

9 Belmont Park

1 1/2 MILES. (2:24) 131st Running of THE BELMONT. Grade I. Purse \$1,000,000 (plus up to \$72,000 NYSBFOA). 3-year-olds. By subscription of \$600 each to accompany the nomination if made on or before January 16, or \$6,000 if made on or before March 27. \$10,000 to pass the entry box and \$10,000 to start. At any time prior to the closing time of entries, horses may be nominated to The Belmont Stakes upon payment of a supplementary fee of \$100,000 to The New York Racing Association Inc. All supplementary fees will be included in the purse distribution. Horses nominated by payment of a supplementary fee (supplemental nominees) will not be allowed to enter if the maximum number of starters has otherwise been reached prior to the time of closing. All entrants, supplemental or otherwise, will be required to pay entry and starting fees. The purse to be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth and 3% to fifth. **Weights:** Colts and geldings, 126 lbs. Fillies, 121 lbs. Starters to be named at the closing time of entries. The Belmont field will be limited to sixteen (16) starters. In the event that more than 16 entries pass through entry box at the closing, the starters will be determined at the closing with 50% of the field (8 starters) given preference by accumulating the highest earnings in Graded Stakes (lifetime), including all money paid for performance in such Graded Stakes. The next five (5) starters (approximate 30%) will be determined by accumulating the highest earnings (lifetime) in all races except restricted races (i.e., any stake containing eligibility conditions other than sex and age). The remaining 3 starters (approximate 20%) shall be determined by accumulating the highest earnings (lifetime) in all races. Should this preference produce any ties the additional starter(s) shall be determined by lot. If the rules described result in the exclusion of any horse, the \$10,000 entry fee will be refunded to the owner of said horse. The winning owner will be presented with the August Belmont Memorial Cup, to be retained for one year, as well as a trophy for permanent possession and trophies to the winning trainer and jockey. Closed Saturday, March 27 with 396 nominations and 11 late nominations.



A CLOSER LOOK Belmont Stakes

Teletable

It's tough for any maiden graduate to repeat against winners, much less one running in the Belmont off a layoff; Callejas/Perez have a history of running outclassed longshots in major stakes; typically they don't fare poorly, though there have been a few exceptions (i.e. El Bakan - 3rd in the 1993 Preakness); according to BRIS statistics, Callejas has won at a 5% clip in graded stakes since 1997 (12% in the money); bred for the distance, being a son of 1993 Belmont winner Colonial Affair; unap-pealing.

1 Teletable

Own: Perez Robert
VELAZQUEZ JR (88 18 11 16 .20) 1999:(582 119 .20)

15Feb99-11GP fst 1 1/8 :232 :471 1:122 1:453 Md Sp Wt 30k
16Jan99-11GP gd 1 1/8 :242 :484 1:14 1:47 Md Sp Wt 30k
23Dec98-1Crc fst 1 :243 :49 1:142 1:423 Md Sp Wt 24k
8Dec98-6Crc fst 1 1/8 :243 :493 1:144 1:49 Md Sp Wt 17k

WORKS: Jun3 Bel 4f fst :49 B 9/25 May28 Bel 6f fst 1:133 H 2/6 May21 Bel 6f fst 1:133 H 2/5 May14 Bel 4f fst :492 B 19/29 May6 Bel 5f gd 1:04 B 8/10 Apr25 Bel 4f fst :48 H 5/46

Dk. b or br c. 3 (Apr) KESEP97 \$22,000
Sire: Colonial Affair (Pleasant Colony) \$15,000
Dam: Telescopica*Arg (Table Play)
Br: Allor Fred M (Ky)
Tr: Callejas Alfredo(5 0 0 0 .00) 99:(53 4 .08)

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| Life | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | \$26,775 | D.Fst | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | \$23,775 | 82 |
| 1999 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | \$21,000 | Wet | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | \$3,000 | 79 |
| 1998 | 2 | M | 1 | 1 | \$5,775 | Turf | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | - |
| Bel | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | Dist | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | - |

2 Vision and Verse

Own: Lunsford W B
CASTILLO H JR (12 0 0 2 .00) 1999:(224 28 .13)

