



ADVANCE PAST

PERFORMANCES

Belmont Park

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1 1/2 MILES. (2:24) 126th Running of THE BELMONT. Purse \$500,000 Added. Grade I. 3-year-olds. By subscription of \$600 each to accompany the nomination if made on or before January 15, or \$6,000 if made on or before April 2; \$5,000 to pass the entry box; \$5,000 to start with \$500,000 added. At any time prior to closing, Thursday, June 9, 1994, horses may be nominated to The Belmont Stakes upon payment of a supplementary fee of \$50,000 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. If the number of supplemental nominees exceeds the number of available starting positions at closing, the conditions of each respective race shall be applied to determine which supplemental nominees will be allowed to start in such race. All nominees, supplemental or otherwise, will be required to pay entry and starting fees. The added money and all fees to be divided 60% to the winner, 22% to second, 12% to third and 6% to fourth. 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 the 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) in all races except restricted races (i.e., any stake containing eligibility conditions other than sex and age.) The remaining 3 starters (approximately 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 \$5,000 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 will be presented to the winning trainer and jockey. No horse will be permitted to start unless all nomination, entry and starting fees are on deposit with the Horsemen's Bookkeeper. Nominations closed Saturday, January 15.



Amathos

Own: Mohammed Al Maktoum

SMITH M E (127 24 19 16 .19)

30Apr94-8Spt sly 1/8 :.462 1:112 1:381 1:514 Ill Derby-G2
 3Apr94-11Hia fst 1/8 :.473 1:114 1:364 1:493 Flamingo-G3
 Seven wide top str, late rally
 12Mar94-10GP fst 1/8 :.46 1:10 1:344 1:472 Fla Derby-G1
 Seven wide top str, drifted out, belated bid
 19Feb94-10GP gd 1/8 :.234 .484 1:132 1:454 Alw 27000N2L
 Seven wide top str, driving
 27Nov93-8CD fst 1/8 :.234 .48 1:132 1:463 BW Ky JC-G3
 Wide backstretch, tired
 7Nov93-8CD fst 1 :.23 .462 1:114 1:37 Iroquois-G3
 8-Wide stretch, swerved in and out
 16Oct93-7Bel fst 1 :.231 .463 1:12 1:354 Champgne-G1
 19Sep93-7Bel my 1 :.223 .46 1:111 1:373 Alw 30000N1X
 14Aug93-3Sar fst 7f :.224 .462 1:111 1:234 Md Sp Wt
 4Aug93-6Sar fst 7f :.224 .453 1:101 1:23 Md Sp Wt

WORKOUTS: Jun 6 Bel 6fst 1:13 H 2/8 May 31 Bel 1fst 1:42 B 1/1 May 24 Bel 5fst 1:00 H 5/23 May 17 CD 5fst 1:06 B 29/30 May 12 CD 4fst :52 B 23/25 Apr 27 CD 5fst 1:06 B 17/18

B. c. 3 (May)

Sire: Cox's Ridge (Best Turn)

Dam: Amatheia (Iron Ruler)

Br: Davis Russell S (Ky)

Tr: Mott William I (27 7 4 1 .26)

Lifetime Record: 11 2 2 4 \$248,250

1994	4	1	1	1	\$153,200	Turf	0	0	0	0
1993	7	1	1	3	\$95,050	Wet	2	0	2	0
Bel	3	0	1	2	\$69,420	Dist	0	0	0	0

