

1 MILE. (1.331) 11TH RUNNING OF THE LAS VEGAS BREEDERS' CUP DIRT MILE. Grade I. Purse \$1,000,000 FOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS AND UPWARD. Northern Hemisphere Three-Year-Olds, 123 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Southern Hemisphere Three-Year-Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. All Fillies and Mares allowed 3 lbs. \$15,000 to pre-enter, \$15,000 to enter, with guaranteed \$1 million purse including travel awards of which 55% to the owner of the winner, 17% to second, 9% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth, 1% to sixth, 1% to seventh, 1% to eighth; plus travel awards to starters not based in California.

**SEVENTH RACE**

**Del Mar**

**NOVEMBER 3, 2017**

Value of Race: \$920,000 Winner \$550,000; second \$170,000; third \$90,000; fourth \$50,000; fifth \$30,000; sixth \$10,000; seventh \$10,000; eighth \$10,000. Mutuel Pool \$2,332,781.00 Exacta Pool \$1,476,966.00 Trifecta Pool \$987,202.00 Superfecta Pool \$511,151.00

| Last Raced    | Horse              | M/Eqt. | A. | Wt | PP  | St | ¼  | ½   | ¾   | Str | Fin | Jockey | Odds \$1      |       |
|---------------|--------------------|--------|----|----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|---------------|-------|
| 24Sep17 11RP2 | Battle of Midway   | L      | b  | 3  | 123 | 9  | 3  | 5½  | 51  | 2nd | 23  | 1½     | Prat F        | 14.20 |
| 23Sep17 9Bel1 | Sharp Azteca       | L      | b  | 4  | 126 | 3  | 1  | 11  | 1½  | 1hd | 1hd | 24¼    | Lopez P       | 2.90  |
| 30Sep17 10CD1 | Awesome Slew       | L      |    | 4  | 126 | 5  | 10 | 7½  | 6hd | 5½  | 31  | 3½     | Velazquez J R | 14.10 |
| 26Aug17 8Sar1 | Practical Joke     | L      |    | 3  | 123 | 10 | 8  | 93½ | 92  | 82  | 62  | 42     | Rosario J     | 5.80  |
| 24Sep17 6RP1  | Iron Fist          | L      | b  | 5  | 126 | 1  | 7  | 4½  | 4½  | 4hd | 5½  | 51¼    | Santana R Jr  | 35.10 |
| 70ct17 6SA5   | Giant Expectations | L      | f  | 4  | 126 | 2  | 9  | 10  | 10  | 10  | 91  | 62¾    | Stevens G L   | 25.10 |
| 24Sep17 11RP3 | Gato Del Oro       | L      |    | 3  | 123 | 4  | 2  | 21  | 21½ | 31½ | 41  | 72¾    | Ortiz J L     | 67.80 |
| 10Jun17 9Bel1 | Mor Spirit         | L      | b  | 4  | 126 | 6  | 4  | 31  | 3hd | 61  | 7hd | 8nk    | Smith M E     | 2.40  |
| 19Aug17 8Dmr3 | Accelerate         | L      | b  | 4  | 126 | 8  | 6  | 82  | 81  | 92  | 8hd | 9½     | Espinoza V    | 3.90  |
| 30Sep17 10SA4 | Cupid              | L      | b  | 4  | 126 | 7  | 5  | 61  | 71½ | 7hd | 10  | 10     | Bejarano R    | 12.00 |

**OFF AT 3:06 Start Good For All But GIANT EXPECTATIONS, MOR SPIRIT, CUPID. Won driving. Track fast.**

**TIME :224, :464, 1:11, 1:23, 1:35! (:22.94, :46.95, 1:11.13, 1:23.02, 1:35.20)**

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

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| <b>9 - BATTLE OF MIDWAY.....</b> | <b>30.40</b> | <b>11.40</b> | <b>6.60</b> |
| <b>3 - SHARP AZTECA.....</b>     |              | <b>4.80</b>  | <b>4.00</b> |
| <b>5 - AWESOME SLEW.....</b>     |              |              | <b>7.00</b> |

**\$1 EXACTA 9-3 PAID \$82.10 50 CENT TRIFECTA 9-3-5 PAID \$370.30 \$1 SUPERFACTA 9-3-5-10 PAID \$2,858.20**

**B. c. (Jan), by Smart Strike - Rigoletta, by Concerto. Trainer Hollendorfer Jerry. Bred by Thor-Bred Stables LLC (Ky).**

BATTLE OF MIDWAY settled in hand, ranged up five wide to make a bold bid midway through the second turn, poked his head in front a furlong out and proved best following a stiff drive. SHARP AZTECA was away in good order, controlled the tempo off of the inside, fought doggedly through a prolonged drive but was unable to resist the winner. AWESOME SLEW was allowed to settle, angled in to save ground, got through into the lane, tipped to the outside for the final furlong, failed to make headway on the top two, but churned on to earn the show spot. PRACTICAL JOKE was unhurried into stride, tucked in to save ground at once, took closer order on the second turn, angled out entering the stretch for clear sailing and improved position. IRON FIST pulled to contention off of the inside, leveled into stride after a half, shifted out into the stretch, but flattened during the drive. GIANT EXPECTATIONS unhurried into stride and raced well behind the field, finished with a belated improvement, but was never a factor. GATO DEL ORO shadowed SHARP AZTECA four wide, was collared between horses leaving the second turn and wilted. MOR SPIRIT bumped at the start, was forwardly placed four wide to the second turn, but came up empty after six furlongs and retreated. ACCELERATE was bumped at the start, raced unhurried five wide and lacked a response. CUPID was jostled between horses at the start, moved up five wide, but faltered before going three-quarters of a mile and dropped out.

**Owners-** 1, Don Alberto Stable and WinStar Farm LLC; 2, Gelfenstein Farm; 3, Live Oak Plantation; 4, Klaravich Stables Inc and Lawrence William H; 5, Whispering Oaks Farm LLC; 6, Exline- Border Racing LLC Gatto Racing LLC and Zubok Garrett; 7, J K Racing Stable LLC and Chandler Bruce; 8, Petersen Michael L; 9, Hronis Racing LLC; 10, Tabor Michael B Magnier Mrs John and Smith Derrick

**Trainers-** 1, Hollendorfer Jerry; 2, Navarro Jorge; 3, Casse Mark; 4, Brown Chad C; 5, Asmussen Steven M; 6, Eurton Peter; 7, Baltas Richard; 8, Baffert Bob; 9, Sadler John W; 10, Baffert Bob

**\$2 Daily Double (11-9) Paid \$147.40 ; Daily Double Pool \$314,216 .  
\$1 Pick Three (3-11-9) Paid \$257.90 ; Pick Three Pool \$421,319 .**