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**FAIR GROUNDS - March 6, 2026 - Race 8**

STARTER ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$30,000 OR LESS IN 2024 - 2026. Weight, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races At A Mile Or Over On The Turf Since January 6 Allowed 2 lbs. Such A Race Since Then Allowed 4 lbs. (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at One Mile and One Sixteenth.) (Rail at 21 feet). ( C ) **Claiming Price:** \$30,000 - \$0

**Distance:** One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Explosive Bid - 1:42.40 - January 13, 1983)

**Purse:** \$35,000

**Includes:** \$6,000 Other Sources

**Plus:** \$4,000 ALBSS-Accredited LA Bred Slot Supplement

**Available Money:** \$39,000

**Value of Race:** \$35,000 1st \$21,000, 2nd \$7,000, 3rd \$3,850, 4th \$2,100, 5th \$1,050

**Weather:** Cloudy, 82° **Track:** Firm

**Off at:** 4:21 **Start:** Good for all except 6 **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
12Dec25 <sup>8</sup> RP <sup>1</sup>	10	Awesome Ruta (Ortiz, Jose)	120	L	9	7	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	6.10	well handled,held sway
19Feb26 <sup>4</sup> FG <sup>1</sup>	4	Calibrate (Hernandez, Harry)	122	L b	3	1	3 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	4.50	ins,angl 3w,up for 2nd
7Feb26 <sup>4</sup> FG <sup>4</sup>	7	Liar's Poker (Vives, Sofia)	120	L b	6	4	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	5.30	stalk 2w,yielded lane
7Feb26 <sup>4</sup> FG <sup>2</sup>	6	Write Off Jerry (Curtis, Ben)	120	L	5	8	9	7 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	3.30*	sqzd st,4-5w,evenly
7Feb26 <sup>4</sup> FG <sup>3</sup>	2	Sabi (Mudd, Jamison)	117	L b	1	2	6 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	5 <sup>Neck</sup>	3.90	well placed,no rally
20Feb26 <sup>7</sup> DED <sup>2</sup>	9	Mr McGregor (Dominguez, Joel)	120	L	8	3	5 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1/2</sup>	6 <sup>1/2</sup>	6 <sup>3/4</sup>	27.70	ins-2w,no late kick
7Feb26 <sup>4</sup> FG <sup>5</sup>	8	Risk Manager (Hernandez, Jr., Brian)	120	L b	7	9	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	6.10	2-3w,asked 4w,weakened
29Jan26 <sup>4</sup> FG <sup>1</sup>	5	Contemplation (Pedroza, Jr., Marcelino)	122	L b	4	5	7 <sup>1/2</sup>	8 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>2</sup>	8 <sup>3</sup>	8 <sup>5 3/4</sup>	16.90	2-3w,swung 6wd,no bid
17Jan26 <sup>1</sup> FG <sup>4</sup>	3	Next Level (Graham, James)	120	L b	2	6	8 <sup>1/2</sup>	9	9	9	9	13.50	bit tight early,no bid

**Fractional Times:** 24.60 49.16 1:14.02 1:37.84

**Final Time:** 1:44.21

**Split Times:** (24:56) (24:86) (23:82) (6:37)

**Run-Up:** 242 feet **Temporary Rail:** 21 feet

**Winner:** Awesome Ruta, Bay Horse, by Mendelssohn out of Awesome Prayer, by Awesome Again. Foaled Feb 04, 2021 in Kentucky.

**Breeder:** Brian Levings

**Owner:** Baron Racing Stables (Dwight D. Baron)

**Trainer:** Sharp, Joe

**Scratched Horse(s):** Great Escape (Veterinarian), National Eclipse (Main-Track-Only)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$161,282

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
10	Awesome Ruta	14.20	7.40	5.60	\$1.00 Exacta	10-4	35.70	124,614
4	Calibrate		6.00	4.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	10-4-7	104.20	66,612
7	Liar's Poker			5.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	10-4-7-6	104.96	43,414
					\$0.50 Pick 3	7-4-10 (3 correct)	683.10	10,023
					\$1.00 Daily Double	4-10	59.20	10,935

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
10	Awesome Ruta	7	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>2 1/2</sup>
4	Calibrate	1	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>2 1/2</sup>
7	Liar's Poker	4	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>
6	Write Off Jerry	8	9 <sup>3 1/4</sup>	7 <sup>5</sup>	6 <sup>4</sup>	7 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>5 3/4</sup>
2	Sabi	2	6 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>6 1/4</sup>
9	Mr McGregor	3	5 <sup>2</sup>	6 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>5</sup>	6 <sup>6</sup>	6 <sup>6 1/2</sup>
8	Risk Manager	9	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>6</sup>	7 <sup>7 1/4</sup>
5	Contemplation	5	7 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	8 <sup>6</sup>	8 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>8 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>9</sup>
3	Next Level	6	8 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	9 <sup>7 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>7 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>11 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>14 3/4</sup>

**Trainers:** 10 - Sharp, Joe; 4 - Diodoro, Robertino; 7 - Londono, Genevieve; 6 - Sharp, Joe; 2 - Schwandt, Emile; 9 - Cano, Juan; 8 - Maker, Michael; 5 - Stidham, Michael; 3 - Desormeaux, J.

**Owners:** 10 - Baron Racing Stables (Dwight D. Baron); 4 - Diodoro, Robertino, Exelby, Randy and Mayo, Tom; 7 - Elkin Family Racing, LLC; 6 -Larry J. Romero; 2 -Vincent Provenza; 9 -Juan Munoz Cano; 8 -Case Chambers; 5 - JJE Thoroughbreds, LLC; 3 - Don't Tell My Wife Stables 2022, LLC;

**Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)**

AWESOME RUTA broke alertly, sent for the early lead, set modest fractions while well handled to the quarter pole, held sway through lane and kept to task late. CALIBRATE tracked inside, well placed to the half, angled three wide upper stretch, could not impact the winner late but was up in time for second. LIAR'S POKER broke in, recovered and stalked pace to the backstretch, chased the winner into upper stretch, yielded in the final furlong, was outfinished for second and clear for third. WRITE OFF JERRY squeezed start, settled outside of rivals to the backstretch, swung four to five wide upper stretch, evenly late. SABI rated inside, well placed to the half, asked two wide upper, no late rally. MR MCGREGOR settled mid-pack, saved ground to the far turn, shifted two wide for the drive, no late rally. RISK MANAGER tracked outside, coaxed two to three wide to the half, chased four wide to upper stretch, weakened lane. CONTEMPLATION bumped at the start, settled two to three wide to the backstretch, swung six wide upper, no threat late. NEXT LEVEL caught a bit in tight to the first turn, settled into the backstretch and trailed to the half, no factor late.