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94 5 7 716 610 35 1/2 22 1/2 Guidry M 114 4.50 78-21 Rustic Light117 1/2 Amathos114 3/4 Seminole Wind113 1/2
 96 8 7 73 1/2 52 4 1/2 34 1/2 Smith M E 118 7.90 91-08 Meadow Flight118 2/3 Bay Street Star122 2/3 Amathos118 1/2 Late wide bid 7
 92 5 12 129 1/2 10 1/2 614 5 13 3/4 Fires E 122 30.60 86-06 Holy Bull122 5/8 Ride The Rails122 no Halo's Image122 1/2 14
 88 3 6 63 1/2 53 1/2 31 1nk Smith M E 119 *2.00 81-19 Amathos119 nk Code Home119 3/4 Pad119 nd 8
 75 9 6 73 1/2 63 1/2 86 1/2 79 Day P 111 b 4.10 72-22 War Deputy112 2/3 Tarzans Blade122 nk Rustic Light119 1/2 11
 82 3 10 96 1/2 94 45 35 Day P 114 *1.70 87-14 Tarzans Blade121 1/2 Dove Hunt121 1/2 Amathos114 1/2 11
 81 4 4 46 43 44 34 1/2 Smith M E 122 19.90 84-12 Dehere122 4 Crary122 3/4 Amathos122 1/2 Four wide 6
 78 6 7 75 42 31 1/2 2nk Smith M E 117 2.70 80-16 Tabasco Cat117 nk Amathos117 4 Linkataria117 3 Finished well 7
 78 7 2 66 52 1/2 31 1nk Smith M E 118 11.00 86-14 Amathos118 nk Fleet Stalker118 nk Colonel Slade118 3/4 Wide, green, driving 7
 59 5 7 52 1/2 83 1/2 55 1/2 510 Smith M E 118 5.20 80-09 Presently118 4/5 Ridgewinder118 2/3 Mr Blueberry118 2/4 Tired 10

Brocco

Own: Broccoli Mr & Mrs Albert

STEVENS G L (-)

7May94-8CD sly 1/4 :.471 1:114 1:373 2:033 Ky Derby-G1
 Squeezed back start, bid, weakened
 9Apr94-5SA fst 1/8 :.452 1:102 1:353 1:481 SA Derby-G1
 20Mar94-4SA my 1/8 :.234 .473 1:121 1:443 San Felipe-G2
 19Dec93-8Hol fst 1/8 :.231 .461 1:093 1:403 Hol Futy-G1
 6Nov93-6SA fst 1/8 :.223 .462 1:104 1:424 B C Juvnlr-G1
 7Oct93-7SA fst 7f :.224 .454 1:102 1:221 Alw 32000N1X
 28Aug93-2Dmr fst 6 1/2 f :.221 .453 1:102 1:164 Md Sp Wt

WORKOUTS: Jun 4 Bel 1fst 1:40 B 1/3 May 29 Bel 7fst 1:23 H 1/2 May 23 Bel 6fst 1:11 H 1/3 May 17 CD 4fst :48 B 1/41 May 2 CD 5fst 1:00 H 1/27 Apr 25 CD 1fst 1:40 H 1/1

Ch. c. 3 (Mar)

Sire: Kris S. (Roberto)

Dam: Anytime Ms. (Aurelius II)

Br: Meadowbrook Farms Inc (Fla)

Tr: Winick Randy (-)

Lifetime Record: 7 4 2 0 \$1,003,550

1994	3	1	1	0	\$350,000	Turf	0	0	0	0
1993	4	3	1	0	\$653,550	Wet	2	0	1	0
Bel	0	0	0	0		Dist	0	0	0	0

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104 10 9 65 44 34 45 1/2 Stevens G L L 126 4.30 89-06 Go For Gin126 2/3 Strodes Creek126 2/3 Blumin Affair126 3/4 14
 105 2 4 39 1/2 33 2nd 1 1/2 Stevens G L LB 122 *.70 92-16 Brocco122 3/4 Tabasco Cat122 1/2 Strodes Creek122 5 Strong hand ride 6
 102 2 3 22 21 1nd 2 1/2 Stevens G L LB 119 *.90 70-33 Soul Of The Matter116 2/3 Brocco119 nd Valiant Nature119 16 Inside bid 5
 105 5 3 43 1/2 42 22 2 1/2 Stevens G L LB 121 *.40 97-12 Valiant Nature121 1/2 Brocco121 1/2 Flying Sensation121 1/2 Lacked room 1/2 6
 97 5 5 56 53 1/2 1nd 1 1/2 Stevens G L LB 122 3.00 90-10 Brocco122 5 Blumin Affair122 1/2 Tabasco Cat122 3 4-Wide 2nd turn 11
 89 4 1 22 2nd 1 1/2 18 1/2 Stevens G L LB 118 *.60 92-13 Brocco118 3/4 Delineator118 1/4 Our Blue Michael115 5 Crushed foes 6
 86 6 2 3 1/2 4 1/2 1nd 1 1/2 Stevens G L LB 117 *1.00 87-12 Brocco117 3/4 Sir Harry Bright117 1/2 Dawson Ridge117 1/2 Wide, easily 8

