

BELMONT PARK - May 13, 2012 - Race 2

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
 (UP TO \$15,010 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER, OR RESTRICTED OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$50,000. Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners of \$24,000 at a mile or over on the turf since March 12 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$50,000 (Races where entered for \$35,000 or less not considered in allowances) (Preference by condition eligibility). (If the Stewards consider it inadvisable to run this race on the turf course, this race will be run at One Mile on the main track.). (NW2 X) **Claiming Price: \$50,000**

One Mile On The Turf **Track Record:** (Elusive Quality - 1:31.63 - July 4, 1998)

Purse: \$79,000

Available Money: \$79,000

Value of Race: \$79,000 1st \$47,400, 2nd \$15,800, 3rd \$7,900, 4th \$3,950, 5th \$2,370, 6th \$1,580

Weather: Clear **Track:** Firm

Off at: 1:22 **Start:** Good for all



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
31Mar12 ⁴ GP ¹	5	Za Approval (Lezcano, Jose)	123	L	4	3	3 ¹	4 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{Head}	1 ¹	1 ^{3/4}	2.30	squeeze by,bump upper
6Apr12 ⁵ KEE ¹	1	Voodoo Storm (Leparoux, Julien)	123	L	1	6	6	6	6	5 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	3.35	slo early,6w top,rally
22May11 ⁵ BEL ⁴	7	Grand Rapport (Nakatani, Corey)	121	L f	6	1	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	3 ¹	5.20	duel 2p,bump 3x upper
14Apr12 ⁵ KEE ⁹	2	Lighthouse Sound (Dominguez, Ramon)	121	L	2	4	5 ⁴	5 ²	5 ^{1 1/2}	6	4 ^{1 1/4}	11.50	into 4p 5/16,no kick
7Apr12 ⁵ HAW ⁵	3	Our Entourage (Velazquez, John)	116	L	3	5	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	4 ¹	4 ^{1/2}	5 ^{3/4}	1.60*	chased 3 wide, tired
19Nov11 ¹ CAM ¹⁰	6	Followmyfootsteps (Maragh, Rajiv)	121	L b	5	2	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	6	22.70	dueled inside, falter

Fractional Times: 23.49 47.61 1:11.57

Final Time: 1:34.34

Split Times: (24:12) (23:96) (22:77)

Run-Up: 88 feet **Temporary Rail:** 9 feet

Winner: Za Approval, Gray or Roan Gelding, by Ghostzapper out of Win Approval, by With Approval. Foaled Apr 29, 2008 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Live Oak Stud.

Winning Owner: Live Oak Plantation

1 Claimed Horse(s): Lighthouse Sound

New Trainer: Chad C. Brown

New Owner: Michael Dubb

Claiming Prices: 7 - Grand Rapport: \$50,000; 2 - Lighthouse Sound: \$50,000; 6 - Followmyfootsteps: \$50,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Achilles (Stewards), Keep Me Informed (Main-Track-Only)

Total WPS Pool: \$204,488

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Za Approval	6.60	3.20	2.50	\$2.00 Exacta	5-1	19.60	151,580
1	Voodoo Storm		4.30	3.30	\$2.00 Quinella	1-5	12.80	11,087
7	Grand Rapport			3.70	\$2.00 Trifecta	5-1-7	73.00	80,211
					\$2.00 Daily Double	4-5	52.50	140,982
					\$2.00 Superfecta	5-1-7-2	301.00	30,348

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	Za Approval	3	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ²	3 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{3/4}
1	Voodoo Storm	6	6 ⁷	6 ^{5 1/2}	6 ^{3 1/4}	5 ³	2 ^{3/4}
7	Grand Rapport	1	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{2 1/4}
2	Lighthouse Sound	4	5 ³	5 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{1 3/4}	6 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/4}
3	Our Entourage	5	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ²	4 ^{3/4}	4 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}
6	Followmyfootsteps	2	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹	6 ^{5 1/4}

Trainers: 5 - Clement, Christophe; 1 - McGaughey III, Claude; 7 - Contessa, Gary; 2 - Trombetta, Michael; 3 - Pletcher, Todd; 6 - Voss, Thomas

Owners: 5 - Live Oak Plantation; 1 - Green Hills Farm Inc.; 7 - Earle I. Mack LLC; 2 - Morris, Wayne and Juanita; 3 - Repole Stable; 6 - Merrifield Farm;

Footnotes

ZA APPROVAL nibbled a bit on the bit before settling down early on the backstretch, was sent over to the rail coming to the half mile pole, didn't stay there for too long, slipping back into the two path a furlong later, waited while stuck in traffic from the five-sixteenths marker to the quarter pole, pilot atop with a snug hold on the reins, espied a narrow gap between the front runners turning for home and made a move towards it, bumped thrice with GRAND RAPPORT, bobbling after the last one, before safely through the seam, picked up the pace noticeably after the exchange of bumps was over and was the first of a still compact group to strike the eighth pole, drifted out erratically during the final sixteenth as the runner up was closing in, but held safely to the wire. VOODOO STORM was slow to settle into stride, gradually closed the gap making his way down the backstretch, remained unhurried from off the inside during the run around the bend, fanned outward turning for home, eventually winding up six wide, the widest of all, came home with good energy to secure second. GRAND RAPPORT well out in the middle of the course in the early stages, tucked into the two path before reaching the half mile pole, sparred from there with FOLLOWMYFOOTSTEPS, was still locked in battle as the tightly-bunched sextet approached the quarter pole, got bumped as the winner attempted to slither his way past in upper stretch, getting knocked sideways, made contact twice more with the same rival before reaching the end of the furlong grounds, continued on with good courage to grab the show. LIGHTHOUSE SOUND placed into the four path coming to the five-sixteenths pole, lacked the necessary stretch response. OUR ENTOURAGE chased the duelers from the three path on the turn before backing away. FOLLOWMYFOOTSTEPS argued for command from the inside until upper stretch, faltered. There was a General Stewards' Inquiry focusing on the stretch run before the result was declared official.

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