8May99-8Haw fst 1 1/8 :463 1:102 1:353 1:482 IllinoisDby-G2
3Apr99-8Hia fst 1 1/8 :464 1:103 1:354 1:484 Flamingo-G3
6Mar99-2GP fst 1 1/8 :242 :484 1:131 1:45 Alw 32000N2L
13Feb99-3GP fst 1 1/8 :233 :473 1:13 1:45 Alw 32000N1X
16Jan99-11GP gd 1 1/8 :242 :484 1:14 1:47 Md Sp Wt 30k
4Jan99-10GP sly 1 1/8 :24 :483 1:144 1:48 Md Sp Wt 30k
15Nov98-1Aqu fst 7f :232 :472 1:123 1:252 Md Sp Wt 38k

WORKS: Jun1 Bel 5f fst 1:001 B 3/25 May26 Bel 7f fst 1:30 B 1/2 May19 Bel 4f gd :503 B 15/21 May4 CD 5f fst 1:03 B 21/24 Apr28 CD 6f my 1:154 B 3/6 Apr20 Pay 4f fst :52 B 9/15

B. c. 3 (Mar)
Sire: Storm Cat (Storm Bird)
Dam: Bunting (Private Account)
Br: Lunsford Bruce W (Ky)
Tr: Mott William I(21 3 4 1 .14) 99:(177 39 .22)

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| Life | 7 | 3 | 0 | 2 | \$370,140 | D.Fst | 5 | 2 | 0 | 2 | \$350,640 | 103 |
| 1999 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 2 | \$367,860 | Wet | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | \$19,500 | 83 |
| 1998 | 1 | M | 0 | 0 | \$2,280 | Turf | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | - |
| Bel | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | Dist | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | - |

Vision and Verse

Before you get too high on his Illinois Derby triumph, realize that Illinois Derby winners have struggled in this race over the last few years; Natural Selection finished 7th in 1996; Wild Rush ran 6th in 1997; and Yarrow Brae was 10th last year; doubt he can bring an end to that poor trend; class is the issue; the toughest opponent he has beaten is Prime Directive, a G2 horse; prefer those with established G1 form.

3 Silverbulletday

Own: Pegram Michael E
BAILEY J D (60 13 14 8 .22) 1999:(455 98 .22)

14May99-11Pim fst 1 1/8 :47 1:104 1:351 1:474 @BlackEydSsn-G2
30Apr99-9CD fst 1 1/8 :473 1:121 1:371 1:494 @Ky Oaks-G1
3Apr99-8Kee my 1 1/8 :223 :46 1:104 1:413 @Ashland-G1
13Mar99-9FG sly 1 1/8 :24 :484 1:133 1:444 @FG Oaks-G3
20Feb99-9FG fst 1 1/8 :242 :482 1:13 1:441 @Davona Dale-G3
28Nov98-9CD fst 1 1/8 :24 :473 1:121 1:434 @Golden Rod-G3
7Nov98-5CD fst 1 1/8 :232 :471 1:12 1:433 @BC Juv Fil-G1
11Oct98-8Kee fst 1 1/8 :224 :454 1:104 1:421 @Alcibiades-G2
29Aug98-8Dmr fst 7f :214 :441 1:092 1:221 @DmrDebutnte-G2
8Aug98-8Dmr fst 6 1/2 f :214 :443 1:103 1:172 @Sorrento-G2
27Jun98-7CD fst 5 1/2 f :214 :451 :574 1:043 @Debutante-G3
13Jun98-3CD fst 5 1/2 f :22 :453 :58 1:043 @Md Sp Wt 45k

WORKS: Jun1 CD 5f fst :59 H 1/41 May25 CD 6f fst 1:104 H 1/4 May10 CD 5f fst :59 H 1/27 Apr24 CD 6f fst 1:122 H 1/8 Apr18 CD 5f fst :59 H 1/32 Apr12 CD 4f fst :482 B 2/32

B. f. 3 (Jan) FTKJUL97 \$155,000
Sire: Silver Deputy (Deputy Minister)
Dam: Rokeby Rose (Tom Rolfe)
Br: Clear Creek & Highclere Inc (Ky)
Tr: Baffert Bob (-) 99:(246 59 .24)

