

SANTA ANITA PARK - February 27, 2026 - Race 2

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR FILLIES AND MARES FOUR YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Weight, 124 lbs.

Claiming Price \$10,000. (NW2 L) **Claiming Price:** \$10,000

Distance: Five And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (I Am the Danger - 1:01.64 - February 3, 2019)

Purse: \$20,000

Plus: \$100 Other Sources

Available Money: \$20,100

Value of Race: \$20,100 1st \$12,000, 2nd \$4,000, 3rd \$2,400, 4th \$1,200, 5th \$500

Weather: Clear, 92° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:03 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	3/8	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
15Feb26 ³ SA ⁶	1	Willow Cove (Pereira, Tiago)	124	L b	1	3	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹	1 ^{1 3/4}	2.70	met bids, cleared 1/8
8Feb26 ¹ SA ⁶	2	Deep Blue (Ayuso, Armando)	124	L b	2	5	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Neck}	0.80*	bid 3deep, held 2nd
18Jan26 ³ SA ⁹	5	Pretty Cecy (Gonzalez, Ricardo)	124	L	5	2	2 ¹	3 ⁵	3 ^{6 1/2}	3 ⁶	10.30	bid between, turned awy
30Jan26 ⁵ SA ²	4	Booster Club (Kimura, Kazushi)	124	L b	4	1	4 ⁴	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	2.70	tracked 2-3wd, weakened
21Feb26 ⁵ LA ⁴	3	Crypto Crush (Aguilar, Armando)	124	L b	3	4	5	5	5	5	45.90	inside, no menace

Fractional Times: 22.93 46.23 58.21

Final Time: 1:04.43

Split Times: (23:30) (11:98) (6:22)

Run-Up: 75 feet

Winner: Willow Cove, Bay Mare, by Ministers Wild Cat out of Paschalitsa, by Cindago. Foaled Mar 11, 2020 in California.

Breeder: Greg Burns

Owner: Stanley L. Spano

Trainer: Wright, Blaine

2 Claimed Horse(s): **Deep Blue**
Willow Cove

New Trainer: Victor L. Garcia

New Owner: Jose Arnaldo Arana

New Trainer: Jesus J. Uranga

New Owner: Lirios Racing

Claiming Prices: 1 - Willow Cove: \$10,000; 2 - Deep Blue: \$10,000; 5 - Pretty Cecy: \$10,000; 4 - Booster Club: \$10,000; 3 - Crypto Crush: \$10,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$113,456

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
1	Willow Cove	7.40	3.20	2.60	\$1.00 Exacta	1-2	6.90	49,718
2	Deep Blue		2.20	2.10	\$1.00 Trifecta	1-2-5	26.80	44,734
5	Pretty Cecy			3.40				

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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1	Willow Cove	3	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹	1 ^{1 3/4}
2	Deep Blue	5	3 ²	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹	2 ^{1 3/4}
5	Pretty Cecy	2	2 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	3 ²
4	Booster Club	1	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{5 1/2}	4 ^{7 1/2}	4 ⁸
3	Crypto Crush	4	5 ^{7 1/2}	5 ⁸	5 ⁹	5 ^{10 1/2}

Trainers: 1 - Wright, Blaine; 2 - Blacker, Dan; 5 - Garcia, Victor; 4 - Lewis, Craig; 3 - Uranga, Jesus

Owners: 1 - Stanley L. Spano; 2 - D K Racing LLC, Radley Equine, Inc., Springbrook Stables, Tyler Racing, LLC, Malarkey, Brian H. and Maller, Bruce; 5 - Juan J. Garcia; 4 - Innergy Racing Corp, Rainmaker Racing LLC, Zephyr Racing LLC and Pais, Alfred; 3 - Hugo Alonso Santos-Zamora;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

WILLOW COVE took control from inside, met bids from DEEP BLUE and PRETTY CECY on the turn, edged clear at the eighth pole under taps of a downturned left handed crop and remained strong to the wire. DEEP BLUE chased three wide leaving the backstretch, bid three deep on the turn, lost contact with the winner into the final furlong and outfinished PRETTY CECY for second. PRETTY CECY showed early speed then followed after the leader closely to the turn, bid between rivals around the bend, turned away by the winner approaching the eighth pole and got outkicked for the place honors. BOOSTER CLUB tracked well off the rail then moved into the three path entering the turn, shifted in one more path before tipping back out, came three wide into the stretch and weakened. CRYPTO CRUSH trailed up the backstretch, saved ground through the turn, tipped a bit off the rail approaching the stretch and failed to menace.