

SANTA ANITA PARK - January 17, 2026 - Race 8
EQUIBASE

STAKES California Chrome Cal Cup Derby - Thoroughbred

FOR GOLDEN STATE SERIES ELIGIBLE CALIFORNIA BRED OR CALIFORNIA SIRED THREE-YEAR-OLDS. By subscription of \$100 each if made on or before Sunday, January 4, 2026, closed with 13 or by Supplementary nomination of \$25,000 at time of entry for Non Golden State Series eligible horses, closed with 1 (My Boy Stan) or \$3,500 for Golden State Series eligible horses. All horses to pay \$1,312 to enter and an additional \$1,312 to start with \$175,000 Guaranteed of which \$96,250 to winner, \$33,250 to second, \$19,250 to third, \$10,500 to fourth, \$5,250 to fifth, \$3,500 to sixth, \$3,500 to seventh and \$3,500 to eighth. Weight 124 lbs. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner. (S)

Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Dirt Current Track Record: (Efervescente (ARG) - 1:39.18 - January 6, 1993)

Purse: \$175,000 Guaranteed

Plus: \$500 Other Sources

Available Money: \$175,500

Value of Race: \$175,500 1st \$96,250, 2nd \$33,250, 3rd \$19,250, 4th \$10,500, 5th \$5,250, 6th \$3,500, 7th \$3,500, 8th \$3,500, 9th \$500


[Video Race Replay](#)

Weather: Clear, 80° Track: Fast

Off at: 3:59 Start: Good for all except 3 Timing Method: Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
16Nov25	3	Start the Ride (Ayuso, Armando)	124	b	3	7	6 ^{1/2}	5 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{2 1/2}	1 ^{1 3/4}	13.60	bit slow,reeled in foe
31Oct25	5	DMR ²	124	-	2	1	1 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	1 ²	1 ²	2 ^{1 1/2}	2.10*	ins,cleared.caught1/16
14Dec25	9	Pavlovian (Demuro, Mirco)	124	v	7	9	9	9	6 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	3 ^{1/2}	11.00	brk in/bpd,3-2w,5-4w
5Dec25	11	Cruise Home (Orantes, Welfin)	124	-	9	4	8 ²	7 ^{1/2}	8 ^{1 1/2}	5 ¹	4 ^{2 1/4}	14.00	advanced4w-ins,mildly
14Dec25	4	Smoovin Saturday (Pereira, Tiago)	124	b	4	2	4 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	6 ⁵	5 ^{1 1/4}	2.10	prss3w,chs,drftd/altr
14Dec25	10	Fionello (Jaramillo, Emisael)	124	bf	8	3	5 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	6 ¹⁶	27.10	3deep,4-2wd,weakened
10Jan26	5	Almost There (Lezcano, Abel)	124	b	5	5	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	4 ¹	7 ⁵	7 ^{9 1/2}	54.70	bp st,duel2w,led,tired
14Dec25	7	John Metcalfe (Hernandez, Juan)	124	f	6	8	7 ^{1/2}	6 ^{1/2}	7 ^{Head}	8 ^{2 1/2}	8 ^{6 1/4}	4.90	bpd st,pulled,check2nd
6Dec25	1	My Boy Stan (Kimura, Kazushi)	124	b	1	6	3 ^{Head}	8 ²	9	9	9	8.80	ins,drop back2nd,eased

Fractional Times: 23.69 48.38 1:12.69 1:38.18

Final Time: 1:44.55

Split Times: (24:69) (24:31) (25:49) (6:37)

Run-Up: 85 feet

Winner: Start the Ride, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by Upstart out of Elusive Ride, by Tiznow. Foaled Mar 15, 2023 in California.

Breeder: Harris Farms, Inc.

Owner: Harris Farms, Inc.



