EIGHTH RACE

Belmont at the Big A

APRIL 30, 2026

6 FURLONGS. MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse $80,000 OUTER TURF FOR MAIDENS, FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD FOALED IN NEW YORK STATE AND APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE–BRED REGISTRY. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. (Non–Starters For A Claiming Price Of $55,000 Or Less In The Last 3 Starts Preferred). (ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR TURF).

Value of Race: $77,600 Winner $44,000; second $16,000; third $9,600; fourth $4,800; fifth $3,200. Mutuel Pool $211,140.00 Exacta Pool $109,281.00 Superfecta Pool $28,935.00 Trifecta Pool $51,388.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
27Mar26 ^{6}Aqu^{2}	Venetta	L	3	121	4	2	1^{hd}	1^{hd}	2^{2}½	1^{hd}	Carmouche K	0.48
	Careless Whisper	L	3	121	5	1	2^{2}	2^{2}	1^{hd}	2^{3}¼	Franco M	3.58
28Aug25 ^{6}Sar^{5}	Lake Ariel	L f	3	114	2	3	3½	3^{12}	3^{17}	3^{12}½	Rivera D A^{7}	7.36
	Speed Walking	L	3	121	1	4	5	5	4^{8}	4^{34}¼	Gutierrez R	16.65
28Feb26 ^{6}Aqu^{3}	Atira	L	3	121	3	5	4^{15}	4^{8}	5	5	Rodriguez J	7.16

OFF AT 4:51 Start Good For All But ATIRA. Won driving. Track muddy (Sealed).

TIME: :22^{1}, :45^{2}, :57^{3}, 1:10^{4} (:22.21, :45.46, :57.79, 1:10.99)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

9 – VENETTA	2.96	2.24	2.10
10 – CARELESS WHISPER		3.36	2.28
4 – LAKE ARIEL			2.52

$1 EXACTA 9–10 PAID $4.51 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 9–10–4–3 PAID $2.95 50 CENT TRIFECTA 9–10–4 PAID $7.08

B. f, (Apr), by Yaupon – Gypsy Angel, by Silver Train. Trainer Gargan Danny. Bred by Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC (NY).

VENETTA went to the front, contested the pace on the inside of an opponent, vied in the three then two path while asked on the turn, dueled gamely with the runner-up in the stretch, brushed with that foe late and narrowly prevailed under strong urging. CARELESS WHISPER disputed the pace on the outside, vied in the four then three path on the turn, dueled with the winner in the stretch and was denied while clear for the place. LAKE ARIEL was well placed behind the leading duo, chased inside on the turn, moved to the two path outside the quarter-pole, floated out to the six path into the stretch, pursued the top two while remaining on her inside lead in the drive and lacked the needed kick but was well clear for the show. SPEED WALKING dropped back under urging while void of speed, moved from the two path to the inside early on the turn, saved ground into the stretch and was no factor. ATIRA was off slow and spotted the front a few lengths, moved up on the outside under urging then chased the pace, dropped back in the four then three path on the turn and faltered.

Owners– 1, Sequel Racing; 2, West Point Thoroughbreds and Politano James; 3, Donk David G Behrendt John T Marquis Charles K Hayes Peter Carney Sean and; 4, Everything's Cricket Racing; 5, Sequel Racing

Trainers– 1, Gargan Danny; 2, Weaver George; 3, Donk David; 4, McPeek Kenneth G; 5, Morley Thomas

Scratched– Emergency Nine, Shake Em Off, Avery's Wonderland (12Nov25 ^{6}Aqu^{5}), Garden of Grace (09Apr26 ^{3}Aqu^{4}), No Need to Panic (02Nov25 ^{11}BAQ^{4})

$1 Pick Three (3–2–9) Paid $54.57; Pick Three Pool $64,396.
50 CENT Pick Four (8–3–2–1/2/5/6/8/9) Paid $246.55; Pick Four Pool $83,026.
50 CENT Pick Five (1/4/7–8–3–2–1/2/5/6/8/9) 5 Correct Paid $448.14; Pick Five Pool $113,206.
$1 Pick Six (5–1/4/7–8–3–2–1/2/5/6/8/9) 6 Correct Paid $6,106.44; Pick Six Pool $18,954.
$1 Pick Six (5–1/4/7–8–3–2–1/2/5/6/8/9) 5 Correct Paid $58.95.
$1 Daily Double (2–9) Paid $6.54; Daily Double Pool $64,421.

Attendance: Unavailable Mutuel Pool: $4,081,525.00