

**HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT CHARLES TOWN RACES - April 17, 2026 - Race 5**

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR ACCREDITED WEST VIRGINIA-BRED THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE OCTOBER 17, 2025 OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since March 17 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000, if for \$4,500, allowed 2 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$4,000 Or Less Not Considered In Eligibility). (S C) **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:** \$17,000

**Available Money:** \$17,000

**Value of Race:** \$17,000 1st \$9,948, 2nd \$3,316, 3rd \$1,658, 4th \$829, 5th \$497, 6th \$332, 7th \$140, 8th \$140, 9th \$140

**Weather:** Cloudy, 68° **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 9:17 **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
17Jan26 <sup>1</sup> CT <sup>5</sup>	8	Fiber Strong (Cullum, Walter)	124	L bf	8	3	7 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>2</sup> 1/4	7.00	7w1/8,lef-ld,all-out
3Jan26 <sup>3</sup> CT <sup>7</sup>	2	Juba's Heart (Santaella, Moises)	122	L bf	2	7	5 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10.50	knife in1/8,lf-l,rally
13Mar26 <sup>2</sup> CT <sup>2</sup>	1	Hardly Ever Better (Stokes, Joe)	124	L f	1	8	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 1/2	3 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2.30*	vied inside, willingly
18Mar26 <sup>8</sup> CT <sup>3</sup>	9	Park Ave Prince (Arroyo Bueno, Nomar)	117	L b	9	2	9	9	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	4.00	trailer1/4,improved
2Apr26 <sup>9</sup> CT <sup>8</sup>	4	Boss E Boogs (Mawing, Anthony)	124	L	4	6	3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	10.40	vied btw1/4,lef-ld,eve
18Mar26 <sup>8</sup> CT <sup>7</sup>	7	Auburn Mill (Lewis, Justin)	122	L b	7	1	4 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>Neck</sup>	6.90	bmp,4w1/4,lef-ld,empty
4Apr26 <sup>9</sup> CT <sup>8</sup>	5	Estrella Fugaz (Peltruche, Fredy)	124	L bf	5	4	6 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup>	5.20	bmp chute,btw,faded
18Mar26 <sup>8</sup> CT <sup>8</sup>	3	Take Your Time (Diaz, Jr., Sunday)	124	L f	3	5	2 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	8 <sup>2</sup>	12.70	vied btw1/4,weakened
13Mar26 <sup>2</sup> CT <sup>3</sup>	6	Fungo Fungo (Chilo, Maximo)	124	L bf	6	9	8 <sup>2</sup>	8 1/2	9	16.70	off pace2w,no factor

**Fractional Times:** 22.27 46.89

**Final Time:** 53.36 **Time from Gate:** 54.05

**Split Times:** (24:62) (6:47)

**Run-Up:** 10 feet

**Winner:** Fiber Strong, Chestnut Gelding, by Fiber Sonde out of Candlebrook, by Saint Ballado. Foaled Apr 13, 2018 in West Virginia.

**Breeder:** John D. McKee

**Owner:** Pascal, Lawrence J. and Harding, Sr., Philip Arthur

**Trainer:** Runco, Jeff

**Claiming Prices:** 8 - Fiber Strong: \$5,000; 2 - Juba's Heart: \$4,500; 1 - Hardly Ever Better: \$5,000; 9 - Park Ave Prince: \$5,000; 4 - Boss E Boogs: \$5,000; 7 - Auburn Mill: \$4,500; 5 - Estrella Fugaz: \$5,000; 3 - Take Your Time: \$5,000; 6 - Fungo Fungo: \$5,000;

**Total WPS Pool:** \$58,812

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
8	Fiber Strong	16.00	7.60	5.00	\$1.00 Exacta	8-2	92.70	50,249
2	Juba's Heart		10.00	5.80	\$1.00 Trifecta	8-2-1	449.60	32,076
1	Hardly Ever Better			3.00	\$1.00 Superfecta	8-2-1-9	2,017.00	22,473
					\$2.00 Daily Double	7-8	291.40	10,434
					\$1.00 Pick 3	7-7-8 (2 correct)	106.80	9,534
					\$1.00 Pick 4	7-7-7-8 (4 correct)	17,404.40	30,723
					\$1.00 Pick 5	1/4-7-7-7-8 (4 correct)	2,097.20	63,905

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	Str	Fin
8	Fiber Strong	3	7 <sup>2</sup>	2 1/2	1 <sup>2</sup> 1/4
2	Juba's Heart	7	5 1 3/4	4 3/4	2 <sup>2</sup> 1/4
1	Hardly Ever Better	8	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 1/2	3 <sup>3</sup>
9	Park Ave Prince	2	9 <sup>6</sup>	9 <sup>3</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>3</sup> 3/4
4	Boss E Boogs	6	3 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5 <sup>5</sup> 1/4
7	Auburn Mill	1	4 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	6 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>6</sup> 1/4
5	Estrella Fugaz	4	6 1 3/4	7 <sup>2</sup>	7 <sup>6</sup> 1/2
3	Take Your Time	5	2 <sup>Head</sup>	3 1/2	8 <sup>7</sup> 1/2
6	Fungo Fungo	9	8 <sup>4</sup>	8 <sup>3</sup>	9 <sup>9</sup> 1/2

**Trainers:** 8 - Runco, Jeff; 2 - Reyes, Ruben; 1 - Boykins, Kevin; 9 - Jones, Jr., Michael; 4 - Wilhelm, Tabitha; 7 - Adorno, Jean; 5 - Peltruche, Vanessa; 3 - Hanagan, Lela; 6 - Peltruche, Vanessa

**Owners:** 8 - Pascal, Lawrence J. and Harding, Sr., Philip Arthur; 2 - Ruben D. Reyes; 1 - Richard Burnsworth; 9 - Mr. Amore Stable; 4 - Tabitha M. Wilhelm; 7 - Valls Thoroughbreds LLC; 5 - JAS Racing Stable LLC; 3 - Lela G. Hanagan; 6 - JAS Racing Stable LLC;

**Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)**

FIBER STRONG lacked speed out of the chute, circled seven deep into the lane, running on the wrong lead under an all-out drive, went clear through the final stages. JUBA'S HEART rated inside just off the vying four sum into the turn, knifed inside upper, worked off the rail through the lane, running on the wrong lead, rallied late to secure the place award. HARDLY EVER BETTER broke a step slow, roused on hard out of the chute, vied inside around the turn, stayed on willingly for the show. PARK AVE PRINCE trailer around the turn, rail bid into the lane, improved placing through the final sixteenth. BOSS E BOOGS hustled up out of the chute, vied between runners around the turn, unable to switch leads through the lane, evened out through the wire. AUBURN MILL bumped through the chute fighting for position, pressed four wide around the turn, running on the wrong lead, came up empty late. ESTRELLA FUGAZ broke mid-pack, bumped through the chute, chased between around the turn, faded through the stretch. TAKE YOUR TIME hustled up out of the chute, vied between around the bend, weakened under pressure through the lane. FUNGO FUNGO raced off the pace just off the rail around the turn, never factored.

Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred