**KEENELAND - April 24, 2009 - Race 9**

EQUIBASE COMPANY

STAKES Fifth Third Elkhorn S. Grade 2 - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of $200 each, which should accompany the nomination or by Supplementary Nomination of $10,000 at time of entry (includes entry and starting fees). $1,000 to enter and an additional $1,000 to start, with $200,000 guaranteed, of which $124,000 to the owner of the winner, $40,000 to second, $20,000 to third, $10,000 to fourth and $6,000 to fifth. Weight: 124 lbs. Non-winners of Grade I stakes over ten furlongs on the turf since October 3, allowed 2 lbs.; a Grade II stakes over ten furlongs on the turf since October 3, 4 lbs.; a graded stakes over nine furlongs on the turf in 2009, 6 lbs. The maximum number of starters for the Fifth Third Elkhorn will be limited to twelve with two also eligibles. In the event that more than twelve pass the entry box, the twelve starters will be determined at that time with preference give to graded stakes winners, then highest turf earnings in 2008-2009. 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. Closed April 15, 2009 with 30 nominations. In the event that this race is taken off the turf it will be contested at Thirteen Furlongs on the main track.

One And One Half Miles On The Turf **Track Record:** (Point of Entry - 2:27.57 - April 12, 2012)

**Purse:** $200,000 Guaranteed

**Available Money:** $200,000

**Value of Race:** $200,000 1st $124,000, 2nd $40,000, 3rd $20,000, 4th $10,000, 5th $6,000

**Weather:** Clear **Track:** Firm

**Off at:** 5:06 **Start:** Good for all

Video Race Replay

| Last Raced | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey) | Wgt | M/E | PP | 1/4 | 1/2 | 1m | 11/4 | Str | Fin | Odds | Comments |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 21Feb09 $^{9}$GP$^{3}$ | 4 | Spice Route (GB) (Douglas, Rene) | 118 | L b | 4 | $7^{1}$ | $8^{1/2}$ | $6^{1/2}$ | $4^{1/2}$ | $1^{1}$ | $1^{2}$ | 4.10 | split rivals, driving |
| 9Apr09 $^{5}$KEE$^{4}$ | 6 | Musketier (GER) (Prado, Edgar) | 118 | L | 6 | $4^{1\ 1/2}$ | $4^{1\ 1/2}$ | $4^{Head}$ | $3^{1}$ | $3^{1/2}$ | $2^{Neck}$ | 27.40 | mild bid for place |
| 14Mar09 $^{8}$FG$^{5}$ | 10 | Brass Hat (Borel, Calvin) | 118 | LA bf | 9 | $10^{Head}$ | $11^{3\ 1/2}$ | $11^{2}$ | $9^{2\ 1/2}$ | $4^{2}$ | $3^{1}$ | 17.50 | bold 4 wide run |
| 21Mar09 $^{10}$GP$^{1}$ | 3 | Buddy's Humor (Lezcano, Jose) | 118 | LA | 3 | $2^{1}$ | $3^{2}$ | $3^{1\ 1/2}$ | $1^{1}$ | $2^{1/2}$ | $4^{2\ 1/2}$ | 12.20 | wide after 1/2 |
| 21Feb09 $^{9}$GP$^{7}$ | 7 | Always First (GB) (Gomez, Garrett) | 118 | LA b | 7 | $8^{1/2}$ | $9^{1\ 1/2}$ | $8^{1/2}$ | $7^{Head}$ | $6^{1/2}$ | $5^{Head}$ | 10.60 | lacked closing bid |
| 25Oct08 $^{8}$OSA$^{8}$ | 5 | Better Talk Now (Dominguez, Ramon) | 118 | LA f | 5 | 12 | 12 | 12 | $10^{2\ 1/2}$ | $8^{2}$ | $6^{1\ 1/4}$ | 13.20 | late bid |
| 7Mar09 $^{10}$SA$^{2}$ | 11 | Champs Elysees (GB) (Valdivia, Jr., Jose) | 124 | LA | 10 | $11^{2\ 1/2}$ | $10^{1}$ | $9^{1\ 1/2}$ | $8^{Head}$ | $7^{1}$ | $7^{8}$ | 1.50* | inside 7/16 pl |
| 4Apr09 $^{8}$KEE$^{7}$ | 2 | Transduction Gold (Graham, James) | 118 | L | 2 | $3^{1}$ | $5^{1}$ | $5^{1\ 1/2}$ | $2^{1/2}$ | $5^{1/2}$ | $8^{7\ 1/2}$ | 32.60 | 4 wide move, gave way |
| 14Mar09 $^{8}$FG$^{10}$ | 8 | Sir Whimsey (Saez, Gabriel) | 118 | LA | 8 | $9^{1}$ | $7^{Head}$ | $10^{1/2}$ | 12 | $11^{5}$ | $9^{4\ 3/4}$ | 86.80 | no menace |
| 4Apr09 $^{4}$KEE$^{1}$ | 13 | Sudden War (ARG) (Desormeaux, Kent) | 118 | LA | 12 | $5^{1/2}$ | $6^{1}$ | $7^{1}$ | $5^{Head}$ | $9^{5}$ | $10^{2\ 1/2}$ | 12.10 | faded final 1/4 |
| 21Mar09 $^{10}$GP$^{5}$ | 1 | Quasicobra (Leparoux, Julien) | 118 | LA | 1 | $1^{1\ 1/2}$ | $1^{Head}$ | $2^{1/2}$ | $6^{1\ 1/2}$ | $10^{3}$ | $11^{14\ 1/4}$ | 7.60 | tired drive |
| 28Mar09 $^{9}$LRL$^{3}$ | 12 | Admiral's Cruise (Velazquez, John) | 118 | LA | 11 | $6^{Head}$ | $2^{1/2}$ | $1^{Head}$ | $11^{1\ 1/2}$ | 12 | 12 | 21.10 | faded |

