

1 MILE. (1.321) 90TH RUNNING OF THE WESTCHESTER, Grade III, Purse \$200,000 FOR FOUR-YEAR- OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of \$200 each which should accompany the nomination; \$1,000 to pass the entry box and an additional \$1,000 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental payment of \$2,000 (along with the entry and starting fees) may be made at any time prior to the closing of entries. The purse will be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth and 2% divided equally among the remaining finishers. Weights, 123 lbs. Non winners of \$120,000 in 2017-18 or two Graded Sweepstakes in 2018 allowed 2 lbs.; of \$60,000 in 2018 allowed 4 lbs.; of two races other than maiden, claiming, starter or state bred allowance in 2018 allowed 6 lbs.; of such a race in 2018 allowed 8 lbs. Atrophy will be presented to the winning owner. Closed Saturday, April 21, 2015 with 25 Nominations.

ELEVENTH RACE
Belmont
MAY 5, 2018

Value of Race: \$196,000 Winner \$120,000; second \$40,000; third \$20,000; fourth \$10,000; fifth \$6,000. Mutuel Pool \$447,605.00 Exacta Pool \$235,668.00 Trifecta Pool \$134,932.00 Superfecta Pool \$93,684.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1	
9Mar18 9GP3	Tale of Silence	L	b	4	115	1	2	44	47	42	31	1no	Davis D	12.30
10Mar18 7Aqu6	Vulcan's Forge	L	b	5	115	3	5	5	5	5	43	2no	McCarthy T	14.60
31Mar18 8GP3	Tommy Macho	L		6	121	4	1	35	2½	1½	21½	3hd	Gaffalione T	2.20
26Aug17 11Sar8	Cloud Computing	L		4	123	2	4	2½	34½	21	1hd	412	Franco M	1.15
31Mar18 8GP1	Conquest Big E	L	bf	5	123	5	3	14½	11½	32	5	5	Batista J A	2.55

OFF AT 7:14 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :22⁴, :45⁴, 1:10⁴, 1:36 (:22.91, :45.92, 1:10.87, 1:36.14)

\$2 Mutuel Prices:

1 -TALE OF SILENCE.....	26.60	11.20	5.20
4 -VULCAN'S FORGE.....		12.00	4.70
5 -TOMMY MACHO.....			2.90

\$1 EXACTA 1-4 PAID \$93.75 50 CENT TRIFECTA 1-4-5

PAID \$104.50 10 CENT SUPERFACTA 1-4-5-2 PAID \$33.95

Dk. b or br. c, (Mar), by Tale of the Cat - Silence Beauty-Jpn, by Sunday Silence. Trainer Tagg Barclay. Bred by Charles Fipke (Ky).

TALE OF SILENCE away in good order, remained stationed along the inside route after the break, was unhurried along the backstretch, departed it and closed the gap during the run around the turn, doing so under his own power, tipped to the outside as the third fraction was being finalized, was still under the mildest of hand encouragement scooting by the former pacesetter coming up to the three-sixteenths marker, dove back over to the rail once safely past that one and was given his cue, at this stage with approximately a furlong left in the contest, narrowed in on the dueling front runners, drifted out into the two path for the last few couple of jumps, managed to avoid contact worth noting with either of them, though not by much, and gamely arrived at the wire in time. VULCAN'S FORGE broke the tardiest, was one-paced travelling on the backstretch and for quite a bits beyond that too, picked up interest when set down in the vicinity of the five-sixteenths marker, got angled five wide, the widest of all, into the stretch, straightened away and kicked into its best stride, was finishing full of energy late, but fell short. TOMMY MACHO forwardly placed after springing from the gate, retained its prominent position, motored up to CONQUEST BIG E between calls on the backstretch, began to apply pressure on the aforementioned opponent after the half had been completed, was still in reserve taking over a few strides shy of the quarter pole, settled in and got roused, went at it eye to eye with CLOUD COMPUTING down the lane, with each leaning on each, just race riding as was the nemesis' rider, exchanged some brushes in the shadow of the wire with its fellow combatant, fought on resolutely only to ultimately have to settle for the show. CLOUD COMPUTING, out with his first step was immediately corrected, got set up in the two path, was content to be rated along drafting behind the pacesetter from midpoint on the backstretch onward, was eased to the outside after more halfway around the turn, stepped into the stretch and ignited a duel with TOMMY MACHO, raced on even terms going shoulder to shoulder with that opponent, at times leading barely and at other times not, bumped lightly several times in deep stretch as the top twosome were inching their way to the first two spots on the board, proved tenacious but came up with the smallest award among those in the blanket finish. CONQUEST BIG E spurted away from the others during the initial stages, backed down the pace after the first split resulting in some of the others coming to within striking range, was getting roused relinquishing the top in the general area of the five-sixteenths pole, drifted four wide down the lane in retreat.

Owners- 1, Fipke Charles E; 2, Heiligbrodt L William Heiligbrodt Corinne and Team Valor International; 3, Pompa Paul P Jr; 4, Klaravich Stables Inc and Lawrence William H; 5, Hurtak Daniel C

Trainers- 1, Tagg Barclay; 2, Pletcher Todd A; 3, Pletcher Todd A; 4, Brown Chad C; 5, Green Donna

Scratched- Moe Trouble (31Mar18 8Prx2)

\$1 Daily Double (1-1) Paid \$34.00; Daily Double Pool \$50,289.

\$1 Pick Three (6-1-1) Paid \$122.50; Pick Three Pool \$23,275.

\$1 Consolation Pick 3 (6-1-3) Paid \$10.00.

\$1 Consolation Daily Double (1-3) Paid \$2.50.