

**NINTH RACE**  
**Belmont**  
JULY 8, 2017

1 1/2 MILES. ( 1.581 ) 131ST RUNNING OF THE SUBURBAN. Grade II. Purse \$750,000 FOR FOUR-YEAR-OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of \$750 each which should accompany the nomination; \$5,000 to pass the entry box and an additional \$6,250 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental payment of \$11,250 (along with the entry and starting fees) must be made before the close of entries. The guaranteed purse will be divided accordingly; \$400,000 to the winner, \$140,000 to second, \$75,000 to third, \$50,000 to fourth, \$30,000 to fifth, \$22,500 to sixth, \$17,500 to seventh and \$15,000 to eighth. Weights: 123 lbs. Winners of over \$1,000,000 at a mile or over in 2016-17 2 lbs additional.; Non-winners of a Grade One at a mile or over in 2016-17 allowed 2 lbs.; Non-winners of a Grade Two at a mile or over in 2016-17 allowed 4 lbs.; Non-winners of a Grade Three at a mile or over in 2016-17 allowed 6 lbs. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner. Closed Saturday, June 24, 2017 with 13 Nominations.

Value of Race: \$695,000 Winner \$400,000; second \$140,000; third \$75,000; fourth \$50,000; fifth \$30,000. Mutuel Pool \$967,936.00 Exacta Pool \$328,833.00 Trifecta Pool \$169,559.00 Superfecta Pool \$70,111.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	1/4	1/2	3/4	1	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1	
25Mar17 12Mey7	Keen Ice	L	5	117	1	5	41	3 1/2	31	1hd	13	Ortiz J L	5.00	
19May17 7Pim1	Shaman Ghost	L	5	123	5	2 1 1/2	2 1/2	2 1 1/2	2 1/2	2 3 1/2	23	Castellano J J	0.50	
27May17 8SA2	Follow Me Crev	L	f	5	117	4	4hd	5	5	5	3hd	Velazquez J R	11.40	
19May17 7Pim5	Watershed	L	f	5	119	3	3 1 1/2	31	42 1/2	43	4 1 1/2	43 3/4	Smith M E	18.00
3Jun17 8Pen1	Matt King Coal	L	b	4	117	2	1 1 1/2	1 1 1/2	12	11	3 1 1/2	5	Ortiz I Jr	3.05

**OFF AT 6:18 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.**

**TIME :25<sup>1</sup>, :50, 1:13<sup>4</sup>, 1:37<sup>4</sup>, 2:02 ( :25.28, :50.01, 1:13.81, 1:37.89, 2:02.02 )**

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

1 - KEEN ICE.....	12.00	3.90	2.80
6 - SHAMAN GHOST.....		2.30	2.10
5 - FOLLOW ME CREV.....			3.70

**\$2 EXACTA 1-6 PAID \$28.00 \$2 TRIFECTA 1-6-5**

**PAID \$96.00 \$2 SUPERFACTA 1-6-5-4 PAID \$180.50**

**B. h. (Mar), by Curlin - Medomak, by Awesome Again. Trainer Pletcher Todd A. Bred by Glencrest Farm (Ky).**

With the field breaking in a straight line from the rail to the outside, KEENICE got guided into the two path, took up the chase on MATT KING COAL well reserved in midpaddock down the backstretch, loosely drafting behind the runner up, continued to do just that after entering turn two, got set down in the vicinity of the five-sixteenths marker while proceeding to get angled to the outside, shifted out towards path six from upper to midlane, all the while gaining ground in a steadfast manner, struck the top by a narrow margin by the start of the last eighth, then kicked clear, kept to a drive. SHAMAN GHOST chased the pacesetter from the two path, was put to stronger and stronger handling after departing the backstretch, issued a successful takeover for command right after spinning into the lane, failed to kick clear, got headed by the winner in midstretch, held on well thereafter to salvage second. FOLLOW ME CREV raced primarily from the two path to the quarter pole, altered course out into path four coming to the furlong marker, proved no match. WATERSHED pursued the front runners from the three path to the quarter pole, lacked the necessary stretch response. MATT KING COAL, the only member of the quintet to spend significant time along the inside route, established control before leaving the first turn, cruised on the front end, well rated on a loosely-contested advantage, with the closest pursuer stalking him to the outside, but never hitched up, continued to show the way on the same set-up for nearly a mile, came under intensified pressure as both of the first two finishers picked up interest leaving the five-sixteenths marker, succumbed readily to SHAMAN GHOST in upper stretch then steadily backed away.

**Owners-** 1, Donegal Racing and Calumet Farm; 2, Stronach Stables; 3, Wilson David and Wilson Holly; 4, Godolphin Racing LLC; 5, Lady Sheila Stable

**Trainers-** 1, Pletcher Todd A; 2, Jerkens James A; 3, Cerin Vladimir; 4, McLaughlin Kiaran P; 5, Rice Linda

**Scratched-** Sunny Ridge ( 10Jun17 3Bel2 )

**\$2 Pick Three (2-8-1) Paid \$176.50 ; Pick Three Pool \$102,736 .**

**\$2 Daily Double (8-1) Paid \$78.50 ; Daily Double Pool \$132,084 .**