SECOND RACE

Sam Houston

MARCH 13, 2026

1 MILE. (Turf) (1.35[1]) MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse $33,000 (includes $30,000 Horse Industry Escrow Account) (PLUS UP TO $6,600 ATB) FOR MAIDENS, THREE, FOUR, AND FIVE YEARS OLD. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For A Claiming Price Of Less Than $25,000). (Rail at 18 feet).

Value of Race: $33,000 Winner $19,740; second $6,580; third $3,619; fourth $1,974; fifth $987; sixth $100. Mutuel Pool $4,108.00 Exacta Pool $2,021.00 Superfecta Pool $1,215.00 Trifecta Pool $1,574.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
19Jan26 ^{6}FG^{8}	Sweet Retreat	L	3	119	5	6	4 1½	5 1½	3hd	1hd	1^{3}	Elliott S	1.90
6Feb26 ^{5}Hou^{3}	Renton	L	3	119	6	5	6	6	4hd	6	2no	Diego I V	2.60
13Feb26 ^{2}Hou^{3}	Shanghai Cupid	L	3	119	3	3	5^{2}	4½	5hd	5hd	3½	Luzzi L J	4.40
15Feb26 ^{2}Hou^{3}	Follow the Star	L b	4	123	2	1	2^{3}	2 1½	2 1½	3 1	4nk	Hamilton W	6.30
28Feb26 ^{3}Hou^{3}	Zorritos Dash	L	3	119	1	2	1½	1 1½	1 1½	2hd	5^{2}	Fuentes M	5.30
27Feb26 ^{4}Hou^{7}	Ballistic Bob	L	3	119	4	4	3 1	3 1½	6	4 1	6	Gonzalez E	6.10

OFF AT 6:57 Start Good. Won driving. Course firm.

TIME :22^{3}, :47^{2}, 1:12^{2}, 1:25^{1}, 1:37^{3} (:22.71, :47.44, 1:12.58, 1:25.37, 1:37.76)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

6 – SWEET RETREAT	**5.80**	**4.20**	**2.40**
8 – RENTON		**4.00**	**2.40**
3 – SHANGHAI CUPID			**2.60**

$1 EXACTA 6–8 PAID $6.50 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 6–8–3–2 PAID $3.28 50 CENT TRIFECTA 6–8–3 PAID $5.80

Ch. g, (Feb), by Candy Ride–Arg – Rehearsed, by Tapit. Trainer Asmussen Steven M. Bred by W S Farish (Ky).

SWEET RETREAT settled along the rail in the middle of the strung-out field for the first half, navigated through the far turn to bid four-wide at the top of the stretch, and outkicked the rest to win clear in the end. RENTON was kept to the back and got over to the rail, angled out to the three-path on the far turn, then swung five-wide into the stretch, rallied mildly to get the place but could not threaten the winner. SHANGHAI CUPID settled in the back half of the field early, had a lot of ground to make up turning for home, but found best stride in the late stages and moved up to gain third. FOLLOW THE STAR tracked ZORRITOS DASH in second position from the outset, gave a good try in the stretch, finished willingly, but was outkicked. ZORRITOS DASH made the early lead as the field lined up single-file behind, kept the rest at bay through the far turn, came into the stretch with a narrow advantage, had something left when called upon in the stretch, but was outfinished. BALLISTIC BOB settled in the middle of the pack then could not find the needed late kick in the stretch.

Owners– 1, Lane's End LLC; 2, Bloom Racing Stable LLC (Jeffrey Bloom); 3, Peters Cecil; 4, Eoff Terry; 5, Herreros Racing; 6, Naukabena Farms LLC

Trainers– 1, Asmussen Steven M; 2, Asmussen Steven M; 3, Pish Danny; 4, Eoff Terry; 5, Herreros Stephanie; 6, Willis Mindy

Scratched– Oban (06Feb26 ^{3}Hou^{4}), Verrazano's Gold (15Feb26 ^{2}Hou^{4})

$1 Daily Double (6–6) Paid $7.60; Daily Double Pool $500.

$1 Consolation Daily Double (6–7) Paid $6.80.