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SAM HOUSTON RACE PARK - March 28, 2026 - Race 1

STARTER ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

(PLUS UP TO \$800 ATB) FOR TEXAS ACCREDITED THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$10,000 OR LESS IN 2025-2026 OR WHICH HAVE STARTED IN A RATINGS HANDICAP 65 OR LESS.

Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.: Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since December 28, 2025 Allowed 2 lbs. (Highest Earnings 2025-2026 Preferred). (S C) **Claiming Price:** \$10,000 - \$0

Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Brass Jacks - 1:15.77 - May 21, 1994)

Purse: \$20,000

Available Money: \$20,000

Value of Race: \$20,000 1st \$11,940, 2nd \$3,980, 3rd \$2,189, 4th \$1,194, 5th \$597, 6th \$100

Weather: Clear, 72° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:02 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
15Mar26 ³ HOU ²	5	Bergheim (Valdez-Jiminez, Ernesto)	123	L b	5	4	3 ¹	3 ²	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1.80*	stlk3w,bid1/4,drv clr
6Mar26 ⁷ HOU ⁵	2	Champagne Stooper (Diego, Iram)	121	L	2	5	5 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	17.50	sttld bk,rallied 2nd
6Mar26 ⁴ HOU ²	3	Ring Seeker (Diaz, Rene)	122	L	3	2	2 ¹	1 ^{Head}	2 ²	3 ^{4 3/4}	2.00	cmd3/8,duel,yielded
28Feb26 ⁸ HOU ³	1	Fort Hood (Elliott, Stewart)	123	L b	1	1	1 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	4 ³	4 ^{2 3/4}	3.20	led,gave way mid-str
1Mar26 ⁷ HOU ⁴	6	Bling Mountain (Hamilton, Weston)	123	L	6	3	4 ¹	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{3 1/4}	3.40	chsd4w,lacked finish
27Feb26 ⁵ HOU ⁶	4	Tap to Connect (Rivera, Santos)	121	L	4	6	6	6	6	6	33.60	chased, no factor

Fractional Times: 23.65 46.68 1:10.79

Final Time: 1:16.95 **Time from Gate:** 1:18.41

Split Times: (23:03) (24:11) (6:16)

Run-Up: 42 feet

Winner: Bergheim, Chestnut Gelding, by Union Jackson out of Cool Ten Grand, by Malibu Moon. Foaled Feb 10, 2022 in Texas.

Breeder: Watershed Bloodstock LLC

Owner: Henry S. Witt, Jr.

Trainer: Gourneau, Jerry

Scratched Horse(s): Algebra (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$5,091

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Bergheim	5.60	3.80	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	5-2	25.50	2,904
2	Champagne Stooper		9.80	3.80	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-2-3	38.80	2,392
3	Ring Seeker			2.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-2-3-1	13.61	1,563

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
5	Bergheim	4	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}
2	Champagne Stooper	5	5 ^{3 1/2}	4 ³	3 ²	2 ^{1 1/2}
3	Ring Seeker	2	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	3 ²
1	Fort Hood	1	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	4 ^{2 1/4}	4 ^{6 3/4}
6	Bling Mountain	3	4 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{5 1/4}	5 ^{9 1/2}
4	Tap to Connect	6	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ⁴	6 ^{5 3/4}	6 ^{12 3/4}

Trainers: 5 - Gourneau, Jerry; 2 - Schneider, Eric; 3 - Caldwell, J.; 1 - Davidson, M.; 6 - Davidson, M.; 4 - Govea, Cesar

Owners: 5 -Henry S. Witt, Jr.; 2 -Eric W. Schneider; 3 - Rinn, Rick and Rinn, Sheri; 1 -Stephen R. Baker; 6 -James D. Pratt; 4 - L and G Racing Stables;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

BERGHEIM tracked the pace close up three-wide to the turn, moved up to challenge for the lead at the top of the stretch, battled a game RING SEEKER through upper stretch. then drove clear in the final yards. CHAMPAGNE STOOPER was allowed to settle early, raced at the back of the field up the backstretch, navigated an inside path through the turn, came out three-wide for the stretch run, and rallied into second. RING SEEKER Inherited the early lead, then ceded the front to FORT HOOD, settled in a stalking position behind that one, took over the lead on the turn, dueled with BERGHEIM from the quarter pole, then yielded late. FORT HOOD broke well and took over the lead in the initial stages, led the way through the turn, weakened at the quarter pole, then gave way in mid-stretch. BLING MOUNTAIN settled at the back early, chased four-wide up the backstretch, was under a drive from the three-furlong pole, but was unable to improve. TAP TO CONNECT was outpaced early, made a mild move on the turn, then chased the rest through the stretch.