

**NINTH RACE**  
**Delta Downs**  
**OCTOBER 28, 2023**

**6½ FURLONGS. ( 1.18 ) SWEET HOME ALABAMA SPECIAL S. Purse \$50,000 ( includes \$15,000 Other Sources ) FOR ALABAMA BRED THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON A SWEEP STAKE. No nomination or start fee, \$500 to enter. Supplemental nomination of \$1,000 will be accepted at time of entries which will include all fees. With \$50,000 Guaranteed to be divided per the purse structure for stake races in the condition book. Weight: Three Years Old 120 lbs. Older 123 lbs. Non winners of two races other than maiden, claiming, or starter since April 28, 2023 allowed 3 lbs.; such a race since April 28, 2023 allowed 5 lbs.; Preference to horses with the highest earnings in 2022 – 2023 (at time of entry). Different owner and same owner entries will have equal draw according to preferences. Trophy to the winning owner.**

**Value of Race: \$50,000 Winner \$30,000; second \$10,000; third \$5,000; fourth \$2,500; fifth \$1,000; sixth \$500; seventh \$500; eighth \$500. Mutuel Pool \$45,934.00 Exacta Pool \$38,517.00 Trifecta Pool \$35,565.00 Superfecta Pool \$27,414.00**

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A. Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1	
8Jly23 2LaD6	Heza Royal Cat	L	4	118	3	3	1½	11	12	11	Guerrero J A	17.80
11Sep23 5LaD7	Unaffiliated	L b	4	118	8	6	5hd	53	42	22½	Murray E M	7.70
7Oct23 1DeD6	Strike a Bargain	L b	3	118	6	8	31	2hd	2½	3hd	Rosier C R	67.90
19Aug23 6LaD5	Kellys the Boss	L bf	5	116	7	7	61½	41	31	41¾	Castillo A	0.30
21Aug22 2LaD4	Pintlala	L bf	7	117	2	2	74	6½	52	59¾	Vargas J P	6.30
6Oct23 1DeD7	Kostroma's Dancer	L b	3	112	5	1	2hd	3½	66	613½	Munoz S	75.80
19Aug23 2LaD8	Chamois' Empire	L b	3	115	4	5	4½	74	74	73	Pompeit L	7.30
	Boone LandExpress	L b	3	118	1	4	8	8	8	8	Leblanc D C	32.00

**OFF AT 9:23 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.**

**TIME :24.3, :49.1, 1:16.1, 1:23.1 ( :24.69, :49.32, 1:16.23, 1:23.26 )**

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

**3 – HEZA ROYAL CAT \_\_\_\_\_ 37.60 17.40 9.00**  
**8 – UNAFFILIATED \_\_\_\_\_ 10.20 5.00**  
**6 – STRIKE A BARGAIN \_\_\_\_\_ 14.60**

**\$1 EXACTA 3-8 PAID \$134.70 50 CENT TRIFECTA 3-8-6  
 PAID \$971.95 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 3-8-6-7 PAID \$642.36**

**Dk. b or br. g, (Apr), by Sabercat – Comala's Sonata, by Polished Brass. Trainer Ward Ronnie P. Bred by Bobby G Pruitt (Ala).**

HEZA ROYAL CAT vied for the lead, raced in the two path, took control by the five eights pole, continued to show the way into the stretch, drifted out and then was angled back in, but was much the best and held on for the win. UNAFFILIATED raced from off the pace in the four path, gained ground and improved position on the outside, shifted into the three path and raced in between rivals, was asked and encouraged down the lane splitting horses in the stretch but just missed running a game second. STRIKE A BARGAIN stalked the pace from the three path, raced in between foes, then faltered in the stretch. KELLYS THE BOSS raced mid pack in the four path, launched a bid at the half mile pole, improved position, was in contentions then had no late kick. PINTLALA settled off of the pace in the five path, launched a bid at the half mile pole, made one run gaining ground and closing while racing wide but to no avail. KOSTROMA'S DANCER was sharp leaving the gate, vied for the lead, was asked to rate, settled in a stalking position on the rail, saved ground but still tired. CHAMOIS' EMPIRE was fractious in the post parade, raced mid pack on the rail then faded. BOONE LAND EXPRESS trailed through out. CHAMOIS' EMPIRE WAS FRACTIOUS IN THE POST PARADE LOSING HIS RIDER AND GETTING LOOSE BRIEFLY BEFORE THE START OF THE RACE.

**Owners**– 1, Ward Ronnie P; 2, Sanders on Laurie and Cartier Nanette C; 3, Pruitt Bobby G; 4, Gremmels Kent; 5, Ward Ronnie P; 6, Pruitt Mary A; 7, Pruitt Bobby G; 8, Smith Karl H

**Trainers**– 1, Ward Ronnie P; 2, Schmidt Denise; 3, Ward Ronnie P; 4, Ward Ronnie P; 5, Ward Ronnie P; 6, Ward Ronnie P; 7, Ward Ronnie P; 8, Holland Mervin

**\$1 Daily Double (5-3) Paid \$138.30 ; Daily Double Pool \$3,132 .**

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