

**OA KLAWN PARK - March 26, 2026 - Race 8**

STAKES Hot Springs S. Black Type - Thoroughbred

THREE YEAR OLDS. No nomination fee. \$1,000 to pass the entry box and \$1,000 additional to start. Supplementary nominations may be made by the closing time of entries at a fee of \$2,500 which qualifies to start. \$200,000 Guaranteed. After paying 2.5% of original purse to the owners of horses finishing 6th through last, 60% of the remaining purse will be paid to owner(s) of the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 6% to fourth and 4% to fifth. Weights: 124 lbs. Non-winners of \$50,000 twice allowed 3 lbs.; \$50,000 once 5 lbs. (Maiden and Claiming races not considered in allowances.) In Allowance Stakes starting preference will be given to horses that have accumulated the highest earnings. Starters to be named through the entry box by the usual time of closing. The Owner of the winner to receive a trophy. Closed Friday, March 13, 2026 with 23 nominations.

**Distance:** One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Whitebrush - 1:34.40 - March 10, 1984)

**Purse:** \$200,000 Guaranteed

**Available Money:** \$200,000

**Value of Race:** \$192,000 1st \$120,000, 2nd \$40,000, 3rd \$20,000, 4th \$12,000

**Weather:** Clear, 80° **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 4:23 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
7Feb26 <sup>8</sup> SA <sup>4</sup>	1	Desert Gate (Prat, Flavien)	121 b	1	2	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>4</sup>	1 <sup>9 3/4</sup>	0.40*	2p, cue5/16, kick away
1Mar26 <sup>11</sup> OP <sup>5</sup>	7	Soldier N Diplomat (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	121 --	4	4	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>6</sup>	2 <sup>6</sup>	2 <sup>7 3/4</sup>	1.80	2-4p, no match, 2nd best
28Feb26 <sup>3</sup> OP <sup>1</sup>	4	Race Ready (Vazquez, Ramon)	119 --	2	1	4	4	4	4	3 <sup>Nose</sup>	11.60	3p, 6p stretch, show bob
28Feb26 <sup>9</sup> OP <sup>2</sup>	5	Top Level (Torres, Cristian)	119 --	3	3	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	4	8.70	chased 4-2p, weakened

**Fractional Times:** 23.33 46.58 1:10.37 1:23.61

**Final Time:** 1:37.03 **Time from Gate:** 1:38.93

**Split Times:** (23:25) (23:79) (13:24) (13:42)

**Run-Up:** 60 feet

**Winner:** Desert Gate, Chestnut Colt, by [Omaha Beach](#) out of Theogony, by Curlin. Foaled Mar 06, 2023 in Kentucky.



Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

**Breeder:** Twin Oaks Bloodstock

**Owner:** Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul

**Trainer:** Baffert, Bob

**Scratched Horse(s):** Bricklin (Stakes Scratch), Lincoln's Law (Stakes Scratch), Strategic Risk (Stakes Scratch)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$185,243

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
1	Desert Gate	2.80	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	1-7	2.50	71,068
7	Soldier N Diplomat		2.20	\$0.50 Trifecta	1-7-4	3.45	32,879
4	Race Ready			\$1.00 Pick 3	5-3/7-1 (3 correct)	79.20	23,516
				\$1.00 Daily Double	3-1	1.40	40,691
				\$1.00 Daily Double	7-1	5.30	0

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
1	Desert Gate	2	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>4</sup>	1 <sup>9 3/4</sup>
7	Soldier N Diplomat	4	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>4</sup>	2 <sup>9 3/4</sup>
4	Race Ready	1	4 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>10 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>10 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>17 1/2</sup>
5	Top Level	3	3 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup>	3 <sup>7</sup>	3 <sup>10</sup>	4 <sup>17 1/2</sup>

**Trainers:** 1 - Baffert, Bob; 7 - Asmussen, Steven; 4 - Casse, Norm; 5 - Casse, Mark

**Owners:** 1 - Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul; 7 - St. Elias Stable; 4 - Boyd L. Byers; 5 - BG Stables;

**Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)**

DESERT GATE showed the way from off the rail turning into the backstretch, came under a ride early around the far turn, and kicked away from the two path down the shortened lane to be much the best. SOLDIER N DIPLOMAT laid up close in the three path, was coaxed along in the two path around the far turn, lost touch with the winning pacesetter from the four path in upper stretch, evened out in the final furlong, but was clearly second best. RACE READY rated in the three path, was ridden around the far turn, floated out to the six path entering the lane, did not threaten the top two, but got the show bob. TOP LEVEL chased in the four path up the backstretch, tipped into the two path while being nibbled along early around the far turn, but weakened.

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