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| Life | 12 | 11 | 0 | 0 | \$2,211,750 | D.Fst | 10 | 9 | 0 | 0 | \$1,650,730 | 109 |
| 1999 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | \$1,097,640 | Wet | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | \$561,020 | 108 |
| 1998 | 7 | 6 | 0 | 0 | \$1,114,110 | Turf | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | - |
| Bel | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | Dist | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | - |

Silverbulletday

Baffert told DRF in late-April that she would pass the Derby due in part to the distance: "If the Derby was 1 1/8 miles, I might do it, but 1 1/4 miles says no even though she has the Derby move"; if he wasn't confident in her ability to go 1 1/4m, what are her chances of registering an upset in this 1 1/2m race? he hasn't expressed reservations about the distance this week, but based on that prior comment, he might have doubts about her stamina; putting aside the trainer talk, the fact is that this is an exceptional filly - perhaps the best we have seen in years; runs as fast as the boys, and is a gem of consistency; seeks to become just the 3rd filly to win the Belmont; (it has been 94 years since a filly last won this race); should receive a comfortable trip on or near the lead, but still needs a monumental effort.

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4 Charismatic

Own: Lewis Beverly J & Robert B
ANTLEY C W (-) 1999:(253 44 .17)
15May99-10Pim fst 1 1/8 :451 1:101 1:351 1:551 Preakness-G1
1May99-8CD fst 1/4 :474 1:122 1:372 2:031 Ky Derby-G1
18Apr99-8Kee fst 1 1/8 :231 :464 1:103 1:41 Lexington-G2
3Apr99-5SA fst 1 1/8 :471 1:112 1:361 1:484 SA Derby-G1
6Mar99-7BM fst 1 1/8 :224 :46 1:10 1:431 EICmnoRIDby-G3
19Feb99-6SA fst 7f :214 :434 1:081 1:212 Alw 50000N1X
11Feb99-6SA fst 6 1/2f :214 :442 1:102 1:171 Clm 62500 (62.5-55)
Placed first through disqualification.
31Jan99-8SA gd 1 1/8 :234 :473 1:12 1:424 S Catalina-G2
16Jan99-5SA fst 1 1/8 :233 :472 1:114 1:44 Alw 54000N1X
27Dec98-1SA fst 6 1/2f :213 :441 1:09 1:152 Alw 50000N1X
21Nov98-1Hol fst 6 1/2f :222 :453 1:104 1:171 Md 62500 (62.5-55)
17Oct98-4SA fm 1 1/8 :232 :472 1:13 1:381 Md Sp Wt 35k
10Oct98-1SA fst 1 :221 :452 1:104 1:37 Md Sp Wt 35k
23Aug98-2Dmr fst 5 1/2f :223 :46 :583 1:05 Md Sp Wt 36k
25Jly98-4Dmr fst 6f :222 :454 :582 1:112 Md Sp Wt 37k
20Jun98-3Hol fst 5f :222 :453 :574 Md Sp Wt 37k
WORKS: Jun1 CD 5f fst 1:002 H 8/41 May25 CD 6f fst 1:162 B 4/4 May11 CD 5f fst 1:01 B 8/39 Apr26 CD 5f sly 1:024 B 12/27 Apr11 CD 4f fst :50 B 11/18 Mar30 SA 5f fst :584 H 3/44

