FIFTH RACE
Belmont
OCTOBER 14, 2026

1 1/16 MILES. (Turf) STARTER ALLOWANCE. Purse $65,000 FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD FOALED IN NEW YORK STATE AND APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE–BRED REGISTRY WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF $50,000 OR LESS AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN OR CLAIMING. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Non–winners Of A Race In 2026 Allowed 2 lbs. (If the Stewards consider it inadvisable to run this race on the turf course, this race will be run at One Mile and One Sixteenth on the Tapeta Track.) (Rail at 36 feet).

Value of Race: $65,000 Winner $35,750; second $13,000; third $7,800; fourth $3,900; fifth $2,600; sixth $488; seventh $488; eighth $488; ninth $486. Mutuel Pool $221,775.00 Exacta Pool $153,408.00 Superfecta Pool $47,330.00 Trifecta Pool $87,898.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
19Sep26 3Del1	Metatron	L b	5	126	9	9	7¹	6¹	6½	3½	1no	Marin S	31.01
29Aug26 5Sar2	Sammy C Note	L b	4	126	3	2	3¹	4²	3hd	1hd	2 3¼	Fresu A	1.08
7Oct26 7Bel2	Salt Spartan	L b	4	124	6	6	4¹	3hd	4¹	4²	3²	Davis D	2.39
24Sep26 7Bel7	Take a Stance	L b	3	122	4	3	2²	2¹	2¹	2hd	4⁵	Castellano J J	12.40
27Aug26 9Sar4	Blame It On K J	b	4	126	8	7	6½	7½	7¹	6³	5nk	Santana R Jr	4.52
19Sep26 10Bel1	Beau Cheval	L b	3	122	1	4	5 2½	5 2½	5²	5²	6¹³	Carmouche K	21.08
3Sep26 10Sar1	Foto	L	4	126	5	8	8hd	8⁵	8⁷	8⁶	7 2½	Davis K	25.14
3Oct26 2Med5	Solo Empire	L b	5	126	2	1	1hd	1hd	1hd	7 1½	8 5½	Elliott C	27.91
6Sep26 8Sar6	Outtawaterbury	L b	5	124	7	5	9	9	9	9	9	Maragh C	80.41

OFF AT 3:26 Start Good For All But FOTO, SALT SPARTAN. Won driving. Course good.

TIME : 23², :46, 1:10¹, 1:35⁴, 1:42² (:23.40, :46.18, 1:10.30, 1:35.83, 1:42.43)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

10 – METATRON	**64.02**	**16.84**	**5.86**
3 – SAMMY C NOTE		**2.96**	**2.34**
7 – SALT SPARTAN			**2.88**

$1 EXACTA 10–3 PAID $95.83 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 10–3–7–4 PAID $131.55 50 CENT TRIFECTA 10–3–7 PAID $155.67

Ch. g, (Feb), by Solomini – Angels Trace , by Bellamy Road . Trainer Brion Keri. Bred by Spruce Lane Farm & Give Him Six LLC (NY).

METATRON settled off the pace two wide, began asking at the five sixteenths and ranged up into a five wide move turning for home, sustained a rally to put a head in front at the sixteenth and fought hard to keep that runner from making a late comeback. SAMMY C NOTE gave chase in the early stages, moved up between runners three wide at the eleven sixteenths to contest the pace briefly, brushed with SALT SPARTAN and backed off behind the leaders for the far turn, launched a three wide bid to take charge at the quarter brushing with that same rival in the process, was caught by outer runner at the sixteenth, started to come again late but not in time. SALT SPARTAN hit the gate and bumped inner rival at the start, tracked the pace three wide in the early stages, brushed with SAMMY C NOTE while moving up to prompt the pace four wide at the eleven sixteenths, held that position until being brushed out by that same foe at the quarter before flattening out in the final furlong. TAKE A STANCE broke a bit outward and well enough to earn a forward position, continued to press the pace from the two path up the backstretch and through the far turn, took charge briefly at the five sixteenths before flattening out in the stretch. BLAME IT ON K J settled off the pace along the inside, began urging at the three eighths, took to the outside of the stretch to make some final improvements. BEAU CHEVAL raced in the middle of the pack along the inside, came under a ride at the five sixteenths but lacked a response. FOTO got pinched back at the start, raced off the pace along the inside, advanced through the far turn but had no more for the stretch. SOLO EMPIRE set a pressured pace along the inside, was asked at the five sixteenths but could not keep the lead, retreated down the lane. OUTTAWATERBURY trailed, no factor.

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Trainers– 1, Brion Keri; 2, Miceli Michael; 3, Dutrow Richard E Jr; 4, Nevin Michelle; 5, Duggan David P; 6, Sharp Joe; 7, Duggan David P; 8, Rodriguez Rudy R; 9, Davis Robbie G

Scratched– Naguile (24Sep26 7Bel3)

$1 Pick Three (1–6–10) Paid $1,046.31 ; Pick Three Pool $50,070 .
50 CENT Pick Four (7–1–6–10) Paid $2,186.23 ; Pick Four Pool $89,526 .
50 CENT Pick Five (5–7–1–6–10) 5 Correct Paid $27,063.28 ; Pick Five Pool $254,721 .
$1 Daily Double (6–10) Paid $222.81 ; Daily Double Pool $29,445 .