

BELMONT PARK - May 26, 2003 - Race 9

STAKES Metropolitan H. Grade 1 - Thoroughbred
 (Up to \$35,500 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of \$750 each, which should accompany the nomination; \$3,500 to pass the entry box and \$4,000 to start. The purse to be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth and 3% to fifth. Trophies will be presented to the winning owner, trainer and jockey. Closed Saturday, May 10, 2003 with 18 Nominations.

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




Purse: \$750,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$750,000

Value of Race: \$750,000 1st \$450,000, 2nd \$150,000, 3rd \$82,500, 4th \$45,000, 5th \$22,500

Weather: Cloudy **Track:** Sloppy

Off at: 5:16 **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	
3May03 ⁵ CD ¹	6	Aldebaran (Bailey, Jerry)	119	L	6	5	7 ²	7 ⁴ 1/2	5 ³	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ Neck	4.40	ducked out stretch	
7May03 ⁸ BEL ²	1	Saarland (Velazquez, John)	114	L	bf	1	8	8	7 ¹⁰	2 ^{Head}	2 ³	8.20	fast finish outside	
10May03 ⁶ BEL ³	2	Peeping Tom (Bridgmohan, Shaun)	114	L	bf	2	7	5 ^{Head}	5 ³ 1/2	4 ^{Head}	3 ³ 3/4	31.00	inside move, weakened	
3May03 ⁵ CD ⁹	4	Proud Citizen (Chavez, Jorge) 	116	L	4	2	4 ³	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ^{Head}	5 ¹ 1/2	4 ^{Head}	18.10	3 wide move, faded	
7May03 ⁸ BEL ³	8	Justification (Castellano, Javier) 	113	L	c	8	1	6 ⁶	6 ³	6 ^{Head}	7 ²²	42.00	jumped puddles early	
12Apr03 ⁹ AQU ¹	7	Congaree (Stevens, Gary)	124	L	7	4	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	4 ¹ 1/2	6 ² 3/4	0.80*	bobbled start, bumped	
7May03 ⁸ BEL ¹	3	Najran (Prado, Edgar) 	116	L	c	3	3	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	6 ^{Head}	7 ²⁴ 1/4	4.10	set pressured back
26Apr03 ⁸ WO ¹	5	Wake At Noon (Ramsammy, Emile)	115	L	bcf	5	6	3 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹ 1/2	8	8	8	50.75	bumped start, rushed

Fractional Times: 22.23 44.48 1:08.60

Final Time: 1:34.15

Split Times: (22:25) (24:12) (25:55)

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Aldebaran, Bay Horse, by Mr. Prospector out of Chimes of Freedom, by Private Account. Foaled Feb 27, 1998 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Flaxman Holdings Ltd.

Winning Owner: Flaxman Holdings, Ltd.

Total WPS Pool: \$832,881

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Aldebaran	10.80	5.50	5.70	\$2.00 Exacta	6-1	63.00	624,969
1	Saarland		7.50	8.40	\$2.00 Trifecta	6-1-2	686.00	506,430
2	Peeping Tom			17.60	\$2.00 Superfecta	6-1-2-4	6,491.00	142,814

Past Performance Running Line Preview


Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
6	Aldebaran	5	7 ¹¹ 1/4	7 ⁹	5 ¹ 3/4	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ Neck
1	Saarland	8	8 ¹³ 1/4	8 ¹³ 1/2	7 ⁵	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ Neck
2	Peeping Tom	7	5 ⁵	5 ² 1/2	4 ¹ 3/4	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ³ 1/4
4	Proud Citizen	2	4 ²	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	5 ³ 1/2	4 ⁷
8	Justification	1	6 ⁵ 1/4	6 ⁶	6 ⁴ 3/4	7 ⁴ 1/4	5 ⁷
7	Congaree	4	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	4 ²	6 ⁹ 1/4
3	Najran	3	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	6 ⁴	7 ¹²
5	Wake At Noon	6	3 ¹ 1/2	4 ²	8 ¹⁵	8 ²⁶ 1/4	8 ³⁶ 1/4

Trainers: 6 - Frankel, Robert; 1 - McGaughey III, Claude; 2 - Reynolds, Patrick; 4 - Lukas, D.; 8 - Jerkens, H.; 7 - Baffert, Bob; 3 - Zito, Nicholas; 5 - Katryan, Abraham

Owners: 6 - Flaxman Holdings, Ltd.; 1 - Cynthia Phipps; 2 - Flatbird Stable; 4 - Baker, Robert C., Cornstein, David and Mack, William L.; 8 - Joseph V. Shields, Jr.; 7 - Stonerside Stable; 3 - Buckram Oak Farm; 5 - Bruno Schickedanz;

Footnotes

ALDEBARAN was bumped at the start, dropped back early, advanced four wide on the turn, swung wide into the stretch, drew clear when roused, was straightened away while attempting to duck out when confronted by SAARLAND in deep stretch, dug in and prevailed over that rival after a hard drive. SAARLAND was unhurried while outrun early, advanced inside on the turn, came wide entering the stretch and finished fast from the outside. PEEPING TOM was urged along early on, rallied inside on the turn, came wide into the stretch and weakened in the final furlong. PROUD CITIZEN raced close up outside, put in a three wide run on the turn and had little left for the stretch drive. JUSTIFICATION was hustled along outside, jumped puddles on the backstretch, raced four wide and had no rally. CONGAREE bobbled at the start, was bumped after the start, contested the pace from the outside, earned a short lead turning for home and tired in the drive. NAJLAN was hustled to the front, set the pace under constant pressure and tired after three quarters. WAKE AT NOON was bumped at the start then was rushed up inside, argued the pace and was finished after the first half mile.

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