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AQUEDUCT - February 25, 2012 - Race 2

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

INNER DIRT (UP TO \$10,640 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$50,000 OR LESS AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OR RESTRICTED OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$50,000. Weight, 122 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races At A Mile Or Over Since December 25, 2011 Allowed 2 lbs. Such A Race Since Then Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price \$50,000 (Races where entered for \$35,000 or less not considered in allowances). (NW1 X) **Claiming Price: \$50,000**

One Mile And Seventy Yards On The Inner track **Track Record:** (Carry My Colors - 1:38.92 - February 5, 2000)

Purse: \$56,000

Available Money: \$56,000

Value of Race: \$54,880 1st \$33,600, 2nd \$11,200, 3rd \$5,600, 4th \$2,800, 5th \$1,680

Weather: Clear **Track:** Fast

Off at: 12:49 **Start:** Good for all

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
3Feb12 ⁵ AQU ³	3	Summer Sunset (Perez, Luis)	118 L b	1	2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹	1 ¹ /2	1 ¹ Head	1 ¹ Head	2.00	vie btwn foe 1/4-1/16
3Feb12 ⁸ LRL ¹	1	Festive Spirit (Velasquez, Cornelio)	120 L	2	3	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹	4 ⁵	3 ³ 1/2	2 ² 1/2	0.75*	widest both turns,game
2Dec11 ⁹ AQU ¹	6	Big Budget (Espinoza, Jose)	118 L f	4	4	4 ² 1/2	4 ⁵	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	3 ¹ 1/4	7.60	bit tight,in hand 1/16
29Jan12 ¹ GP ⁵	7	A Cat That Flies (Alvarado, Junior)	118 L	5	1	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹ /2	4 ² 1/2	4 ² 1/4	5.70	bid btwn foes 5/16-1/4
10Feb12 ⁶ AQU ³	5	Red Bendel (Montalvo, Carlos)	118 L b	3	5	5	5	5	5	5	31.50	trailed throughout

Fractional Times: 24.50 49.52 1:14.98 1:40.02 **Final Time:** 1:44.27

Split Times: (25:02) (25:46) (25:04) (4:25)

Run-Up: 64 feet

Winner: Summer Sunset, Bay Gelding, by Lawyer Ron out of Viva La Viva, by Crafty Prospector. Foaled May 08, 2009 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Liberation Farm & Stonewall Farm.

Winning Owner: Francis J. Paolangeli

1 Claimed Horse(s): **Festive Spirit** New Trainer: Charlton Baker New Owner: Blue Stork Stables

Claiming Prices: 1 - Festive Spirit: \$50,000; 7 - A Cat That Flies: \$50,000; 5 - Red Bendel: \$50,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Blue Punch (Trainer), Da Vinci (Trainer), Quiet Man (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$166,524

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Summer Sunset	6.00	2.80	2.20	\$2.00 Exacta	3-1	10.20	140,082
1	Festive Spirit		2.30	2.10	\$2.00 Quinella	1-3	3.90	9,900
6	Big Budget			2.70	\$2.00 Trifecta	3-1-6	23.40	94,740
					\$2.00 Daily Double	3-3	58.50	123,679

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Summer Sunset	2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹	1 ¹ /2	1 ¹ Head	1 ¹ Head
1	Festive Spirit	3	3 ² 1/2	3 ²	4 ¹	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}
6	Big Budget	4	4 ⁴	4 ³	3 ¹	2 ^{Head}	3 ² 1/2
7	A Cat That Flies	1	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹	2 ¹ /2	4 ³ 3/4	4 ³ 3/4
5	Red Bendel	5	5 ⁶ 1/2	5 ⁸	5 ⁶	5 ⁶ 1/4	5 ⁶

Trainers: 3 - Galluscio, Dominic; 1 - Pletcher, Todd; 6 - Farro, Patricia; 7 - Zito, Nicholas; 5 - Persaud, Randi

Owners: 3 - Francis J. Paolangeli; 1 - Tabor, Michael B., Magnier, Mrs. John, and Smith, Derrick; 6 - MAT Stables, LLC; 7 - Robert V. LaPenta; 5 - Fifty Five Village Racing;

Footnotes

SUMMER SUNSET established control soon after the start, showed the way just off the inside for the opening half, but was in the two path by the half mile pole, felt pressure from two rivals from the outside coming to the five-sixteenths pole, with BIG BUDGET down along the rail and full of momentum at this juncture as well, spun into the lane and was forced to fight to preserve the advantage from between rivals from the quarter pole to the sixteenth pole, went at it one on one with FESTIVE SPIRIT thereafter, came out slightly in the late stages, dug in gamely for the decision. FESTIVE SPIRIT was widest of the five around each bend, closed in to increase the pressure on the winner coming to the five-sixteenths pole, entered the stretch and battled down the lane with another twosome directly to the inside, was carried out slightly in the late stages of the heated tussle with the top one, had to settle for the place for all the effort. BIG BUDGET rode the rail, with the pilot atop with a firm hold on the reins for the first half, was let out a notch and readily picked up interest, narrowed in on the front runners along an unobstructed rail, maintained the momentum after turning for home, fought on nearly even terms with the top two finishers until the sixteenth pole, was taken in hand when the rail route tightened up slightly and fell back into the third slot. A CAT THAT FLIES patiently prompted the pacesetter from the outside, challenged from the three path and from between opponents leaving the midway point on the far turn, failed to sustain the move and weakened. RED BENDEL trailed throughout. An objection lodged by the rider of BIG BUDGET against the rider of SUMMER SUNSET alleging interference in deep stretch was not allowed.