Go For Gin

Own: Condren William & Cornacchia Joseph

MCCARRON C J (-)

21May94-10Pim fst 1 1/8 :.472 1:114 1:37 1:562 Preakness-G1
 7May94-8CD sly 1/4 :.471 1:114 1:373 2:033 Ky Derby-G1
 Ducked out start, drifted out stretch, clear
 16Apr94-9Aqu my 1/8 :.472 1:112 1:362 1:49 Wood Memorial G1
 12Mar94-10GP fst 1/8 :.46 1:10 1:344 1:472 Fla Derby-G1
 19Feb94-9GP gd 1/8 :.224 .453 1:102 1:443 Ftn of Youth G2
 Four wide final turn, rallied
 22Jan94-9GP fst 1/8 :.233 .472 1:112 1:413 Preview75k
 27Nov93-6Aqu fst 1/8 :.502 1:152 1:394 1:523 Remsen-G2
 6Nov93-1Aqu sly 1 :.231 .46 1:104 1:37 Chfs Crwn54k
 21Oct93-5Aqu sly 1 :.22 .453 1:101 1:352 Md Sp Wt
 30Oct93-2Bel sly 1 :.224 .462 1:114 1:372 Md Sp Wt

WORKOUTS: Jun 4 Bel 6fst 1:10 H 1/7 May 30 Bel 5fst 1:014 B 11/29 May 16 Pim 5f my 1:022 B 4/5 May 1 CD 6f gd 1:15 H 2/3 Apr 25 CD 5fst 1:043 B 27/32 Apr 9 Aqu 5fst :583 H 1/13

B. c. 3 (Apr)

Sire: Cormorant (His Majesty)

Dam: Never Knock (Stage Door Johnny)

Br: Darmstadt Pamela duPont (Ky)

Tr: Zito Nicholas P (30 5 3 1 .17)

Lifetime Record: 11 5 4 0 \$1,166,100

1994	6	2	3	0	\$991,560	Turf	0	0	0	0
1993	5	3	1	0	\$174,540	Wet	5	3	2	0
Bel	2	0	1	0	\$5,940	Dist	0	0	0	0

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111 2 2 1nd 1 1/2 2nd 2 1/2 McCarron C J 126 *2.80 79-18 Tabasco Cat126 3/4 Go For Gin126 5/8 Concern126 3/4 Gamely 10
 112 8 2 1 1/2 1 1/2 14 12 McCarron C J 126 9.10 94-06 Go For Gin126 2 Strodes Creek126 2/3 Blumin Affair126 3/4 14
 107 7 4 31 2 1/2 2 1/2 2 1/2 Bailey J D 123 *.90e 89-19 Irgun123 1/4 Go For Gin123 3/4 Shiprock123 3/4 Gamely 9
 104 13 6 64 1/2 44 47 46 3/4 Bailey J D 122 *2.40e 93-06 Holy Bull122 5/8 Ride The Rails122 no Halo's Image122 1/2 Lacked response 14
 98 3 4 45 3 1/2 3 1/2 2 1/2 Bailey J D 119 1.60 86-19 Dehere119 3/4 Go For Gin119 1/4 Ride The Rails117 3/4 6
 100 3 4 3 1/2 1nd 1nd 13 1/2 Bailey J D 119 *.70 102-08 Go For Gin119 3/4 Halo's Image114 1/4 Senor Conquistador112 5/2 Ridden out 6
 95 1 1 11 11 16 18 1/2 Bailey J D 117 *.40e 73-31 Go For Gin117 3/4 Arrovente113 3/4 Linkataria113 nd Ridden out 7
 90 2 1 11 13 14 1/2 19 1/2 Samyn J L 117 *.40 79-20 Go For Gin117 3/4 Linkataria117 1/2 River Arly119 12 Handily 4
 90 3 2 21 2 1/2 13 11 1/2 Bailey J D 118 *.90 87-22 Go For Gin118 1/4 Retrospection118 1/4 A Track Attack118 3 Ridden out 7
 79 2 2 2 1/2 1nd 12 2 1/2 Bailey J D 118 1.90 79-24 Arrovente118 1/4 Go For Gin118 1/2 King Of Kolchis118 3 Bid, weakened 5

A CLOSER LOOK

Belmont Stakes

Amathos

Beyer boys won't be singing his praises with all those sub-100 figs; nice horse but simply may have too much to do turning for home, and he's facing some tough dudes who don't figure to struggle getting the trip, i.e. they won't be coming back to him; Mott fans will get a price they're unaccustomed to, but even that may not be enough of a reason to take him vs. these guys.