Ch. c. 3 (Mar)
Sire: Summer Squall (Storm Bird)
Dam: Bali Babe (Drone)
Br: Farish William S & Parrish Hill Farm (Ky)
Tr: Lukas D Wayne(8 2 1 1 .25) 99:(242 34 .14)
Life 16 5 2 3 \$1,928,064 D.Fst 14 5 2 3 \$1,925,934 108
1999 9 4 2 0 \$1,897,404 Wet 1 0 0 0 \$2,130 71
L 126 1998 7 1 0 3 \$30,660 Turf 1 0 0 0 \$0 24
Bel 0 0 0 0 \$0 Dist 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
8.40 89-09 Charismatic126 1/2 Menifee126hd Badge126 1/2 5w mv, drftd 3/16, drvg 13
L 126 31.30 89-14 Charismatic126nk Menifee126 3/4 Cat Thief126 1/4 3 wide trip, driving 19
L 115 12.10 103-07 Chrismtic115 2 1/2 YnkeeVictor115 3/4 Findr's Gold115 2 3 wide 2nd turn, drvg 12
LB 120 44.30 83-13 GenerlChllng120 3/4 PrimTimbr120 3/4 DsrtrHro120 1/4 Improved position some 8
LB 115 10.60 83-24 Cliquot115hd Charismatic115 3/4 No Cal Bread117 3/4 Angled out, rallied 7
LB 117 17.20 93-08 Apremont119 5 Charismatic117 2 Forestry119 7 Finished willingly 5
LB 117 2.70 82-17 WhatSayYou110nk Charismtic117nk VilleyDon117 6w, bothered near 1/8 9
30.10 75-15 GeneralChllenge117 3 BuckTrout120 1 Brilliantly115 3/4 Bit tight 7/8, wkened 5
LB 117 17.90 79-16 Mr. Broad Blade116hd Brilliantly116 1 Outstanding Hero116 2 Bit tight 3/4 10
LB 117 23.10 87-06 BrightVlour116 4 OutstndngHro116 3 Chrismtic117nk Outside, late for 3rd 8
LB 119 *1.30 80-20 Charismatic119 5 Wandering119 2 Pick Up Stixs119 6 Rail trip, clearly best 6
LB 120 b 3.40 42-28 LxingtonBch120 0 DncngMjsty120 1/4 CompyApprov120 3/4 Speed, stopped 9
LB 120 b 2.10 78-14 CrownngStorm120 10 NorthrnAvn120 0 Chrsmc120 4 Inside, edged for 2nd 7
LB 118 b *7.0 83-11 Out In Front118 2 Round Four118hd Kona Coast118 3 3-deep, weakened 4
LB 118 b *2.00 80-12 PrizedDemon118 1/2 Seayabyebye118 1 Charismtic118 6 Inside, outfinished 8
B 118 12.20 81-15 O'rey Fantasma118 2 Aristotl118 2 Buck Trout118 3/4 Inside, weakened 6

Charismatic
It's eerie how similar this year's Belmont is shaping up like the 1998 race; like Real Quiet, many aren't giving Charismatic the proper respect; some question if he is deserving of being a Triple Crown winner; when most people envision Triple Crown winners, they think of a spectacular animal like Secretariat - not a horse who once ran in a claimer like Charismatic; horses shooting for the Triple Crown have compiled a strong 25-11-7-3 record in the Belmont (44% winners); but avg. odds of 3-5 on the winners would have yielding a loss of 30% - almost double the takeout; this guy won't be 3-5, but sentimental bets are likely to make him an underlay; formidable.

5 Pineaff

Own: Monroe Joyce & Roy K
LEJEUNE S P JR (-) 1999:(262 24 .09)
8May99-8Haw fst 1 1/8 :463 1:102 1:353 1:482 IllinoisDby-G2
10Apr99-9Kee fst 1 1/8 :47 1:104 1:36 1:483 Blue Grass-G1
21Mar99-9Tam fst 1 1/8 :231 :471 1:122 1:451 TampaBayDby150k
15Feb99-10GP fm 1 1/8 :464 1:111 1:36 1:481+ Palm Beach-G3
16Jan99-10GP gd 1 1/8 :242 :481 1:122 1:451 Holy Bull-G3
28Nov98-11CD fst 1 1/8 :234 :482 1:13 1:44 KyJckeyClub-G2
14Nov98-7Haw fst 1 1/8 :23 :462 1:124 1:462 Haw Juv100k
30Oct98-7Kee fm 1 1/8 :224 :463 1:122 1:443 Hopemont70k
15Oct98-4Kee fm 1 :231 :48 1:124 1:364 Alw 46000N2L
30Sep98-6TP fst 1 :232 :473 1:131 1:391 Md Sp Wt 24k
19Aug98-1EIP fm 1 :243 :48 1:124 1:382 Md Sp Wt 23k
Steadied 1/4 pole mild bid
6Aug98-5EIP sly 1 :233 :472 1:121 1:383 Md Sp Wt 23k
WORKS: May30 CD 5f fst 1:012 B 9/29 May25 CD 5f fst 1:033 B 24/26 May2 CD 5f fst 1:013 B 2/4 Apr26 CD 5f sly 1:022 B 9/27 Apr20 CD 4f fst :502 B 32/40 Apr4 CD 5f my 1:002 H 4/14

