

HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT CHARLES TOWN RACES - September 20, 2025 - Race 7

STAKES Henry Mercer Memorial S. Black Type - Thoroughbred
FOR REGISTERED ACCREDITED WEST VIRGINIA BRED TWO YEAR OLDS. \$50 nominations close Wednesday, September 10, 2025. \$50 to enter with a purse of \$75,000 Added. Entries close Wednesday, September 17, 2025 by the usual time of closing. The added monies and all fees to be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth, and 3% to fifth. Weight: 120 lbs. Field will be limited to ten starters with up to four alternates. Preference to those horses having accumulated the highest career earnings at the time of closing of entries. Trophy to the winning owner. (S)

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

Purse: \$75,000 Added

Plus: \$800 Other Sources

Available Money: \$75,800

Value of Race: \$75,800 1st \$45,480, 2nd \$15,160, 3rd \$8,338, 4th \$4,548, 5th \$2,274

Weather: Cloudy, 70° Track: Fast

Off at: 10:17 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
6Sep25 ³ CT ²	2	Gurney Halleck (Bocachica, Arnaldo)	120	L b	2	7	6 ¹	5 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2.00*	4w,left-ld,rally up
6Sep25 ³ CT ¹	3	Chuck Town (Larrosa, Gustavo)	120	L	3	6	5 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/4}	2.40	stymied1/8,surged btw
30Aug25 ⁵ TIM ³	1	Tricks R for Juba (Araujo, Denis)	120	L b	1	5	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ²	3.90	vied inside,grudgingly
1Sep25 ⁸ TIM ¹	7	The Big Lep (Barbosa, Jeiron)	120	L b	7	1	3 ⁴	2 ^{1/2}	4 ²	6.60	hard press3w1/4,flatten
23Aug25 ³ CT ¹	5	Noble Ruling (Reynolds, Larry)	120	L f	5	4	4 ^{1/2}	6 ³	5 ^{1/2}	44.70	heavy ask4w,no kick
30Aug25 ⁵ TIM ²	4	Irish Jubalee (Mendez, Marshall)	121	L b	4	2	2 ^{Head}	3 ¹	6 ^{7 1/2}	3.50	vied btw1/4,faded str
6Sep25 ³ CT ⁴	6	Ifthedevidanced (Rodriguez, Victor)	122	L b	6	3	7	7	7	96.30	rouse ins1/4,weakened

Fractional Times: 21.83 46.09

Final Time: 52.42

Split Times: (24:26) (6:33)

Run-Up: 10 feet

Winner: Gurney Halleck, Gray or Roan Colt, by Practical Joke out of Fiona Bella, by Fiber Sonde. Foaled Apr 03, 2023 in West Virginia.

Breeder: O'Sullivan Farms, LLC & Javier Contreras

Owner: David M. Raim

Trainer: Runco, Jeff

Total WPS Pool: \$92,228

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payout	Pool
2	Gurney Halleck	6.00	3.00	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	2-3	8.10	67,528
3	Chuck Town		3.40	2.80	\$1.00 Trifecta	2-3-1	20.30	51,039
1	Tricks R for Juba			3.40	\$1.00 Superfecta	2-3-1-7	84.50	46,286
					\$2.00 Daily Double	4-2	47.40	8,343
					\$1.00 Pick 3	3-4-2 (3 correct)	931.40	5,977

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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2	Gurney Halleck	7	6 ^{5 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}
3	Chuck Town	6	5 ⁵	4 ²	2 ^{1/2}
1	Tricks R for Juba	5	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 3/4}
7	The Big Lep	1	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	4 ^{3 3/4}
5	Noble Ruling	4	4 ^{4 1/2}	6 ³	5 ^{5 3/4}
4	Irish Jubalee	2	2 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	6 ^{6 1/4}
6	Ifthedevidanced	3	7 ^{6 1/2}	7 ⁶	7 ^{13 3/4}

Trainers: 2 - Runco, Jeff; 3 - Sterling, Michael; 1 - Sigler, Ronald; 7 - Farrior, Anthony; 5 - Grams, Timothy; 4 - Farrior, Anthony; 6 - Lewis, Jr., William

Owners: 2 -David M. Raim; 3 -Michael E. Sterling; 1 - Casey's Legacy LLC; 7 - Burnsworth, Richard and Dunn Brothers Racing LLC; 5 - Grams Racing Stable LLC; 4 - Burnsworth, Richard and Conroy Thoroughbreds, LLC; 6 -William R. Lewis, Jr.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

GURNEY HALLECK slowest out of the chute, steady progress circled four wide around the turn, three wide running on the wrong lead leaving the sixteenth marker, relentlessly rallied through the final yards up under the wire. CHUCK TOWN broke slow, chased inside off the pace into the turn, gaining ground with every stride along the rail leaving the quarter, had momentum stymied in traffic at the furlong marker, quickly angled out recovered stride, battled on between rivals, surged late nailed wire. TRICKS R FOR JUBA broke a step slow, rushed up vied inside around the turn, under pressure from outside foes through the final sixteenth, gave in grudgngly through the wire. THE BIG LEP broke sharp, pressed hard three wide around the bend, between runners late, flattened out through the final stages. NOBLE RULING hustled up out of the chute, heavy ask four wide leaving the quarter pole, had no late punch. IRISH JUBALEE broke sharp, vied between around the turn, no match for rivals leaving the furlong marker, faded through the stretch. IFTHEDEVILDANCED clean start, roused off the pace around the turn, weakened through the stretch.