SEVENTH RACE

Belmont at the Big A

OCTOBER 25, 2025

1⅛ MILES. EMPIRE DISTAFF S. Purse $250,000 FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD FOALED IN NEW YORK STATE AND APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE BRED REGISTRY. Lasix not allowed within 48 hours of post time pursuant to HISA Rule 4212. By subscription of $250 each which should accompany the nomination; $1,250 to pass the entry box and an additional $1,250 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental nomination payment of $1,250 in addition to the entry and starting fees may be made at any time prior to the closing of entries. Three Year Olds: 122 lbs. Older: 126 lbs. Non–winners of a Sweepstakes in 2025 allowed 2 lbs.; of three races other than maiden, claiming, or starter allowed 4 lbs. A presentation will be made to the winning owner. Closed Saturday, October 11, 2025 with 12 Original Nominations and 1 Supplement.

Value of Race: $250,000 Winner $137,500; second $50,000; third $30,000; fourth $15,000; fifth $10,000; sixth $3,750; seventh $3,750. Mutuel Pool $342,707.00 Exacta Pool $239,403.00 Superfecta Pool $65,083.00 Trifecta Pool $109,111.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
21Aug25 ^{3}Sar^{3}	Valtellina	bf	3	118	3	7	6 3½	6 5	5 2½	1½	1 2¼	Davis D	4.47
23Aug25 ^{9}Sar^{7}	Bernietakescharge	b	4	126	2	2	1 hd	1 hd	1½	2 6	2 3	Silvera R	3.65
26Sep25 ^{3}BAQ^{2}	Midnight Concerto		4	122	7	6	7	7	7	5 1	3 3¾	Elliott C	10.89
13Oct25 ^{8}FL^{1}	Boxed Wine	b	4	126	6	5	5 1½	5 hd	6 2	6 1	4½	Santana R Jr	12.39
21Aug25 ^{3}Sar^{2}	Kay Cup		3	122	4	4	4 1	4 3	4 1½	4½	5 1½	Franco M	2.00
13Sep25 ^{9}Cnl^{2}	Vehemente	b	3	122	5	3	2 2	2 6	2 4	3 1	6 6¼	Carmouche K	3.22
30Oct25 ^{1}BAQ^{1}	Sweetest Princess	b	5	124	1	1	3 1	3 1	3 1	7	7	Lezcano J	14.50

OFF AT 3:23 Start Good For All But VALTELLINA. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME : 23^{3}, :47^{1}, 1:11^{3}, 1:37^{1}, 1:50 (:23.77, :47.31, 1:11.64, 1:37.23, 1:50.03)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

3 – VALTELLINA	10.94	4.72	4.04
2 – BERNIETAKESCHARGE		3.92	3.12
8 – MIDNIGHT CONCERTO			6.22

$1 EXACTA 3–2 PAID $30.90 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 3–2–8–6 PAID $106.36 50 CENT TRIFECTA 3–2–8 PAID $94.08

Ch. f, (Apr), by Complexity – Take Charge Sue , by Take Charge Indy . Trainer Handal Raymond. Bred by Thorostock LLC (NY).

VALTELLINA stumbled at the break and was reserved early, two path down the backstretch and into the far turn, moved to the inside by the five sixteenths and then swung out four wide leaving the turn to make a bid, hit the front nearing the furlong marker and drew clear under left handed crop urging to prove best. BERNIETAKESCHARGE vied for the early lead and then dueled for the lead on the inside and gained a short lead leaving the three eights marker and was clear leaving the turn but was headed nearing the furlong marker and could not go with the winner in the final furlong while keeping on gamely to be clearly second best. MIDNIGHT CONCERTO was settled back early and moved to the inside, still lagged behind entering the far turn and came four wide off the bend and moved in to split rivals nearing the furlong marker and had a belated rally to best the rest. BOXED WINE was settled early and saved ground on the far turn but lacked a serious rally while improving position to gain the last spot in the superfecta. KAY CUP was rated along two wide early, moved out on the far turn and came five wide into the lane but had no rally. VEHEMENTE was three wide on the first turn and keen and was five to six wide entering the backstretch while the rider attempted to settle her down, but still was eager and dueled for command three to two wide and was three wide by the quarter pole and tired. SWEETEST PRINCESS tracked the early pace along the inside, then chased the pace on the backstretch, moved out on the far turn and came four wide into the lane but tired.

Owners– 1, Pavilion Racing; 2, Rosenthal Robert D and Bernstein Bradford H; 3, Harold Lerner LLC AWC Stables and Nehoc Stables; 4, Flying P Stable; 5, NY Final Furlong Racing Stable Electric City Racing and Sportsmen Stable; 6, International Equine; 7, Rice Linda and Marequest

Trainers– 1, Handal Raymond; 2, Schettino Dominick A; 3, McPeek Kenneth G; 4, Abreu Jorge R; 5, Abreu Jorge R; 6, Sharp Joe; 7, Rice Linda

Scratched– Fast and Frisky (01Sep25 ^{7}Sar^{10})

$1 Pick Three (4–5–3) Paid $404.51 ; Pick Three Pool $45,862 .
50 CENT Pick Four (8–4–5–3) Paid $346.81 ; Pick Four Pool $72,168 .
50 CENT Pick Five (1–8–4–5–3) 5 Correct Paid $1,253.13 ; Pick Five Pool $164,109 .
$1 Daily Double (5–3) Paid $72.98 ; Daily Double Pool $61,132 .