B. c. 3 (Feb)
Sire: Pine Bluff (Danzig)
Dam: Kerplow (Affirmed)
Br: Whitney Wheelock (Ky)
Tr: McPeck Kenneth G (-) 99:(81 10 .12)
Life 12 4 0 4 \$284,933 D.Fst 6 3 0 1 \$220,756 102
1999 5 1 0 1 \$155,500 Wet 2 0 0 1 \$8,350 94
L 126 1998 7 3 0 3 \$129,433 Turf 4 1 0 2 \$55,827 87
Bel 0 0 0 0 \$0 Dist 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
5.80 113-07 Vision And Verse114 1/4 Prime Directive117hd Pineaff122 1/4 Belatedly 10
L 122 b 25.60 85-19 Menifee123 1/4 Cat Thief123 3/4 Vicar123 2 1/2 Finished well late 8
L 122 b 6.00 93-10 Pineaff122 1 Menifee120 4 Doneraile Court122 2 1/2 Angled out, up late 6
L 117 b 3.80 87-14 Swamp114 2 Marquette114 1/4 Valid Reprized119 1/2 5 wide, mild rally 12
L 119 b 11.00 77-23 Grits'nHrdTost114 1/4 DonrilCourt119 0 MountnRng119 3/4 Slow start, rallied 7
L 122 b 11.70 77-05 Exploit122 1/4 Vicar113 6 Grits'n Hard Toast113 1/4 Good 4w, middle move 11
L 115 b 2.30 81-26 Pineaff115 6 1/2 Approved By Me113 1/4 Regal Code117 1/4 Rallied, drew clear 10
L 113 b *.80 80-20 Pineaff113 0k Draupner113 3/4 Air Rocket113 0k Driving 8
L 118 b 2.70 82-08 Bold Caleb116hd Harley Cat116 2 Pineaff118 1/2 4 wide, closed well 10
L 120 *1.60 76-29 Pineaff120 3 Scale120 13 Nowush120 1 Inside, middle move 8
L 119 *1.50 70-20 Harley Cat119hd Hi Rise119 1/4 Pineaff119 1/4 Tired drive 9
*2.80 81-22 Air Rocket118 2 Bold Caleb118 1/2 Pineaff118 1

Pineaff
Other than Charismatic, he is the only horse who has ever beaten Menifee; the difference is - he did it in the Tampa Bay Derby, not in the Kentucky Derby and Preakness; also caught Menifee on a day when he was making his first start around 2 turns, and when that rival experienced a wide trip; recent effort in the Illinois Derby was solid; he was motor-ing down the center of the track; but remember - just because a horse finishes well at a 1 1/8m doesn't mean that he will like 1 1/2m; shaky.

6 Lemon Drop Kid

Own: Vance Jeanne G
SANTOS JA (59 4 10 6 .07) 1999:(327 35 .11)
23May99-8Bel my 1 1/8 :451 1:09 1:344 1:474 Peter Pan-G2
1May99-8CD fst 1 1/8 :474 1:122 1:372 2:031 Ky Derby-G1
10Apr99-9Kee fst 1 1/8 :47 1:104 1:36 1:483 Blue Grass-G1
27Feb99-3GP fst 1 1/8 :234 :474 1:121 1:443 Alw 34000N2X
7Nov98-4CD fst 1 1/8 :231 :463 1:113 1:44 BC Juvenile-G1
10Oct98-9Bel sly 1 1/8 :222 :451 1:10 1:424 Champagne-G1
20Sep98-9Bel fst 1 :24 :473 1:121 1:372 Futurity-G1
21Aug98-4Sar fst 7f :224 :46 1:102 1:23 Alw 37000N2L
1Aug98-3Sar fst 6f :223 :461 :582 1:104 Md Sp Wt 35k
12Jly98-2Bel fst 5 1/2f :224 :454 :574 1:041 Md Sp Wt 35k
WORKS: May31 Bel 6f fst 1:132 B 2/2 May21 Bel 3f fst :361 B 2/12 May15 Bel 5f fst 1:01 B 7/21 May10 Bel 4f fst :473 H 9/68 Apr28 CD 4f my :481 B 2/23 Apr23 CD 6f fst 1:142 B 2/5

