

SANTA ANITA PARK - February 21, 2026 - Race 2

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Weight, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since December 21 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming

Price \$5,000 (Maiden And Claiming Races For \$4,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). **Claiming Price:** \$5,000

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (The Factor - 1:06.98 - December 26, 2010)

Purse: \$16,000

Plus: \$180 Other Sources

Available Money: \$16,180

Value of Race: \$16,180 1st \$9,600, 2nd \$3,200, 3rd \$1,920, 4th \$960, 5th \$500

Weather: Clear, 67° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:04 **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	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
18Jan26 ⁸ SA ²	3	Alpine Thunder (Pereira, Tiago)	122	L b	3	1	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{3 1/4}	3.80	vied btwn,clear midstr
16Jan26 ⁴ SA ³	4	Gentlemen's Club (Herrera, Diego)	122	L	4	5	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ⁴	3 ¹	2 ^{3/4}	9.20	chsd trio3-4w,gain2nd
1Feb26 ⁸ SA ³	5	Carol's Comic (Baze, Tyler)	122	L bf	5	3	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ¹	3 ^{2 1/4}	1.90	bobbled,vie3deep,wknd
1Feb26 ⁶ SA ⁴	1	Smarty Nose (Bautista, Alfredo)	117	L bf	1	4	5	5	5	4 ^{4 3/4}	14.70	inside-3wd, no impact
13Dec25 ³ LRC ⁵	2	Morello (Maldonado, Edwin)	122	L	2	2	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	4 ³	5	1.10*	vied inside pair,fold

Fractional Times: 22.63 45.19 57.76

Final Time: 1:10.07

Split Times: (22:56) (12:57) (12:31)

Run-Up: 70 feet

Winner: Alpine Thunder, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Empire Way out of Alpine Echo, by Swiss Yodeler. Foaled Apr 21, 2018 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Heinz H. Steinmann

Owner: Heinz J. Steinmann

Trainer: Hernandez, Jr., Jose

1 Claimed Horse(s): Alpine Thunder

New Trainer: Lorenzo Campuzano

New Owner: Juan Santos

Claiming Prices: 3 - Alpine Thunder: \$5,000; 4 - Gentlemen's Club: \$5,000; 5 - Carol's Comic: \$5,000; 1 - Smarty Nose: \$5,000; 2 - Morello: \$5,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$105,792

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Alpine Thunder	9.60	4.60	3.20	\$1.00 Exacta	3-4	25.90	54,189
4	Gentlemen's Club		8.40	5.20	\$1.00 Trifecta	3-4-5	70.90	42,010
5	Carol's Comic			3.40	\$2.00 Daily Double	4-3	36.00	34,520

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Alpine Thunder	1	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{3 1/4}
4	Gentlemen's Club	5	4 ^{2 3/4}	4 ^{1 3/4}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{3 1/4}
5	Carol's Comic	3	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ⁴
1	Smarty Nose	4	5 ^{4 1/4}	5 ^{5 3/4}	5 ^{5 1/2}	4 ^{6 1/4}
2	Morello	2	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	4 ^{2 1/2}	5 ¹¹

Trainers: 3 - Hernandez, Jr., Jose; 4 - Lewis, Craig; 5 - Brinkerhoff, Val; 1 - Rivera, Sally; 2 - Harris, Andrew

Owners: 3 -Heinz J. Steinmann; 4 - Rainmaker Racing LLC and Pais, Alfred; 5 - Bobby and Carol Ann Grayson Living Trust; 1 - Ayer, Alex, Heck, William L., Rivera, Sally and Saller, William; 2 - Killa 1 Racing Stable and Balthazar, Darwin;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

ALPINE THUNDER vied between rivals up the backstretch and around the turn, put ahead in front at the quarter pole, carried a short lead over CAROL'S COMIC into the final furlong, put that rival away approaching the sixteenth pole and drew away to the wire. GENTLEMEN'S CLUB chased the top trio three to four wide into the turn, took aim four wide turning for home, put in a mild bid entering the final furlong and gained second but was no match for the winner. CAROL'S COMIC bobbled leaving the gate but recovered quickly and went up to fight for the lead three deep, battled three wide through the turn, dueled outside ALPINE THUNDER into the final furlong, then yielded to that rival in midstretch and flattened to third. SMARTY NOSE trailed along the rail into the turn, lost ground around the turn while moving off the fence, spun three wide into the lane and passed a tired rival. MORELLO took a short lead over outer pair early, vied along the fence through the turn and lost command at the quarter pole, fought to the top of the lane, then yielded to the leaders and folded in the furlong grounds.