

**EIGHTH RACE**  
**Belmont**  
JUNE 8, 2018

**6½ FURLONGS. (1,142) 40TH RUNNING OF THE TRUE NORTH. Grade II. Purse \$250,000 FOR FOUR-YEAR-OLDS AND UPWARD.** By subscription of \$250 each which should accompany the nomination. \$1,250 to pass the entry box and an additional \$1,250 to start. A supplemental nomination fee of \$3,750 (in addition to the entry and starting fees) can be made at any time prior to the close of entries. The guaranteed purse will be divided as follows \$137,500 to the owner of the winner, \$50,000 to second, \$30,000 to third, \$15,000 to fourth, \$7,500 to fifth, \$5,000 to sixth with the remaining \$5,000 to be divided equally amongst the remaining finishers. Weight 124 lbs. Non-winners of \$60,000 twice in 2017-18 other than State-Bred stakes allowed 2 lbs.; of such a race in 2017-18, 4 lbs.; of two races other than maiden, claiming, starter or State-Bred allowance in 2018, 6 lbs.; of such a race in 2018, 8 lbs. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner. Closed Saturday, May 26, 2018 with 20 Nominations.

Value of Race: \$240,000 Winner \$137,500; second \$50,000; third \$30,000; fourth \$15,000; fifth \$7,500. Mutuel Pool \$688,517.00 Exacta Pool \$391,925.00 Trifecta Pool \$194,030.00 Superfecta Pool \$94,071.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1
5May18 8CD6	Imperial Hint	L	5	124	2	4	4 1½	3 1½	1 <sup>hd</sup>	1 <sup>nk</sup>	Castellano J J	1.70
5May18 8CD4	Whitmore	L b	5	124	6	6	6	5 <sup>10</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>	2 1½	Santana R Jr	2.45
21Apr18 5SA1	Bobby Abu Dhabi	L	4	122	3	2	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	3 7¼	Espinoza V	2.75
12May18 8Bel3	Always Sunshine	L	6	118	5	5	5 3½	4 <sup>hd</sup>	4 1½	4 4¼	Carmouche K	26.50
17May18 3Bel1	Recruiting Ready	L b	4	124	1	1	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	5	5	Smith M E	8.60
12May18 8Bel1	Westwood	L	4	122	4	3	3 <sup>hd</sup>	6	—	—	Velazquez J R	6.90

**OFF AT 4:43 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.**

**TIME :214, :442, 1:082, 1:15 ( :21.85, :44.52, 1:08.59, 1:15.02 )**

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

3 - IMPERIAL HINT.....	5.40	3.40	2.60
8 - WHITMORE.....		3.20	2.40
4 - BOBBY ABU DHABI.....			2.60

**\$1 EXACTA 3-8 PAID \$9.40 50 CENT TRIFECTA 3-8-4**

**PAID \$11.45 10 CENT SUPERFACTA 3-8-4-7 PAID \$12.97**

**Dk. b or br. h, (Feb), by Imperialism - Royal Hint, by Lahint. Trainer Carvajal Luis Jr. Bred by Shade Tree Thoroughbreds Inc (Fla).**

IMPERIAL HINT guided over towards the inside after the start, loosely drafted behind the pacesetter for a portion of the journey on the backstretch, tipped out into path three after stepping onto the turn, sat perched, keeping watch on the front runners, ranged up after the half had been run, enough so as to spin into the lane on near even terms with BOBBY ABU DHABI, was called upon a sixteenth down the road as a duel ignited between them, began the final furlong having fought its way past a determined opponent, edged away to lead by a short length at the most, felt the presence of WHITMORE in the final stages, but dug in resolutely to prevail. WHITMORE away last, was gradually worked onto the inside route making his way towards the half mile pole, was in hand scurrying into contention with a sustained rail run on the turn, got switched over to a hand ride slithering four wide, the second widest of all, into the lane, maintained the momentum after being straightened away, finished with good belated energy but came up short. BOBBY ABU DHABI broke in line with RECRUITING READY, was allowed to ease back into a stalking role, prompted the previously-mentioned rival on the turn, displaced that foe, but only narrowly, coming up to the quarter pole, got called upon at that station, relinquished reluctantly after vying with vigor against the winner during the ensuing furlong, still had some fight left afterwards before weakening in the last seventy yards. ALWAYS SUNSHINE caught directly behind the rival in distress, that being WESTWOOD, was checked as that one drifted to the outside in the vicinity of the half mile pole, recovered and resumed its pursuit three to four wide, got driven five wide, the widest of all, into the lane, had no rally. RECRUITING READY argued for the advantage along the inside, succumbed when challenged by BOBBY ABU DHABI approaching the end of the bend, stepped into the lane having little left and retreated. WESTWOOD forwardly placed three wide, lost its action after taking a bad step nearing the conclusion of the backstretch, was pulled up after being eased then was subsequently vanned off.

**Owners-** 1, Mamone Raymond; 2, LaPenta Robert V Moquett Ron and Head of Plains Partners LLC; 3, Rockingham Ranch and Bernsen David A; 4, Stonehedge LLC; 5, Sagamore Farm; 6, Godolphin Racing LLC

**Trainers-** 1, Carvajal Luis Jr; 2, Moquett Ronald E; 3, Miller Peter; 4, Allard Edward T; 5, DePaz Horacio; 6, McLaughlin Kieran P

**Scratched-** Joking (01Oct16 9Bel1), Limousine Liberal (05May18 8CD 1)

**\$1 Pick Three (4-8-3) Paid \$179.25 ; Pick Three Pool \$177,866 .**

**\$1 Daily Double (8-3) Paid \$7.60 ; Daily Double Pool \$107,094 .**