EIGHTH RACE

Keeneland

APRIL 16, 2026

1 1/16 MILES. (1.40[3]) STARTER ALLOWANCE. Purse $73,000 FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF $25,000 OR LESS SINCE DECEMBER 16, 2024. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races At A Mile Or Over Since February 16 Allowed 3 lbs. Such A Race Since Then Allowed 5 lbs. (Races Where Entered For $20,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances).

Value of Race: $72,700 Winner $44,129; second $14,235; third $7,118; fourth $3,559; fifth $2,135; sixth $912; seventh $612. Mutuel Pool $311,447.00 Exacta Pool $159,783.00 Trifecta Pool $79,113.00 Superfecta Pool $58,902.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
6Mar26 [8]FG[1]	Awesome Ruta	L	5	120	6	1	2 1½	2½	2 1½	1 1½	1 1¼	Ortiz J L	1.12
27Feb26 [3]SA[2]	Trusty Rusty	L bf	6	118	1	7	3 hd	4 2	3½	2 2	2 4	Hernandez J J	3.58
11Mar26 [8]TP[1]	Evening News	L bf	5	118	5	4	1½	1½	1 hd	3 2½	3 no	Villarreal O	19.59
21Mar26 [6]TP[6]	Goes the Clown	L b	5	118	4	3	7	7	7	4 hd	4 1¾	Leparoux J R	25.42
7Mar26 [9]TP[6]	Time for Trouble	L b	9	118	7	2	5½	6½	6 1½	6 4½	5 2	Torres J A	7.90
20Mar26 [8]OP[4]	American Law	L bf	8	118	3	6	4 1½	3½	4 2½	5½	6 22¼	Gaffalione T	3.83
6Mar26 [8]FG[3]	Liar's Poker	L b	6	118	2	5	6½	5 1	5 hd	7	7	Concepcion A	9.30

OFF AT 4:51 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :24[1], :48[2], 1:12[4], 1:38[2], 1:45[1] (:24.27, :48.51, 1:12.87, 1:38.44, 1:45.39)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

8 – AWESOME RUTA	**4.24**	**2.56**	**2.30**
1 – TRUSTY RUSTY		**3.54**	**2.54**
7 – EVENING NEWS			**6.74**

$1 EXACTA 8–1 PAID $5.72 50 CENT TRIFECTA 8–1–7 PAID $28.49 50 CENT SUPERFECTA 8–1–7–6 PAID $115.60

B. h, (Feb), by Mendelssohn – Awesome Prayer, by Awesome Again. Trainer Sharp Joe. Bred by Brian Levings (Ky).

AWESOME RUTA pressed the leader from the three path, vied in the two path around the far turn, led leaving the quarter pole as an outer rival took aim then held sway from that pursuer through the final furlong. TRUSTY RUSTY stalked along the inside, then from the three path around the far turn, took aim outside of the top pair nearing the lane but was kept at bay thereafter. EVENING NEWS brushed with an inner foe at the start, set the pace near the inside as the eventual winner prompted, vied with that one around the far turn, got headed at the quarter pole, gave way thereafter yet saved show at the wire. GOES THE CLOWN brushed with an outer foe leaving the gate, trailed in the three path, shifted out to the five path entering the lane then ran on willingly to miss show. TIME FOR TROUBLE settled off of the pace in the four path, took the far turn in the two path and failed to factor. AMERICAN LAW tracked from the three to four path, chased around the far turn and faded. LIAR'S POKER settled in the two to three path, saved ground around the far turn, but weakened and was eased through the lane.

Owners– 1, Baron Racing Stables (Dwight D Baron); 2, Paradise Farms Corp; 3, San Jose Racing Stable LLC; 4, Maharaj Chevan; 5, Wargel William J Maxis Stable and Foster Family Racing; 6, Flying P Stable; 7, Elkin Family Racing LLC

Trainers– 1, Sharp Joe; 2, Hess R B Jr; 3, Andrade Hugo; 4, Hess R B Jr; 5, Foster Eric; 6, Shaffer Sarah E; 7, Londono Genevieve

Scratched– Carolo Rapido (06Mar26 6OP ©), Clooney (08Feb26 2SA ¦)

$1 Pick Three (1–8–8) Paid $45.84; Pick Three Pool $38,100.
$1 Daily Double (8–8) Paid $5.51; Daily Double Pool $64,432.
$1 Consolation Pick 3 (1–8–5) Paid $13.18.
$1 Consolation Daily Double (8–5) Paid $2.31.