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SAM HOUSTON RACE PARK - March 15, 2026 - Race 6

ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred
 (PLUS UP TO \$6,900 ATB) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER, RATINGS HANDICAP 65 AND LESS, STATE BRED ALLOWANCE OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since December 15, 2025 Allowed 2 lbs. (NW1 X)

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Catalissa - 1:36.33 - March 8, 2003)

Purse: \$34,500

Includes: \$30,000 Horse Industry Escrow Account

Available Money: \$34,500

Value of Race: \$34,500 1st \$20,640, 2nd \$6,880, 3rd \$3,784, 4th \$2,064, 5th \$1,032, 6th \$100

Weather: Cloudy, 79° Track: Fast

Off at: 3:23 Start: Good for all Timing Method: Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
14Feb26 ⁸ DED ¹	3	Donegal Freedom (Parker, Deshawn)	123 L	3	1	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ⁴	1 ⁶ 1/2	2.80	well handled, drw clear
1Mar26 ⁵ HOU ⁴	1	Rivetage (Diaz, Rene)	122 L	1	6	6	6	5 ²	5 ⁶	2 ^{Neck}	2.10*	trailed, long drv, up2nd
31Jan26 ⁷ HOU ¹	2	Cawkab (Elliott, Stewart)	123 L b	2	3	4 ¹ /2	4 ¹ /2	4 ²	2 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 3/4	3.90	late rally, lost 2nd
31Jan26 ⁷ HOU ³	6	Love Pack (Fuentes, Mario)	123 L b	5	5	3 ³	3 ³	3 ⁴	4 ¹ /2	4 ⁸ 1/4	3.20	3w, mild bid, no threat
11Feb26 ⁸ DED ⁷	7	Hegs (Gonzalez, Elvin)	121 L b	6	4	2 ²	2 ¹ /2	2 ¹ /2	3 ^{Head}	5 ¹² 1/2	5.60	stlk2w, no late respnse
20Feb26 ⁴ HOU ¹	4	Falcon Quest (Wiseman, Isaiah)	123 L b	4	2	5 ³	5 ¹	6	6	6	19.60	sttld rear, no rally

Fractional Times: 23.62 47.50 1:11.59 1:24.43 Final Time: 1:37.46

Split Times: (23:88) (24:09) (12:84) (13:03)

Run-Up: 64 feet

Winner: Donegal Freedom, Bay Gelding, by [Maximus Mischief](#) out of Warm Sunshine, by Unbridled's Song. Foaled Mar 19, 2021 in Kentucky.

MAXIMUS MISCHIEF Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

Breeder: Machmer Hall

Owner: Erin Gaarz

Trainer: Ramirez-Rodriguez, Abel

Scratched Horse(s): Feather Laine (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$8,005

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Donegal Freedom	7.60	5.20	3.00	\$1.00 Daily Double	7-3	54.20	135
1	Rivetage		3.60	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	3-1	14.00	2,609
2	Cawkab			2.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-1-2	15.55	2,523
					\$0.10 Superfecta	3-1-2-6	6.15	1,706
					\$1.00 Pick 3	4-7-3 (3 correct)	186.30	215

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Donegal Freedom	1	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ⁴	1 ⁶ 1/2
1	Rivetage	6	6 ¹⁰	6 ⁶	5 ⁷ 1/2	5 ⁶	2 ⁶ 1/2
2	Cawkab	3	4 ⁶ 1/2	4 ⁴ 1/2	4 ⁵ 1/2	2 ⁴	3 ⁶ 3/4
6	Love Pack	5	3 ³ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	4 ⁵ 1/2	4 ⁸ 1/2
7	Hegs	4	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹	2 ¹	3 ⁵ 1/2	5 ¹⁶ 3/4
4	Falcon Quest	2	5 ⁷	5 ⁵	6 ⁹ 1/2	6 ¹²	6 ²⁹ 1/4

Trainers: 3 - Ramirez-Rodriguez, Abel; 1 - Caldwell, J.; 2 - Asmussen, Steven; 6 - Hodgson, Barry; 7 - Brinkman, Brett; 4 - Asmussen, Steven

Owners: 3 -Erin Gaarz; 1 - Dupy, Wanda and Dupy, Steve; 2 -Steven M. Asmussen; 6 -Barry Hodgson; 7 -Frank DeLuca; 4 -Steven M. Asmussen;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

DONEGAL FREEDOM went quickly to the lead, attempted to slow the pace, led the way down the backstretch and through the far turn under confident handling, responded when asked to go in upper stretch, and drew clear under steady handling. RIVETAGE was allowed to settle at the back, trailed well behind the pace for the first half-mile, started to run on from the three-furlong pole, angled out to the four-path in the stretch, and rallied to be just up for second. CAWKAB raced at the head of the trio at the back, advanced under a drive through the far turn, came into the stretch in second position but was caught at the wire. LOVE PACK tracked three-wide, made a mild bid late on the far turn but did not quicken in the stretch and was unable to threaten. HEGS settled two-wide just off DONEGAL FREEDOM, had to be hard-ridden to keep up late on the turn, but did not respond and faded in the late stages. FALCON QUEST settled with the trio at the rear and never offered a rally.