

SAM HOUSTON RACE PARK - February 6, 2026 - Race 2

Ratings Handicap - Thoroughbred
(PLUS UP TO \$7,300 ATB) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE A RATING NUMBER OF 70 TO 84 AT TIME OF ENTRY. For Each rating step of 5 allowed 1 lbs. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. (Rail at 18 feet). (C)

Distance: One Mile On The Turf Current Track Record: (Hunt Master - 1:35.35 - February 6, 2026)

Purse: \$36,500

Available Money: \$36,500

Value of Race: \$36,500 1st \$21,780, 2nd \$7,260, 3rd \$3,993, 4th \$2,178, 5th \$1,089, 6th \$100, 7th \$100

Weather: Clear, 73° Track: Firm

Off at: 6:57 Start: Good for all except 3,4,5 Timing Method: Electronic



Video Race Replay

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
26Oct25 ⁸ WO ²	7	Hunt Master (Fuentes, Mario)	124	L b	6	3	1 ²	1 ²	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ³	1 ^{4 1/2}	4.20	clear, rated, drew off
6Nov25 ⁸ RP ⁸	1	Excaping the Blues (Diego, Iram)	124	L b	1	1	5 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹	2 ¹	8.90	ins, no match, svd 2nd
24Jan26 ¹² HOU ⁸	4	Ocelot (Gonzalez, Elvin)	122	L b	3	6	7	6 ^{1 1/2}	4 ¹	3 ²	3 ^{4 1/2}	0.90*	sttld bk, mildly, gain 3d
24Jan26 ¹² HOU ⁵	8	Quality Chic (Asmussen, Keith)	123	L	7	5	4 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	7	6 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	6.50	3w, keen, lacked finish
4Jan26 ⁷ HOU ²	6	Underdressed (Elliott, Stewart)	123	L b	5	4	3 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	5 ¹	7	5 ^{1/2}	13.50	close early, faded
2Jan26 ² HOU ¹	5	Big Bernie (Valdez-Jiminez, Ernesto)	123	L bf	4	7	6 ^{Head}	7	6 ^{Head}	5 ¹	6 ^{1/2}	6.20	off slw, mild bid, flatn
11Jan26 ² HOU ⁴	3	Dominant Spirit (Parker, Deshawn)	122	L bf	2	2	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	3 ¹	4 ^{1 1/2}	7	14.00	stlk 2w, wknd 1/4, empty

Fractional Times: 23.25 47.46 1:11.38 1:23.35 Final Time: 1:35.35 (New Track Record)

Split Times: (24:21) (23:92) (11:97) (12:00)

Run-Up: 178 feet Temporary Rail: 18 feet

Winner: Hunt Master, Bay Gelding, by Hunters Bay out of Lady Marchfield, by Marchfield. Foaled Apr 02, 2019 in ON.

Breeder: Lanny McDonald, Linda Barron & Susan Rasmussen

Owner: Bruno Schickedanz

Trainer: Hinckson, Martin

Scratched Horse(s): Malibu Mambo (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$5,422

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
7	Hunt Master	10.40	6.40	4.20	\$1.00 Daily Double	6-7	19.90	1,353
1	Excaping the Blues		7.80	4.20	\$1.00 Exacta	7-1	80.60	2,571
4	Ocelot			2.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	7-1-4	78.45	2,330
					\$0.10 Superfecta	7-1-4-8	44.14	2,476
					\$1.00 Consolation Double	6-2	2.80	0

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
7	Hunt Master	3	1 ²	1 ²	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ³	1 ^{4 1/2}
1	Excaping the Blues	1	5 ^{3 1/4}	3 ²	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ³	2 ^{4 1/2}
4	Ocelot	6	7 ^{4 3/4}	6 ⁴	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ⁴	3 ^{5 1/2}
8	Quality Chic	5	4 ³	5 ^{3 1/2}	7 ^{4 3/4}	6 ^{8 1/2}	4 ¹⁰
6	Underdressed	4	3 ³	4 ³	5 ^{3 1/2}	7 ^{8 1/2}	5 ^{10 1/2}
5	Big Bernie	7	6 ^{4 3/4}	7 ^{5 1/2}	6 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{7 1/2}	6 ¹¹
3	Dominant Spirit	2	2 ²	2 ²	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ⁶	7 ^{11 1/2}

Trainers: 7 - Hinckson, Martin; 1 - Bravo, Francisco; 4 - Ashford, Tristan; 8 - Asmussen, Steven; 6 - Asmussen, Steven; 5 - Castellanos, Jaime; 3 - Gorneau, Jerry

Owners: 7 - Bruno Schickedanz; 1 - Pam K. Grossman; 4 - Yari Rivera; 8 - Steven M. Asmussen; 6 - Steven M. Asmussen; 5 - Martiniano Martinez; 3 - Henry S. Witt, Jr.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

HUNT MASTER went to a clear lead early, led the way to the far turn, always traveling well, responded when roused at the top of the stretch, found another gear, and drew away through the stretch, drifting out some in the final furlong. EXCAPING THE BLUES broke on top but ceded the front and settled in along the rail off the pace, moved closer on the backstretch run, was unable to kick on with the winner in upper stretch, but finished up well to save second. OCELOT got shuffled back at the start, then moved to the inside and was allowed to settle at the back after the break, made a mild rally in the stretch to gain third but was never a serious threat. QUALITY CHIC was three-wide throughout, was a bit keen in the early going, pulled up close turning onto the backstretch, but settled back in a mid-pack position, then lacked a finish in the stretch. UNDERDRESSED raced forwardly through the early stages, then started to drop back on the far turn, then did not offer a rally in the stretch. BIG BERNIE missed the break, then lost the path just after the start, raced at the back of the field, saved ground to the stretch, ran on a bit in upper stretch, but flattened. DOMINANT SPIRIT veered out after the break, tucked in behind the pacesetter for the first half mile, racing off the rail, was prominent to the stretch, then had nothing to give when called upon.