

1 1/2 MILES. (Turf) (2241) 32ND RUNNING OF THE JOE HIRSCH TURF CLASSIC INVITATIONAL Grade I. Purse \$600,000 FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. By invitation only with no subscription fees. The purse to be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth and 2% divided equally among remaining finishers. Weight for age. Three year olds, 121 lbs.; older, 126 lbs. Fillies and Mares allowed 3 lbs. The New York Racing Association will select a field of (14) invitees by Saturday, September 13. The owner and/or trainers of these (14) selected horses will be required to notify the NYRA of their intentions to participate in the Joe Hirsch Turf Classic no later than Saturday, September 20. A list of alternates will be published on Sunday, September 21. Trophies will be presented to the winning owner, trainer and jockey. The New York Racing Association reserves the right to transfer this race to the Main Track. In the event that this race is taken off the turf, it may be subject to downgrading upon review by the Graded Stakes Committee. (If the Stewards consider it in advisable to run this race on the turf course, this race will be run at One Mile and One Eighth on the main track.) (Rail at 9 feet).

**NINTH RACE
Belmont**

SEPTEMBER 27, 2008

Value of Race: \$600,000 Winner \$360,000; second \$120,000; third \$60,000; fourth \$30,000; fifth \$18,000; sixth \$4,000; seventh \$4,000; eighth \$4,000. Mutuel Pool \$686,352.00 Exacta Pool \$432,882.00 Trifecta Pool \$288,309.00 Superfecta Pool \$113,619.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A. Wt	PP	1/4	1/2	1	1 1/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1		
16Aug08 8Sar1	GrandCouturier-GB	L	f	5	126	5	6 1/2	6 1/2	4hd	51	12	110 1/4	Garcia Alan	2.65
13Sep08 9Pha3	Interpatation	L	f	6	126	1	7 1/2	8	6 1/2	65	4 1/2	2no	Desormeaux K J	16.80
17Aug08 9Sar1	Summer Patriot	L		4	126	4	8	7 1/2	5 1/2	31	22 1/2	39 1/4	Coa E M	6.50
4Aug08 7WO2	Strike a Deal	L		4	126	6	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	1hd	31	43 1/4	Castellano J J	5.10
13Sep08 9Mth2	Proudinsky-Ger	L		5	126	3	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	2 1/2	54	52 3/4	Dominguez R A	3.50
16Aug08 8Sar4	Presious Passion	L	b	5	126	7	13	12	1 1/2	4 1/2	65	6 11 1/4	Castro E	12.90
16Aug08 8Sar5	Dancing Forever	L	b	5	126	2	5 1/2	8	8	7 1/2	75 1/4	8	Douglas R R	3.05
6Sep08 9TP6	Jade's Revenge	L	b	5	126	8	44	4 1 1/2	73	72	8	8	Prado E S	33.00

OFF AT 5:21 Start Good. Won driving. Course yielding.

TIME :244, :502, 1:164, 1:421, 2:09, 2:344 (:24.97, :50.52, 1:16.84, 1:42.35, 2:09.07, 2:34.84)

\$2 Mutuel Prices:

6 – GRAND COUTURIER-GB	7.30	4.10	3.00
1 – INTERPATATION		12.40	6.40
5 – SUMMER PATRIOT			5.20

\$2 EXACTA 6-1 PAID \$130.00 \$2 TRIFECTA 6-1-5 PAID \$788.00

\$2 SUPERFACTA 6-1-5-7 PAID \$3,302.00

B. h, (Apr), by Grand Lodge – Lady Elgar-Ire , by Sadler's Wells . Trainer Ribaudo Robert J. Bred by Tom Wilson (GB).
 GRAND COUTURIER (GB) unhurried during the opening stages, bumped with INTERPATATION on the backstretch, ducked inward for a respite approaching the second turn, was forced back out to avoid being shuffled by a fading PRECIOUS PASSION midway on the turn, slowly advanced into contention while being kept in reserve, steadied momentarily while being swung out four wide at the head of the stretch, quickly commenced his rally when given his cue, surged past the leaders to take charge by midstretch, then extended his margin while being placed under a milder hand ride the final sixteenth. INTERPATATION devoid of early foot, bumped with the top one on the backstretch, was forced to check when the winner ducked inward in the vicinity of the half mile pole, swung outward after entering the far turn, fanned four wide into the lane, came home with good courage to gain the place. SUMMER PATRIOT three wide throughout, was clearly third best. STRIKE A DEAL patiently handled racing off the inside for six furlongs, moved to engage the leader during the run around the second turn, remained in contention until turning for home, but had nothing left to sustain the bid. PROUDINSKY (GER) forwardly placed while being rated, taking the inside route, gave way after going three quarters. PRECIOUS PASSION quickly on the lead, cut the fractions for a mile and faltered. DANCING FOREVER was through after racing six furlongs. JADE'S REVENGE underwent a three wide journey and tired. An objection by the rider of INTERPATATION against the winner alleging interference nearing the far turn was not allowed.

Owners– 1, Keller Marc; 2, Mavorah Elliot; 3, Hare Forest Farm; 4, Jayeff B Stables; 5, Tanaka Gary A; 6, Generazio Patricia A; 7, Phipps Stable; 8, Bushwood Stables LLC

Trainers– 1, Ribaudo Robert J; 2, Barbara Robert; 3, Tagg Barclay; 4, Goldberg Alan E; 5, Frankel Robert; 6, Hartmann Mary; 7, McGaughy III Claude R; 8, Motion H Graham

Scratched– Elusive Fort (SAF) (23Aug08 9Sar5)

\$2 Pick Three (3-7-6) Paid \$1,033.00 ; Pick Three Pool \$85,028 .

\$2 Daily Double (7-6) Paid \$331.50 ; Daily Double Pool \$96,752 .