**Fractional Times:** 25.70 50.63 1:14.92 1:40.01 N/A **Final Time:** 2:29.23

**Split Times:** (24:93) (24:29) (25:09) (49:22)

**Run-Up:** 34 feet

**Winner:** Spice Route (GB), Chestnut Gelding, by King's Best out of =Zanzibar (IRE), by $In the Wings (GB). Foaled Jan 25, 2004 in Great Britain.

**Breeder:** Usk Valley Stud. **Winning Owner:** Harlequin Ranches, Johnson, Ralph L. and Attfield, Roger L.

**Scratched Horse(s):** Embossed (IRE) (Trainer), Sir Dave (Trainer)

**Total WPS Pool:** $521,899

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Show | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | Spice Route (GB) | 10.20 | 5.20 | 4.00 | $2.00 Exacta | 4-6 | 258.20 | 299,633 |
| 6 | Musketier (GER) | | 19.00 | 11.40 | $2.00 Trifecta | 4-6-10 | 3,237.20 | 217,627 |
| 10 | Brass Hat | | | 8.40 | $0.10 Superfecta | 4-6-10-3 | 1,295.81 | 122,053 |
| | | | | | $2.00 Pick 3 | 2-9-4 (3 correct) | 88.60 | 40,799 |
| | | | | | $2.00 Daily Double | 9-4 | 27.80 | 41,358 |

