

CHURCHILL DOWNS - June 12, 2008 - Race 8

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON \$8,990 THREE TIMES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER, OR STATE BRED OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE \$80,000. Three Year Olds, 117 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners of \$25,800 twice at a mile or over on the turf in 2008 Allowed 2 lbs. \$22,800 at a mile or over in 2008 Allowed 4 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$62,500 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at One and One Eighth mile.).

(NW3\$ X) **Claiming Price:** \$80,000

One And One Eighth Miles On The Turf **Track Record:** (Lure - 1:46.34 - April 30, 1993)

Purse: \$47,400

Includes: \$11,300 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund

Available Money: \$47,400

Value of Race: \$45,752 1st \$29,727, 2nd \$9,480, 3rd \$4,740, 4th \$1,805

Weather: Clear **Track:** Firm

Off at: 4:58 **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 |
|--|-----|----------------------------------|----------|----|-------|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|-------------------------|
| 21May08 ⁹ CD ² | 1 | A. P. Xcellent (Melancon, Larry) | 119 LA b | 3 | 1 | 1 ³ | 1 ² | 1 ^{1 1/2} | 1 ¹ | 1 ² | 0.60* | gamely led throughout |
| 30Apr08 ⁹ CD ⁷ | 2 | Wise River (Theriot, Jamie) | 119 LA b | 1 | 3 | 3 ⁶ | 2 ^{Head} | 2 ^{1 1/2} | 2 ³ | 2 ^{2 1/2} | 6.60 | bid 3 w, kept at bay |
| 11May08 ⁹ CD ⁴ | 3 | Chestermite (Troilo, William) | 119 LA | 2 | 2 | 2 ² | 3 ⁶ | 3 ⁵ | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 6.80 | chased inside, weakened |
| 17May08 ¹⁰ LAD ¹ | 5 | Desert Wheat (Albarado, Robby) | 121 LA b | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2.20 | 3 wide, belated gain |

Fractional Times: 24.11 48.18 1:11.78 1:36.22

Final Time: 1:48.96

Split Times: (24:07) (23:60) (24:44) (12:74)

Run-Up: 0 feet **Temporary Rail:** 22 feet

Winner: A. P. Xcellent, Bay Horse, by A.P. Indy out of Exing (CHI), by Exceller. Foaled Feb 16, 2003 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Jayeff B Stables & Denali Stud & Partners. **Winning Owner:** Johnston, Jr., Mrs. S. K., Bommarito, Marco and Molly Malone Racing Club

Scratched Horse(s): Nolan's Cat (Veterinarian), Sidcup (Trainer)

Total WPS Pool: \$85,545

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|-----|----------------|------|-------|---------------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| 1 | A. P. Xcellent | 3.20 | 2.10 | \$2.00 Exacta | 1-2 | 8.80 | 86,812 |
| 2 | Wise River | | 4.00 | \$2.00 Daily Double | 1-1 | 4.60 | 8,496 |
| 3 | Chestermite | | | \$2.00 Pick 3 | 1-1-1 (3 correct) | 121.60 | 13,893 |
| | | | | \$2.00 Consolation Pick 3 | 1-1-4 (3 correct) | 59.80 | 0 |
| | | | | \$2.00 Consolation Double | 1-4 | 2.80 | 0 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | 3/4 | Str | Fin |
|-----|----------------|-------|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | A. P. Xcellent | 1 | 1 ³ | 1 ² | 1 ^{1 1/2} | 1 ¹ | 1 ² |
| 2 | Wise River | 3 | 3 ⁵ | 2 ² | 2 ^{1 1/2} | 2 ¹ | 2 ² |
| 3 | Chestermite | 2 | 2 ³ | 3 ² | 3 ³ | 3 ⁴ | 3 ^{4 1/2} |
| 5 | Desert Wheat | 4 | 4 ¹¹ | 4 ⁸ | 4 ⁸ | 4 ^{5 1/2} | 4 ⁶ |

Trainers: 1 - O'Callaghan, Niall; 2 - Hanna, Clark; 3 - Miller, Darrin; 5 - Mott, William

Owners: 1 - Johnston, Jr., Mrs. S. K., Bommarito, Marco and Molly Malone Racing Club; 2 - Don L. Bengé; 3 - Silverton Hill LLC; 5 - Wachtel Stable, Brous Stable and Lee, Jerry D.;

Footnotes

A. P. XCELLENT sped clear to dictate terms, turned back the bid of WISE RIVER with a furlong to run, and gamely led throughout. WISE RIVER settled in hand while tucked along the inside, angled out on the first turn and advanced three deep, offered his bid leaving the second turn, but was unable to match strides with the winner through the final furlong. CHESTERMITE chased the pace along the inside, drifted out slightly into the lane and weakened late. DESERT WHEAT dropped well back early, came three wide to make a belated gain, but was never a factor.

Denotes a Keeneland Sales Graduate