

**KEENELAND - April 12, 2008 - Race 9**

STAKES Toyota Blue Grass S. Grade 1 - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS. By subscription of \$200 each, which should accompany the nomination or by Supplementary Nomination of \$37,500 at time of entry (includes entry and starting fees). \$3,750 to enter and an additional \$3,750 to start, with \$750,000 guaranteed, of which \$465,000 to the owner of the winner, \$150,000 to second, \$75,000 to third, \$37,500 to fourth and \$22,500 to fifth. Weight: 123 lbs. Starters to be named through the entry box by the usual time of closing. A gold julep cup will be presented to the owner of the winner. A silver julep cup will be presented to the winning trainer and jockey. Closed Wednesday, February 20, 2008 with 167 nominations.

One And One Eighth Miles On The All Weather Track **Track Record:** (Wise Dan - 1:46.63 - April 22, 2012)

**Purse:** \$750,000 Guaranteed

**Available Money:** \$750,000

**Value of Race:** \$750,000 1st \$465,000, 2nd \$150,000, 3rd \$75,000, 4th \$37,500, 5th \$22,500

**Weather:** Cloudy **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 5:20 **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
24Feb08 <sup>9</sup> GP <sup>12</sup>	5	Monba (Prado, Edgar)	123	LA	b	5 4	4 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Neck</sup>	8.80	steadied early,6w,drvq
16Feb08 <sup>8</sup> GP <sup>2</sup>	3	Cowboy Cal (Velazquez, John)	123	LA		3 2	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	8.00	bmp start,gamely
24Feb08 <sup>9</sup> GP <sup>7</sup>	2	Kentucky Bear (Theriot, Jamie)	123	LA		2 8	6 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	27.80	bmp start,9w bid
8Mar08 <sup>9</sup> FG <sup>5</sup>	4	Stevil (Bejarano, Rafael)	123	LA	b	4 5	5 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1/2</sup>	7 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>3 3/4</sup>	68.00	drft,bmp strt,12w 3/16
8Mar08 <sup>9</sup> AQU <sup>1</sup>	12	Visionaire (Lezcano, Jose)	123	LA		12 7	12	11 <sup>Head</sup>	12	8 <sup>1/2</sup>	5 <sup>3/4</sup>	10.40	10w lane,mild gain
22Mar08 <sup>11</sup> TP <sup>2</sup>	10	Miner's Claim (Husbands, Patrick)	123	LA		10 11	10 <sup>1/2</sup>	9 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	6 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	34.30	3w,bold bid,empty
22Mar08 <sup>12</sup> TP <sup>2</sup>	11	Halo Najib (Gomez, Garrett)	123	LA		11 10	11 <sup>1/2</sup>	12	11 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>2</sup>	7 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	17.10	improved position
22Mar08 <sup>12</sup> TP <sup>3</sup>	9	Medjool (Baze, Michael)	123	LA		9 9	9 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>Head</sup>	8 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	24.40	rank early,steadied
24Feb08 <sup>9</sup> GP <sup>1</sup>	1	Cool Coal Man (Desormeaux, Kent)	123	LA		1 1	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup>	9 <sup>3/4</sup>	6.70	3-4w,flattened out
8Mar08 <sup>9</sup> FG <sup>1</sup>	7	Pyro (Bridgmohan, Shaun)	123	LA		7 12	8 <sup>1/2</sup>	8 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>1</sup>	10 <sup>1</sup>	10 <sup>Neck</sup>	1.00*	off step slow,6w lane
15Mar08 <sup>12</sup> TAM <sup>1</sup>	6	Big Truck (Coa, Eibar)	123	LA		6 6	7 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>Head</sup>	11 <sup>7</sup>	11 <sup>16 1/4</sup>	10.60	5w,asked 5/16s,tired
15Mar08 <sup>10</sup> OP <sup>8</sup>	8	Stone Bird (Lanerrie, Corey)	123	L		8 3	2 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>1/2</sup>	12	12	74.10	5w,faltered,far turn

**Fractional Times:** 24.96 49.01 1:13.17 1:37.27 **Final Time:** 1:49.71

**Split Times:** (24:05) (24:16) (24:10) (12:44)

**Run-Up:** 0 feet

**Winner:** Monba, Gray or Roan Colt, by Maria's Mon out of Hamba, by Easy Goer. Foaled Mar 16, 2005 in Kentucky.

**Breeder:** Mill Ridge Farm Ltd. & Jamm, Ltd. **Winning Owner:** Starlight Racing

**Total WPS Pool:** \$1,900,140

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Monba	19.60	8.60	6.60	\$2.00 Exacta	5-3	139.00	1,138,124
3	Cowboy Cal		8.80	6.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-3-2	828.45	1,051,060
2	Kentucky Bear			8.20	\$2.00 Superfecta	5-3-2-4	44,821.60	549,415
					\$2.00 Pick 3	3-6-5 (3 correct)	1,069.40	99,041
					\$2.00 Daily Double	MAKERS-BLUEGRASS	102.20	96,614
						1-5		

