SEVENTH RACE
Santa Anita
SEPTEMBER 26, 2026

1¼ MILES. (Turf) (1.57) JOHN HENRY TURF CHAMPIONSHIP S. Grade II. Purse $200,000 (plus $1,500 Other Sources) DOWNHILL TURF FOR THREE–YEAR–OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of $100 each if made on or before Sunday, September 13, 2026, closed with 16 or by Supplementary nomination of $4,000 due at time of entry. $1,500 to enter and an additional $1,500 to start with $200,000 guaranteed of which $120,000 to the winner, $40,000 to second, $24,000 to third, $12,000 to fourth and $4,000 to fifth. Three–Year–Olds 122 lbs. Older 126 lbs. Non–Winners of a Grade I or Grade II Stake at One Mile or Over since March 26, 2026 allowed 2 lbs. Non–Winners of a Graded Stakes at One Mile or Over since September 26, 2025 allowed 4 lbs. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner.

Value of Race: $201,500 Winner $120,000; second $40,000; third $24,000; fourth $12,000; fifth $4,000; sixth $500; seventh $500; eighth $500. Mutuel Pool $369,868.00 Exacta Pool $192,134.00 Trifecta Pool $114,726.00 Superfecta Pool $79,240.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	¼	½	¾	1	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
29Aug26 10Dmr2	Atitlan	b	5	122	7	5hd	5½	51	3½	1hd	12¼	Rispoli U	0.90
29Aug26 10Dmr8	Flashiest	b	8	122	6	33	32	31½	11	23	2½	Ayuso A	16.30
29Aug26 10Dmr5	Mondego-GB		6	126	1	63	6hd	6hd	8	4½	32	Hernandez J J	2.90
29Aug26 10Dmr3	Atomic Age		4	122	3	41	4hd	4hd	4½	3hd	4nk	Kimura K	5.60
29Aug26 10Dmr6	Nitti-Ire	f	5	122	5	8	8	8	7hd	5½	5hd	Espinoza V	15.60
22Aug26 11Dmr8	Twirling Point	b	5	122	8	7½	71½	7½	6hd	61	611½	Gonzalez R	23.70
5Sep26 2Dmr6	Balladeer	b	7	122	4	11½	12½	11½	2½	75	717	Leparoux J R	32.60
22Aug26 11Dmr10	Sinsel-Brz		5	122	2	22	22	21	51	8	8	Berrios Hector I	9.80

OFF AT 4:13 Start Good. Won driving. Course firm.

TIME :22², :46², 1:10⁴, 1:35³, 1:58¹ (:22.58, :46.40, 1:10.93, 1:35.78, 1:58.35)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

7 – ATITLAN	**3.80**	**2.60**	**2.10**
6 – FLASHIEST		**10.00**	**4.40**
1 – MONDEGO–GB			**2.40**

$1 EXACTA 7–6 PAID $25.40 $1 TRIFECTA 7–6–1 PAID $73.70 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 7–6–1–3 PAID $20.63

B. h, (Apr), by The Factor – Armanda–Ger, by Acatenango–Ger. Trainer Mandella Richard. Bred by Anastasie Astrid Christiansen–Croy (Ky).

ATITLAN settled mid-pack, roused three to four wide nearing the quarter marker, bid to upper stretch then vied for the lead at the furlong pole, took command to the final sixteenth and drew away in the late stages. FLASHIEST settled off of the leading pair and was well placed to the backstretch, loomed three wide into the far turn then took command at the quarter pole, met the bid of ATITLAN nearing the furlong grounds, was no match late for the winner but held well for the place. MONDEGO (GB) settled while saving ground in the early running, got caught a bit in tight along the backstretch and steadied slightly at the five-furlong pole, kept an inside path to the far turn, remained inside while losing some placing on the turn, tipped two wide to upper stretch, closed with good late interest along the fence into deep stretch and just missed for the place. ATOMIC AGE settled in mid-pack, saved ground to the backstretch run, was well placed into the far turn, navigated traffic at the quarter marker then angled out to upper stretch, couldn't sustain his run to the final sixteenth and flattened out. NITTI (IRE) unhurried while saving ground early on, moved three wide into the backstretch, asked four to five wide nearing the top of the lane, ran in pursuit while widest into the final furlong and needed more in deep stretch. TWIRLING POINT settled outside of an inner rival early on, coaxed two wide and between runners into the far turn, swung three to four wide to upper stretch, couldn't find the needed response while between foes into the lane and failed to threaten late. BALLADEER away in good order, vied for the early lead with SINSEL (BRZ), took command passing the wire for the first time then set a decent pace to the backstretch, led to the far turn then was overtaken nearing the quarter marker, couldn't find more in the lane and tired. SINSEL (BRZ) showed speed from the gate and took early command, was keen and hard to place and ceded the front to BALLADEER, stalked the pacesetter while still pulling on the rider into the backstretch, vied for the lead between runners into the far turn, stopped nearing the top of the stretch, was eased through the lane and walked off.

Owners– 1, O'Connor John M; 2, GB Racing Wachtel Stables or Drion et al; 3, Cheyenne Stables LLC; 4, Downey James E; 5, Innergy Racing Corp Zephyr Racing LLC and Pais Sonny; 6, Henline Paula P and Henline Tracy D; 7, Nguyen Calvin and Tran Joey C; 8, Red Rafa Stud Inc

Trainers– 1, Mandella Richard; 2, Powell Leonard; 3, McCarthy Michael W; 4, D'Amato Philip; 5, Garcia Antonio C; 6, Wright Blaine; 7, Papaprodromou George; 8, Mandella Richard

$2 Daily Double (2–7) Paid $17.20; Daily Double Pool $47,341.
$1 Pick Three (6–2–7) Paid $65.20; Pick Three Pool $83,462.
$1 Pick Four (1–3/6/9–2–7) Paid $147.80; Pick Four Pool $180,094.