

BELMONT PARK - June 18, 2017 - Race 8

STAKES Poker S. Grade 3 - Thoroughbred

FOR FOUR- YEAR- OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of \$300 each which should accompany the nomination; \$1,500 to pass the entry box and an additional \$1,500 to start. A supplemental nomination fee of \$3,000 (in addition to the entry and starting fees) can be made at any time prior to the closing of entries. The purse to be divided 60% to the owner of the the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth and 2% divided equally amongst the remaining finishers. Weights, 124 lbs. Non-winners of \$120,000 twice at a mile or over in 2016- 17 allowed 2 lbs.; of such a race in 2016-17 allowed 4 lbs.; of \$60,000 at a mile or over in 2016-17 allowed 6 lbs.; of two races other than maiden,claiming or starter at a mile or over in 2017 allowed 8 lbs. Atrophy will be presented to the winning owner. The New York Racing Association reserves the right to transfer this race to the Main Track. In the event that this race is taken off the turf it may be subject to downgrading upon review by the Graded Stakes Committee. Closed Saturday, June 3, 2017 with 29 Nominations. (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.) (Rail at 9 feet).

One Mile On The Turf **Track Record:** (Elusive Quality - 1:31.63 - July 4, 1998)



Purse: \$300,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$300,000

Value of Race: \$294,000 1st \$180,000, 2nd \$60,000, 3rd \$30,000, 4th \$15,000, 5th \$9,000

Weather: Clear **Track:** Yielding

Off at: 5:23 **Start:** Good for all except 4

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
6May17 ¹¹ CD ⁷	3	Ballagh Rocks (Lezcano, Jose) 	116	L b	3	4	2 ¹	2 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	1 ²	1 ^{Neck}	3.10	3w turn, erratic lane
20May17 ¹² PIM ²	2	Projected (GB) (Rosario, Joel)	118	L	2	3	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ²	3 ³	2 ¹	2 ⁴	1.10*	ins,chck 5/16,carry in
4May17 ³ BEL ²	1	Night Prowler (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	116	L	1	1	5	5	5	4 ²	3 ^{3/4}	4.10	rail to 3/8,put 6w upr
20May17 ¹² PIM ⁴	6	Catapult (Ortiz, Jose) 	120	L b	5	2	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{4 1/2}	2 ¹	3 ²	4 ^{5 1/4}	3.45	work to rail turn,tird
10May17 BOR ¹	4	Bolting (Maragh, Rajiv)	116	L	4	5	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ²	4 ^{1/2}	5	5	15.70	lunge brk,ins1/2,4w1/8

Fractional Times: 23.03 46.12 1:10.35

Final Time: 1:34.98

Split Times: (23:09) (24:23) (24:63)

Run-Up: 108 feet **Temporary Rail:** 9 feet

Winner: Ballagh Rocks, Bay Colt, by Stormy Atlantic out of Bells Are Ringing, by Sadler's Wells. Foaled May 09, 2013 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Turner Breeders, LLC. **Winning Owner:** Donegal Racing

Scratched Horse(s): Lubash (Trainer), Weekend Hideaway (Main-Track-Only)

Total WPS Pool: \$327,833

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Ballagh Rocks	8.20	3.20	2.30	\$2.00 Exacta	3-2	22.00	160,348
2	Projected (GB)		2.60	2.10	\$2.00 Trifecta	3-2-1	49.60	83,993
1	Night Prowler			2.40	\$2.00 Pick 3	7-8-3 (3 correct)	130.50	50,343
					\$2.00 Daily Double	8-3	54.00	48,559
					\$2.00 Superfecta	3-2-1-6	77.00	33,376

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Ballagh Rocks	4	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{4 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ²	1 ^{Neck}
2	Projected (GB)	3	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{5 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ²	2 ^{Neck}
1	Night Prowler	1	5 ^{5 1/2}	5 ^{9 1/2}	5 ⁵	4 ⁵	3 ^{4 1/4}
6	Catapult	2	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{4 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ³	4 ⁵
4	Bolting	5	4 ⁴	4 ^{7 1/2}	4 ^{4 1/2}	5 ⁷	5 ^{10 1/4}

Trainers: 3 - Mott, William; 2 - Brown, Chad; 1 - Brown, Chad; 6 - Brown, Chad; 4 - Graffard, Francis - Henri

Owners: 3 - Donegal Racing; 2 - Juddmonte Farms, Inc.; 1 -Paul P. Pompa, Jr.; 6 - Woodford Racing, LLC; 4 - Flaxman Holdings, Ltd.;

Footnotes

BALLAGH ROCKS took up the role of primary pursuer after springing from the gate, unleashed a three wide run after making it off the backstretch, teaming up with the runner up as they chopped away the deficit, got the jump on that opponent after it came under some trouble at the five-sixteenths marker, struck the front by the top of the lane, went about to the finish line in errant fashion, being as wide as the five path at one juncture, and then as near the rail as the right border of the inside route, dug in late to stay in the clear. PROJECTED (GB) kept watch on the leader from along the inside route, quickened soon after stepping off the backstretch and began to readily cut into the gap, with the winner likewise doing, only out in path three, got checked, temporarily put in tight off the leader's heels in the vicinity of the five-sixteenths pole, briefly lost both ground and momentum, bided time for the last few jumps leading up to the quarter pole before getting tipped to the outside, spun wider and wider heading home, winding up drafting behind the top one all the while during the early going of the stretch drive, with the one to catch himself taking a somewhat erratic course, was already altering to the inside prior to getting induced to remain at the task, only to go about it much more rapidly, past the sixteenth pole, as BALLAGH ROCKS shifted to the inside himself, rubbed shoulders with that opponent in the shadow of the wire while falling short. NIGHT PROWLER rode the rail to midpoint on the turn, got angled approximately six wide into the stretch, proved no match. CATAPULT quickly established control, inched his way into the three path proceeding along the backstretch while at the same time spurting away from the others, was worked over towards the rail in a steadfast manner during the run around the full turn, came under heavy pressure as he got put to a drive cutting the corner into the stretch, relinquished and backed away. BOLTING came away the tardiest after lunging at the start, appeared headstrong afterwards, rushing up to rejoin the others, cut over to the rail approaching the conclusion of the backstretch, fanned out into path four from upper to midlane, had no response. Following a Stewards' Inquiry focusing on the stretch drive, the result was allowed to stand and the race was declared official.