

SAM HOUSTON RACE PARK - March 27, 2026 - Race 3

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(PLUS UP TO \$2,600 ATB) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since December 27, 2025 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$15,000. Texas Bred Claiming Price \$17,500. (NW2 L) **Claiming Price:** \$15,000

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Bucharest - 1:08.91 - May 11, 1994)

Purse: \$13,000

Available Money: \$13,000

Value of Race: \$13,000 1st \$7,680, 2nd \$2,560, 3rd \$1,408, 4th \$768, 5th \$384, 6th \$100, 7th \$100

Weather: Clear, 87° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 7:25 **Start:** Good for all except 4 **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
18Jul25 ² BTP ⁴	4	Ghost Nation (Huaman, Luis)	121	L	3	7	7	6 ^{Head}	5 ²	1 ^{1/2}	6.20	off slow,rally,got up
15Mar26 ⁵ HOU ⁵	5	Noble Eagle (Diego, Iram)	121	L bf	4	2	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ¹	2 ^{Neck}	1.00*	trk btw,rally,jst mssd
22Feb26 ⁴ HOU ⁷	1	Royalist (Wethey Jr., Floyd)	121	L	1	3	3 ^{Head}	4 ²	2 ^{Head}	3 ⁴ 3/4	6.30	ins,rail bid,misssd
22Feb26 ⁶ HOU ⁷	7	Race Around (Vera, Eliazar)	121	L hf	6	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	4 ¹ 1/4	6.60	made lead,didn't last
21Feb26 ⁸ DED ⁷	2	Deacon Jones (Hernandez, Javier)	122	L b	2	6	6 ²	7	6 ³	5 ^{3/4}	13.10	chased, no menace
22Mar25 ¹¹ HOU ⁹	8	Frozentap (Luzzi, Lane)	121	L b	7	5	2 ¹	2 ¹ 1/2	4 ^{Head}	6 ⁹ 1/4	4.30	prssd2w,wknd,kept on
20Feb26 ⁴ HOU ⁵	6	Midnight Hunter (Fuentes, Mario)	121	L bf	5	4	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	7	7	14.20	dull effort, no factor

Fractional Times: 22.79 45.89 58.52

Final Time: 1:11.54 **Time from Gate:** 1:13.25

Split Times: (23:10) (12:63) (13:02)

Run-Up: 41 feet

Winner: Ghost Nation, Chestnut Gelding, by Tapit out of Gloryzapper, by Ghostzapper. Foaled Apr 27, 2020 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Summer Wind Equine LLC

Owner: Noah Powell

Trainer: Guzman, Adan

Claiming Prices: 4 - Ghost Nation: \$15,000; 5 - Noble Eagle: \$15,000; 1 - Royalist: \$15,000; 7 - Race Around: \$17,500; 2 - Deacon Jones: \$15,000; 8 - Frozentap: \$15,000; 6 - Midnight Hunter: \$15,000;

Scratched Horse(s): He's Charming (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$8,041

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Ghost Nation	14.40	4.00	3.40	\$1.00 Daily Double	3-ALL	2.60	296
5	Noble Eagle		2.80	2.20	\$1.00 Daily Double	ALL-4	17.90	0
1	Royalist			3.00	\$1.00 Exacta	4-5	17.70	3,295
					\$0.50 Trifecta	4-5-1	24.20	2,493
					\$0.10 Superfecta	4-5-1-7	25.77	2,761
					\$1.00 Pick 3	1-3-4 (3 correct)	444.50	514

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
4	Ghost Nation	7	7 ⁴ 1/2	6 ⁴ 1/2	5 ² 1/4	1 ^{1/2}
5	Noble Eagle	2	4 ¹ 1/2	3 ²	3 ¹	2 ^{1/2}
1	Royalist	3	3 ¹ 1/2	4 ²	2 ¹	3 ^{3/4}
7	Race Around	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	4 ⁵ 1/2
2	Deacon Jones	6	6 ² 1/2	7 ⁴ 3/4	6 ⁴ 1/4	5 ⁶ 3/4
8	Frozentap	5	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	4 ²	6 ⁷ 1/2
6	Midnight Hunter	4	5 ²	5 ⁴	7 ⁷ 1/4	7 ¹⁶ 3/4

Trainers: 4 - Guzman, Adan; 5 - Padilla, Carlos; 1 - Cruz, Eduardo; 7 - Camacho, Jose; 2 - Ortiz, Javier; 8 - Gelner, Jayde; 6 - Hebert, Matt

Owners: 4 -Noah Powell; 5 -Ronald G. Morgan; 1 -James E Stewart; 7 -Emily Thometz; 2 -Javier Ruiz Ortiz; 8 -Richard L. Davis; 6 - Contreras, Evelyn and Garcia, Jose Jeronimo;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

GHOST NATION was very slow into stride and was under hard urging early, spotted the field a big head start, then found stride and regained contact with the field midway through the turn, tipped out four wide into the stretch, rallied while on the wrong lead through upper stretch, and was along in time. NOBLE EAGLE tracked between rivals in the middle of the pack, came three-wide at the top of the stretch, and produced a steady, grinding rally to miss in a blanket finish. ROYALIST raced close up inside, lacked a clear path forward through the turn, maintained position, then made a bid up the rail in the final furlong but came up on the short end of a three-way photo.. RACE AROUND broke best and jumped out to the early lead with FROZENTAP keeping close to the outside, left that rival behind approaching the quarter pole, took a clear lead into the stretch, but was unable to last and weakened in the final yards. DEACON JONES chased from the back and failed to menace. FROZENTAP broke well and pressed the pace two-wide, kept trying after getting passed at the top of the stretch, but was outfinished the rest of the way. MIDNIGHT HUNTER was briefly up with the pace, dropped back before the turn, and weakened under a drive before the stretch.