

SANTA ANITA PARK - January 23, 2026 - Race 5

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
DOWNHILL TURF FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON \$21,000 TWICE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER, OR STATE BRED OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OR WHICH HAVE NOT WON A SWEEPSTAKES IN 2025-26 OR CLAIMING PRICE \$80,000. Weight, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races Other Than Maiden, Claiming Or Starter Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$80,000 (Horses Entered For The Allowance Are Preferred). (Rail at 30 feet). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$80,000

Distance: About Six And One Half Furlongs On The Downhill turf **Current Track Record:** (Noble Reflection - 1:10.52 - April 9, 2023)

Purse: \$71,000

Plus: \$21,300 CBOIF - California Bred Owner Fund

Available Money: \$92,300

Value of Race: \$69,580 1st \$42,600, 2nd \$14,200, 3rd \$8,520, 4th \$4,260

Weather: Cloudy, 66° **Track:** Firm

Off at: 2:41 **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	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
11Jan26 ⁶ SA ¹⁰	6	Gran Oriente (CHI) (Ayuso, Armando)	124	L b	4	4	3 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Neck}	8.90	3-4wd,wore down rival
28Sep25 ⁹ SA ⁸	5	Speed Boat Beach (Hernandez, Juan)	124	L	3	1	1 ^{Head}	1 ²	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/4}	0.90*	drftd xing,grudgingly
18Oct25 ¹⁰ BAQ ³	4	Son of a Birch (Rispoli, Umberto)	124	L	2	3	2 ²	3 ¹	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{6 1/2}	1.70	lack rm/altrd into str
28Dec25 ⁹ SA ¹⁰	3	St Anthony (Kimura, Kazushi)	124	L b	1	2	4	4	4	4	3.80	inside,mvd out,wknd

Fractional Times: 21.74 42.93 1:05.74

Final Time: 1:11.91

Split Times: (21:19) (22:81) (6:17)

Run-Up: 131 feet **Temporary Rail:** 30 feet

Winner: Gran Oriente (CHI), Dark Bay or Brown Horse, by Classic Empire out of =Oresteia (CHI), by Verrazano. Foaled Sep 05, 2021 in Chile.

Breeder: Haras Paso Nevado

Owner: Stud Vendaval, Inc.

Trainer: Polanco, Marcelo

Scratched Horse(s): Nesso's Lastharrah (Veterinarian), Vlahos (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$172,168

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Gran Oriente (CHI)	19.80	5.80	\$1.00 Exacta	6-5	20.00	78,448
5	Speed Boat Beach		2.40	\$1.00 Trifecta	6-5-4	34.90	28,645
4	Son of a Birch			\$0.10 Superfecta	6-5-4-3	3.63	13,632
				\$2.00 Daily Double	4-6	67.00	26,644
				\$1.00 Pick 3	3-4-6 (3 correct)	79.80	52,395
				\$0.50 Pick 4	6-3-4-6 (4 correct)	871.75	116,369
				\$0.50 Pick 5	3-6-3-4-6 (5 correct)	14,064.15	245,327
				\$1.00 Consolation Pick 3	3-4-1 (3 correct)	6.80	0
				\$2.00 Consolation Double	4-1	3.60	0

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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6	Gran Oriente (CHI)	4	3 ²	2 ²	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Neck}
5	Speed Boat Beach	1	1 ^{Head}	1 ²	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Neck}
4	Son of a Birch	3	2 ^{Head}	3 ²	3 ²	3 ^{1 1/2}
3	St Anthony	2	4 ³	4 ³	4 ^{4 1/2}	4 ⁸

Trainers: 6 - Polanco, Marcelo; 5 - Baffert, Bob; 4 - Falcone, Jr., Robert; 3 - Drysdale, Neil

Owners: 6 - Stud Vendaval, Inc.; 5 - Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul; 4 -Robert Lambe; 3 -Alice Bamford;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

GRAN ORIENTE (CHI) chased three wide into the turn, took aim four wide leaving the turn, dueled outside SPEED BOAT BEACH through the lane and wore that rival down for the victory. SPEED BOAT BEACH dueled from outside then cleared that rival in the early going, angled to the inside on the turn, drifted out crossing the dirt, met the bid from GRAN ORIENTE (CHI), resisted into deep stretch and yielded grudgingly late. SON OF A BIRCH dueled from inside then chased after SPEED BOAT BEACH into the turn, tried to launch a bid between the top pair but lacked room entering the lane, altered to the inside at the top of the stretch and finished evenly for third. ST ANTHONY tracked the pace from inside down the hill, moved out crossing the dirt and weakened. THE TRAINER OF SON OF A BIRCH LODGED AN OBJECTION AGAINST SPEED BOAT BEACH FOR ALLEGED INTERFERENCE COMING INTO THE STRETCH. FOLLOWING A REVIEW, THE STEWARDS UNANIMOUSLY RULED THAT THE VIDEO TAPE DID NOT SUBSTANTIATE THE TRAINER'S CLAIM OF FOUL AND THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGE.

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