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**BELMONT PARK - April 30, 2010 - Race 3**

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred

(UP TO \$9,690 NYSBFOA) FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 116 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs.

One Mile On The Dirt **Track Record:** (Najran - 1:32.24 - May 7, 2003)

**Purse:** \$51,000

**Available Money:** \$51,000

**Value of Race:** \$51,000 1st \$30,600, 2nd \$10,200, 3rd \$5,100, 4th \$2,550, 5th \$1,530, 6th \$340, 7th \$340, 8th \$340

**Weather:** Clear **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 2:05 **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
27Mar10 <sup>11</sup> GP <sup>3</sup>	2	Christmas for Liam (Cohen, David)	117 L	6	3	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>4 3/4</sup>	0.55*	taken back,drew away
27Mar10 <sup>11</sup> GP <sup>2</sup>	2B	Brother Bird (Castro, Eddie)	116 L b	8	1	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	0.55*	vied 3 wide, 2nd best
---	1	Devon Rock (Prado, Edgar)	116 L	2	4	7 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>5</sup>	8.90	svd ground until 5/16p
27Feb10 <sup>4</sup> GP <sup>5</sup>	3	Marching Tune (Castellano, Javier)	116 L b	1	8	8	8	6 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	8.00	lacked needed response
21Nov09 <sup>6</sup> AQU <sup>7</sup>	5	Monsignor (Jara, Fernando)	116 L	4	5	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>9 1/2</sup>	10.70	vied between, tired
27Aug09 <sup>6</sup> SAR <sup>8</sup>	7	Ulterior Motive (Dominguez, Ramon)	116 L	7	2	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>2</sup>	6 <sup>3/4</sup>	4.60	fought pair ins,tired
20Mar10 <sup>3</sup> GP <sup>9</sup>	6	Bail Out the Banks (Velasquez, Cornelio)	117 L b	5	7	5 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>4</sup>	7 <sup>8</sup>	7 <sup>24 3/4</sup>	14.10	bobbled brk, folded
18Mar10 <sup>3</sup> AQU <sup>7</sup>	4	King's Pardon (Hill, Channing)	116 L	3	6	6 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	8	8	8	71.75	drifted tiring stretch

**Fractional Times:** 22.72 45.29 1:10.84

**Final Time:** 1:36.01

**Split Times:** (22:57) (25:55) (25:17)

**Run-Up:** 46 feet

**Winner:** Christmas for Liam, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by Saint Liam out of Gone for Christmas, by Gone West. Foaled Apr 16, 2007 in Virginia.

**Breeder:** Edward P. Evans. **Winning Owner:** Edward P. Evans

**Scratched Horse(s):** Royal Straight (Trainer)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$432,300

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Christmas for Liam	3.10	2.90	2.10	\$2.00 Exacta	2-1	15.60	310,227
2B	Brother Bird		2.90	2.10	\$2.00 Trifecta	2-1-3	44.00	240,357
1	Devon Rock			5.30	\$2.00 Pick 3	8-4-2 (3 correct)	49.20	80,732
					\$2.00 Daily Double	4-2	14.20	38,191

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
2	Christmas for Liam	3	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>4 3/4</sup>
2B	Brother Bird	1	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>4 3/4</sup>
1	Devon Rock	4	7 <sup>5 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>5 1/4</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup>	3 <sup>7 1/4</sup>
3	Marching Tune	8	8 <sup>10 3/4</sup>	8 <sup>9 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>4</sup>	5 <sup>7 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>12 1/4</sup>
5	Monsignor	5	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>6</sup>	5 <sup>16 1/2</sup>
7	Ulterior Motive	2	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>	6 <sup>11 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>26</sup>
6	Bail Out the Banks	7	5 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	7 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>13 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>26 3/4</sup>
4	King's Pardon	6	6 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>7 3/4</sup>	8 <sup>10 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>21 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>51 1/2</sup>

**Trainers:** 2 - Pletcher, Todd; 2B - Pletcher, Todd; 1 - Jerkens, James; 3 - Brown, Chad; 5 - Albertrani, Thomas; 7 - Dutrow, Jr., Richard; 6 - Violette, Jr., Richard; 4 - Zito, Nicholas

**Owners:** 2 - Edward P. Evans; 2b - Dogwood Stable; 1 - Centennial Farms; 3 - West, Gary and Mary; 5 - Padua Stables; 7 - M and I Cowan Stables, LLP; 6 - Klaravich Stables, Inc. and Lawrence, William H.; 4 - Thoroughbred Legends Racing Stable;

**Footnotes**

CHRISTMAS FOR LIAM placed a firm hold a few strides out of the starting gate, was allowed to drop back off the early activity, remained well reserved and within striking distance behind the battling trio up front during the run around the bend, swung outward nearing the quarter pole, responded positively when given his cue after being straightened away, blew past weakening rivals to take charge, emerged from the furlong grounds with a sizeable advantage, remained under a drive while increasing his edge before being geared down the final seventy yards. BROTHER BIRD was the outermost member of a three way battle for the lead, shook free turning for home, was immediately engaged by his entry mate, was unable to keep pace, but continued on to the wire with good courage to be second best. DEVON ROCK saved ground until the five-sixteenths pole, was taken outward under encouragement entering the lane four wide, got outfinished by top pair during the final eighth. MARCHING TUNE lacked the necessary stretch response. MONSIGNOR vied for the front between rivals until the quarter and gave way. ULTERIOR MOTIVE fought for the lead with a pair of foes from the inside, faltered after entering the stretch. BAIL OUT THE BANKS bobbled at the break, raced along the outside, was put to stiff encouragement during the run around the bend, but folded. KING'S PARDON unhurried for over a half, was asked for run on the turn, failed to make any headway, was taken in hand turning for home and drifted out while tiring in the stretch.

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