

**BELMONT PARK - July 6, 2012 - Race 6**

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - For Thoroughbred Two Year Old  
Six Furlongs On The Inner turf **Track Record:** (Gantry - 1:06.87 - June 23, 2011)

**Purse:** \$70,000

**Available Money:** \$70,000

**Value of Race:** \$70,000 1st \$42,000, 2nd \$14,000, 3rd \$7,000, 4th \$3,500, 5th \$2,100, 6th \$280, 7th \$280, 8th \$280, 9th \$280, 10th \$280

**Weather:** Clear **Track:** Firm

**Off at:** 5:33 **Start:** Good for all



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
---	10	Special Skills (Castellano, Javier)	118	L	9	2	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	5.40	lugged in 1/8, up late
24May12 <sup>6</sup> BEL <sup>3</sup>	2	Bye Bye Bernie (Napravnik, Rosie)	118	L	1	4	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Neck</sup>	1.85*	argued inside, stubborn
---	9	Lemon Drop Dream (Leparoux, Julien)	118	L	8	1	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	8.60	vied 2p, let out 1/4
---	8	Bernie the Jet (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	118	L	7	3	5 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	18.90	3w 5/16, outfinished
27May12 <sup>1</sup> AP <sup>2</sup>	1A	Redwood Kitten (Rosario, Joel)	118	L b	2	5	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	5 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	2.60	carry in bit 1/8, wknd
---	11	Secret Soul (Dominguez, Ramon)	118	L	10	9	9 <sup>10</sup>	7 <sup>2</sup>	6 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>5 3/4</sup>	26.50	broke out, put 3p 5/16
---	6	Gladhander (Maragh, Rajiv)	118	--	5	8	7 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>1/2</sup>	7 <sup>2</sup>	7 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	47.25	off ins, ask 5/16, empty
---	3	Arkle Park (Velasquez, Cornelio)	118	L	3	7	8 <sup>2</sup>	8 <sup>1</sup>	8 <sup>2</sup>	8 <sup>3 1/4</sup>	45.25	saved ground, no menace
---	4	Pallasus (Alvarado, Junior)	118	--	4	10	10	10	10	9 <sup>Neck</sup>	23.90	never in contention
---	7	Copper Beeches (Lezcano, Jose)	118	--	6	6	6 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>6</sup>	9 <sup>2</sup>	10	6.00	quick tuck ins, tired

**Fractional Times:** 22.13 45.15 57.01

**Final Time:** 1:09.36

**Split Times:** (23:02) (11:86) (12:35)

**Run-Up:** 125 feet **Temporary Rail:** 9 feet

**Winner:** Special Skills, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by Bernstein out of Kentucky Whisper, by Southern Halo. Foaled Feb 15, 2010 in Kentucky.

**Breeder:** Sierra Farm. **Winning Owner:** Richard Santulli

**Scratched Horse(s):** Kitten's Gift (Trainer), Qeyaas (Veterinarian), Sarjinsky (IRE) (Veterinarian), Smoke Town (Main-Track-Only)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$320,192

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
10	Special Skills	12.80	5.80	4.20	\$2.00 Exacta	10-2	40.80	271,958
2	Bye Bye Bernie		3.00	2.60	\$2.00 Trifecta	10-2-9	244.50	129,526
9	Lemon Drop Dream			4.30	\$2.00 Pick 3	1-10-10 (3 correct)	224.00	63,836
					\$2.00 Daily Double	10-10	104.50	63,072
					\$2.00 Consolation Pick 3	1-10-5 (3 correct)	40.40	0
					\$2.00 Superfecta	10-2-9-8	1,915.00	82,465
					\$2.00 Consolation Double	10-5	21.20	0

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
10	Special Skills	2	4 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>
2	Bye Bye Bernie	4	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>
9	Lemon Drop Dream	1	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>3/4</sup>
8	Bernie the Jet	3	5 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>2 3/4</sup>
1A	Redwood Kitten	5	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>2 3/4</sup>
11	Secret Soul	9	9 <sup>11 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>9</sup>	6 <sup>8</sup>	6 <sup>7</sup>
6	Gladhander	8	7 <sup>8 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>8 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>11 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>12 3/4</sup>
3	Arkle Park	7	8 <sup>9 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>11</sup>	8 <sup>13 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>15</sup>
4	Pallasus	10	10 <sup>21 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>18</sup>	10 <sup>17 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>18 1/4</sup>
7	Copper Beeches	6	6 <sup>7</sup>	9 <sup>12</sup>	9 <sup>15 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>18 1/2</sup>

**Trainers:** 10 - Goldberg, Alan; 2 - Breen, Kelly; 9 - Asmussen, Steven; 8 - Contessa, Gary; 1A - Ward, Wesley; 11 - Donk, David; 6 - Albertrani, Thomas; 3 - Dutrow, Anthony; 4 - Mott, William; 7 - Clement, Christophe

**Owners:** 10 -Richard Santulli; 2 - Hall, George and Lori; 9 -Mike McCarty; 8 - Shay, Sean, McConnell Racing Stable and Green, Leonard C.; 1a- Ramsey, Kenneth L. and Sarah K.; 11 - Rising Star Stables; 6 - Dogwood Stable; 3 - David A. Ross Racing Stable, LLC; 4 -Phillipa Sledge; 7 - Merrylegs Farm;

**Footnotes**

SPECIAL SKILLS left the gate well and remained forwardly placed throughout, spun three wide into upper stretch, lugged inward coming to the eighth pole, taking a complying REDWOOD KITTEN along for an abbreviated ride, continued onward closing in on the front runners, drew alongside with about a sixteenth to go, went by late under a hand ride. BYE BYE BERNIE broke a bit awkwardly, moved up willingly to grab the early advantage, argued for control from the inside with LEMON DROP DREAM, with the pilot of both mounts trying to hold something in reserve for the stretch drive, turned for home and was asked for a response, as was the closest pursuer, maintained a slim advantage during the ensuing furlong, with another pair in hot pursuit from a short distance behind, got caught in deep stretch but showed enough determination to preserve the place. LEMON DROP DREAM disputed the pace from the outside, got let out approaching the head of the stretch, fought with vigor down the lane en route for the show award. BERNIE THE JET three wide leaving the five-sixteenths pole, got outfinished. REDWOOD KITTEN secured the pocket soon after the start, was coaxed along keeping pace with the pace dispute, was under much stronger handling nearing the end of the turn, angled out entering the stretch then was taken outward an additional time after proceeding a few strides into the stretch run, had no sooner settled into his new lane when carried inward slightly by the winner a short distance from the eighth pole, flattened out. SECRET SOUL was taken hold after breaking outward, raced from off the inside, got placed three wide coming to the five-sixteenths pole, lacked the necessary response. GLADHANDER raced along the outside, was asked for run leaving the midway point on the turn, came up empty. ARKLE PARK saved ground and was no menace. PALLASUS was never in contention. COPPER BEECHES tucked quickly along the rail and faltered.

