

BELMONT PARK - October 20, 2011 - Race 8

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(UP TO \$5,130 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over On The Turf Since August 20 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$35,000 (Races where entered for \$25,000 or less not considered) (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.). (NW2 L) **Claiming Price:** \$35,000

One Mile On The Dirt - Originally Scheduled For the Turf **Track Record:** (Najran - 1:32.24 - May 7, 2003)

Purse: \$36,780

Includes: \$780 Starters Bonus

Available Money: \$36,780

Value of Race: \$36,780 1st \$21,600, 2nd \$7,200, 3rd \$3,600, 4th \$1,800, 5th \$1,080, 6th \$500, 7th \$500, 8th \$500

Weather: Clear **Track:** Good

Off at: 4:46 **Start:** Good for all



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
4Sep11 ⁵ SAR ¹	13	My Piano Man (Velazquez, John)	121	L b	6	6	8	7 ¹	4 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ⁴ 1/2	5.00	overland, drew off
11Sep11 ⁴ BEL ²	14	Settle for Medal (Castellano, Javier)	118	L b	7	3	6 ¹ 1/2	6 ² 1/2	3 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	2 ³ 1/4	9.60	4w pursuit, willingly
24Sep11 ³ BEL ¹	9	Lindell A. C. (Luzzi, Michael)	118	L	3	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ^{Neck}	1.70*	vied inside, weakened
23Sep11 ⁹ BEL ³	11	Chairman Now (Garcia, Alan)	121	L b	5	5	4 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	5 ²	4 ¹	4 ⁴ 1/4	9.10	3 wide, folded
9Oct11 ⁷ PRX ⁵	4	Eversoul (Lopez, Paco)	121	L b	2	7	5 ²	5 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	5 ²	5 ¹ 1/4	16.30	rode pocket, empty
5Oct11 ⁸ BEL ³	10	Tennis Racket (Curatolo, Ryan)	115 ⁵	L	4	4	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	6 ⁴	6 ⁵	6 ¹³ 1/2	11.30	in tight, steadied 1/4
9Apr11 ⁶ KEE ⁶	2	Kells Blues (Cohen, David)	121	L	1	8	7 ²	8	8	7 ^{1/2}	7 ⁵ 1/2	4.10	outside, offered little
10Aug11 ⁸ SAR ⁵	15	Cat Sweep (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	113 ⁵	L b	8	2	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 1/2	7 ²	8	8	6.30	press 2p, asked 5/16

Fractional Times: 23.82 47.38 1:13.04

Final Time: 1:38.17

Split Times: (23:56) (25:66) (25:13)

Run-Up: 60 feet

Winner: My Piano Man, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Gone West out of Elissa Beethoven (GB), by Royal Academy. Foaled Feb 07, 2007 in Kentucky.

Breeder: James C. Spence. **Winning Owner:** Durante, Ralph, Buckley, Jr., John, F. and Pennston Farm Inc.

1 Claimed Horse(s): Lindell A. C.

New Trainer: Bruce R. Brown

New Owner: Epona Racing Stable

Claiming Prices: 13 - My Piano Man: \$35,000; 14 - Settle for Medal: \$35,000; 9 - Lindell A. C.: \$35,000; 11 - Chairman Now: \$35,000; 4 - Eversoul: \$35,000; 10 - Tennis Racket: \$35,000; 2 - Kells Blues: \$35,000; 15 - Cat Sweep: \$35,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Best Act (Off-Turf), Fast Grievance (Off-Turf), Highveld Thunder (Off-Turf), Impetuous Spirit (GB) (Off-Turf), Ravello Storm (Off-Turf), Rudy Rudy Rudy (Off-Turf), Upper Afleet (Off-Turf)

Total WPS Pool: \$195,392

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
13	My Piano Man	12.00	5.80	3.20	\$2.00 Exacta	13-14	66.50	146,241
14	Settle for Medal		9.50	3.70	\$2.00 Trifecta	13-14-9	278.50	71,287
9	Lindell A. C.			2.40	\$2.00 Pick 3	1-1-13 (3 correct)	330.00	15,152
					\$2.00 Grand Slam	1/2/3-1/3/4-1/12/13-13 (4 correct)	56.50	11,265
					\$2.00 Daily Double	1-13	65.00	31,151
					\$2.00 Superfecta	13-14-9-11	1,872.00	42,358

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
13	My Piano Man	6	8 ⁸	7 ⁵ 1/2	4 ²	1 ¹	1 ⁴ 1/2
14	Settle for Medal	3	6 ⁴ 1/2	6 ³	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹	2 ⁴ 1/2
9	Lindell A. C.	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	3 ²	3 ⁷ 3/4
11	Chairman Now	5	4 ² 1/2	3 ²	5 ² 1/2	4 ³ 1/2	4 ⁸
4	Eversoul	7	5 ² 1/2	5 ² 1/2	2 ¹	5 ⁴ 1/2	5 ¹² 1/4
10	Tennis Racket	4	3 ²	4 ²	6 ⁴ 1/2	6 ⁶ 1/2	6 ¹³ 1/2
2	Kells Blues	8	7 ⁶	8 ⁶ 1/2	8 ¹⁰ 1/2	7 ¹¹ 1/2	7 ²⁷
15	Cat Sweep	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	7 ⁸ 1/2	8 ¹²	8 ³² 1/2

Trainers: 13 - Brown, Bruce; 14 - Hennig, Mark; 9 - Asmussen, Steven; 11 - Violette, Jr., Richard; 4 - Aro, Michael; 10 - Romans, Dale; 2 - Stidham, Michael; 15 - Terranova, II, John

Owners: 13 - Durante, Ralph, Buckley, Jr., John, F. and Pennston Farm Inc.; 14 - Mark B. Grier; 9 - Maggi Moss; 11 - Violette, Jr., Richard, A., Lenihan, Patricia and Red Diamond Stable; 4 - Michael Charles Aro; 10 - Judy Simek; 2 - TYB Stable, Ryan, Michael J. and Dilger, Gerry; 15 - Curragh Stables and Covello, James;

Footnotes

MY PIANO MAN got brushed at the start, took the overland route around the turn, ranged up towards the front runners nearing the quarter pole, turned for home and got called upon, emerged from the furlong grounds holding a clear advantage, kicked well clear of the field during the final sixteenth despite drifting outward slightly in the late stages. SETTLE FOR MEDAL was lightly bumped at the start, underwent a four wide pursuit, failed to keep pace with the top one during the stretch drive, but continued on willingly to garner place honors. LINDELL A. C. grabbed a narrow advantage during the initial stages, had the rider cast several glances back in the direction of EVERSOU before working out a tuck along the rail in time for the run around the bend, continued to show the way, although facing some pressure all the while, had it intensify heading for the top of the lane and was put to encouragement, relinquished soon afterwards and weakened during the last eighth. CHAIRMAN NOW made light contact with the winner at the break, set up post in the three path, raced on even terms with TENNIS RACKET throughout most of the opening half, remained a forward factor until the quarter pole before backing away. EVERSOU rode the pocket and came up empty for the stretch run. TENNIS RACKET placed between rivals for much of the running during the opening six furlongs, was forced to steady when in tight quarters approaching the end of the turn, had clearance soon afterwards but offered no response. KELLS BLUES raced along the outside and offered little. CAT SWEEP pressed the issue from the two path, was asked for some run by the five-sixteenths pole, fell back steadily instead.

