

BELMONT PARK - May 31, 2013 - Race 4

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(UP TO \$14,250 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER, OR RESTRICTED OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$75,000. Three Year Olds, 118 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of \$39,000 Since March 31, 2013 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$75,000 (Races where entered for \$65,000 or less not considered in allowances). (NW3 X) **Claiming Price:** \$75,000

Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Track Record:** (Artax - 1:07.66 - October 16, 1999)

Purse: \$76,000

Available Money: \$76,000

Value of Race: \$74,480 1st \$30,400 1st \$30,400, 3rd \$7,600, 4th \$3,800, 5th \$2,280

Weather: Clear **Track:** Fast

Off at: 2:38 **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
19Apr13 ⁶ AQU ³	3	Leave of Absence (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	122	L b	3	2	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ² 1/2	10.20	btwn foe 3/16-1/8,game
1May13 ⁸ BEL ³	5	Smash (Saez, Luis)	122	L b	5	3	4 ⁵ 1/2	4 ²	3 ¹	1 ² 1/2	3.80	3w 1/2,4w upper,game
6Apr13 ¹⁰ TAM ⁷	2	Star Harbour (Velazquez, John)	122	L br	2	5	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	3.55	stumbled start,vie ins
2Mar13 ⁹ AQU ²	1	Saturday's Charm (Alvarado, Junior)	122	L	1	4	5	5	5	4 ¹ 1/4	1.10*	angled 4w into lane
28Mar13 ³ AQU ³	4	Head Heart Hoof (Rosario, Joel)	122	L b	4	1	2 ⁴ 1/2	2 ¹	4 ¹	5	3.80	dueled 3w, gave way

Fractional Times: 22.21 45.05 57.00

Final Time: 1:09.25

Split Times: (22:84) (11:95) (12:25)

Run-Up: 60 feet

Winner: Smash, Bay Horse, by Smart Strike out of Dixie Holiday, by Dixieland Band. Foaled Apr 03, 2008 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Peter E. Blum.

Winning Owner: Kaleem Shah, Inc.

Winner: Leave of Absence, Bay Horse, by Harlan's Holiday out of Danseur Chaud, by Joyeux Danseur. Foaled Feb 28, 2008 in Florida.

Breeder: Mr. & Mrs. Barry Berkelhammer.

Winning Owner: Klaravich Stables, Inc. and Lawrence, William H.

Claiming Prices: 2 - Star Harbour: \$75,000; 4 - Head Heart Hoof: \$75,000;

Dead Heats: 1st place - # 3 Leave of Absence
1st place - # 5 Smash

Total WPS Pool: \$218,470

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Leave of Absence	10.00	9.40	4.40	\$2.00 Exacta	3-5	35.00	156,299
5	Smash	5.20	5.80	3.60	\$2.00 Exacta	5-3	25.00	0
2	Star Harbour			3.10	\$2.00 Quinella	3-5	24.40	8,983
					\$2.00 Trifecta	3-5-2	151.00	88,734
					\$2.00 Trifecta	5-3-2	97.50	0
					\$2.00 Pick 3	2-2-3 (3 correct)	44.00	27,811
					\$2.00 Pick 3	2-2-5 (3 correct)	21.00	0
					\$2.00 Pick 3	2-6-3 (3 correct)	139.00	0
					\$2.00 Pick 3	2-6-5 (3 correct)	51.50	0
					\$2.00 Daily Double	2-3	24.20	41,370
					\$2.00 Daily Double	2-5	10.00	0
					\$2.00 Daily Double	6-3	36.40	0
					\$2.00 Daily Double	6-5	14.00	0

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Leave of Absence	2	3 ⁴ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{1/2}	1 ² 1/2
5	Smash	3	4 ⁴ 3/4	4 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹	1 ² 1/2
2	Star Harbour	5	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ² 1/2
1	Saturday's Charm	4	5 ¹⁰ 1/4	5 ³ 1/2	5 ³	4 ³
4	Head Heart Hoof	1	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	4 ²	5 ⁴ 1/4

Trainers: 3 - Violette, Jr., Richard; 5 - Baffert, Bob; 2 - Mott, William; 1 - Asmussen, Steven; 4 - Rodriguez, Rudy

Owners: 3 - Klaravich Stables, Inc. and Lawrence, William H.; 5 - Kaleem Shah, Inc.; 2 -Peter Vegso; 1 -Mike McCarty; 4 - Dubb, Michael, The Elkstone Group LLC, Aisquith, Gary and Akman, Scott K.;

Footnotes

LEAVE OF ABSENCE unhurried early, picked up the pace and raced towards the front runners on the turn in unison with SMASH, was put into the three path for entrance into the stretch, was taken slightly inward soon afterwards, fought his way to a slim advantage from between rivals from the three-sixteenths pole until a short distance past the furlong marker, fought on stubbornly to the end to earn an equal share of the win. SMASH underwent a three wide pursuit of the embattled pair on the turn, spun a bit wider into the stretch and took off after them in earnest, got hooked up with LEAVE OF ABSENCE for a second time, in the late stages, and continued on gamely to finish on even terms. STAR HARBOUR stumbled at the start, rushed up under his own power to the front, argued for command with HEAD HEART HOOF while racing along the inside, edged away slightly after turning for home, came under pressure from fresher rivals shortly afterwards, yielded to it and weakened into the show slot. SATURDAY'S CHARM rode the rail for almost a half, angled four wide under encouragement into the stretch, lacked the needed response. HEAD HEART HOOF went at it head to head with STAR HARBOUR nearly from the get-go, sparred as a team with that opponent with about a path of space separating the combatants, drifted out slightly while backing away as the opening half was being completed, steadily tired thereafter.