

HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT CHARLES TOWN RACES - February 28, 2026 - Race 3



CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Weight, 126 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since January 28 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000, if for \$4,500, allowed 2 lbs. NO WVVB CLAUSE. (NW2 L) **Claiming Price:** \$5,000 - \$4,500

Distance: Four And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Immortal Eyes - 50.09 - April 16, 2011)

Purse: \$13,300

Available Money: \$13,300

Value of Race: \$13,300 1st \$7,896, 2nd \$2,632, 3rd \$1,316, 4th \$658, 5th \$395, 6th \$263, 7th \$140

Weather: Cloudy, 48° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 8:10 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
14Feb26 ³ CT ³	6	Pops Harper (Nunez, Juan)	122	L b	6	1	¹ Head	¹ 2	¹ 2	3.70	duel2w,clr1/8,driving
13Dec25 ⁵ CT ⁷	3	McHale (Santaella, Moises)	119	L b	3	7	⁴ 1/2	³ 1/2	² 2	2.70	cut corner1/8,rallied
4Feb26 ¹⁰ LRL ²	5	D Hopper (Torrealba, J.G.)	124	L b	5	5	³ Head	² 2	³ 5 1/4	1.30*	3w-pursuit1/4,willing
14Jan26 ⁸ CT ⁵	8	Stingray Shuffle (Araujo, Denis)	122	L b	8	2	⁵ Head	⁶ 8	⁴ Head	10.30	circled5w1/4,imporoved
12Feb26 ⁵ CT ¹	2	Swervin Mervyn (Almodovar, Gerald)	126	L	2	4	² 3	⁴ 1/2	⁵ 3/4	12.90	duel ins5/16,flattened
28Nov25 ¹ CT ¹	4	War Thunder (Maldonado, Christian)	122	L b	4	6	⁶ 6	⁵ Head	⁶ 11 1/2	36.20	chase btw1/4,weakened
14Mar25 ³ CT ⁷	1	I'mlivingthedream (Pagan, Michael)	117	L b	1	8	7	7	7	72.90	check off fallen foe
12Dec25 ¹ CT ⁹	7	Rocket Science (Lewis, Justin)	123	L bf	7	3	---	---	---	8.70	bad step, EQ-Amb

Fractional Times: 22.21 46.32

Final Time: 52.81

Split Times: (24:11) (6:49)

Run-Up: 10 feet

Winner: Pops Harper, Bay Gelding, by Practical Joke out of Bayou Miss, by Dixie Union. Foaled Mar 06, 2021 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Vossfeld Bloodstock LLC.

Owner: Charles L. Biggs

Trainer: Walters, David

Claiming Prices: 6 - Pops Harper: \$4,500; 3 - McHale: \$5,000; 5 - D Hopper: \$5,000; 8 - Stingray Shuffle: \$4,500; 2 - Swervin Mervyn: \$5,000; 4 - War Thunder: \$4,500; 1 - I'mlivingthedream: \$4,500; 7 - Rocket Science: \$4,500;

Total WPS Pool: \$94,217

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Pops Harper	9.40	4.60	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	6-3	19.30	85,382
3	McHale		4.60	2.40	\$1.00 Trifecta	6-3-5	36.20	66,038
5	D Hopper			2.20	\$1.00 Superfecta	6-3-5-8	100.70	52,988
					\$2.00 Daily Double	4-6	25.00	6,413
					\$1.00 Pick 3	4-4-6 (3 correct)	32.00	17,551
					\$1.00 Consolation Pick 3	4-5-6 (3 correct)	14.10	0

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	Str	Fin
6	Pops Harper	1	¹ Head	¹ 2	¹ 2
3	McHale	7	⁴ 3 1/4	³ 4	² 2
5	D Hopper	5	³ 3	² 2	³ 4
8	Stingray Shuffle	2	⁵ 3 3/4	⁶ 5	⁴ 9 1/4
2	Swervin Mervyn	4	² Head	⁴ 4 1/2	⁵ 9 1/4
4	War Thunder	6	⁶ 3 3/4	⁵ 5	⁶ 10
1	I'mlivingthedream	8	⁷ 9 3/4	⁷ 13	⁷ 21 1/2
7	Rocket Science	3	---	---	---

Trainers: 6 - Walters, David; 3 - Brown, Ronney; 5 - Sanchez-Salomon, Rodolfo; 8 - Keller, Christopher; 2 - Mathes, Julie; 4 - Brown, Kelton; 1 - Viands, Stacey; 7 - Straughn, William

Owners: 6 -Charles L. Biggs; 3 - Winters Racing Stable; 5 -Gabriella Wilhelm; 8 -Christopher M. Keller; 2 -Bruno Schickedanz; 4 - Carpiionato, Domenic and McGuire, Matthew T.; 1 -Melinda B. Golden; 7 -Teresa L. Major;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

POPS HARPER broke sharp, dueled two wide into the turn, quickly put away inside rival leaving the quarter pole, kicked clear driving through the wire. MCHALE rated inside off the duel into the turn, slipped inside leaving the furlong marker, rallied with good energy for the place. D HOPPER away in good order, three wide pursuit leaving the quarter pole, finished willingly to secure the show. STINGRAY SHUFFLE slow into stride, circled the field five wide from the quarter pole, improved position through the stretch. SWERVIN MERVYN broke sharp, dueled inside into the turn, no match leaving the quarter pole, flattened out through the lane. WAR THUNDER chased between off the duel around the turn, weakened through the stretch. I'MLIVINGTHEDREAM slow out of the chute, throttled back off fallen foe into the turn, no late response. ROCKET SCIENCE awkward stride out of the chute, taken off the track via the equine ambulance.