

SANTA ANITA PARK - May 30, 2026 - Race 2

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over

Since March 30 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: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Ruhmann - 1:33.40 - March 5, 1989)

Purse: \$15,000

Available Money: \$15,000

Value of Race: \$14,700 1st \$9,000, 2nd \$3,000, 3rd \$1,800, 4th \$900

Weather: Clear, 80° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:31 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
1May26 ⁷ SA ⁴	4	Sunset Storm (Bautista, Alfredo)	119	L	bf	3 1	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ²	2 ² 1/2	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	0.70*	keen outside, prevailed
17May26 ⁶ SA ⁵	1	Levon (Aguilar, Armando)	124	L		1 4	1 1/2	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ² 1/2	2 ² 1/4	2.00	step slow, ins, gamely
1May26 ⁷ SA ⁵	5	Upstart Yankee (Lezcano, Abel)	124	L		4 3	4	3 ^{Head}	3 ³	3 ⁴ 1/2	3 ⁶ 1/2	8.50	tracked inside, evenly
1May26 ⁷ SA ³	2	Northern Quest (Payeras, Edgar)	124	L		2 2	3 1/2	4	4	4	4	4.80	stalked 2wide, weakened

Fractional Times: 25.09 49.69 1:13.28 1:26.05

Final Time: 1:38.75 **Time from Gate:** 1:43.98

Split Times: (24:60) (23:59) (12:77) (12:70)

Run-Up: 170 feet

Winner: Sunset Storm, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by [Mitole](#) out of Unacloud, by Unaccounted For. Foaled May 15, 2021 in Kentucky.

MITOLE Champion B.W. THOROUGHBRED Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

Breeder: Paul & Karen Eggert

Owner: Jordan Blackburn

Trainer: Brinkerhoff, Val

Claiming Prices: 4 - Sunset Storm: \$5,000; 1 - Levon: \$5,000; 5 - Upstart Yankee: \$5,000; 2 - Northern Quest: \$5,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Morello (Veterinarian), Wicklow Hills (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$76,273

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Sunset Storm	3.40	2.20	\$1.00 Exacta	4-1	4.50	33,186
1	Levon		3.00	\$1.00 Trifecta	4-1-5	12.10	17,271
5	Upstart Yankee			\$0.10 Superfecta	4-1-5-2	1.10	6,965
				\$2.00 Daily Double	1-4	8.00	30,440

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
4	Sunset Storm	1	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}
1	Levon	4	1 1/2	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}
5	Upstart Yankee	3	4 ² 1/2	3 ²	3 ² 1/2	3 ² 1/2	3 ² 1/4
2	Northern Quest	2	3 ²	4 ² 1/4	4 ⁵ 1/2	4 ⁷	4 ⁸ 3/4

Trainers: 4 - Brinkerhoff, Val; 1 - Belvoir, Vann; 5 - McLean, Bill; 2 - Uranga, Jesus

Owners: 4 - Jordan Blackburn; 1 - A and J Racing and Swagerty, Keith; 5 - Kazarian, Nick Carl and Kazarian, Nicolas Z.; 2 - Jesus J. Uranga;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SUNSET STORM broke well then took a stalking position in the three path, moved up keenly in hand to press the leader leaving the bend, tugged the rider forward to head LEVON and duel up the backstretch, battled through the far turn, put a head in front in upper stretch, dug in through the final furlong and gamely prevailed. LEVON broke a step slow, rushed up inside to take the lead and cleared for a bit on the first turn, took pressure from SUNSET STORM then dueled with that rival up the backstretch and far turn holding a slim advantage, lost the lead in upper stretch, fought back through the final furlong and came up just short in the end. UPSTART YANKEE tracked the top pair from inside, asked around the far turn, chased within striking distance down the stretch but finished evenly late. NORTHERN QUEST stalked the leaders in the two path then outside UPSTART YANKEE, dropped back under urging on the far turn and had little left for the stretch.