EIGHTH RACE

Lone Star

MAY 25, 2026

1 1/16 MILES. (1.40[2]) TEXAS DERBY Purse $300,000 (PLUS UP TO $15,000 Open ATB) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS. No nomination fee. $1,500 due at time of entry. Starters to pay an additional $1,500. Supplemental nominations may be made at time of entry in the amount of $4,500 and shall include all fees. After payment of 1.5% of the purse to all owners finishing sixth through last, 60% of the remaining purse shall be paid to the winning owner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth, and 3% to fifth. If less than five horses start, the remaining purse will be distributed to the winning owner.Weights: 124 lbs. First preference will be given to highest lifetime earnings in order Grade I, II, III Stakes. Second preference to highest lifetime earnings. Lifetime earnings will be determined according to statistics provided by Equibase. This race wiill be limited to fourteen starters. Horses not drawing a starting position in the gate will receive a refund of the entry fee. Starters to be named through the entry box by the usual time of closing. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner.

Value of Race: $300,000 Winner $177,300; second $59,100; third $32,505; fourth $17,730; fifth $8,865; sixth $4,500. Mutuel Pool $109,377.00 Exacta Pool $44,504.00 Trifecta Pool $14,859.00 Superfecta Pool $6,853.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
26Mar26 [8]OP[1]	Desert Gate	L b	3	124	5	3	2[3]	1 1/2	1 3/2	1 4 1/2	1 6 1/4	Ortiz I Jr	0.20
18Apr26 [6]OP[2]	Chad Allan		3	124	6	5	5 1 1/2	5 3 1/2	3[hd]	2 1 1/2	2[no]	Ortiz J L	5.50
1May26 [2]OP[3]	Maximum Effort	L b	3	124	1	6	4[2]	4 1 1/2	5[5]	3 1/2	3 1 1/4	Asmussen E	8.50
5Apr26 [10]Sun[1]	Avery Place	L	3	124	3	4	6	6	6	5 1 1/2	4 9 1/4	Juarez A J Jr	22.70
5Apr26 [10]Sun[3]	Zilarro	L	3	124	2	1	3[3]	3 3 1/2	2[1]	4 1 1/2	5 3 1/2	Elliott S	25.40
2May26 [3]OP[4]	Vintage Cowboy	L	3	124	4	2	1[hd]	2[3]	4[hd]	6	6	Vazquez R A	11.70

OFF AT 4:58 Start Good. Won handily. Track fast.

TIME :23[2], :47[2], 1:12[2], 1:37[3], 1:44[2] (:23.49, :47.54, 1:12.45, 1:37.69, 1:44.53)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

5 – DESERT GATE	2.40	2.10	2.10
6 – CHAD ALLAN		2.60	2.10
1 – MAXIMUM EFFORT			2.40

$2 EXACTA 5–6 PAID $5.00 50 CENT TRIFECTA 5–6–1 PAID $3.15 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 5–6–1–3 PAID $1.52

Ch. c, (Mar), by Omaha Beach – Theogony, by Curlin. Trainer Baffert Bob. Bred by Twin Oaks Bloodstock (Ky).

DESERT GATE forwardly placed away from the start, contested the early pace then took command into the backstretch, made his own pace to the far turn then was in hand to upper stretch, given a pair of reminder taps of the crop through the lane, held sway to the final sixteenth, geared down late. CHAD ALLAN settled to the first turn while outside of rivals, coaxed two wide to the half, advanced three wide at the quarter marker, could not impact the winner into the stretch and saved second. MAXIMUM EFFORT allowed to settle away from the start, saved ground to the backstretch run, kept an inside path to the far turn then was caught in a bit of traffic at the quarter marker, found room along the rail into the stretch, could not muster a final response and just missed for second, while holding for third. AVERY PLACE bobbled then was shuffled back a bit at the start and was last away from the gate, unhurried to the backstretch, trailed to the far turn, swung widest to upper stretch, made a mild bid while widest to the final sixteenth and was outkicked for the minor awards. ZILARRO was prominent away from the start then took back to the first turn, tracked the leading pair two to three wide nearing the half-mile marker, shifted to the rail into the far turn and chased to the quarter marker, could not keep pace with the winner into upper stretch and weakened. VINTAGE COWBOY away in good order, showed good early speed and contested the pace from the inside heading into the first turn, was rank and hard to handle while inside of DESERT GATE then ceded the lead to that foe into the backstretch, stalked the pace two wide to the half-mile, gave chase into the far turn, lacked the needed response at the quarter marker then tired in the stretch.

Owners– 1, Pegram & Watson & Weitman; 2, Gentry Farms (AP Gentry); 3, Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC; 4, Judge Lanier Racing LLC and HP Drought and Company; 5, Gase Benjamin; 6, BC Stables LLC

Trainers– 1, Baffert Bob; 2, Young Bob; 3, Asmussen Steven M; 4, Cappellucci Dick; 5, Asmussen Steven M; 6, Asmussen Steven M