B. c. 3 (May) KESEEP97 \$200,000
Sire: Kingmambo (Mr. Prospector) \$45,000
Dam: Charming Lassie (Seattle Slew)
Br: Farish William S & Kilroy William S (Ky)
Tr: Schulhofer Flint S (17 2 2 3 .12) 99:(68 12 .18)
Life 10 3 2 2 \$281,470 D.Fst 8 3 1 1 \$184,970 100
1999 4 1 0 1 \$59,400 Wet 2 0 1 1 \$96,500 103
L 126 1998 6 2 2 1 \$222,070 Turf 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
Bel 4 1 2 1 \$193,500 Dist 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
3.60 89-27 BstOfLuck113 1 TrsrIslnd114 1/4 LmonDropKid120 2 Tight quarters stretch 9
L 126 11.60f 83-14 Charismatic126nk Menifee126 3/4 Cat Thief126 1/4 5w, passed tired foes 19
L 123 4.30 86-19 Menifee123 1/4 Cat Thief123 3/4 Vicar123 2 1/2 In close turn, 4w str 8
L 119 *.80 84-14 LmonDropKid119 3/4 Cryptodplocmy119 4 Alnnn119 3 Jumped tracks 1/16 pl 6
L 122 3.70 84-07 Answer Lively122hd Aly's Alley122 3/4 Cat Thief122 5/2 No late bid 13
L 122 2.55 82-14 ThGrmIslrd122 3/4 LmndRprKd122 2 WkndMn122 3 Wide move, game finish 7
L 122 6.40 77-26 LemonDropKid122 1/2 YesIt'sTru122 9 MdivilHro122 5 Speed 3w, along late 5
L 116 2.75 76-13 Menifee116 3 Cat Thief116 10 Lemon Drop Kid116 4 1/2 Wide trip, lugged in 5
L 116 *1.00 87-12 Lemon Drop Kid116nk Arrested116 9 Kipling116nk 3 wide move, driving 10
L 115 3.25 94-10 TrespureIslrd115 0 LmonDropKid115 1/2 Arrstd115 1 3 wide, gamely outside 9

Lemon Drop Kid
His 3rd in the Peter Pan was decent; he dug in between rivals; the muddy track didn't help his cause; his connections say he wants a fast track; have always questioned how talented this colt is; his claim to fame is beating a sprinter, Yes It's True, at a mile; Schulhofer won the 1993 Belmont with Colonial Affair; siding with others.

7 Patience Game

Own: The Thoroughbred Corp
DESORMEAUX K J (-) 1999:(305 59 .19)
15May99-10Pim fst 1 1/8 :451 1:101 1:351 1:551 Preakness-G1
Squeezed early, checked hard upper stretch
24Apr99-9CD fst 1 :23 :461 1:112 1:374 Derby Trial-G3
27Mar99-9SA fst 1 :232 :464 1:111 1:361 Md Sp Wt 47k
Previously trained by Dollase Wallace
6Mar99-9SA fst 1 1/8 :231 :463 1:104 1:44 Md Sp Wt 47k
14Feb99-6SA fst 6f :214 :443 :562 1:084 Md Sp Wt 46k
WORKS: May31 Bel 6f fst 1:121 H 1/2 May25 Bel 4f gd :462 H (d) 1/4 May11 CD 5f fst :583 H 1/30 May4 CD 4f fst :474 H 7/45 Apr22 CD 3f fst :344 H 1/16 Apr14 SA 5f gd :59 H 1/30

