

AQUEDUCT - March 6, 2008 - Race 1

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

INNER DIRT FOR THREE YEAR OLDS. Weight, 122 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races Since January 6 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$20,000, if for \$18,000, allowed 2 lbs. (Races where entered for \$14,000 or less not considered). **Claiming Price:** \$20,000 - \$18,000

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

Purse: \$33,000

Available Money: \$33,000

Value of Race: \$33,000 1st \$19,800, 2nd \$6,600, 3rd \$3,300, 4th \$1,650, 5th \$990, 6th \$220, 7th \$220, 8th \$220

Weather: Clear **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:01 **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
14Feb08 ¹ AQU ⁵	6	Merlin Circle (Elliott, Stewart)	120	L bcf	7	1	2 ⁴ 1/2	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ²	1 ³ 1/2	6.80	vied outside, clear
24Feb08 ³ AQU ⁶	2	Express to Thewest (Rodriguez, Rudy)	120	L bf	1	8	6 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	4 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ / ₂	32.00	good finish outside
16Jan08 ⁶ AQU ¹	5	Avagadro (Lopez, Charles)	120	L bf	5	5	1 ^{Head}	2 ³ 1/2	2 ³ 1/2	3 ^{Neck}	26.00	vied inside, weakened
4Jan08 ¹ AQU ⁵	4	Evoked (Dominguez, Ramon)	120	L b	4	7	4 ² 1/2	4 ²	3 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹ 3/4	3.50	outfinished
21Feb08 ¹ AQU ⁷	1	Your Choice (Morales, Sebastian)	113 ⁷	L c	3	4	8	7 ³	7 ¹⁰	5 ^{Neck}	0.70*	inside, no response
8Feb08 ⁴ AQU ¹	3	Sonny's the One (Luzzi, Michael)	120	L cf	2	6	7 ³ 1/2	6 ⁵ 1/2	6 ¹ / ₂	6 ⁴	12.00	3 wide trip, no rally
3Jan08 ⁸ AQU ⁷	7	American Image (Espinoza, Jose)	120	L	8	2	3 ² 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	5 ^{Head}	7 ²⁶ 1/2	8.00	chased 3 wide, tired
14Feb08 ¹ AQU ²	1A	Golden Tablet (Maragh, Rajiv)	120	L bcf	6	3	5 ¹ 1/2	8	8	8	0.70*	eased stretch

Fractional Times: 22.62 45.69 58.08

Final Time: 1:11.13

Split Times: (23:07) (12:39) (13:05)

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Merlin Circle, Chestnut Colt, by Graeme Hall out of Stars in Your Eyes, by Pentelicus. Foaled Feb 16, 2005 in Florida.

Breeder: Eugene Melnyk. **Winning Owner:** Lowell W. Kinch

Claiming Prices: 6 - Merlin Circle: \$20,000; 2 - Express to Thewest: \$20,000; 5 - Avagadro: \$20,000; 4 - Evoked: \$20,000; 1 - Your Choice: \$20,000; 3 - Sonny's the One: \$20,000; 7 - American Image: \$20,000; 1A - Golden Tablet: \$20,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$204,776

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Merlin Circle	15.60	8.50	6.20	\$2.00 Exacta	6-2	260.00	201,942
2	Express to Thewest		28.00	15.60	\$2.00 Trifecta	6-2-5	2,156.00	155,492
5	Avagadro			11.80				

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
6	Merlin Circle	1	2 ^{Head}	1 ¹ / ₂	1 ²	1 ³ 1/2
2	Express to Thewest	8	6 ¹¹	5 ⁷ 1/2	4 ⁷	2 ³ 1/2
5	Avagadro	5	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ / ₂	2 ²	3 ⁴
4	Evoked	7	4 ⁷	4 ⁵ 1/2	3 ⁵ 1/2	4 ⁴ 1/4
1	Your Choice	4	8 ¹⁴ 3/4	7 ¹³	7 ⁹	5 ⁶
3	Sonny's the One	6	7 ¹¹ 1/4	6 ⁷ 1/2	6 ⁸ 1/2	6 ⁶ 1/4
7	American Image	2	3 ⁴ 1/2	3 ⁴	5 ⁸ 1/2	7 ¹⁰ 1/4
1A	Golden Tablet	3	5 ⁹ 1/2	8 ¹⁶	8 ¹⁹	8 ³⁶ 3/4

Trainers: 6 - Levine, Bruce; 2 - Schwartz, Scott; 5 - Gullo, Gary; 4 - Dutrow, Anthony; 1 - Contessa, Gary; 3 - Ortiz, Paulino; 7 - Barbara, Robert; 1A - Contessa, Gary

Owners: 6 -Lowell W. Kinch; 2 - California Dreamin' Stables; 5 - Bianculli, Ralph J. and Hutner, Glen; 4 - Dubb, Selinger, Sanford H. Robbins LLC, P and D Kaplan Racing, et al; 1 - Winter Park Partners; 3 - Stasi, Randy and Giorgi Stable; 7 - Esposito, John T. and Logrippo, Anthony J.; 1a- Winning Move Stable and Seidman, Steve;

Footnotes

MERLIN CIRCLE was hustled away from the gate, contested the pace from the outside, responded when roused in upper stretch and drew clear under a drive. EXPRESS TO THEWEST was outrun along the inside early, came wide into the stretch and finished well outside. AVAGADRO contested the pace along the inside and weakened in the final furlong. EVOKED raced in hand along the inside early, angled out in the stretch and was outfinished. YOUR CHOICE raced inside and had no response when roused. SONNY'S THE ONE was outrun early, raced three wide and had no rally. AMERICAN IMAGE chased the pace while three wide and tired in the stretch. GOLDEN TABLET tired badly and was eased in the stretch.