

MOUNTAINEER CASINO RACETRACK & RESORT - June 14, 2026 - Race 4



STARTER ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$12,500 OR LESS IN 2025 - 2026. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since May 14, 2026 Allowed 3 lbs. (If necessary will be run SAME DISTANCE Main Track.). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$12,500 - \$0

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt - Originally Scheduled For 1 Mile On Turf **Current Track Record:** (Present Course - 1:33.44 - November 19, 2014)

Purse: \$18,000

Available Money: \$18,000

Value of Race: \$17,280 1st \$10,440, 2nd \$3,600, 3rd \$1,800, 4th \$900, 5th \$360, 6th \$180

Weather: Cloudy, 75° **Track:** Sloppy (Sealed)

Off at: 8:21 **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
29May26 ⁴ CT ⁴	2	Defiant Giant (Arroyo, Jr., Norberto) VA CERTIFIED	120	L b	2	2	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2.20	prevailed gamely ins
7Jun26 ² MNR ³	12	Some R Blessed (Whitacre, Brandon)	120	L	6	1	4 ³	4 ³	2 ¹	2 ⁵	2 ¹² 3/4	2.30	abreast foe, battled
19May26 ⁷ PID ²	1	Starship Empire (Ho, Wesley)	120	L	1	4	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	3 ¹¹	3 ⁸ 3/4	1.30*	hard used, weakened,
25May26 ² MNR ¹	5	Hope Joe's Right (Oliveros, Charle)	123	L b	4	3	2 ^{Head}	3 ³	4 ⁸	4 ⁸	4 ¹² 1/4	6.60	pressed pace, faded
14May26 ⁷ HAW ⁶	3	Crafty King (Negron, Luis)	120	L bf	3	6	5 ⁴	5 ⁶	5 ¹²	5 ¹¹	5 ⁹ 1/4	42.30	always outrun
25May26 ² MNR ⁶	6	Spirit of Spotatie (Garcia, Francisco)	120	L	5	5	6	6	6	6	6	49.70	trailed throughout

Fractional Times: 24.78 49.10 1:15.53

Final Time: 1:42.30 **Time from Gate:** 1:43.75

Split Times: (24:32) (26:43) (26:77)

Run-Up: 48 feet

Winner: Defiant Giant, Bay Horse, by Lost Treasure (IRE) out of Dance With Giants, by Giant's Causeway. Foaled May 10, 2021 in West Virginia.

Breeder: O'Sullivan Farms LLC & Eric Steinmann

Owner: Curtis Foster

Trainer: Shanley, Timothy

Scratched Horse(s): Afraidofthebunny (Stewards), Bramble Blaze (Stewards), Burnin Turf (Veterinarian), City Plan (Stewards), Faster (Stewards), Gagliardi (Stewards), Growth Capital (Stewards), Valentine Bug (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$57,216

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Defiant Giant	6.40	3.20	2.20	\$2.00 Pick 3	1-11-2 (3 correct)	609.20	15,612
12	Some R Blessed		3.40	2.40	\$2.00 Pick 4	1-1-11-2 (4 correct)	4,720.40	50,357
1	Starship Empire			2.20	\$2.00 Daily Double	11-2	102.00	18,362
					\$2.00 Perfecta	2-12	20.20	40,283
					\$1.00 Superfecta	2-12-1-5	19.30	21,581
					\$1.00 Trifecta	2-12-1	16.00	30,382

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
2	Defiant Giant	2	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}
12	Some R Blessed	1	4 ¹ 3/4	4 ⁴	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}
1	Starship Empire	4	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	3 ⁵	3 ¹² 3/4
5	Hope Joe's Right	3	2 ^{Head}	3 ¹	4 ²	4 ¹⁶	4 ²¹ 1/2
3	Crafty King	6	5 ⁴ 3/4	5 ⁷	5 ¹⁰	5 ²⁴	5 ³³ 3/4
6	Spirit of Spotatie	5	6 ⁸ 3/4	6 ¹³	6 ²²	6 ³⁵	6 ⁴³

Trainers: 2 - Shanley, Timothy; 12 - Bernardini, Jay; 1 - Potts, Ron; 5 - Fernandez, Kelly; 3 - Castillo, Jabdiel; 6 - Uhacz, Wendy

Owners: 2 -Curtis Foster; 12 - Bernardini, Jay P., Burnsworth, Richard and Buyea, Kristina; 1 -Ron G. Potts; 5 -Jim Tichenor; 3 - Valls Thoroughbreds LLC; 6 - Catch Me If You Can Stables;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

DEFIANT GIANT pressed the pace dueling inside of rival through the far turn then down the stretch prevailing gamely. SOME R BLESSED pressed to bid three deep on the far turn dueling abreast rival down the stretch battling step for step to the wire. STARSHIP EMPIRE pressed the pace ceding grudgingly on the far turn weakening down the lane holding the others well safe. HOPE JOE'S RIGHT pressed the pace fading to upper stretch. CRAFTY KING was always outrun. SPIRIT OF SPOATIE trailed throughout.

VA CERTIFIED Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred