

SAM HOUSTON RACE PARK - January 4, 2026 - Race 4

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO \$1,320 ATB) FOR TEXAS ACCREDITED MAIDENS, THREE, FOUR, AND FIVE YEARS OLD. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For A Claiming Price Of Less Than \$25,000 in their last 3 starts).
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Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt Current Track Record: (Bucharest - 1:08.91 - May 11, 1994)

Purse: \$33,000

Plus: \$7,000 TTA - TX Thoroughbred Assoc.

Available Money: \$40,000

Value of Race: \$40,000 1st \$23,820, 2nd \$7,940, 3rd \$4,367, 4th \$2,382, 5th \$1,191, 6th \$100, 7th \$100, 8th \$100

Weather: Clear, 63° Track: Fast

Off at: 2:27 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 |
|---------------------------------------|-----|--|-----|-----|----|-------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------|------------------------|
| 13Jul25 ⁸ LS ³ | 8 | Grind Jim (Valdez-Jiminez, Ernesto) | 123 | L b | 7 | 3 | ⁶ Head | ⁵ 2 | ³ 1/2 | ¹ 1 1/4 | 8.90 | bid 3-4w,rallied,up |
| 13Jul25 ⁸ LS ⁵ | 2 | Curly's One Thing (Elliott, Stewart) | 123 | L | 2 | 6 | ¹ Head | ² 2 | ² 1/2 | ² 1 | 2.40 | stp slw,led 1/16,game |
| 22Nov25 ² DED ² | 4 | Fiftyshadesofnauti (Wethey Jr., Floyd) | 123 | L b | 4 | 5 | ² 1/2 | ¹ 1/2 | ¹ Head | ³ 1 1/4 | 3.60 | duel pace 3-2w,yielded |
| 11Dec25 ¹ RP ³ | 6 | Roman Eagle (Cabrera, David) | 123 | L b | 6 | 1 | ⁵ 2 | ⁴ 1 | ⁴ 3 | ⁴ 4 1/4 | 6.70 | 2w-ins,gain,flattened |
| 12Sep25 ⁶ RP ³ | 5 | Drama King (Figueroa, Cerapio) | 123 | L b | 5 | 2 | ⁴ Head | ⁶ 2 | ⁶ 3 | ⁵ 2 1/4 | 22.70 | well placed,weakened |
| 22Nov25 ⁶ RP ² | 1 | Charlie Dont Surf (Gonzalez, Elvin) | 123 | L h | 1 | 8 | ³ 2 1/2 | ³ Head | ⁵ 2 | ⁶ 6 3/4 | 1.70* | off slow,rushed,tired |
| 22Jun25 ⁶ LS ⁵ | 9 | Heckamighty (Wiseman, Isaiah) | 123 | L b | 8 | 4 | ⁷ 1 1/2 | ⁷ 5 | ⁷ 5 | ⁷ 10 1/4 | 15.50 | coaxed 3-4w,no threat |
| 19Jul25 ⁶ GIL ⁷ | 3 | Hank Ridge (Pena, Brayan) | 123 | L b | 3 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 45.70 | settled,no factor |

Fractional Times: 22.81 46.27 59.24

Final Time: 1:12.95

Split Times: (23:46) (12:97) (13:71)

Run-Up: 38 feet

Winner: Grind Jim, Bay Gelding, by Ghurair out of Bumfoojalum, by Grindstone. Foaled Feb 12, 2022 in Texas.

Breeder: Jaime Castellanos

Owner: Darrell W. Bravenec

Trainer: Castellanos, Jaime

Scratched Horse(s): Transom Bay (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$8,667

