

SANTA ANITA PARK - October 1, 2022 - Race 8

STAKES Awesome Again S. Grade 1 - Thoroughbred
FOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS AND UPWARD.

One And One Eighth Miles On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Star Spangled - 1:45.80 - March 24, 1979)

Purse: \$300,000 Guaranteed

Plus: \$1,500 Other Sources

Available Money: \$301,500

Value of Race: \$301,500 1st \$180,000, 2nd \$60,000, 3rd \$36,000, 4th \$18,000, 5th \$6,000, 6th \$500, 7th \$500, 8th \$500

Weather: Clear **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:11 **Start:** Good for all except 8 **Timer:** Electronic

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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
27Aug22 ⁹ DMR ⁶	6	Defunded (Maldonado, Edwin)	122	--	6	1	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ^{1 3/4}	5.00	met bid, kicked clear
3Sep22 ¹⁰ DMR ²	4	Country Grammer (Hernandez, Juan)	124	b	4	6	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1.10*	lost path early, up 2nd
3Sep22 ⁹ DMR ¹	8	Slow Down Andy (Gutierrez, Mario)	120	--	8	4	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{4 1/2}	14.50	stumbled badly, rank
3Sep22 ¹⁰ DMR ⁴	7	Express Train (Espinoza, Victor)	124	--	7	3	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ¹	4 ¹	4 ^{Head}	4.30	stalk 2w, ins, no respns
30Jul22 ¹⁰ DMR ⁶	5	Tripoli (Vazquez, Ramon)	122	--	5	2	5 ^{1 1/2}	6 ¹	6 ³	5 ^{3 1/2}	5 ¹³	28.50	stalk ins-2wd, no rally
3Sep22 ¹⁰ DMR ³	2	Royal Ship (BRZ) (Smith, Mike)	124	--	2	5	8	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{Head}	6 ⁴	6 ^{3/4}	3.70	bmpd, took back, 3wd
3Sep22 ⁴ DMR ²	3	High Connection (Cedillo, Abel)	118	b	3	8	6 ^{1/2}	7 ^{1/2}	8	7 ^{1/2}	7 ^{2 1/4}	24.00	step slow, bumped early
26Dec21 ⁶ SA ⁵	1	Azul Coast (Berrios, Hector)	124	b	1	7	7 ^{Head}	8	7 ^{1/2}	8	8	49.70	bit rank early, inside

Fractional Times: 22.67 46.70 1:10.89 1:36.06

Final Time: 1:49.38

Split Times: (24:03) (24:19) (25:17) (13:32)

Run-Up: 85 feet

Winner: Defunded, Chestnut Gelding, by Dialed In out of Wind Capar, by Touch Gold. Foaled Apr 11, 2018 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Athens Woods, LLC

Owner: Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul

Trainer: Baffert, Bob

Total WPS Pool: \$578,760

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Defunded	12.00	4.60	3.40	\$1.00 Exacta	6-4	14.30	275,291
4	Country Grammer		3.00	2.40	\$0.50 Trifecta	6-4-8	62.10	182,733
8	Slow Down Andy			4.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	6-4-8-7	43.38	116,874
					\$2.00 Daily Double	7-6	365.00	75,347
					\$0.50 Pick 3	3-7-6 (3 correct)	229.55	75,235
					\$1.00 Super High Five	6-4-8-7-5	3,189.80	20,898

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
6	Defunded	1	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ^{1 3/4}
4	Country Grammer	6	4 ²	4 ²	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{1 3/4}
8	Slow Down Andy	4	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹	3 ^{2 1/4}
7	Express Train	3	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ⁵	4 ^{6 3/4}
5	Tripoli	2	5 ^{2 1/2}	6 ³	6 ^{3 3/4}	5 ⁶	5 ^{6 3/4}
2	Royal Ship (BRZ)	5	8 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{3 1/2}	6 ^{9 1/2}	6 ^{19 3/4}
3	High Connection	8	6 ⁴	7 ⁴	8 ^{7 1/4}	7 ^{13 1/2}	7 ^{20 1/2}
1	Azul Coast	7	7 ^{4 1/2}	8 ^{4 1/2}	7 ^{6 3/4}	8 ¹⁴	8 ^{22 3/4}

Trainers: 6 - Baffert, Bob; 4 - Baffert, Bob; 8 - O'Neill, Doug; 7 - Shirreffs, John; 5 - Sadler, John; 2 - Mandella, Richard; 3 - Baffert, Bob; 1 - Baffert, Bob

Owners: 6 - Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul; 4 - Commonwealth Thoroughbreds, LLC, Winstar Farm LLC and Zedan Racing Stables, Inc.; 8 - Reddam Racing LLC; 7 - C R K Stable LLC; 5 - Hronis Racing LLC; 2 - Fox Hill Farms, Inc. and Siena Farm LLC; 3 - HRH Prince Sultan Bin Mishal Al Saud; 1 - Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul;

Footnotes

DEFUNDED sped clear and was guided over to the inside, gained company on the backstretch then moved clear into the far turn, pressured again by SLOW DOWN ANDY at the quarter pole, responded to when asked and drew clear with a furlong remaining and held well to the wire. COUNTRY GRAMMER lost his path briefly early then moved into range quickly three deep into the first turn, chased three wide into the stretch and rallied for the place. SLOW DOWN ANDY stumbled badly leaving the gate, became rank while forward early off the rail, applied pressure outside the leader on the backstretch, lost touch into the far turn, re-engaged DEFUNDED with a quarter mile left to run, could not keep up entering the furlong grounds and got outkicked for second. EXPRESS TRAIN stalked two wide early, was asked along the rail on the far turn and failed to find the needed response. TRIPOLI stalked on the inside early, moved off the rail on the backstretch, entered the lane two wide and lacked a rally. ROYAL SHIP (BRZ) got bumped from outside then took back between rivals early, moved out three wide for the clubhouse turn, spun three wide into the stretch and weakened. HIGH CONNECTION broke a step slow, bumped between rivals early, traveled two wide near the back, raced outside a rival on the far turn, moved out in the lane and made no impact. AZUL COAST was a bit rank along the inside into the first turn, saved ground to the stretch and was not a factor.