

DEL MAR - August 24, 2025 - Race 8

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON \$21,000 TWICE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OR
STARTER OR STATE BRED OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE \$100,000. Three Year Olds,
121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races Since May 24 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since Then Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price
\$100,000 (Maiden Races And Claiming Races Races For \$50,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances) (Non-Starters For A
Claiming Price Of \$25,000 Or Less In The Last 2 Starts Preferred). (NW2\$ X) **Claiming Price: \$100,000**
Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (King of Cricket - 1:07.60 - August 22, 1973)

Purse: \$82,000
Plus: \$24,600 CBOIF - California Bred Owner Fund
Plus: \$1,500 Other Sources
Available Money: \$108,100

Value of Race: \$83,500 1st \$49,200, 2nd \$16,400, 3rd \$9,840, 4th \$4,920, 5th \$1,640, 6th \$500, 7th \$500, 8th \$500
Weather: Cloudy, 75° **Track:** Fast
Off at: 5:35 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
2Aug25 ⁸ DMR ¹	11	Awesome Rhythm (Ayuso, Armando)	122 L b	8	2	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹ /2	1 ¹ 1/4	4.50	duel outsd, edged clear
18Jul25 ⁶ DMR ⁵	8	Elwood Blues (Kimura, Kazushi)	120 L b	6	4	6 ² 1/2	7 ²	6 ² 1/2	2 ¹ /2	5.10	bobbled, 5-7w, up for 2nd
4Apr25 ⁷ SA ³	4	Kingdom Heart (Desormeaux, Kent)	120 L b	2	3	5 ^{Head}	3 ¹ /2	2 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/4	13.00	ins, bid 4w, turned away
28Jun25 ⁹ CD ⁸	2	Red Flag (Rispoli, Umberto)	120 L	1	8	7 ¹ /2	6 ¹	3 ¹ /2	4 ² 1/4	4.00	gained 2wd, flattened
16Mar24 ⁸ SA ²	6	Ghost of Midnight (Fresu, Antonio)	120 L b	4	6	3 ^{Head}	4 ¹ /2	4 ^{Head}	5 ⁴ 3/4	2.70*	stalked 3-5wd, weakened
4May25 ⁹ SA ⁷	5	Ga Mo Tak (CHI) (Painen Berrios, Rodrigo)	120 L b	3	7	8	8	8	6 ¹ 1/4	51.60	3wd, angled in turn
20Jul25 ¹⁰ DMR ⁶	7	Tapalo (Berrios, Hector)	120 L b	5	5	4 ¹ /2	5 ^{Head}	7 ¹	7 ¹ /2	3.80	stalked, 4-6wd, tired
10Nov24 ⁴ AQU ⁹	10	Tall Paul (Van Dyke, Drayden)	120 L b	7	1	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	5 ^{Head}	8	11.10	dueled inside, folded

Fractional Times: 21.77 44.39 56.57 **Final Time:** 1:08.85
Split Times: (22:62) (12:18) (12:28)
Run-Up: 45 feet

Winner: Awesome Rhythm, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by First Samurai out of Heavenly Candy, by Candy Ride (ARG). Foaled Feb 11, 2019 in Kentucky.
Breeder: Lawrence T. Jett & Ann L. Jett
Owner: Rafael Gutierrez
Trainer: Garcia, Victor

Claiming Prices: 8 - Elwood Blues: \$100,000; 2 - Red Flag: \$100,000; 6 - Ghost of Midnight: \$100,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Drop Um (Veterinarian), Hejazi (Veterinarian), Manitowish (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$352,399

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
11	Awesome Rhythm	11.00	5.60	4.20	\$1.00 Exacta	11-8	27.50	174,317
8	Elwood Blues		6.40	4.40	\$2.00 Quinella	8-11	24.00	9,451
4	Kingdom Heart			5.80	\$0.50 Trifecta	11-8-4	112.35	85,945
					\$0.10 Superfecta	11-8-4-2	63.15	56,971
					\$2.00 Daily Double	1-11	696.80	56,241
					\$0.50 Pick 3	10-1-11 (3 correct)	151.90	47,191
					\$0.50 Consolation Pick 3	10-1-1 (3 correct)	28.20	0
					\$2.00 Consolation Double	1-1	35.40	0

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
11	Awesome Rhythm	2	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹ /2	1 ¹ 1/4
8	Elwood Blues	4	6 ² 1/4	7 ³ 3/4	6 ² 3/4	2 ¹ 1/4
4	Kingdom Heart	3	5 ² 1/4	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ /2	3 ¹ 3/4
2	Red Flag	8	7 ⁴ 3/4	6 ² 3/4	3 ²	4 ³
6	Ghost of Midnight	6	3 ¹ 1/2	4 ²	4 ² 1/2	5 ⁵ 1/4
5	Ga Mo Tak (CHI)	7	8 ⁵ 1/4	8 ⁵ 3/4	8 ⁶ 1/4	6 ¹⁰
7	Tapalo	5	4 ¹ 3/4	5 ² 1/2	7 ⁵ 1/4	7 ¹¹ 1/4
10	Tall Paul	1	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	5 ² 1/2	8 ¹¹ 3/4

Trainers: 11 - Garcia, Victor; 8 - Glatt, Mark; 4 - Cerin, Vladimir; 2 - Hess, Jr., Robert; 6 - Glatt, Mark; 5 - Polanco, Marcelo; 7 - Sadler, John; 10 - Baffert, Bob

Owners: 11 -Rafael Gutierrez; 8 - Saints or Sinners and Agnew, Dan J.; 4 - Wilson, Holly and Wilson, David; 2 - Duke Perry Stable, White Fence LLC, Larry S. Buckendorf, and Jeffrey Lambert; 6 - Kirkwood, Allan K. and Kirkwood, Sandra S.; 5 - Sumaya U.S Stable; 7 - Hronis Racing LLC; 10 - Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

AWESOME RHYTHM dueled from outside, led three wide into the lane, held a short lead over KINGDOM HEART midstretch and edged clear in the final sixteenth. ELWOOD BLUES bobbled leaving the gate, chased five wide into the turn, seven wide into the lane, finished well and got up for second. KINGDOM HEART stalked along the inside into the turn, angled out and bid four wide into the lane outside the top pair, fought outside the winner to midstretch, got turned away in the final sixteenth and lost second. RED FLAG unhurried in the early going, gained two wide through the turn without being asked, given his cue in upper stretch and flattened out in the late stages. GHOST OF MIDNIGHT stalked off the rail, three wide into the turn, exited the bend in the five path and weakened. GA MO TAK (CHI) coaxed along outside a rival at the back, trailed three wide leaving the backstretch, cut to the inside quickly, hugged the rail to the stretch and failed to menace. TAPALO stalked three deep early, went four wide into the turn, six wide into the lane and tired. TALL PAUL dueled inside AWESOME RHYTHM up the backstretch and around the turn, fought in the two path turning for home, yielded in upper stretch and gave way.

