

SANTA ANITA PARK - February 21, 2026 - Race 1

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR CALIFORNIA BRED OR CALIFORNIA Sired THREE YEAR OLDS WHICH HAVE NEVER WON \$21,000 ONCE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING OR STARTER OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE \$50,000. Weight, 122 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Other Than Maiden, Claiming Or Starter At A Mile Or Over Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$50,000 (Non-Starters For A Claiming Price Of \$16,000 Or Less In Their Last 3 Starts Preferred)(Horses Entered For The Allowance Are Preferred). (SNW1\$ X) **Claiming Price:** \$50,000

Distance: One Mile On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Vyjack - 1:31.69 - October 8, 2016)

Purse: \$70,000

Plus: \$1,000 Other Sources

Available Money: \$71,000

Value of Race: \$71,000 1st \$42,000, 2nd \$14,000, 3rd \$8,400, 4th \$4,200, 5th \$1,400, 6th \$500, 7th \$500

Weather: Clear, 67° **Track:** Good

Off at: 12:31 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
8Jan26 ³ SA ⁵	4	Third Beer (Fresu, Antonio)	120	L b	3	6	4 ¹	4 ¹	4 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1.60*	2w-ins,shftd/bp midstr
19Jan26 ⁹ SA ¹	6	Ventry Strand (Berrios, Hector)	120	L	5	5	7	7	6 ^{Head}	5 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Neck}	5.30	ins-2,angled,late run
15Jan26 ⁵ SA ¹	3	Dark Blue (Hernandez, Juan)	120	L b	2	4	1 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ¹	3 ^{1 1/4}	7.70	ins,yielded grudgingly
10Jan26 ⁴ SA ¹	8	Dark Omen (Desormeaux, Kent)	120	b	6	3	3 ²	3 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	4 ²	2.00	ins-2wd,bumped midstr
6Feb26 ⁶ SA ²	2	Fumano's Magic (Herrera, Diego)	120	L bf	1	7	6 ²	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{1 1/4}	52.50	step slow,saved ground
14Dec25 ¹⁰ LRC ³	9	Can't Help Myself (Geroux, Florent)	120	L	7	1	2 ¹	2 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{1 3/4}	7.60	2wd,2-3wd,weakened
17Jan26 ⁸ SA ⁴	5	Cruise Home (Orantes, Welfin)	120	--	4	2	5 ^{Head}	6 ¹	7	7	7	14.60	2wd,2-3wd,no response

Fractional Times: 23.12 46.50 1:10.64 1:22.70 **Final Time:** 1:35.12

Split Times: (23:38) (24:14) (12:06) (12:42)

Run-Up: 120 feet

Winner: Third Beer, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by Mendelssohn out of Siqueira, by Curlin. Foaled Jan 28, 2023 in California.

Breeder: Premier Thoroughbreds LLC

Owner: Philip Lebherz

Trainer: Yakteen, Tim

Scratched Horse(s): Arkadelphia (Trainer), Maker and Sons (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$171,184

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Third Beer	5.20	3.20	2.60	\$1.00 Exacta	4-6	13.80	96,525
6	Ventry Strand		5.20	3.80	\$1.00 Trifecta	4-6-3	59.00	53,492
3	Dark Blue			4.80	\$0.10 Superfecta	4-6-3-8	14.20	35,497

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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4	Third Beer	6	4 ⁴	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ³	3 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}
6	Ventry Strand	5	7 ⁷	7 ⁶	6 ⁶	5 ⁴	2 ^{1/2}
3	Dark Blue	4	1 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ¹	3 ^{3/4}
8	Dark Omen	3	3 ²	3 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ¹	4 ²
2	Fumano's Magic	7	6 ⁵	5 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}	6 ^{4 1/2}	5 ⁴
9	Can't Help Myself	1	2 ¹	2 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	6 ^{5 1/4}
5	Cruise Home	2	5 ⁵	6 ⁵	7 ^{6 1/4}	7 ⁷	7 ⁷

Trainers: 4 - Yakteen, Tim; 6 - Sadler, John; 3 - McCarthy, Michael; 8 - Ordonez, Aggie; 2 - Brinkerhoff, Val; 9 - Sadler, John; 5 - Pederson, Dean

Owners: 4 - Philip Lebherz; 6 - Eggert, Paul and Eggert, Karen; 3 - Amerman Racing, LLC; 8 - Williams, Larry D. and Williams, Marianne; 2 - Berger, Jeffrey, Greer, Taylor and Valenzuela, Thomas N.; 9 - Legacy Ranch, Inc.; 5 - Harris Farms, Inc.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

THIRD BEER tracked the speed from the two path, crept closer on the far turn, angled to the rail approaching the stretch, followed behind the leader to the eighth pole, shifted off the fence and bumped DARK OMEN in midstretch, overtook DARK BLUE late and held over the runner-up. VENTRY STRAND content to trail in the early going and tucked inside on the clubhouse turn, tipped two wide at the quarter pole, steered out for a clear run in the lane, closed fast in deep stretch but ran out of ground. DARK BLUE set all the pace from inside to the top of the stretch, dug in under pressure to the sixteenth pole and yielded grudgingly late. DARK OMEN rated on the inside in the opening stages, moved to the two path at the quarter pole, bid from outside into the final furlong, got bumped by the winner midstretch and flattened late. FUMANO'S MAGIC broke a step slow, allowed to settle after next the fence, continued to save ground through the far turn while under a ride and failed to threaten in the stretch run. CAN'T HELP MYSELF raced up close in the two path, chased two then three wide outside DARK OMEN on the far turn and weakened in the drive. CRUISE HOME traveled outside a rival near the back, remained two wide into the far turn, trailed three wide into the lane and lacked a response when called upon.

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