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	Monba	4	4 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Neck</sup>
3	Cowboy Cal	2	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Neck</sup>
2	Kentucky Bear	8	6 <sup>3 1/4</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>
4	Stevil	5	5 <sup>3</sup>	7 <sup>6</sup>	7 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>
12	Visionaire	7	12 <sup>7 3/4</sup>	11 <sup>9 3/4</sup>	12 <sup>10 1/4</sup>	8 <sup>8</sup>	5 <sup>6 1/4</sup>
10	Miner's Claim	11	10 <sup>6 3/4</sup>	9 <sup>8</sup>	6 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>7</sup>
11	Halo Najib	10	11 <sup>7 1/4</sup>	12 <sup>9 3/4</sup>	11 <sup>9 1/4</sup>	7 <sup>6</sup>	7 <sup>8 1/4</sup>
9	Medjool	9	9 <sup>5 1/4</sup>	10 <sup>8 1/4</sup>	9 <sup>6 3/4</sup>	9 <sup>8 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>9 1/2</sup>
1	Cool Coal Man	1	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	6 <sup>5</sup>	9 <sup>10 3/4</sup>
7	Pyro	12	8 <sup>4 3/4</sup>	8 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>8 1/4</sup>	10 <sup>8 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>11 1/2</sup>
6	Big Truck	6	7 <sup>3 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	11 <sup>9 1/2</sup>	11 <sup>11 3/4</sup>
8	Stone Bird	3	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup>	12 <sup>16 1/2</sup>	12 <sup>28</sup>


**Trainers:** 5 - Pletcher, Todd; 3 - Pletcher, Todd; 2 - Baker, Reade; 4 - Zito, Nicholas; 12 - Matz, Michael; 10 - Casse, Mark; 11 - Romans, Dale; 9 - Hofmans, David; 1 - Zito, Nicholas; 7 - Asmussen, Steven; 6 - Tagg, Barclay; 8 - Lukas, D.

**Owners:** 5 - Starlight Racing; 3 - Stonerside Stable; 2 - Bear Stables, Ltd.; 4 -Robert V. LaPenta; 12 - Team Valor International and Vision Racing LLC; 10 - Briarwood Stable; 11 - Zayat Stables, LLC; 9 - Equine Prep Management LLC; 1 -Robert V. LaPenta; 7 - Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC; 6 -Eric Fein; 8 - Marylou Whitney Stables LLC;

**Footnotes**

MONBA, never far back and steadied slightly entering the backstretch between rivals, tracked front-running COWBOY CAL six wide, went after that one a quarter-mile out, then was fully extended to wear him down at the end. COWBOY CAL bumped at the start by STEVIL when that one leaned in, continued in bumping KENTUCKY BEAR, raced well off the inside while gaining a clear lead on the first turn, coasted along five or six wide on the backstretch, edged in entering the far turn, was engaged by MONBA coming to the quarter-mile marker, floated out entering the upper stretch to be six or seven wide into the upper stretch, then couldn't contain the winner in a game try. KENTUCKY BEAR, bumped soon after the break by COWBOY CAL when that one was forced in, raced within easy striking distance between foes five wide, came out nine wide for the drive, loomed menacingly for the last eighth but couldn't offer the needed late response. STEVIL drifted in at the break bumping COWBOY CAL, followed the leaders four or five wide, came out ten or twelve wide entering the upper stretch, altered course to be five wide in the final furlong, then failed to gain further. VISIONAIRE, outrun five wide for seven furlongs, came out twelve wide entering the stretch to secure room, then was slowly gaining in the late stages. MINER'S CLAIM, outrun early, raced three wide, advanced from that position on the track around the far turn, made a bold run leaving the quarter-mile ground but couldn't sustain the needed momentum. HALO NAJIB, outrun to the stretch and near the inside, improved position while unable to menace. MEDJOOL, rank behind horses when steadied repeatedly nearing the

first turn, wasn't a factor. COOL COAL MAN, forwardly placed while tracking the leaders three or four wide, raced in a striking position to the head of the stretch and flattened out. PYRO broke a step slow, settled four wide while unhurried to the far turn, came out between foes five or six wide entering the upper stretch and never fired. BIG TRUCK raced in contention five wide from early on, was asked nearing the five-sixteenths pole and tired. STONE BIRD, up close five wide early, faltered soon after going six furlongs.

 Denotes a Keeneland Sales Graduate

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