

FAIR GROUNDS - December 20, 2025 - Race 11

STAKES Gun Runner S. Listed - Thoroughbred

FOR TWO YEAR OLDS.

 Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Olympiad - 1:42.01 - February 19, 2022)

Purse: \$100,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$100,000

Value of Race: \$100,000 1st \$60,000, 2nd \$20,000, 3rd \$11,000, 4th \$6,000, 5th \$3,000

Weather: Clear, 74° Track: Fast

Off at: 5:52 Start: Good for all except 8 Timing Method: Electronic

EQUIBASE

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
20Nov25	10	CD ¹	2	Chip Honcho (Lopez, Paco)	122	b	1 3	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ³	2 ¹	1 ^{3/4}	3.90 press, closed, in time
29Nov25	7	CD ¹	3	Liberty National (Hernandez, Jr., Brian)	122	--	2 4	5 ²	5 ²	5 ^{1 1/2}	4 ²	2Head	1.30* rallied ins, short
25Oct25	7	MVR ¹	5	Crown the Buckeye (Loveberry, Jareth) 	122	--	4 1	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	3Neck	2.00 pace, wknd 1/16
29Oct25	7	IND ¹	4	Quality Mischief (Pedroza, Jr., Marcelino)	122	b	3 2	4 ¹	4 ²	3 ²	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	25.40 3w, closed, out-fin
29Nov25	10	CD ⁴	7	Very Connected (Hernandez, Colby)	122	--	5 6	6	6	6	5 ¹⁵	5 ^{73 1/2}	9.70 trailed most
5Nov25	7	CD ¹	8	Mister Punch (Saez, Luis)	122	b	6 5	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	6	6	8.00 slow, eased, walked

Fractional Times: 23.62 46.66 1:10.98 1:37.28

Final Time: 1:44.76

Split Times: (23:04) (24:32) (26:30) (7:48)

Run-Up: 57 feet

 Winner: Chip Honcho, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by [Connect](#) out of Miss My Rose, by Magician (IRE). Foaled Apr 02, 2023 in Kentucky.

 Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

Breeder: Venneri Racing Inc. & Tony Fanticola

Owner: Leland Ackerley Racing, LLC

Trainer: Asmussen, Steven

Scratched Horse(s): Arabia Wild (Stakes Scratch), Mesquite (Stakes Scratch)

Total WPS Pool: \$264,449

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Chip Honcho	9.80	4.40	3.00	\$0.50 Pick 3	8-3-2 (3 correct)	334.80	31,303
3	Liberty National		2.80	2.20	\$1.00 Daily Double	3-2	21.00	44,203
5	Crown the Buckeye			2.60	\$1.00 Exacta \$0.10 Superfecta \$0.50 Trifecta	2-3 2-3-5-4 2-3-5	11.90 12.91 16.10	144,553 48,813 70,226

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
2	Chip Honcho	3	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	1 ^{3/4}
3	Liberty National	4	5 ^{3 1/2}	5 ⁴	5 ⁶	4 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{3/4}
5	Crown the Buckeye	1	1 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	3 ^{3/4}
4	Quality Mischief	2	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ²	3 ^{3 1/2}	3 ²	4 ¹
7	Very Connected	6	6 ^{5 1/2}	6 ⁶	6 ^{7 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/2}
8	Mister Punch	5	3 ²	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{5 1/2}	6 ^{19 1/2}	6 ⁷⁶

Trainers: 2 - Asmussen, Steven; 3 - McPeek, Kenneth; 5 - Maker, Michael; 4 - Cox, Brad; 7 - McPeek, Kenneth; 8 - Cox, Brad

Owners: 2 - Leland Ackerley Racing, LLC; 3 - Brookdale Racing, Inc. and Fern Circle Stables; 5 - Paradise Farms Corp., Staudacher, David and Hooties Racing LLC; 4 - West Paces Racing LLC and Donegal Racing; 7 - Dream Big Racing, LLC; 8 - Novogratz Racing Stables, Inc. ;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

CHIP HONCHO moved up to press the pace, came under a tight rein up the backstretch, slowly closed the gap in the final sixteenth to be up just in time. LIBERTY NATIONAL settled off the pace, gained position along the inside of the far turn, continued to rally down the stretch but came up just short. CROWN THE BUCKEYE was quick to set the pace, came under pressure up the backstretch and far turn, gained some breathing room in the upper stretch but weakened in the final sixteenth. QUALITY MISCHIEF found position three wide around the middle of the pack, closed some ground through the stretch but was out-finished by rivals. VERY CONNECTED settled back to trail, passed retreating rival. MISTER PUNCH was a bit reluctant to load the starting gate, broke a step slow, moved up behind the pace, retreated in the far turn, galloped across from the three sixteenths, walked off.

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