NINTH RACE

Sam Houston

MARCH 28, 2026

6 FURLONGS. (1.08[4]) ALLOWANCE. Purse $34,500 (includes $30,000 Horse Industry Escrow Account) (PLUS UP TO $6,900 ATB) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER, OR STATE BRED ALLOWANCE OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non–winners Of A Race Since December 28, 2025 Allowed 2 lbs.

Value of Race: $34,500 Winner $20,580; second $6,860; third $3,773; fourth $2,058; fifth $1,029; sixth $100; seventh $100. Mutuel Pool $9,249.00 Exacta Pool $4,888.00 Trifecta Pool $4,123.00 Superfecta Pool $3,464.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
21Feb26 ^{7}Hou^{1}	Caribbean Dream	L bf	4	123	3	1	3 1½	1^{hd}	1^{2}	16½	Luzzi L J	3.20
7Mar26 ^{1}Hou^{2}	Tom Sawyer	L b	4	123	1	3	1^{hd}	2^{hd}	2^{1}	21¼	Elliott S	1.60
15Feb26 ^{3}Hou^{4}	Chivalrous	L	5	121	7	4	5^{1}	5^{1}	4 1½	3¾	Parker D L	3.80
7Mar26 ^{1}Hou^{3}	El Rojo Vivo	L bf	5	121	5	5	4^{3}	42½	3^{1}	41¼	Valdez-Jiminez E	6.80
6Feb26 ^{1}Hou^{5}	Essential Time	L b	3	119	4	6	6^{2}	62½	6^{3}	5^{5}	Diego I V	14.20
27Sep25 ^{9}PrM^{2}	Specialsortastorm	L	5	121	2	2	2^{1}	3^{hd}	5^{hd}	6¾	Gonzalez E	4.80
6Mar26 ^{4}Hou^{3}	Rarotonga	L bf	5	121	6	7	7	7	7	7	Guerra R	33.10

OFF AT 4:41 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :22[2], :45[2], :57[1], 1:10 (:22.40, :45.40, :57.39, 1:10.04)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

3 – CARIBBEAN DREAM	**8.40**	**4.00**	**2.60**
1 – TOM SAWYER		**3.20**	**2.40**
8 – CHIVALROUS			**2.80**

$1 EXACTA 3–1 PAID $13.10 50 CENT TRIFECTA 3–1–8 PAID $23.60 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 3–1–8–6 PAID $15.46

Gr/ro. c, (Jan), by Tapit – Golden Mischief, by Into Mischief. Trainer Gustafson Austin. Bred by Juddmonte (Ky).

CARIBBEAN DREAM stalked the pace three-wide, took command at the quarter pole, and went clear in the stretch under steady handling. TOM SAWYER broke well, dueled inside of a rival for the early lead, put a head in front passing the three-furlong pole, dug in when confronted by the eventual winner in upper stretch, then stayed on late to save the place. CHIVALROUS raced well off the early pace three-to-four wide, finished with some late interest and moved up to gain the third spot. EL ROJO VIVO tracked in mid-pack four-wide, moved up late on the turn to bid for the lead four-wide but flattened out. ESSENTIAL TIME dropped back after a level start and passed tired rivals in the stretch while mildly gaining. SPECIALSORTASTORM was briefly in front, then dueled outside of TOM SAWYER to the quarter pole and gave way. RAROTONGA was slow into stride and chased throughout.

Owners– 1, Honky Tonk Racing Gustafson Austin and Penn Family Racing; 2, West Gary V; 3, Judge Lanier Racing LLC and HP Drought and Company; 4, Spooky Business Stable LLC; 5, Duffy's Racing Stable LLC and Heider Racing Stables LLC; 6, Jorgensen James; 7, Century Acres Farm

Trainers– 1, Gustafson Austin; 2, Asmussen Steven M; 3, Cappellucci Dick; 4, Birzer Bonnie; 5, Pish Danny; 6, Ashford Tristan; 7, Hurley Tina R

Scratched– First Takela (03Sep25 ^{4}Cby^{6}), Chasing Coyotes (06Mar26 ^{4}Hou^{1})

$1 Pick Three (6–3–3) Paid $38.20; Pick Three Pool $317.

$1 Daily Double (3–3) Paid $5.90; Daily Double Pool $543.