

SAM HOUSTON RACE PARK - January 9, 2026 - Race 3

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(PLUS UP TO \$3,900 ATB) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since October 9, 2025 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$20,000. Texas Bred Claiming Price \$25,000. **Claiming Price:** \$20,000**Distance:** Five Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Hap Hot - 56.98 - February 22, 2025)**Purse:** \$19,500**Includes:** \$17,000 Horse Industry Escrow Account**Available Money:** \$19,500**Value of Race:** \$18,915 1st \$11,700, 2nd \$3,900, 3rd \$2,145, 4th \$1,170**Weather:** Cloudy, 74° **Track:** Fast**Off at:** 7:23 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic[Video Race Replay](#)

| Last Raced | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey) | Wgt | M/E | PP | Start | 3/16 | 3/8 | Str | Fin | Odds | Comments |
|------------|-----|---------------------|-----|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| 6Nov25 | 3 | RP ¹ | 5 | Classic Moment (Diaz, Rene) | 123 | L b | 4 1 | 2 ³ 1/2 | 1 Head | 1 ¹ | 1 ¹ | 2.10 duel2w,drew clr 3/16 |
| 21Dec25 | 6 | OP ⁶ | 4 | Lightning Struck (Asmussen, Erik) | 121 | L b | 3 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 ² | 2 ⁴ 1/4 | 3.00 sttd2w,rally,gain2nd |
| 10Dec25 | 2 | RP ⁵ | 1 | Northvale Road (Gonzalez, Elvin) | 121 | L h | 1 4 | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{1/2} | 4 | 3 ^{Head} | 7.90 kept to task,gain 3rd |
| 5Sep25 | 8 | RP ⁵ | 2 | Halmstad (Wethey Jr., Floyd) | 121 | L | 2 2 | 1 Head | 2 ⁴ | 2 ³ | 4 | 0.80* duel ins,yielded 3/16 |

Fractional Times: 21.71 45.22**Final Time:** 57.95**Split Times:** (23:51) (12:73)**Run-Up:** 40 feet**Winner:** Classic Moment, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Classic Empire out of Victory Party, by Yankee Victor. Foaled Feb 01, 2019 in Kentucky.**Breeder:** Team Valor LLC**Owner:** Tim Cook**Trainer:** Caldwell, J.**Claiming Prices:** 5 - Classic Moment: \$20,000; 4 - Lightning Struck: \$20,000; 1 - Northvale Road: \$20,000; 2 - Halmstad: \$20,000;**Scratched Horse(s):** Stayed in for Half (PrivVet-Illness), Trust Daddy (PrivVet-Illness)**Total WPS Pool:** \$5,338

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|-----|------------------|------|-------|---------------------|-------------------|--------|-------|
| 5 | Classic Moment | 6.20 | 2.80 | \$1.00 Daily Double | 4-5 | 42.40 | 131 |
| 4 | Lightning Struck | | 2.40 | \$1.00 Exacta | 5-4 | 6.40 | 2,761 |
| 1 | Northvale Road | | | \$1.00 Pick 3 | 3-4-5 (3 correct) | 71.90 | 694 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 3/16 | 3/8 | Str | Fin |
|-----|------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 5 | Classic Moment | 1 | 2 ^{Head} | 1 ^{Head} | 1 ¹ | 1 ¹ |
| 4 | Lightning Struck | 3 | 4 ⁴ | 4 ⁴ 1/2 | 3 ⁴ | 2 ¹ |
| 1 | Northvale Road | 4 | 3 ³ 1/2 | 3 ⁴ | 4 ⁶ | 3 ⁵ 1/4 |
| 2 | Halmstad | 2 | 1 ^{Head} | 2 ^{Head} | 2 ¹ | 4 ⁵ 1/4 |

Trainers: 5 - Caldwell, J.; 4 - Asmussen, Steven; 1 - Davidson, Sarah; 2 - Jacks, Karen**Owners:** 5 - Tim Cook; 4 - Steven M. Asmussen; 1 - Henry S. Witt, Jr.; 2 - Carl R. Moore Management LLC;**Footnotes |** [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

CLASSIC MOMENT broke well, dueled with HALMSTAD two-wide to the quarter pole, gained the advantage in upper stretch, and drew off under a brisk hand ride and intermittent left-handed urging. LIGHTNING STRUCK settled two-deep in the back pair, then rallied late to gain second. NORTHVALE ROAD raced inside with the trailing pair, was never a threat, but saved all the ground, kept to task, and moved up late to grab the minor award. HALMSTAD broke well, dueled with CLASSIC MOMENT, yielded at the three-sixteenths marker, and weakened in the stretch.