Trainer: Blacker, Dan

Scratched Horse(s): Can't Help Myself (Trainer), Ocean Bear (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$269,473

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Start the Ride	29.20	12.40	7.20	\$1.00 Exacta	3-2	79.00	140,173
2	Sammy Davis		3.80	2.80	\$1.00 Trifecta	3-2-9	576.70	93,076
9	Pavlovian			4.80	\$0.10 Superfecta	3-2-9-11	305.03	79,805
					\$2.00 Daily Double	3-3	58.40	34,646
					\$1.00 Pick 3	6-3-3 (3 correct)	566.70	23,805
					\$1.00 Pick 5	CST2CSTICK5(1/5-6-6-3-3)	2,198.60	100,166
						(5 correct)		

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Start the Ride	7	6 ^{3 1/4}	5 ^{1 1/2}	2 ²	2 ²	1 ^{1 3/4}
2	Sammy Davis	1	1 ^{Head}	4 ¹	1 ²	1 ²	2 ^{1 3/4}
9	Pavlovian	9	9 ^{6 1/4}	9 ^{4 3/4}	6 ^{4 1/2}	4 ⁵	3 ^{3 1/4}
11	Cruise Home	4	8 ^{4 1/4}	7 ^{2 1/4}	8 ^{5 1/4}	5 ⁵	4 ^{3 3/4}
4	Smoovin Saturday	2	4 ^{1 3/4}	2 ^{1/2}	5 ⁴	6 ⁶	5 ⁶
10	Fionello	3	5 ^{2 1/4}	3 ^{1/2}	3 ²	3 ^{4 1/2}	6 ^{7 1/4}
5	Almost There	5	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	4 ³	7 ¹¹	7 ^{23 1/4}
7	John Metcalfe	8	7 ^{3 3/4}	6 ^{1 3/4}	7 ⁵	8 ¹⁶	8 ^{32 3/4}
1	My Boy Stan	6	3 ^{1 1/2}	8 ^{2 3/4}	9 ^{6 3/4}	9 ^{18 1/2}	9 ³⁹

Trainers: 3 - Blacker, Dan; 2 - Sadler, John; 9 - O'Neill, Doug; 11 - Pederson, Dean; 4 - McCarthy, Michael; 10 - Knapp, Steve; 5 - Hanson, Ryan; 7 - Lewis, Craig; 1 - Ramsey, Nolan

Owners: 3 - Harris Farms, Inc.; 2 - Legacy Ranch, Inc.; 9 - Reddam Racing LLC; 11 - Harris Farms, Inc.; 4 - Reddam Racing LLC; 10 - Knapp, Steve R., Lovingier, Terry C., Moroney, John and Grey, Sandra Lee; 5 - Albert and Kathleen Mattivi, LLC; 7 - Rainmaker Racing LLC; 1 - Daugherty Racing, LLC and Kaiser, Robyn;

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START THE RIDE was off a bit slow to begin, settled in the two path, moved to a forward position between rivals in the middle stages, was closest in pursuit turning for home, reeled in the leader at the sixteenth pole and drove clear. SAMMY DAVIS dueled from inside, steadied slightly early on the backstretch, challenged the leader again at the half-mile pole, took over leaving the backstretch, kicked clear on the far turn, showed the way into the final furlong, got run down by the winner with a sixteenth remaining and held second. PAVLOVIAN broke in and bumped, trailed three then two wide around the first turn, steered out widest and moved forward on the backstretch, rounded the far turn five then four wide, produced a mild rally and outkicked CRUISE HOME for the show honors. CRUISE HOME chased from off the pace in the four path on the clubhouse turn, continued four wide into the second bend, angled in to advance between runners then along the rail on the far turn, also summoned a mild rally but was outclosed for third. SMOOVIN SATURDAY stalked outside a rival, pressed three deep on the backstretch, lost ground around the far turn while traveling three then two wide, drifted inward in upper stretch, altered out at the eighth pole and could not rally. FIONELLO tracked outside a pair of rivals around the clubhouse turn, exited the backstretch four deep, angled in a few paths and chased outside a rival into the stretch, then weakened in the lane. ALMOST THERE took a bump at the start, went up to duel from outside, inched ahead early on the backstretch, under pressure from rivals on both sides at the half-mile pole, lost command leaving the backstretch, weakened

around the far turn and tired. JOHN METCALFE broke in and bumped with rivals on both sides at the start, pulled into the first turn, drew closer between rivals on the backstretch, got put in tight and checked on the far turn, eased in the lane and walked off. MY BOY STAN stalked the speed along the inside, came under a ride on the backstretch, dropped back on the far turn, eased in the lane and walked off.

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