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

| Pgm | Horse Name | 1/4 | 1/2 | 1m | 11/4 | Str | Fin |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | Spice Route (GB) | $7^{5\ 1/2}$ | $8^{6\ 1/4}$ | $6^{3\ 3/4}$ | $4^{2\ 1/2}$ | $1^{1}$ | $1^{2}$ |
| 6 | Musketier (GER) | $4^{3\ 1/2}$ | $4^{2\ 1/2}$ | $4^{2}$ | $3^{1\ 1/2}$ | $3^{1\ 1/2}$ | $2^{2}$ |
| 10 | Brass Hat | $10^{8}$ | $11^{9\ 1/4}$ | $11^{7\ 3/4}$ | $9^{4\ 3/4}$ | $4^{2}$ | $3^{2\ 1/4}$ |
| 3 | Buddy's Humor | $2^{1\ 1/2}$ | $3^{1/2}$ | $3^{1/2}$ | $1^{1}$ | $2^{1}$ | $4^{3\ 1/4}$ |
| 7 | Always First (GB) | $8^{6\ 1/2}$ | $9^{6\ 3/4}$ | $8^{5\ 1/4}$ | $7^{4\ 1/2}$ | $6^{4\ 1/2}$ | $5^{5\ 3/4}$ |
| 5 | Better Talk Now | $12^{10\ 3/4}$ | $12^{12\ 3/4}$ | $12^{9\ 3/4}$ | $10^{7\ 1/4}$ | $8^{6}$ | $6^{5\ 3/4}$ |
| 11 | Champs Elysees (GB) | $11^{8\ 1/4}$ | $10^{8\ 1/4}$ | $9^{5\ 3/4}$ | $8^{4\ 3/4}$ | $7^{5}$ | $7^{7}$ |
| 2 | Transduction Gold | $3^{2\ 1/2}$ | $5^{4}$ | $5^{2\ 1/4}$ | $2^{1}$ | $5^{4}$ | $8^{15}$ |
| 8 | Sir Whimsey | $9^{7}$ | $7^{6}$ | $10^{7\ 1/4}$ | $12^{11\ 1/4}$ | $11^{16}$ | $9^{22\ 1/2}$ |
| 13 | Sudden War (ARG) | $5^{5}$ | $6^{5}$ | $7^{4\ 1/4}$ | $5^{3}$ | $9^{8}$ | $10^{27\ 1/4}$ |
| 1 | Quasicobra | $1^{1\ 1/2}$ | $1^{Head}$ | $2^{Head}$ | $6^{3}$ | $10^{13}$ | $11^{29\ 3/4}$ |
| 12 | Admiral's Cruise | $6^{5\ 1/2}$ | $2^{Head}$ | $1^{Head}$ | $11^{9\ 3/4}$ | $12^{21}$ | $12^{44}$ |

**Trainers:** 4 - Attfield, Roger; 6 - Attfield, Roger; 10 - Bradley, William; 3 - Levine, Bruce; 7 - Voss, Thomas; 5 - Motion, H.; 11 - Frankel, Robert; 2 - Glenney, John; 8 - Nihei, Michelle; 13 - McPeek, Kenneth; 1 - Romans, Dale; 12 - Jenkins, Rodney

**Owners:** 4 - Harlequin Ranches, Johnson, Ralph L. and Attfield, Roger L.; 6 -Johanna Louise Glen-Teven; 10 -Fred F. Bradley; 3 -Eli Lomita; 7 - Merriefield Farm; 5 - Bushwood Stables LLC; 11 - Juddmonte Farms, Inc.; 2 - Glenney, John and Kim; 8 - Turtle Bird Stable; 13 - Magdalena Racing, Frazier, Bruce and Hughes, Bill; 1 - Giacopelli, Richard J. and Fab Oak Stable; 12 - Lazy Lane Farm, Inc.;

**Footnotes**

SPICE ROUTE (GB) reserved early advanced three wide after seven furlongs, split rivals approaching the stretch, took over with a furlong to go and drew clear. MUSKETIER (GER) forwardly placed from the start, moved between horses with a quarter mile to go, angled outsize the leader in midstretch but lodged only a mild bid for the place. BRASS HAT outrun for a mile, made a bold four wide run into the stretch but could not sustain the bid. BUDDY'S HUMOR closest to the early pace, was wide after a half, gained command approaching the stretch, battled to the final furlong and weakened. ALWAYS FIRST (GB) outrun early, lacked a closing bid. BETTER TALK NOW outrun to the stretch, made a late bid. CHAMPS ELYSEES (GB) outrun early, saved ground after a mile, came off the rail entering the stretch and could not menace. TRANSDUCTION GOLD forwardly placed from the start, angled out and moved to a challenging position four wide after a mile but gave way in the drive. SIR WHIMSEY could not menace. SUDDEN WAR (ARG) within striking

distance early, maintained good position to the final quarter and faded. QUASICOBRA set the early pace, allowed ADMIRAL'S CRUISE the advantage after a half, held on well to the stretch and tired. ADMIRAL'S CRUISE within striking distance early, challenged before a half, battled to the three furlong marker and faded.

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