FIRST RACE

Sam Houston

MARCH 14, 2026

1 MILE 70 YARDS. (1.40[2]) CLAIMING. Purse $11,000 (includes $9,000 Horse Industry Escrow Account) (PLUS UP TO $440 ATB) FOR TEXAS ACCREDITED THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Claiming Price $10,000, if for $7,500, allowed 2 lbs. (Clear. 76.)

Value of Race: $11,000 Winner $6,600; second $2,200; third $1,210; fourth $660; fifth $330. Mutuel Pool $6,224.00 Exacta Pool $2,215.00 Trifecta Pool $1,938.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Cl'g Pr	Odds $1
14Feb26 [1]Hou[2]	King of Grace	L	4	123	3	5	5	5	3[hd]	4[4]	1[1½]	Gonzalez E	10000	0.90
14Feb26 [1]Hou[4]	Mucho Macho Cam	b	5	121	4	2	2[1½]	2[1]	2[1]	1[1]	2[2]	Fuentes M	7500	3.90
20Feb26 [4]Hou[7]	First Cape	L	5	123	1	4	4[5]	3[1]	5	3[hd]	3[1¼]	Guerra R	10000	16.00
14Feb26 [1]Hou[3]	Bradix	L	5	123	2	1	1[½]	1[½]	1[hd]	2[hd]	4[6¾]	Diego I V	10000	1.60
7Mar26 [8]Hou[9]	Cause Im the King	L b	4	123	5	3	3[hd]	4[2½]	4[hd]	5	5	Rivera S	10000	14.60

OFF AT 1:01 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME : :24[2], :49, 1:14[4], 1:41[1], 1:45[2] (:24.58, :49.18, 1:14.85, 1:41.27, 1:45.45)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

3 – KING OF GRACE	**3.80**	**2.60**	**2.80**
5 – MUCHO MACHO CAM		**3.20**	**2.80**
1 – FIRST CAPE			**6.20**

$1 EXACTA 3–5 PAID $5.50 50 CENT TRIFECTA 3–5–1 PAID $9.90

Ch. g, (Jan), by King Zachary – Dynatap , by Tapit . Trainer Baldillez Jr Alejandro. Bred by Trinity West Stables Inc (Tex).

KING OF GRACE was devoid of early speed and trailed well behind the rest in the early going, advanced closer late on the backstretch run, navigated between horses through the far turn, swung out through an opening at the top of the stretch, and rallied, taking the lead inside the furlong marker to claim the top prize. MUCHO MACHO CAM stalked the pacesetter to the far turn, took a short lead in upper stretch, had no response when challenged by the eventual winner near the furlong marker but kept on to hold the place. FIRST CAPE settled inside behind the two setting the early pace, moved up to join them late in the backstretch, then was without a clear path through the far turn, got a clear run up the rail in the stretch, loomed in upper stretch but weakened in the final furlong. BRADIX made the early lead without getting much pressure, led the way through the first half-mile with MUCHO MACHO CAM a constant shadow to the outside, tried to respond when faced with a challenge near the quarter pole but was outfinished in the stretch. CAUSE IM THE KING was sent forward from the break, went three-wide into the clubhouse turn, settled in a tracking position in the second pair, made a mild three-wide bid late on the far turn but could not sustain the bid and faltered in the stretch.

Owners– 1, Pinkston Casey L; 2, Pullen Ken; 3, L and G Racing Stables; 4, Sykes Kenneth E; 5, Pinkston Casey L

Trainers– 1, Baldillez Jr Alejandro; 2, Love Alan; 3, Govea Cesar; 4, Padilla Carlos A; 5, Baldillez Jr Alejandro

Scratched– Heats Hero (21Feb26 [8]Hou[4])