

BELMONT PARK - May 21, 1999 - Race 9

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(Up To \$6,305 NYSBFOA) For Fillies and Mares Four Years Old And Upward. Weight 121 lbs. Non-winners of two races at a mile or over since April 1 allowed, 3 lbs. Such a race since then, 5 lbs. CLAIMING PRICE \$40,000, for each \$2,500 to \$35,000 2 lbs.

(Races where entered for \$30,000 or less not considered in allowances.) (Winners preferred.) (This race was originally carded for the Turf.) **Claiming Price:** \$40,000 - \$35,000

One And One Eighth Miles On The Dirt - Originally Scheduled For the Turf **Track Record:** (Secretariat - 1:45.40 - September 15, 1973)

Purse: \$32,500

Available Money: \$32,500

Value of Race: \$32,500 1st \$19,500, 2nd \$6,500, 3rd \$3,575, 4th \$1,950, 5th \$975

Weather: Clear **Track:** Fast

Off at: 5:10 **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 |
|------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----|------|----|-------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------|------------------------|
| 28Apr99 | ⁵ AQU ⁵ | 3 Take Off (Espinoza, Jose) | 114 | L f | 3 | 4 | 2 ^{Head} | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ^{2 1/2} | 2 ¹ | 1 ¹ | 5.40 | dug in gamely, driving |
| 22Apr99 | ⁴ AQU ⁵ | 1 Ray of Happiness (Samyn, Jean-Luc) | 112 | L | 1 | 3 | 6 | 5 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ^{1/2} | 1 ^{Head} | 2 ^{1 1/2} | 5.00 | 3 wide move, gamely |
| 27Feb99 | ⁵ AQU ⁶ | 8 Red Mischief (Velazquez, John) | 116 | L bf | 6 | 1 | 1 ^{1 1/2} | 1 ^{2 1/2} | 1 ¹ | 3 ¹⁵ | 3 ^{23 1/4} | 0.85* | set pace, weakened |
| 12May99 | ⁴ BEL ⁵ | 5 Dacron (Bridgmohan, Shaun) | 112 | L | 5 | 6 | 5 ¹ | 6 | 6 | 5 ^{2 1/2} | 4 ² | 21.10 | no response |
| 9May99 | ³ AQU ⁵ | 2 Watrals Twelvbelow (Nelson, Diane) | 112 | L f | 2 | 5 | 3 ² | 3 ^{1/2} | 4 ^{1/2} | 4 ¹ | 5 ^{5 1/2} | 14.90 | chased inside, tired |
| 22Apr99 | ⁴ AQU ⁴ | 4 Birdie's Sister (Migliore, Richard) | 114 | L b | 4 | 2 | 4 ^{3 1/2} | 4 ³ | 5 ³ | 6 | 6 | 3.70 | tired badly |

Fractional Times: 24.11 47.64 1:12.89 1:38.30

Final Time: 1:51.24

Split Times: (23:53) (25:25) (25:41) (12:94)

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Take Off, Bay Filly, by Fly So Free out of Ruling Passion, by His Majesty. Foaled Mar 28, 1995 in Kentucky.

Breeder: August Moon Farm.

Winning Owner: Malakasa Farms

Claiming Prices: 3 - Take Off: \$37,500; 1 - Ray of Happiness: \$35,000; 8 - Red Mischief: \$40,000; 5 - Dacron: \$35,000; 2 - Watrals Twelvbelow: \$35,000; 4 - Birdie's Sister: \$35,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Eliza's Kiss (Off-Turf), Lady Clue (Off-Turf)

Total WPS Pool: \$267,994

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Show | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|-----|------------------|-------|-------|------|---------------------|-----------------|--------|---------|
| 3 | Take Off | 12.80 | 6.70 | 2.90 | \$2.00 Exacta | 3-1 | 73.50 | 286,201 |
| 1 | Ray of Happiness | | 6.70 | 2.60 | \$2.00 Trifecta | 3-1-8 | 195.50 | 243,692 |
| 8 | Red Mischief | | | 2.20 | \$2.00 Daily Double | 9-3 | 63.50 | 232,041 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | 3/4 | Str | Fin |
|-----|--------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 3 | Take Off | 4 | 2 ^{1 1/2} | 2 ^{2 1/2} | 2 ¹ | 2 ^{Head} | 1 ¹ |
| 1 | Ray of Happiness | 3 | 6 ⁸ | 5 ^{6 1/2} | 3 ^{3 1/2} | 1 ^{Head} | 2 ¹ |
| 8 | Red Mischief | 1 | 1 ^{1 1/2} | 1 ^{2 1/2} | 1 ¹ | 3 ¹ | 3 ^{2 1/2} |
| 5 | Dacron | 6 | 5 ⁷ | 6 ⁸ | 6 ^{7 1/2} | 5 ¹⁷ | 4 ^{25 3/4} |
| 2 | Watrals Twelvbelow | 5 | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ³ | 4 ⁴ | 4 ¹⁶ | 5 ^{27 3/4} |
| 4 | Birdie's Sister | 2 | 4 ^{3 1/2} | 4 ^{3 1/2} | 5 ^{4 1/2} | 6 ^{19 1/2} | 6 ^{33 1/4} |

Trainers: 3 - Stabile, Anthony; 1 - Hough, Stanley; 8 - Klesaris, Steve; 5 - Medina, Rafael; 2 - Brida, Dennis; 4 - Martin, Sr., Frank

Owners: 3 - Malakasa Farms; 1 - Roberts, Bea and Robert H.; 8 - Parezo, Beverly and Riccio, James; 5 - Highland Tree Stable; 2 - Michael Watral; 4 - Viola Sommer;

Footnotes

TAKE OFF raced with the pace while in hand, responded when roused in the stretch and prevailed after a stiff drive. RAY OF HAPPINESS, outrun early, put in a three wide move on the turn and stayed on gamely to the finish. RED MISCHIEF set the pace and weakened in the stretch. DACRON had no response when roused. WATRALS TWELVBELOW chased inside and tired. BIRDIE'S SISTER tired badly.