Brocco

The pitfalls concerning Strodes Creek skipping the Preakness to get "freshened" apply here as well; skipping the Preakness is one thing, as of the last 15 winners of the Belmont, 10 did not race in the Preakness, but all except Go and Go in '90 either ran over the Belmont track or had a prep besides the Preakness between Preakness Day and Belmont Day; except for Go and Go, the time off before the Belmont of the other 9 non-Preakness-starter-Belmont-winners were Coastal (13 days), Temperance Hill (17), Summing (12), Conquistador Cielo (5), Caveat (12), Creme Fraiche (12), Danzig Connection (13), A.P. Indy (13) and Colonial Affair (13); this runner and Strodes Creek come into this off 34 days rest; of those 10 who did not prep in the Preakness, 7 of them prepped here; still cannot ignore quality colt who had a nightmare no-chance Derby trip, but you still have reason to be a bit skeptical, especially at the anticipated short price.

Go for Gin

Waiter, a healthy serving of crow for our misevaluation of his Derby chances; Nick continues to prove he knows how to get them ready for the big day - his Belmont runners finished 3rd, 2nd, 2nd, and 7th; handicappers who see the glass as half full will note 2 of the last 7 Belmont winners were Preakness runners-up (Bet Twice, Easy Goer), though handicappers who see the glass as half empty will also note that those are the only 2 Preakness runners-up to win this race in the last 30 Belmonts as well; a perfect style for this - Belmonts are won with speed, sustained speed with stamina, not by the Rumbos or Rampages or Cefises of the world; in the last 16 Belmonts, the winner had the lead by the eighth pole 14 times (!); the only 2 who didn't were Temperance Hill, who was 2nd by a head, and A.P. Indy, who was 2nd by a half; want more?; in the last 10 Belmonts, the winner was on the lead after a mile 5 times (!), and only Creme Fraiche in '83 was more than 4 1/4 lengths off the lead after a mile - no deep closer wins the Belmont; his brother Pleasant Tap adored this place, and this guy's better than Tap was at this stage of his career; let's see, the Knicks, the Rangers, Yankees are on top, no reason this guy can't join the party.

Signal Tap

Own: Centennial Farms

SANTOS J A (133 26 20 21 20)

Table with race results for Signal Tap, including dates, track conditions, and times.

B. c. 3 (Mar) Sire: Fappiano (Mr. Prospector) Dam: South Sea Dancer (Northern Dancer) Br: Farish W S & Hudson E J (Ky) Tr: Schulhofer Flint S (53 12 9 7 .23)

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Lifetime Record: 8 3 2 2 \$70,580

Table with race results for Signal Tap, including dates, track conditions, and times.

Signal Tap

In his favor at least, is that while he didn't run in the other 2 classics, he comes into this off a good prep over this track; how important is that?; 7 of the last 15 Belmont winners prepped over the track, though they all did it within the Preakness-Belmont 3-week gap; this guy did it nearly 2 months ago; could be he'll make some noise at this level later in the year, but he's up against top representatives of one stellar crop; maybe later.

Strodes Creek

Own: Hancock & Rose Hill Stb & Whittigham

BAILEY J D (116 30 15 24 26)

Table with race results for Strodes Creek, including dates, track conditions, and times.

B. c. 3 (May) Sire: Halo (Hail to Reason) Dam: Bottle Top (Topsider) Br: Hancock Arthur B III (Ky) Tr: Whittingham Charles (-)

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Lifetime Record: 5 2 2 1 \$267,600

Table with race results for Strodes Creek, including dates, track conditions, and times.

