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BELMONT PARK - July 12, 2008 - Race 9

STAKES Man o' War S. Grade 1 - Thoroughbred

INNER TURF FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD.

One And Three Eighth Miles On The Inner turf **Track Record:** (With Approval - 2:10.26 - June 17, 1990)

Purse: \$500,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$500,000

Value of Race: \$500,000 1st \$300,000, 2nd \$100,000, 3rd \$50,000, 4th \$25,000, 5th \$15,000, 6th \$5,000, 7th \$5,000

Weather: Clear **Track:** Firm

Off at: 5:18 **Start:** Good for all

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	1/4	1/2	3/4	1m	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
6Jun08 EPS ⁶	6	Red Rocks (IRE) (Castellano, Javier)	116	L bf	6	3 ² 1/2	3 ⁴ 1/2	3 ³	3 ³	2 ¹	1 ²	6.20	well placed, clear
14Jun08 ¹⁰ CD ¹	7	Curlin (Albarado, Robby)	116	L	7	4 ¹	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{1/2}	0.45*	hit gate broke slow
7Jun08 ¹⁰ BEL ⁵	1	Better Talk Now (Dominguez, Ramon)	120	L bf	1	7	7	7	7	6 ¹⁰	3 ^{3/4}	5.60	swung 4wide, rallied
31May08 ⁸ GG ¹	5	Sudan (IRE) (Velazquez, John)	120	L	5	2 ⁸	2 ¹⁰	2 ¹⁰	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹ 1/2	4 ^{Neck}	12.80	well off rail, tired
19Jun08 ⁸ BEL ²	4	True Cause (Maragh, Rajiv)	116	L b	4	5 ^{1/2}	5 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹	5 ^{Head}	28.75	check awkward start
19Jun08 ⁸ BEL ³	2	Grand Couturier (GB) (Borel, Calvin)	120	L f	2	6 ⁴	6 ³ 1/2	6 ² 1/2	6 ¹ 1/2	4 ^{1/2}	6 ² 1/2	11.30	hit rail early, rank
22Jun08 ⁷ WO ¹	3	Mission Approved (Cohen, David)	116	L	3	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ⁷	7	7	38.75	used up

Fractional Times: 22.69 47.62 1:11.92 1:35.90 2:00.74 **Final Time:** 2:12.60

Split Times: (24:93) (24:30) (23:98) (24:84) (11:86)

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Red Rocks (IRE), Dark Bay or Brown Horse, by \$Galileo (IRE) out of =Pharmacist (IRE), by Machiavellian. Foaled Apr 08, 2003 in Ireland.

Breeder: Ballylinch Stud. **Winning Owner:** J. Paul Reddam

Total WPS Pool: \$941,273

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Red Rocks (IRE)	14.40	4.00	2.90	\$2.00 Exacta	6-7	32.00	656,775
7	Curlin		2.50	2.10	\$2.00 Trifecta	6-7-1	76.00	649,590
1	Better Talk Now			2.70	\$2.00 Pick 3	3-8-6 (3 correct)	524.00	83,198
					\$2.00 Grand Slam	1/4/6/7-2/3/8-2/8/9-6 (4 correct)	196.50	37,942

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	1/4	1/2	3/4	1m	Str	Fin
6	Red Rocks (IRE)	3 ⁸	3 ¹⁰ 1/2	3 ¹⁰ 1/2	3 ⁷	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ²
7	Curlin	4 ¹⁰ 1/2	4 ¹⁵	4 ¹³ 1/2	4 ¹⁰	3 ² 1/2	2 ²
1	Better Talk Now	7 ¹⁶	7 ²⁰ 1/2	7 ¹⁷ 1/2	7 ¹³ 1/2	6 ⁵ 1/2	3 ² 1/2
5	Sudan (IRE)	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹ 1/2	4 ³ 1/4
4	True Cause	5 ¹¹ 1/2	5 ¹⁵ 1/2	5 ¹³ 1/2	5 ¹⁰ 1/2	5 ⁴ 1/2	5 ³ 1/2
2	Grand Couturier (GB)	6 ¹²	6 ¹⁷	6 ¹⁵	6 ¹²	4 ⁴	6 ³ 1/2
3	Mission Approved	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	7 ¹⁵ 1/2	7 ²⁵

Trainers: 6 - Meehan, Brian; 7 - Asmussen, Steven; 1 - Motion, H.; 5 - Frankel, Robert; 4 - bin Suroor, Saeed; 2 - Ribaldo, Robert; 3 - Contessa, Gary

Owners: 6 -J. Paul Reddam; 7 - Stonestreet Stables LLC; 1 - Bushwood Stables LLC; 5 -Gary A. Tanaka; 4 - Godolphin Racing LLC; 2 -Marc Keller; 3 -William F. Coyro, Jr.;

Footnotes

RED ROCKS (IRE) was well placed through the opening five furlongs while racing in the three path, closed a lengthy gap under his own power on the turn, angled three wide leaving the quarter pole, gained steadily to challenge in midstretch, surged to the front inside the furlong marker, dug in when threatened a sixteenth out then edged away under steady right hand encouragement. CURLIN hit the side of the gate after breaking slowly, was unhurried in the early stages, moved three wide leaving the first turn, was rated in the four path along the backstretch, moved into contention when asked midway on the turn, swung four wide at the top of the stretch, made a steady run to reach contention in midstretch, gained outside the winner to threaten leaving the furlong marker but couldn't stay with that one through the final sixteenth while holding well for the place. BETTER TALK NOW was taken in hand soon after the start, trailed while saving ground for a mile, launched a bid along the inside on the turn, swung four wide in upper stretch then finished willingly from outside to gain a share. SUDAN (IRE) moved up from outside to contest the early pace, was taken well out from the rail while pressing the pace along the backstretch, surged to the front at the three-eighths pole, continued on the lead into midstretch and weakened under pressure in the final eighth. TRUE CAUSE checked after breaking awkwardly, raced well back for a mile, saved ground to the turn, angled three wide at the quarter pole and finished evenly. GRAND COUTURIER (GB) hit the rail in the early stages, steadied while rank nearing the first turn, saved ground along the backstretch, came out briefly on the turn, went back to the rail in upper stretch and lacked a strong closing response. MISSION APPROVED set the pace in hand along the rail for a mile and steadily tired thereafter.

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