry fee and supplementary nomination fee, if applicable. Trophy to the winning owner. Nominations closed Wednesday, August 19, 2026 with 26 Nominations.(Rail at 110 feet).

Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Outer turf Current Track Record: (Public Defender - 1:39.92 - August 9, 2025)

Purse: \$125,000 Added

Plus: \$2,400 Starters Bonus

Available Money: \$127,400

Value of Race: \$127,400 1st \$75,000, 2nd \$25,000, 3rd \$13,750, 4th \$7,500, 5th \$3,750, 6th \$1,200, 7th \$1,200

Weather: Cloudy, 80° Track: Firm

Off at: 3:10 Start: Good for all Timing Method: Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
14Jul26 ⁵ IND ¹	4	Popcorn (Concepcion, Axel)	118	- -	3	6	5 ^{1/2}	6 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ²	0.80*	4wd move, kept to task
11Jul26 ¹ CNL ¹	3	Mightily (Marin, Samuel) 	117	h	2	2	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ¹	4 ^{1/2}	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ²	2.60	alter'd 5w, late rally
4Jul26 ⁶ GP ¹	7	Heracles (Lopez, Paco)	118	b	5	5	4 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	6 ²	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{7 1/4}	4.00	std'd 3/4,in tight 3/8
8Aug26 ² CNL ¹	1	Life's Pageant (Russell, Sheldon)	117	- -	1	1	7	7	7	5 ⁴	4 ^{Neck}	7.50	altered 4wd, belatedly
30Jul26 ⁶ CNL ¹	9	Fridaynightclub (Loveberry, Jareth)	118	b	7	4	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	4 ³	5 ^{15 1/2}	18.30	pace,headed,gave way
9Aug26 ⁵ CNL ⁷	8	Royal Authentic (Montalvo, Carlos) 	119	bf	6	7	6 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	7	6 ⁹	104.00	4wd bid, flattened out
2Aug26 ⁷ CNL ⁸	5	Call Me Micky J. (Rocco, Jr., Joseph)	119	b	4	3	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	6 ³	7	28.40	stalked, faltered

Fractional Times: 23.62 48.67 1:13.10 1:36.61 Final Time: 1:42.37 Time from Gate: 1:47.86

Split Times: (25:05) (24:43) (23:51) (5:76)

Run-Up: 220 feet Temporary Rail: 110 feet

Winner: Popcorn, Bay Gelding, by Catholic Boy out of Zia, by Munnings. Foaled Apr 05, 2024 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Robert V. LaPenta

Owner: Robert V. LaPenta

Trainer: Thomas, Jonathan

Scratched Horse(s): Induction (Stakes Scratch), Perfect Dream (Stakes Scratch)

Total WPS Pool: \$138,281

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Popcorn	3.60	2.40	2.10	\$1.00 Pick 3	2/3/5/7/8/10-7-2/4/6 (3 correct)	17.70	5,471
3	Mightily		3.00	2.20				
7	Heracles			2.60	\$1.00 Daily Double	7-4	9.00	9,135
					\$1.00 Exacta	4-3	4.30	80,422
					\$0.10 Superfecta	4-3-7-1	1.81	34,591
					\$0.50 Trifecta	4-3-7	4.70	45,761

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
4	Popcorn	6	5 ^{4 1/2}	6 ⁴	5 ^{2 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ²
3	Mightily	2	3 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ²	2 ^{1/2}	2 ²
7	Heracles	5	4 ⁴	5 ^{2 1/2}	6 ³	3 ³	3 ⁴
1	Life's Pageant	1	7 ⁶	7 ⁴	7 ⁵	5 ^{7 1/2}	4 ^{11 1/4}
9	Fridaynightclub	4	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	4 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{11 1/2}
8	Royal Authentic	7	6 ⁵	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	7 ^{14 1/2}	6 ²⁷
5	Call Me Micky J.	3	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	6 ^{11 1/2}	7 ³⁶

Trainers: 4 - Thomas, Jonathan; 3 - O'Dwyer, Jeremiah; 7 - Spatz, Ronald; 1 - Desormeaux, J.; 9 - Lightner, Mary; 8 - Vazquez, Jose Juan; 5 - Salzman, Jr., John

Owners: 4 -Robert V. LaPenta; 3 - Noriega, Hayden, O'Dwyer, Jeremiah and Nash, Delia; 7 -David S. Romanik; 1 - Picard Thoroughbreds Racing Stable LLC; 9 - Lightner, Mary and Weber, Donald; 8 - J J Equine LLC; 5 -John E. Salzman, Jr.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

POPCORN was allowed to settle early then made a steady advance while four wide through the turn to take over and was kept to task in the final eighth, drawing clear late. MIGHTILY rated in the second flight along the inside and waited into the far turn then altered to move while five wide and rallied late for place. HERACLES tucked in early in the middle of the pack before moving up onto the backstretch but steadied off heels at the 3/4 pole and was shuffled back but came on again into the far turn before being in tight at the 3/8 pole then shifted out and was gaining late. LIFE'S PAGEANT was void of early speed with a rail trip then altered four wide coming off the second turn and was gaining belatedly. FRIDAYNIGHTCLUB got away alertly and crossed over to set the early pace but was headed nearing the 3/8 pole and gave way in the stretch. ROYAL AUTHENTIC raced close up early with a four wide trip then made a bid at the 3/8 pole but flattened out in the stretch. CALL ME MICKY J. moved up between horses and stalked the early pace then ranged up to challenge at the 3/8 pole but faltered in the stretch.

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