

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	sttld2w,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

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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.