SEVENTH RACE

Belmont

OCTOBER 1, 2026

1½ MILES. (Turf) JOE HIRSCH TURF CLASSIC S. Grade I. Purse $500,000 FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Lasix not allowed within 48 hours of post time pursuant to HISA Rule 4212. By subscription of $500 each which should accompany the nomination; $3,750 to pass the entry box and an additional $3,750 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental nomination payment of $2,500 in addition to the entry and starting fees may be made at any time prior to the closing of entries. The Joe Hirsch Turf Classic winner is eligible for a bonus from the Japan Racing Association if said winner is selected and runs in the 2026 Japan Cup at Tokyo Racecourse. Three Year Olds: 122 lbs. Older: 126 lbs. 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 Tapeta 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. Closed Thursday, September 10, 2026 with 20 Nominations. (If the Stewards consider it inadvisable to run this race on the turf course, this race will be run at One Mile and Three Sixteenths on the Tapeta Track.).

Value of Race: $500,000 Winner $275,000; second $100,000; third $60,000; fourth $30,000; fifth $20,000; sixth $15,000. Mutuel Pool $474,093.00 Exacta Pool $299,271.00 Superfecta Pool $61,699.00 Trifecta Pool $125,992.00 Grand Slam Pool $42,601.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	¼	½	1	1¼	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
15Aug26 ^{9}Sar^{2}	Minaret Station	b	4	126	5	4½	4^{hd}	4^{1}½	4^{hd}	2½	1½	Ortiz J L	5.86
28Mar26 ^{13}GP^{1}	Far Bridge		6	126	2	5^{1}½	5^{1}½	5^{1}½	5^{1}	4½	2^{2}¼	Velazquez J R	6.81
14Feb26 ^{3}Doh^{5}	El Cordobes-Ire		5	126	1	3½	3^{1}	3^{hd}	1^{hd}	1^{hd}	3¾	Prat F	1.66
15Aug26 ^{9}Sar^{3}	Program Trding-GB		6	126	6	1^{1}	1^{1}	1½	2^{hd}	3^{hd}	4^{2}¼	Santana R Jr	8.99
22Aug26 ^{2}Sar^{2}	Asbury Park-GB		4	126	3	6	6	6	6	6	5^{nk}	Franco M	26.24
5Sep26 ^{3}KEM^{1}	Pride of Arras-Ire		4	126	4	2½	2½	2^{1}	3½	5^{1}½	6	Ryan R	1.47

OFF AT 5:26 Start Good. Won driving. Course firm.

TIME :25^{2}, :51^{1}, 1:16^{4}, 1:40^{4}, 2:05, 2:28 (:25.40, :51.37, 1:16.92, 1:40.97, 2:05.12, 2:28.18)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

5–MINARET STATION	13.72	5.62	3.90
2–FAR BRIDGE		8.24	4.64
1–EL CORDOBES–IRE			2.38

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$1 Pick Three (4–1–5) Paid $1,070.88; Pick Three Pool $42,377.
$1 Daily Double (1–5) Paid $38.97; Daily Double Pool $96,541.
$1 Grand Slam (3/5/7/8–3/4/6–1/8/9–5) Paid $28.74; Grand Slam Pool $42,601.