Dk. b or br c. 3 (Feb) KESEEP97 \$250,000
Sire: Woodman (Mr. Prospector)
Dam: Starboard Tack (Seattle Slew)
Br: Ross Valley Farm (Md)
Tr: Hassinger Alex L Jr (-) 99:(43 7 .16)
Life 5 2 2 0 \$117,776 D.Fst 5 2 2 0 \$117,776 106
1999 5 2 2 0 \$117,776 Wet 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
L 126 1998 0 0 0 0 \$0 Turf 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
Bel 0 0 0 0 \$0 Dist 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
15.60 82-09 Charismatic126 1/2 Menifee126hd Badge126 1/2 13
L 116 3.50 81-24 PatienceGame116 2 1/4 PrimeDirective122 3/4 StrightMn116 1/4 In traffic, 4w turn 9
LB 120 *.70 90-12 PtiencGame120 8 Devil's Tower120 2 Rsolutly120 2 1/2 Stalked, led, ridden out 10
LB 120 *1.00 83-11 BlackMercury120nk PatienceGame120 2 Importation120 3 Worn down late 12
LB 120 4.10e 92-09 Straight Man120 4 PatienceGame120 3 Macward120 3 4 wide trip, 2nd best 10

Patience Game
After breaking his maiden impressively, his connections have been bold with their placement of this talented colt; they quickly threw him into the G3 Derby Trial and later into the Preakness; fairly encouraged by his Derby Trial victory and 5th in the Preakness; he was squeezed back to last in the early stages of the Preakness, then was steadied on the rail when Badge darted in front of him; not convinced he is seasoned enough to beat horses of this caliber after having run just 5 times.

8 Adonis

Own: Paraneck Stable

CHAVEZ J F (79 19 5 12 .24) 1999:(697 147 .21)

Table with columns for race date, distance, track, time, and race name. Races include Preakness-G1, Ky Derby-G1, Wood Mem-G2, Fla Dby-G1, Alw 3200N1X, Md Sp Wt 30k, and Md Sp Wt 38k.

B. c. 3 (Mar) SARAUG97 \$285,000 Sire: Kris S. (Roberto) Dam: Dixie Card (Dixieland Band) Br: Prestonwood Farm Inc (Ky) Tr: Zito Nicholas P(9 2 3 1 .22) 99:(148 27 .18)

Summary table for Adonis with columns: Life, D.Fst, Wet, Turf, Dist, and race results. Includes L 126 and Bel 0 0 0 0.

Adonis

A brutal trip in the Derby; even if he had a clean run he probably wouldn't have finished with the top group; appears a cut below the best 3yos; that was evident in the Preakness when he finished 6th; Wood victory came at the expense of a soft cast; other than Best Of Luck there wasn't much to that field; might get a slice, but a midpack finish seems most likely.

9 Prime Directive

Own: Carpenito Noreen

SMITH M E (89 13 16 10 .19) 1999:(353 54 .15)

Table with columns for race date, distance, track, time, and race name. Races include IllinoisDby-G2, Derby Trial-G3, Flamingo-G3, CountFleet54k, Alw 4500N\$my, Remsen-G2, Champagne-G1, Hopeful-G1, Sar Special-G2, Sanford-G3, Tremont84k, Ky BC138k, and Md Sp Wt 29k.

Dk. b or br c. 3 (Mar) FTKJUL97 \$87,000 Sire: Tactical Advantage (Forty Niner) \$8,500 Dam: Primedex (Deputy Minister) Br: Weiner France & Irwin (Fla) Tr: Byrne Patrick B (-) 99:(42 7 .17)

Summary table for Prime Directive with columns: Life, D.Fst, Wet, Turf, Dist, and race results. Includes L 126 and Bel 2 0 0 0.

Prime Directive

Byrne acknowledges this colt needs the race of his life; "I don't know if he's good enough," he said. "On paper he's a solid 5 lengths behind the top 3 horses"; that is a fair assessment; this colt has shown that he is essentially a G3 or a G2 horse; he failed to challenge when he faced G1 opposition in the Hopeful and Champagne; the main positive is the barn; since 1997 Byrne has won a 38% rate in graded stakes, while generating a 17% profit; chance for part.

