

PENN NATIONAL - August 14, 2026 - Race 1

STAKES Marshall Jenney S. Black Type - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD REGISTERED PA BREDS. No Nomination Fee. \$250 to pass the entry box, \$250 to Start. Supplemental nominations of \$1,000 will be accepted at time of entry which includes all fees. The purse to be distributed; \$500 to horses finishing 6th through last place; with the balance of the purse to be divided, 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth and 3% to fifth. Weights: Three Year Olds, 124 lbs., Older, 125 lbs. Non-Winners of a Sweepstakes in 2026, allowed 2lbs.; two races other than maiden, claiming or starter in 2026, 4 lbs.; a race other than maiden, claiming or starter in 2026, 6 lbs. (Maiden and Claiming races not considered in estimating allowances). High Weights Preferred. (Horses of equal weight, preference will be total earnings in non-claiming races in 2025-2026.) Closed Wednesday July 29th, 2026 with 21 nominations. (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at Five Furlongs.) (Rail at 21 feet). (S)

Distance: About Five Furlongs On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Jean Valjean - 55.32 - August 14, 2026)

Purse: \$75,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$75,000

Value of Race: \$75,000 1st \$44,100, 2nd \$14,700, 3rd \$8,085, 4th \$4,410, 5th \$2,205, 6th \$500, 7th \$500, 8th \$500

Weather: Clear, 85° Track: Firm

Off at: 5:48 Start: Good for all Timing Method: Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	3/16	3/8	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
2Aug26 ⁷ SAR ⁵	7	Jean Valjean (Torres, Jomar)	121 - -	6 1		1 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ²	1 ⁵	1.30*	showed speed,drew off
14Mar26 ¹² GP ⁴	3	Flamingo Way (Gil, Cipriano)	118 - -	3 5		5 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2.40	2-3w,4w,2nd best
8Jul26 ³ DEL ⁴	9	Uncle Dar (Rios, Jesus) VA CERTIFIED	119 bf	8 7		7 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	2 ¹	3 ¹	8.30	tracked 4w,yielded
18Jul26 ⁴ SAR ⁵	4	Fore Harp (Adorno, Abner)	119 b	4 8		8	7 ³	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{3 1/4}	8.00	bmpd st,no late kick
18Jul26 ⁹ MTH ⁴	8	Fierce and Strong (Rodriguez, Angel)	119 b	7 6		6 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	6 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1 1/4}	6.80	shuffled,3-4wide 1/4
27Jul26 ⁷ PID ⁸	1	Kalahari Not Sorry (Ruiz, Eliseo)	121 bf	1 4		4 ^{Head}	8	8	6 ³	8.60	in tight,checked 7/16
21Jul26 ⁴ PRX ³	6	Talented Man (Hernandez, Andy)	119 b	5 2		3 ¹	2 ^{Head}	5 ¹	7 ^{10 1/2}	46.30	chased,weakened
29Jul26 ¹ PEN ²	2	Showtime Matinee (Ramos, Yabriel)	121 f	2 3		2 ^{1/2}	6 ¹	7 ³	8	79.20	walked onto equ amb

Fractional Times: 22.64 44.29 Final Time: 55.32 (New Track Record) Time from Gate: 56.78

Split Times: (21:65) (11:03)

Run-Up: 40 feet Temporary Rail: 21 feet

Winner: Jean Valjean, Chestnut Gelding, by Uncle Lino out of Lady's Tale, by Tale of the Cat. Foaled Apr 14, 2019 in Pennsylvania.

Breeder: Hasting Farm

Owner: Hasting Farm LLC

Trainer: Merryman, Elizabeth

Scratched Horse(s): Cold Feet (Also-Eligible), Fletcher (Also-Eligible), Kiss Them Deadly (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$64,912

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
7	Jean Valjean	4.60	2.60	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	7-3	5.30	47,909
3	Flamingo Way		3.00	2.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	7-3-9	10.95	27,791
9	Uncle Dar			3.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	7-3-9-4	5.52	19,474

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	3/16	3/8	Str	Fin
7	Jean Valjean	1	1 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ²	1 ⁵
3	Flamingo Way	5	5 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ³	2 ⁵
9	Uncle Dar	7	7 ^{2 3/4}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ²	3 ^{6 1/2}
4	Fore Harp	8	8 ^{3 1/4}	7 ^{4 1/2}	4 ^{4 1/2}	4 ^{7 1/2}
8	Fierce and Strong	6	6 ^{2 3/4}	5 ³	6 ⁶	5 ^{10 3/4}
1	Kalahari Not Sorry	4	4 ^{2 1/2}	8 ^{7 1/2}	8 ^{10 1/2}	6 ¹²
6	Talented Man	2	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	5 ⁵	7 ¹⁵
2	Showtime Matinee	3	2 ¹	6 ^{3 1/2}	7 ^{7 1/2}	8 ^{25 1/2}

Trainers: 7 - Merryman, Elizabeth; 3 - Aristone, Philip; 9 - Servis, J.; 4 - Reid, Jr., Robert; 8 - Salvaggio, Jr., Michael; 1 - Demasi, Kathleen; 6 - Moore, Michael; 2 - Beattie, Cody

Owners: 7 - Hasting Farm LLC; 3 -Joseph M. Imbesi; 9 - Awestrike Racing, LLC and GLAM Racing; 4 - LC Racing, Bonner, James and Wellesley Stable; 8 - Ultra Championship Racing LLC; 1 - Pewter Stable and James Radcliffe Stables; 6 - Hardesty Stables; 2 - Natural Slice Stables;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

JEAN VALJEAN showed good speed from the gate and took early command, set the pace to the turn, kicked clear to upper stretch, drew off into the final furlong then was geared down late and won while in hand. FLAMINGO WAY bumped between rivals and crowded leaving the start, settled between foes to the turn, gained ground two to three wide nearing the top of the lane, ran in pursuit while four wide at mid-stretch, was no match late for the winner but held safely for the place. UNCLE DAR settled outside while never far back, tracked three to four wide into the turn, chased JEAN VALJEAN to upper stretch, couldn't keep pace with the winner into the drive, yielded to the top pair late and held for the show. FORE HARP bumped at the start then settled along the backstretch, advanced between runners into the turn, chased into the lane then lacked the needed response to deep stretch. FIERCE AND STRONG tracked the early pace between runners, shuffled back into the turn, coaxed three to four wide to the quarter pole, no late response. KALAHARI NOT SORRY settled inside, got caught in tight and checked on the run to the turn, trailed to upper stretch and failed to threaten. TALENTED MAN chased the early pace from between rivals, ran in pursuit from the two path nearing the quarter marker then weakened. SHOWTIME MATINEE chased from inside, dropped back nearing the quarter marker, lost action late in the stretch, fell after crossing the finish, walked onto the equine ambulance following the race and was vanned off.

