

**AQUEDUCT - February 24, 2013 - Race 8**

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred  
 INNER DIRT (UP TO \$9,120 NYSBFOA) FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$25,000 OR LESS AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN OR CLAIMING OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$25,000 FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners of two races since December 24, 2012 Allowed 3 lbs. A race since then Allowed 5 lbs. Claiming Price \$25,000 (Races where entered for \$16,000 or less not considered in allowances). ( C ) **Claiming Price:** \$25,000

Six Furlongs On The Inner track **Track Record:** (Captain Red - 1:07.93 - February 26, 2003)

**Purse:** \$48,000

**Available Money:** \$48,000

**Value of Race:** \$48,000 1st \$28,800, 2nd \$9,600, 3rd \$4,800, 4th \$2,400, 5th \$1,440, 6th \$960

**Weather:** Cloudy **Track:** Good

**Off at:** 3:48 **Start:** Good for all



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
31Jan13 <sup>5</sup> AQU <sup>1</sup>	4	Blue Creek (Velasquez, Cornelio)	120 L b	4 5	5 1/2	5 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	5 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>Nose</sup>	2.30	5w.bump 3/16,won bob
18Jan13 <sup>7</sup> AQU <sup>7</sup>	3	Straight Fax (Morales, Pablo)	120 L b	3 2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup> 3/4	6.10	btwn foe turn,led late
7Feb13 <sup>5</sup> AQU <sup>2</sup>	6	Ancient Rome (Ortiz, Jose)	113 <sup>5</sup> L	6 1	3 1/2	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	1.40*	broke open gate, 3w
7Feb13 <sup>5</sup> AQU <sup>7</sup>	2	Chasing Moonlight (Alvarado, Junior)	118 L b	2 4	4 <sup>1</sup>	3 1/2	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>3/4</sup>	4.10	left pocket 1/4, flat
15Feb13 <sup>10</sup> AQU <sup>1</sup>	1	Christopher's Joy (Cohen, David)	120 L bf	1 3	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup> 1/4	8.50	argue w/ duo,wknd 1/16
10Feb13 <sup>9</sup> AQU <sup>7</sup>	5	Minescape (Silvera, Ruben)	118 L b	5 6	6	6	6	6	6	23.90	3w 1/2,5w upper,bump

**Fractional Times:** 23.29 46.80 59.18

**Final Time:** 1:12.13

**Split Times:** (23:51) (12:38) (12:95)

**Run-Up:** 18 feet

**Winner:** Blue Creek, Bay Colt, by [Broken Vow](#) out of Blue Hills, by Cure the Blues. Foaled Feb 04, 2009 in Kentucky.

**BrokenVow** Winner's sire standing at Pin Oak Stud

**Breeder:** Mr. & Mrs. Bertram R. Firestone. **Winning Owner:** Linda Rice

**2 Claimed Horse(s):** **Ancient Rome** New Trainer: Bruce R. Brown New Owner: La Marca Stable  
**Straight Fax** New Trainer: Gregory DiPrima New Owner: Michael Imperio

**Claiming Prices:** 3 - Straight Fax: \$25,000; 6 - Ancient Rome: \$25,000; 1 - Christopher's Joy: \$25,000; 5 - Minescape: \$25,000;

**Total WPS Pool:** \$202,052

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Blue Creek	6.60	4.00	2.20	\$2.00 Exacta	4-3	38.00	181,761
3	Straight Fax		5.30	2.90	\$2.00 Trifecta	4-3-6	96.50	99,262
6	Ancient Rome			2.10	\$2.00 Daily Double	4-4	28.80	30,098
					\$2.00 Pick 3	8-4-4 (3 correct)	47.60	22,333
					\$2.00 Grand Slam	3/4/7-2/5/8-4/5/6-4 (4 correct)	15.40	18,012
					\$2.00 Superfecta	4-3-6-2	246.50	48,299

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
4	Blue Creek	5	5 <sup>3</sup> 1/2	5 <sup>4</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>Nose</sup>
3	Straight Fax	2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Nose</sup>
6	Ancient Rome	1	3 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup> 1/2	4 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup> 3/4
2	Chasing Moonlight	4	4 <sup>2</sup> 1/2	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup> 1/4
1	Christopher's Joy	3	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>1</sup> 1/2	1 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>
5	Minescape	6	6 <sup>4</sup>	6 <sup>5</sup>	6 <sup>5</sup>	6 <sup>5</sup> 1/4

**Trainers:** 4 - Rice, Linda; 3 - Quick, Patrick; 6 - Rice, Linda; 2 - Jacobson, David; 1 - Gonzalez, Manuel; 5 - Persaud, Randi

**Owners:** 4 - Linda Rice; 3 - Paradise Farms Corp.; 6 - Glenn Fagan; 2 - Christopher T. Dunn; 1 - Island Wind Racing; 5 - Re yana and Re ya Racing;

**Footnotes**

BLUE CREEK unhurried from off the inside, picked up the pace late on the turn, swung four wide into the stretch, was a couple of jumps into the stretch drive then got tipped one lane further outward, made contact with MINESCAPE near the hind quarters, getting knocked sideways in the direction of the infield as a result, recovered his proper stride in short order, charged towards the front runners leaving the eighth pole, loomed boldly full of run with seventy yards to go, found a resolute foe in the runner up the rest of the way home, but won the bob. STRAIGHT FAX chased the pacesetter from the outside, taking up the task from between rivals for a good portion of the initial half, got set down prior to reaching the quarter pole, forged on ahead to reach the furlong marker in a practical dead heat with CHRISTOPHER'S JOY, grabbed the lead and inched away from that one as well as a couple of other hot pursuers, raced head to head with the winner for the last seventy yards, dug in stubbornly but lost the bob. ANCIENT ROME broke open the gate prior to start, proceeded to come away with no apparent mishap, assumed a forward position, departed the backstretch from the three path and pressed the issue as the widest of a threesome all the way around the turn, lost some ground commencing the start of the stretch run four wide, finished willingly en route for the show. CHASING MOONLIGHT under a firm hold until the five-sixteenths pole, eased out of the pocket entering the stretch, gained ground until mid lane then flattened out. CHRISTOPHER'S JOY argued for command with at least two other rivals before weakening in the final sixteenth. MINESCAPE three wide entering the turn, was five exiting it, got bumped by the winner losing position in the vicinity of the three-sixteenths pole, had no rally.