EIGHTH RACE

Santa Anita

MAY 31, 2026

7 FURLONGS. (1.19³) TRIPLE BEND S. Grade III. Purse $100,000 FOR THREE–YEAR–OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of $100 each if made on or before Sunday, May 17, 2026, closed with 11 or by Supplementary nomination of $2,000 due at time of entry. $750 to enter and an additional $750 to start with $100,000 guaranteed of which $60,000 to the winner, $20,000 to second, $12,000 to third, $6,000 to fourth and $2,000 to fifth. Three–Year–Olds 118 lbs. Older 126 lbs. Non–Winners of a Graded Stake allowed 2 lbs. Non–Winners of a Sweepstakes allowed 4 lbs. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner.

Value of Race: $100,000 Winner $60,000; second $20,000; third $12,000; fourth $6,000; fifth $2,000. Mutuel Pool $319,002.00 Exacta Pool $101,569.00 Trifecta Pool $76,870.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
17Apr26 ^{9}OP^{1}	Stronghold		5	126	5	2	2^{hd}	2^{1}	1^{1}	1$^{2\frac{1}{2}}$	Fresu A	0.50
7Mar26 ^{2}SA^{1}	Simple Song	b	4	122	4	4	1$^{\frac{1}{2}}$	1^{1}	2^{2}	2$^{1\frac{1}{4}}$	Kimura K	6.50
10May26 ^{9}SA^{9}	Bartholdy	b	5	122	2	3	4$^{\frac{1}{2}}$	4^{hd}	4$^{\frac{1}{2}}$	3$^{1\frac{1}{4}}$	Baze T C	7.30
7Dec24 ^{2}^{0}HC H^{1}	The Goat-Chi		5	126	3	1	3^{2}	3$^{\frac{1}{2}}$	3$^{\frac{1}{2}}$	4^{1}	Jaramillo E	3.70
10May26 ^{8}SA^{1}	The Last Straw	b	4	122	1	5	5	5	5	5	Smith M E	13.60

OFF AT 4:33 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :21^{4}, :44^{1}, 1:08^{2}, 1:21^{1} (:21.88, :44.31, 1:08.53, 1:21.36)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

5 – STRONGHOLD	**3.00**	**2.10**	**2.10**
4 – SIMPLE SONG		**4.00**	**2.80**
2 – BARTHOLDY			**2.40**

$1 EXACTA 5–4 PAID $5.50 $1 TRIFECTA 5–4–2 PAID $13.20

B. h, (Jan), by Ghostzapper – Spectator , by Jimmy Creed . Trainer D'Amato Philip. Bred by Eric Waller & Sharon Waller (Ky).

STRONGHOLD followed closely from outside up the backstretch, applied pressure to SIMPLE SONG midway around the turn, fought on even terms entering the lane, put SIMPLE SONG away in upper stretch and remained strong under right handed urging and steady handling. SIMPLE SONG raced up close keenly in hand then moved clear to take control, took pressure from STRONG HOLD at the five-sixteenths pole, dueled leaving the turn, yielded to the winner in upper stretch and stayed on to secure second. BARTHOLDY tracked off the rail then between rivals leaving the backstretch, asked in the two path through the turn and finished evenly to earn the show honors. THE GOAT (CHI) away quickest and led for a bit before ceding command to SIMPLE SONG, chased from inside to the stretch and weakened in the drive. THE LAST STRAW unhurried in the opening stages and angled off the inside, followed in range three deep into the turn, remained in the three path to the stretch and weakened.

Owners– 1, Waller Eric M and Waller Sharon; 2, Muir Hut Stables LLC; 3, Haagsma John R Knapp Steve R and Vanderdussen Robert John; 4, Don Alberto Stable and Paola Stable; 5, Spendthrift Farm LLC

Trainers– 1, D'Amato Philip; 2, Glatt Mark; 3, Knapp Steve; 4, Sadler John W; 5, Mandella Richard

$2 Daily Double (5–5) Paid $7.20 ; Daily Double Pool $37,170 .
$1 Pick Three (1–5–5) Paid $21.20 ; Pick Three Pool $36,586 .