

ELLIS PARK - August 21, 2026 - Race 7
STARTER ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$50,000 OR LESS OR WHICH HAVE BROKEN THEIR MAIDEN IN A MAIDEN AUCTION RACE AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN OR CLAIMING OR WAIVER CLAIMING. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over On The Turf Since July 21 Allowed 2 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$40,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances) Starter Races For \$40,000 Or Less Not Considered In Eligibility. (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at One mile.). (C) **Claiming Price: \$50,000 - \$0**
Distance: One Mile On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Beach Gold - 1:31.76 - August 2, 2025)
Purse: \$46,250
Includes: \$9,250 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund
Available Money: \$46,250
Value of Race: \$46,250 1st \$27,664, 2nd \$8,984, 3rd \$4,492, 4th \$2,246, 5th \$1,348, 6th \$506, 7th \$505, 8th \$505
Weather: Cloudy, 83° **Track:** Firm
Off at: 2:43 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
9Jul26 ⁹ ELP ²	4	Michael's Cove (Concepcion, Axel)	122	L b	4	2	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1 1/4}	1.72*	ins pair 2nd,inch free
13Jul26 ⁷ CNL ⁴	8	Landing Craft (Morales, Edgar)	122	L b	6	6	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ²	2 ^{2 1/4}	4.32	3w,bid 2nd,turned away
12Jul26 ⁸ SAR ⁴	2	Gene and Jude (Sheehy, Danny)	122	L	2	4	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Neck}	2.52	stalked ins,held show
17Jul26 ⁸ ELP ⁷	6	Kicking Clear (Graham, James)	122	L b	5	7	7 ¹	7 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{3/4}	11.98	3p,4p upr,denied show
3Jun26 ⁷ IND ⁵	1	The Dover Specter (Beschizza, Adam)	122	L b	1	8	8	8	6 ^{1/2}	6 ⁵	5 ^{Neck}	8.39	ins,3p2nd,no menace
6Jul26 ⁷ ELP ⁶	11	Professor Higgins (Antongeorgi III, William)	122	L b	8	5	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	6 ⁹	27.30	3-2p,vied 2w,btw,faded
20Jun26 ⁸ CD ⁵	10	Equilibrium (Carrasco, Victor)	122	L	7	1	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	7 ^{1 1/2}	7 ^{1/2}	7 ^{Nose}	6.84	stalk 2wbtw,faded 5/16
5Jul26 ² ELP ⁴	3	Gallo de Fuego (Saez, Gabriel)	122	L f	3	3	6 ^{1/2}	6 ^{Head}	8	8	8	35.20	2p, tired

Fractional Times: 25.09 49.57 1:13.41 1:24.72 **Final Time:** 1:36.72 **Time from Gate:** 1:39.63
Split Times: (24:48) (23:84) (11:31) (12:00)
Run-Up: 105 feet

Winner: Michael's Cove, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Demarchelier (GB) out of Treasured, by Arch. Foaled Feb 25, 2022 in Kentucky.
Breeder: Willow Lake Racing & Robin LaneThoroughbreds, LLC
Owner: Willow Lake Racing
Trainer: Newton, Troy

Scratched Horse(s): Fatguyinlittlecoat (PrivVet-Illness), Quality Chic (Trainer), Utopian (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$86,923

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Michael's Cove	5.44	3.40	2.48	\$2.00 Exacta	4-8	23.56	65,286
8	Landing Craft		4.86	3.18	\$0.50 Trifecta	4-8-2	19.10	32,838
2	Gene and Jude			2.52	\$0.10 Superfecta	4-8-2-6	17.05	20,539
					\$0.50 Pick 3	4-7-4 (3 correct)	196.10	11,980
					\$2.00 Daily Double	7-4	167.96	12,537
					\$1.00 Super High Five	4-8-2-6-1	351.18	2,704

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
4	Michael's Cove	2	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1 1/4}
8	Landing Craft	6	5 ²	5 ^{1 3/4}	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/4}
2	Gene and Jude	4	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{1 3/4}	4 ^{1 3/4}	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{3 1/2}
6	Kicking Clear	7	7 ⁴	7 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/4}	5 ³	4 ^{3 3/4}
1	The Dover Specter	8	8 ⁵	8 ⁵	6 ^{3 3/4}	6 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}
11	Professor Higgins	5	3 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{2 1/2}	6 ^{4 3/4}
10	Equilibrium	1	2 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	7 ^{4 1/4}	7 ^{9 1/2}	7 ^{13 3/4}
3	Gallo de Fuego	3	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ^{3 1/4}	8 ^{5 3/4}	8 ¹⁰	8 ^{13 3/4}

Trainers: 4 - Newton, Troy; 8 - Blair, Jordan; 2 - Maker, Michael; 6 - Kurtz, Shelbi; 1 - Danner, Kelsey; 11 - Holsapple, Hutch; 10 - Wilkes, Ian; 3 - Milligan, Cameron
Owners: 4 - Willow Lake Racing; 8 -Craig Peerenboom; 2 - Paradise Farms Corp. and Staudacher, David; 6 - Hayden Thoroughbreds, Howard, Forrest, Rutledge, Emily and Bauer, James; 1 - NBS Stable; 11 - Dundalk 5 LLC, Wesley F. Herek Racing Stable, LLC and Stiff, Ken; 10 -Stewart F. Denholtz; 3 - Pelzel, Gregory Alan and Milligan, Caleb;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MICHAEL'S COVE set the pace along the inside, vied with a pair of outer bidders turning for home, held sway after moving to the two path into upper stretch and inched free leaving the sixteenth pole. LANDING CRAFT tracked two to three wide into the backstretch, pursued within striking range outside of the top pair into the far turn, bid three deep at the five sixteenths pole, vied outside of the eventual winner into the final furlong but was turned away at the sixteenth pole and proved second best. GENE AND JUDE stalked along the inside, came under urging to chase the leaders turning for home, edged show passing the furlong grounds then held that position. KICKING CLEAR settled in the three path, inched closer around the far turn, fanned to the four path into upper stretch then stayed on to be denied show. THE DOVER SPECTER trailed along the inside, shifted to the three path around the far turn, improved turning for home but failed to reach contention. PROFESSOR HIGGINS raced forwardly in the four to three path into the backstretch, moved to vie outside of the leader with five furlongs to go, sparred between horses around the far turn but yielded in upper stretch and faded. EQUILIBRIUM stalked two wide and between horses then faded turning for home. GALLO DE FUEGO raced off of the pace in the two path then tired. FINISH TIME WAS UPDATED ELECTRONICALLY.