**SECOND RACE**

# Sam Houston

**APRIL 3, 2026**

**1 MILE. ( Turf ) ( 1.34[4] ) ALLOWANCE . Purse $35,000 (PLUS UP TO $7,000 ATB) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER, RATINGS HANDICAP 65 AND LESS, STATE BRED ALLOWANCE OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non–winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since January 3, 2026 Allowed 2 lbs. (If this Race is moved to the main track, it will run at one mile and seventy yards).**

**Value of Race: $35,000 Winner $20,880; second $6,960; third $3,828; fourth $2,088; fifth $1,044; sixth $100; seventh $100. Mutuel Pool $8,259.00 Exacta Pool $2,671.00 Trifecta Pool $2,381.00 Superfecta Pool $1,838.00**

| Last Raced | Horse | M/Eqt. | A. | Wt | PP | St | ¼ | ½ | ¾ | Str | Fin | Jockey | Odds $1 |
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| 1Mar26 [8]Hou[5] | News At Nine | L | 6 | 121 | 7 | 3 | 3[2] | 3½ | 3[1] | 3½ | 1[no] | Alvarez J L | 3.60 |
| 1Mar26 [8]Hou[4] | Ruddy Buddy | | 5 | 121 | 2 | 5 | 5[1] | 5[1] | 5[1] | 5[hd] | 2[nk] | Fuentes M | 13.30 |
| 27Feb26 [8]Hou[5] | Executive Power | L | 5 | 121 | 6 | 1 | 2[1½] | 2[1] | 2[1] | 1[1] | 3[nk] | Parker D L | 7.60 |
| 27Feb26 [6]Hou[4] | Remember Big Jim | L b | 4 | 121 | 3 | 7 | 6[5] | 6[5] | 6[2½] | 6[3] | 4½ | Wethey Jr F | 4.90 |
| 1Mar26 [8]Hou[2] | Trevaggio | L | 4 | 123 | 5 | 4 | 4[2½] | 4[hd] | 4½ | 4[1] | 5[4¾] | Luzzi L J | *2.50 |
| 1Mar26 [8]Hou[3] | Gold Prize | L | 7 | 123 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 6[nk] | Diego I V | 9.70 |
| 15Mar26 [5]Hou[1] | Initialize | L | 5 | 121 | 4 | 2 | 1[1] | 1[1] | 1[hd] | 2[hd] | 7 | Elliott S | 2.50 |

***–Actual Betting Favorite.**

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

**TIME : :23, :47[1], 1:11[1], 1:23[3], 1:36[2] ( :23.03, :47.38, 1:11.25, 1:23.64, 1:36.58 )**

## $2 Mutuel Prices:

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| **8 – NEWS AT NINE** | **9.20** | **5.80** | **4.00** |
| **3 – RUDDY BUDDY** | | **11.40** | **5.40** |
| **7 – EXECUTIVE POWER** | | | **4.60** |

**$1 EXACTA 8–3 PAID $48.50 50 CENT TRIFECTA 8–3–7 PAID $201.50 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 8–3–7–4 PAID $311.49**

**B. g, (Apr), by English Channel – Model by Artie , by Artie Schiller . Trainer Calhoun William Bret. Bred by Prairie Valley Farms (Ky).**

NEWS AT NINE pulled hard from the break but was held up in a tracking position behind the leading pair, raced close up three-wide, swung out five-wide into the stretch, put in a good finish down the middle of the course under strong handling, got a nose in front late, and got a favorable nod to win in a tight finish. RUDDY BUDDY settled near the back and saved ground tor the first half, moved out four-wide on the far turn, advanced into contention, then finished well under strong handling and just missed. EXECUTIVE POWER vied for the lead two wide into the first turn, then backed off to a tracking position up the backstretch, moved up to challenge for the lead midway through the far turn, took the lead with a furlong to run but came up short in a blanket finish. REMEMBER BIG JIM raced at the rear of the main pack, launched a late bid from the quarter pole, closed ground, and just missed. TREVAGGIO raced in the middle of the pack, saved ground through the far turn, was finishing up well, but could not find a clear path in the late stages. GOLD PRIZE was unhurried and trailed early, dropped far behind, regained contact on the far turn, then came running late, but only managed to pass one. INITIALIZE sprinted to the lead, led all the way to the stretch, then gave way with about a furlong to go. THE JOCKEY ON .6 TREVAGGO LODGED A CLAIM OF FOUL AGAINST THE WINNER .8 NEWS AT NINE. AFTER A REVIEW THE STEWARDS DISALLOWED THE OBJECTION AND THE ORINGAL RESULTS WERE MADE OFFIFCIAL.

**Owners–** 1, Juckette Linda; 2, Marks Michael G; 3, Scattered Acres LLC; 4, Jamison Stephen; 5, Duffy's Racing Stable LLC Heider Racing Stables LLC and Childers Premier Investments; 6, Diamond W Racing Stable; 7, Brewster Clark O

**Trainers–** 1, Calhoun William Bret; 2, Werneth Robert A; 3, Willis Mindy; 4, Cappellucci Dick; 5, Pish Danny; 6, Jacks Karen E; 7, Asmussen Steven M

**Scratched–** Texian Devil ( 20Mar26 [5]Hou[4] )

**$1 Daily Double (3–8) Paid $79.40 ; Daily Double Pool $672 .**