Strodes Creek

Be careful - no doubt, he was the only one closing well Derby Day, he ran great; but since 1960, 15 others ran in the Derby, skipped the Preakness then went in the Belmont - not one won (3 2nds, 2 3rds); in fact, the only winner since 1968 (Stage Door Johnny) to have more than the time off between the Preakness and Belmont gap (3 weeks) was Irish invader Go and Go in 1990 (28 days); if he's favored, note that since 'Bid's flop in 1979, 11 of the subsequent 14 favorites lost; 3 runners who skipped the Preakness but came into this race favored included A.P. Indy ('92), Rampage ('86) and Slew O' Gold ('83) - 2 lost, A.P. won, but he'd had a race over the track the prior week; so, being a fresh horse by missing the Preakness is not necessarily a plus; still, a ton of talent, doesn't have to come from way out of it like a Rampage; a win would be a testament to the greatness of Charlie, though this is one big race he's never won.

Tabasco Cat

Own: Overbrook Farm & Reynolds D P

DAY P (-)

Table with race results for Tabasco Cat, including dates, track conditions, and times.

Ch. c. 3 (Apr) Sire: Storm Cat (Storm Bird) Dam: Barbicue Sauce (Sauce Boat) Br: Overbrook Farm & Reynolds David (Ky) Tr: Lukas D Wayne (13 3 1 4 .23)

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Lifetime Record: 11 6 1 1 \$930,757

Table with race results for Tabasco Cat, including dates, track conditions, and times.

Ulisés

Own: Perez Robert

PERRET C (32 5 4 5 .16)

Table with race results for Ulises, including dates, track conditions, and times.

B. c. 3 (May) Sire: Temperance Hill (Stop the Music) Dam: Jo'ski Too (Bold Bidder) Br: Disler Farms Ltd (Ky) Tr: Callejas Alfredo (14 4 1 0 .29)

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Lifetime Record: 7 4 0 1 \$33,221

Table with race results for Ulises, including dates, track conditions, and times.

Tabasco Cat

Of the last 15 Preakness winners, 13 went on to the Belmont (Snow Chief and Summer Squall declined) and only 2 won (Hansel, Risen Star); D. Wayne's also had a real tough time with this race with runners finishing 7th, 12th, 11th, 6th, 6th, 4th and 10th; looked good stalking and going by last time, but there are 2 1/2 more furlongs to handle today, and if he didn't get the Derby trip, what's going to happen here?; still have deep respect for runner who'll fight all the way, and best of all, believers are insured another decent price with the public flocking to Strodes Creek and Brocco.

Ulisés

Let's see, in 3 U.S. races he's been beaten 57 1/2 lengths, so naturally he deserves to be in here, right?; connections say they'll catch grief for running - surprised?; speed to possibly hinder Go for Gin, but he couldn't keep up with that guy Derby day, so why should he this time?; hopefully he doesn't hold up the start, shows his bit of speed and doesn't back up into the face of the real contenders and compromise their chances; uh, get the picture?

- Michael Hammersly

AT THE DISTANCE

Daily Racing Form's "At the Distance" record for each horse is sure to be a handicapping help. The record is a lifetime compilation of horse's starts at today's distance, with separate statistics compiled for turf and dirt. "At the Distance" stats are compiled in 21 groups, each representing a distance, or a range of distance. Thus, if today's race is at one mile on turf, the "Dist" record will show all races for each horse at distances from seven and half furlongs to a mile and 40 yards on grass.

The complete list of ranges used to compile "At the Distance" records follows:

- 1. Less than 5 furlongs
2. 5 furlongs and 5 1/2 furlongs
3. 6 furlongs
4. 6 1/2 furlongs
5. 7 furlongs
6. 7 1/2 furlongs, 1 mile 1 mile 40 yards
7. 1 mile 70 yards, 1 1/16 miles
8. 1 1/8 miles
9. 1 3/16 miles and 1 1/4 miles
10. 1 3/8 miles
11. 1 1/2 miles
12. 1 5/8 miles
13. 1 3/4 miles
14. 1 7/8 miles
15. 2 miles, 2 miles 70 yards
16. 2 1/8 miles
17. 2 1/4 miles
18. 2 3/8 miles
19. 2 1/2 miles
20. 2 3/4 miles
21. 3 miles and up