

7 FURLONGS. (1.194) 38TH RUNNING OF THE MIKE LEE. Purse \$25,000 FOR THREE YEAR OLDS FOALED IN NEW YORK STATE AND APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE-BRED REGISTRY. By subscription of \$125 each which should accompany the nomination. \$600 to pass the entry box and an additional \$650 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental payment of \$1,250 (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 owner of the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth and 2% divided equally amongst the remaining finishers. 122 lbs. Non-winners of \$60,000 in 2017 allowed 2 lbs.; of two races other than maiden, claiming or starter allowed 4 lbs.; of a race other than maiden or claiming allowed 6 lbs. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner. Closed Saturday May 13, 2017 with 26 Nominations.

**SEVENTH RACE**  
**Belmont**  
MAY 29, 2017

Value of Race: \$125,000 Winner \$75,000; second \$25,000; third \$12,500; fourth \$6,250; fifth \$3,750; sixth \$2,500. Mutuel Pool \$337,014.00 Exacta Pool \$215,719.00 Trifecta Pool \$122,723.00 Superfecta Pool \$56,255.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A. Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1
23Apr17 8Aqu2	T Loves a Fight	L bf	3 118	1	6	6	5½	1hd	12¼	Carmouche K	1.85
29Apr17 9CD4	Syndergaard	L	3 118	4	2	1½	11	22½	24½	Velazquez JR	1.00
5Mar17 7FG6	Pat On the Back	L	3 120	6	4	3½	2½	3²	33¼	Davis D	17.90
5Apr17 3Aqu3	Blue Belt	L b	3 118	2	3	41	41	41	4no	Ortiz J L	15.10
20Feb17 8Aqu3	Sal the Turtle	L f	3 118	5	1	2½	3½	51½	52¾	Maragh R	6.40
19Apr17 3Aqu1	Terry O Geri	L	3 118	3	5	5²	6	6	6	Franco M	9.10

**OFF AT 4:41 Start Good. Won driving. Track sloppy (Sealed).**

**TIME :22², :46, 1:11², 1:25 ( :22.55, :46.04, 1:11.42, 1:25.06 )**

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

1 - T LOVES A FIGHT.....	5.70	2.60	2.30
6 - SYNDERGAARD.....		2.70	2.30
10 - PAT ON THE BACK.....			3.50

**\$2 EXACTA 1-6 PAID \$14.00 \$2 TRIFECTA 1-6-10**

**PAID \$79.00 \$2 SUPERFACTA 1-6-10-3 PAID \$332.00**

**B. g, (Apr), by Girolamo - Worth Fighting For , by Broken Vow . Trainer Hushion Michael E. Bred by Hoffman Thoroughbreds LLC (NY).**

T LOVES A FIGHT took up position in the two path in short order, stepped off the backstretch and was soon put to a light hand ride, picked up interest coming to the five-sixteenths marker, split rivals prior to heading into the stretch, angled four wide into it and took off in earnest after SYNDERGAARD, appeared to poke a head down in front by the eighth pole, kicked clear, kept busy to the end. SYNDERGAARD was put to a brisk hand ride en route to establishing control, showed the way pressed by a pair of opponents parked to his outside from late on the backstretch until right around the five-sixteenths marker, was approaching the three-sixteenths pole when put to a drive, relinquished, but barely, by the beginning of the final furlong, steadily fell back but held well to salvage second. PAT ON THE BACK off the inside throughout, ranged up to join the front runners nearing the conclusion of the backstretch, wound up in the four path vying as the widest of a threesome to the general area of the five-sixteenths marker, got put to a drive for the drive, kept pace with the top twosome for an additional sixteenth and tired. BLUE BELT quickly tucked along the rail, arrived at the top of the bend, was put to a stronger and stronger hand ride making his way along it under a drive by the three-eighths pole, cut the corner into the lane and had no rally. SAL THE TURTLE attained a forward position, forced the issue three wide and from between opponents from the nine-sixteenths marker to past the three-eighths pole then gave way. TERRY O GERI made contact with BLUE BELT at the break, was pulling on the bit travelling on the backstretch, got set down to a prolonged drive from the three path on the turn, failed to make his presence felt and retreated.

**Owners-** 1, Hoffman Thoroughbreds; 2, Fein Eric McKenna Christopher Fein Harris Singh Guri and Walia Jerry; 3, Harold Lerner LLC AWC Stables and Nehoc Stables; 4, Wilson Carolyn; 5, Bloom Racing Stable; 6, Shay Sean

**Trainers-** 1, Hushion Michael E; 2, Pletcher Todd A; 3, McPeck Kenneth G; 4, Rivelli Larry; 5, Nevin Michelle; 6, Contessa Gary C  
**Scratched-** Blame the Thief ( 09Apr17 8Aqu1 ), Bobby On Fleek ( 06May17 8CD 12 ), Runaway Lute ( 22Oct16 7Bel9 ), Bavaro ( 23Apr17 8Aqu5 )

**\$2 Daily Double (11-1) Paid \$11.00 ; Daily Double Pool \$69,449 .**  
**\$2 Pick Three (9-11-1) Paid \$34.60 ; Pick Three Pool \$44,877 .**