10 Menifee

Own: Hancock III Arthur B & Stone James H DAY P (7 1 1 2 .14) 1999:(621 118 .19)

Table with columns for race date, distance, track, time, and race name. Races include Preakness-G1, Ky Derby-G1, Blue Grass-G1, TampaBayDby150k, Alw 3400N2X, Alw 3700N2L, and Md Sp Wt 24k.

B. c. 3 (May) KEESEP97 \$35,000 Sire: Harlan (Storm Cat) \$5,000 Dam: Anne Campbell (Never Bend) Br: Hancock Arthur B III (Ky) Tr: Walden W Elliott (-) 99:(193 49 .25)

Summary table for Menifee with columns: Life, D.Fst, Wet, Turf, Dist, and race results. Includes L 126 and Bel 0 0 0 0.

Menifee

History suggests he is the horse with the best opportunity to upset Charismatic; in past Triple Crown years when the favorite has been upset, the winner has generally been viewed as a contender; 8 of the 14 spollers started as the 2nd favorite, and 3 started as the 3rd choice; usually the spoiler is a horse who ran in the Derby and/or the Preakness; Bet Twice (1987), Easy Goer (1989), and Victory Gallop (1998) finished 2nd in the Preakness and the Derby; that bodes well for Menifee; appreciate his consistency; a probable overlay with the public hampering Charismatic.

11 Stephen Got Even

Own: Hilbert Stephen C

SELLERS S J (-) 1999:(687 145 21)

Table with columns for race date, distance, track, time, and race name. Races include Preakness-G1, Ky Derby-G1, GalleryFurn-G2, Alw 3200N1X, Md Sp Wt 30k, and Md Sp Wt 38k.

B. c. 3 (May) KEEJUL97 \$325,000 Sire: A.P. Indy (Seattle Slew) Dam: Immerse (Cox's Ridge) Br: Farish William S & Kilroy William S (Ky) Tr: Zito Nicholas P(9 2 3 1 .22) 99:(148 27 .18)

Summary table for Stephen Got Even with columns: Life, D.Fst, Wet, Turf, Dist, and race results. Includes L 126 and Bel 0 0 0 0.

Stephen Got Even

His Preakness was a much better race than his Derby, in which he was 14th as the surprising 2nd favorite; was not helped by a wide trip in the Preakness; Stevens was unable to get him closer than 5 paths off the rail on a day when many felt there was an inside bias; Zito called the performance "an unbelievable race"; the criticism of his performance was his lack of acceleration; he raced in tandem with Charismatic early, then failed to quicken with him on the turn; he looks like a horse who is best when he can sit close to a slow pace, like he did in the Gallery; pluses and minuses.

12 Best of Luck

Own: Bohemia Stable

SAMYN J L (32 4 3 3 .13) 1999:(205 26 .13)

Table with columns for race date, distance, track, time, and race name. Races include Peter Pan-G2, Withers-G2, Wood Mem-G2, Alw 4300N1X, Md Sp Wt 30k, Md Sp Wt 30k, Md Sp Wt 30k, Md Sp Wt 30k, Md Sp Wt 39k, and Md Sp Wt 38k.

B. c. 3 (Mar) Sire: Broad Brush (Ack Ack) Dam: Crowned (Chief's Crown) Br: DuPont Mrs Richard C (Md) Tr: Jerkens H Allen(14 5 0 2 .36) 99:(76 17 .22)

Summary table for Best of Luck with columns: Life, D.Fst, Wet, Turf, Dist, and race results. Includes L 126 and Bel 3 1 2 0.

Best of Luck

Jerkens earned the nickname "The Giant Killer" after upsetting the likes of Secretariat, Kelso and Buckpasser; when the man races a horse against a quality opponent, he comes ready to fight; the problem is - with Best Of Luck he seems to be lacking the necessary artillery; sure, he was impressive winning the Peter Pan, but those weren't top-flight 3yos; Charismatic or Menifee probably would have beaten those colts by 5 lengths or more; style suggests he should stay 1 1/2m; worth consideration for the bottom of the exotics.

-Byron King