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Show | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool | Carryover |
|-----|--------------------|-------|-------|------|-----------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|-----------|
| 8 | Grind Jim | 19.80 | 8.20 | 5.00 | \$1.00 Daily Double | 2-ALL | 2.40 | 147 | |
| 2 | Curly's One Thing | | 5.00 | 3.40 | \$1.00 Daily Double | ALL-8 | 18.90 | 0 | |
| 4 | Fiftyshadesofnauti | | | 4.00 | \$1.00 Exacta | 8-2 | 46.80 | 4,008 | |
| | | | | | \$0.50 Trifecta | 8-2-4 | 91.20 | 3,011 | |
| | | | | | \$0.10 Superfecta | 8-2-4-6 | 55.32 | 2,506 | |
| | | | | | \$1.00 Pick 3 | 5-2-8 (3 correct) | 350.20 | 248 | |
| | | | | | \$1.00 Consolation | 2-7 | 4.30 | 0 | |
| | | | | | Double | | | | |
| | | | | | \$0.20 Z-5 Super Hi-5 | 8-2-4-6-5 | | 133 | 248 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | Str | Fin |
|-----|--------------------|-------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 8 | Grind Jim | 3 | ⁶ 5 1/4 | ⁵ 3 1/2 | ³ 1/2 | ¹ 1 1/4 |
| 2 | Curly's One Thing | 6 | ¹ Head | ² 1/2 | ² Head | ² 1 1/4 |
| 4 | Fiftyshadesofnauti | 5 | ² Head | ¹ 1/2 | ¹ Head | ³ 2 1/4 |
| 6 | Roman Eagle | 1 | ⁵ 3 1/4 | ⁴ 2 1/2 | ⁴ 1 | ⁴ 3 1/2 |
| 5 | Drama King | 2 | ⁴ 3 | ⁶ 5 1/2 | ⁶ 6 | ⁵ 7 3/4 |
| 1 | Charlie Dont Surf | 8 | ³ 1/2 | ³ 2 1/2 | ⁵ 4 | ⁶ 10 |
| 9 | Heckamighty | 4 | ⁷ 5 1/4 | ⁷ 7 1/2 | ⁷ 9 | ⁷ 16 3/4 |
| 3 | Hank Ridge | 7 | ⁸ 6 3/4 | ⁸ 12 1/2 | ⁸ 14 | ⁸ 27 |

Trainers: 8 - Castellanos, Jaime; 2 - Asmussen, Steven; 4 - Knudsen, Kent; 6 - Gustafson, Austin; 5 - Eoff, Terry; 1 - Willis, Mindy; 9 - Rodriguez, Adan; 3 - Kotara, Ronald

Owners: 8 -Darrell W. Bravenec; 2 -Tyree J. Wolesensky; 4 - The Good, Bad and Nauti Racing Stable; 6 -Austin Gustafson; 5 - Evans, Johnny B. and Eoff, Terry; 1 - Rebel Society LLC; 9 -Adan Sebastian Rodriguez; 3 -Ronald Kotara;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

GRIND JIM allowed to settle in the early stages, roused at the three-eighths marker, bid three then four wide to upper stretch, rallied while on the left lead nearing the final sixteenth, took command in deep stretch and held safely at the wire for the win. CURLY'S ONE THING broke a step slowly, was sent to contest the early pace from between rivals, dueled from the inside into the turn, battled into upper stretch and took a narrow lead inside of the furlong pole, fought gamely to the final sixteenth, was outfinished in deep stretch and held safely late for second. FIFTYSHADESOFNAUTI hustled to contest the early pace, disputed the pace three wide along the backstretch, dueled outside of CURLY'S ONE THING into the turn then continued to battle that rival into upper stretch, yielded in the final sixteenth and held safely at the wire for third. ROMAN EAGLE rated off of the early pace, settled two wide to the turn, chased two wide to the quarter pole then ran in pursuit into the stretch, shifted to the rail and gained ground at the furlong pole, could not sustain his run to the final sixteenth and flattened out late. DRAMA KING was away in good order and vied for the early lead, took back along the backstretch run and saved ground into the turn, was well placed into the bend then lost ground nearing the quarter pole, lacked the needed response into upper stretch and weakened in the drive. CHARLIE DONT SURF broke a bit slowly then rushed up in the early going, chased the leading pair while saving ground into the turn, was well placed nearing the quarter pole, could not muster the needed response nearing mid-stretch and gave way in the final stages. HECKAMIGHTY settled outside of rivals in the early stages, was coaxed three to four wide to the quarter marker, lacked a response to upper stretch and did not threaten in the drive. HANK RIDGE settled off of the early pace, saved ground into the turn then was outrun to the quarter pole, lacked the needed response to upper stretch and did not factor in the drive.

