

BELMONT PARK - July 12, 2008 - Race 1

STARTER ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

(UP TO \$9,310 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$50,000 OR LESS AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN OR CLAIMING. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners of a race at a mile or over on the turf since May 10 Allowed 2 lbs. (Races where entered for \$35,000 or less not considered in allowances) (Winners Preferred). (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.). (NW1 X) **Claiming Price:** \$50,000 - \$0 One Mile On The Turf **Track Record:** (Elusive Quality - 1:31.63 - July 4, 1998)

Purse: \$52,000

Available Money: \$52,000

Value of Race: \$52,000 1st \$31,200, 2nd \$10,400, 3rd \$5,200, 4th \$2,600, 5th \$1,560, 6th \$1,040

Weather: Clear **Track:** Firm

Off at: 1:00 **Start:** Good for all



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
27Jun08 ⁵ BEL ¹	5	Big Stick (Garcia, Alan)	119	L b	4	2	3 ⁵	3 ^{3 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ²	1 ^{2 1/2}	1.60*	kept busy
25Jun08 ⁷ BEL ¹	3	Austin Laviva Baby (Castellano, Javier)	117	L	3	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ²	2 ^{1 1/4}	4.50	held well
11Jun08 ⁶ BEL ⁵	6	Chalook (Espinoza, Jose)	121	L b	5	3	4 ^{4 1/2}	4 ²	3 ^{Head}	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	44.25	outkicked
11Jun08 ⁶ BEL ⁴	1	Dancing Tin Man (Dominguez, Ramon)	121	L b	1	6	6	6	5 ²	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	1.90	flattened out
19Jun08 ⁹ BEL ²	2	Life of Dancer (ARG) (Velazquez, John)	121	L b	2	5	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{Head}	6	6	5 ^{1 3/4}	5.90	never involved
4Jul08 ⁹ BEL ¹	7	Unbridled Refrain (Maragh, Rajiv)	117	L b	6	4	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	4 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	6	8.20	rank early, tired

Fractional Times: 23.27 46.19 1:10.41

Final Time: 1:34.06

Split Times: (22:92) (24:22) (23:65)

Run-Up: 0 feet **Temporary Rail:** 9 feet

Winner: Big Stick, Bay Gelding, by Grand Slam out of Jeanne Jones, by Nijinsky II. Foaled May 17, 2005 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Liberation Farm & Oratis Thoroughbreds. **Winning Owner:** Namcook Stables LLC

Scratched Horse(s): Love Everybody (Trainer), Star Player (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$303,396

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Big Stick	5.20	3.10	2.60	\$2.00 Exacta	5-3	25.80	280,839
3	Austin Laviva Baby		5.20	3.90	\$2.00 Trifecta	5-3-6	324.50	186,861
6	Chalook			7.10				

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	Big Stick	2	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ²	1 ^{2 1/2}
3	Austin Laviva Baby	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ²	2 ^{2 1/2}
6	Chalook	3	4 ⁶	4 ⁵	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ⁴	3 ^{3 3/4}
1	Dancing Tin Man	6	6 ¹¹	6 ⁷	5 ^{2 1/4}	4 ⁵	4 ^{5 1/4}
2	Life of Dancer (ARG)	5	5 ^{10 1/2}	5 ⁷	6 ^{4 1/4}	6 ⁷	5 ^{7 3/4}
7	Unbridled Refrain	4	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	4 ^{1 3/4}	5 ^{6 1/2}	6 ^{9 1/2}

Trainers: 5 - McLaughlin, Kieran; 3 - Reynolds, Patrick; 6 - McManus, Thomas; 1 - Donk, David; 2 - Terranova, II, John; 7 - Jerkens, H.

Owners: 5 - Namcook Stables LLC; 3 -Paul P. Pompa, Jr.; 6 -Thomas F. McManus; 1 -Daniel M. Ryan; 2 - IEAH Stables; 7 -Judson L. Streicher;

Footnotes

BIG STICK tracked the leaders from the outside, moved when ready on the far turn, stuck his head in front turning for home, put some distance between himself and his rivals after being roused in upper stretch, then maintained a safe margin while being kept busy to the end. AUSTIN LAVIVA BABY disputed the pace along the inside and held well to the finish line. CHALOOK underwent a wide journey, ducked over to the inside for a brief respite approaching the quarter pole, was angled back outward at the three-sixteenths pole, attempted to dent the top one's margin, but was outkicked. DANCING TIN MAN outrun early, tried to follow the winner on the turn, flattened out. LIFE OF DANCER (ARG) was never involved. UNBRIDLED REFRAIN rank under restraint during the opening stages of the event, dragged his rider to the front, battled for the lead for about five furlongs before steadily tiring.