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SAM HOUSTON RACE PARK - March 20, 2026 - Race 8

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred

(PLUS UP TO \$6,600 ATB) FOR 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).

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

Purse: \$33,000

Includes: \$30,000 Horse Industry Escrow Account

Available Money: \$33,000

Value of Race: \$33,000 1st \$19,560, 2nd \$6,520, 3rd \$3,586, 4th \$1,956, 5th \$978, 6th \$100, 7th \$100, 8th \$100, 9th \$100

Weather: Clear, 84° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 10:02 **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
17Dec25 ³ RP ²	3	Zilarro (Elliott, Stewart)	119 L	2	3	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ²	1 ²	5.60	pace, went clear late
13Feb26 ² HOU ⁸	4	Special Agenda (Parker, Deshawn)	119 L	3	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{2 3/4}	5.60	prss2w, chsd, 2nd best
1Mar25 ⁸ SA ⁴	6	Mellencamp (Wethey Jr., Floyd)	123 L	5	1	3 ²	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ⁵	3 ⁷	3 ^{7 3/4}	0.60*	vie3w, all-out, held 3rd
6Feb26 ³ HOU ⁴	9	Oban (Manrique, Freddy)	119 L b	8	9	9	9	7 ¹	6 ²	4 ^{Head}	16.20	no spd, pass tired ones
6Nov25 ⁶ DMR ⁷	8	Lee's Baby Boy (Gonzalez, Elvin)	119 L b	7	8	8 ³	7 ¹	6 ³	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{2 3/4}	26.50	far back, no threat
13Feb26 ² HOU ⁶	5	Essential Storm (Hamilton, Weston)	119 L b	4	7	7 ^{2 1/2}	5 ⁴	5 ^{2 1/2}	4 ²	6 ^{10 3/4}	15.70	coaxed early, no rally
6Feb26 ³ HOU ⁵	1	Docket (Luzzi, Lane)	119 L f	1	6	5 ¹	8 ^{2 1/2}	8 ^{2 1/2}	8 ⁵	7 ^{2 1/4}	16.40	mid-pk, lacked finish
---	7	Coastal Warrior (Valdez-Jimenez, Ernesto)	119 b	6	4	4 ¹	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ¹	7 ^{1/2}	8 ^{10 3/4}	19.10	4w1trn, cls, wknd, empty
27Feb26 ⁴ HOU ⁵	10	Borderland (Fuentes, Mario)	119 L h	9	5	6 ^{Head}	6 ^{Head}	9	9	9	17.10	3-wide, done early

Fractional Times: 24.26 47.54 1:11.92 1:25.01 **Final Time:** 1:38.51

Split Times: (23:28) (24:38) (13:09) (13:50)

Run-Up: 54 feet

Winner: Zilarro, Bay Gelding, by Silver State out of Time to Tap, by Tapit. Foaled May 07, 2023 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC

Owner: Benjamin Gase

Trainer: Asmussen, Steven

Scratched Horse(s): Globalist (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$10,190

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Zilarro	13.20	5.20	2.60	\$1.00 Exacta	3-4	23.80	3,702
4	Special Agenda		5.60	3.00	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-4-6	18.50	4,142
6	Mellencamp			2.20	\$0.10 Superfecta	3-4-6-9	22.93	2,808
					\$1.00 Pick 3	3-3-3 (3 correct)	240.20	278
					\$1.00 Daily Double	3-3	79.10	426

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Zilarro	3	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ²	1 ²
4	Special Agenda	2	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ²	2 ²
6	Mellencamp	1	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{3 1/2}	3 ^{4 3/4}
9	Oban	9	9 ^{10 1/4}	9 ¹⁵	7 ¹³	6 ¹⁵	4 ^{12 1/2}
8	Lee's Baby Boy	8	8 ^{7 1/4}	7 ^{11 1/2}	6 ¹⁰	5 ^{12 1/2}	5 ^{12 1/2}
5	Essential Storm	7	7 ^{4 3/4}	5 ^{7 1/2}	5 ^{7 1/2}	4 ^{10 1/2}	6 ^{15 1/4}
1	Docket	6	5 ^{3 1/2}	8 ^{12 1/2}	8 ¹⁴	8 ^{17 1/2}	7 ²⁶
7	Coastal Warrior	4	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ⁴	4 ^{6 1/2}	7 ¹⁷	8 ^{28 1/4}
10	Borderland	5	6 ^{4 1/2}	6 ^{11 1/2}	9 ^{16 1/2}	9 ^{22 1/2}	9 ³⁹

Trainers: 3 - Asmussen, Steven; 4 - Craddock, Kari; 6 - Cappellucci, Dick; 9 - Gustafson, Austin; 8 - Birzer, Bonnie; 5 - Scholl, Kevin; 1 - Castellanos, Jaime; 7 - Eoff, Terry; 10 - Davidson, Sarah

Owners: 3 - Benjamin Gase; 4 - Cres Ran, LLC and Craddock Racing, LLC; 6 - Judge Lanier Racing, LLC and H.P. Drought and Company; 9 - Harrell Ventures LLC; 8 - Spooky Business Stable LLC; 5 - Puryear, Jeffrey L and Puryear, Julie; 1 - Max K. Thomas, Jr.; 7 - Terry Eoff; 10 - Henry S. Witt, Jr.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

ZILARRO gained the early advantage under some pressure. turned back every challenge, moved to a solo lead turning for home, and held clear under steady handling. SPECIAL AGENDA pressed the pace from between horses, got rebuffed after every try for the lead, but chased the winner home clear of the third horse. MELLENCAMP vied three-wide through the early stages, came under pressure going into the far turn, and was hard-pressed to hold third. OBAN was the distant trailer to the turn and passed tiring rivals in the lane. LEE'S BABY BOY raced far back, and never threatened. ESSENTIAL STORM chased in mid-pack while having to be coaxed along down the backstretch, lost ground on the far turn, and did not offer a rally. DOCKET saved ground throughout racing mid-pack, then lacked a finish. COASTAL WARRIOR went four-wide through the first turn, raced close up behind the leading trio, started to struggle to keep up on the far turn and had little to offer late. BORDERLAND raced three-wide and was done before the half-mile pole.