

SEVENTH RACE

7 FURLONGS. (1.194) 11TH RUNNING OF THE BELMONT SPRING CHAMPIONSHIP. Grade II.
Purse \$350,000 FOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS AND UPWARD.

Belmont

JULY 7, 2018

Value of Race: \$343,000 Winner \$192,000; second \$70,000; third \$42,000; fourth \$22,000; fifth \$10,000; sixth \$7,000. Mutuel Pool \$697,258.00 Exacta Pool \$405,230.00 Trifecta Pool \$203,477.00 Superfecta Pool \$93,464.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1	
9Jun18 9Bel3	Limousine Liberal	L	bf	6	122	1	6	52½	52½	3½	1nk	Ortiz J L	1.85
8Jun18 8Bel2	Whitmore	L	b	5	122	2	5	31	3½	21	21¾	Santana R Jr	2.10
27Apr18 5Bel1	Eye Luv Lulu	L		7	116	3	1	2½	21½	11½	33	Ortiz I Jr	10.70
17Jun18 9Mth2	Lewisfield	L	b	4	118	5	2	41	41	41½	43¼	Bocachica A	19.70
17May18 3Bel2	Favorable Outcome	L		4	122	6	4	6	6	5½	5hd	Castellano J J	3.60
26May18 11Mth2	Shaft of Light	L	b	7	116	4	3	11½	1½	6	6	Ferrer J C	4.70

OFF AT 5:12 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :221, :444, 1:084, 1:212 (:22.22, :44.84, 1:08.88, 1:21.53)

\$2 Mutuel Prices:

1-LIMOUSINE LIBERAL.....	5.70	2.80	2.30
2-WHITMORE.....		2.90	2.50
3-EYE LUV LULU.....			3.50

\$1 EXACTA 1-2 PAID \$6.70 50 CENT TRIFECTA 1-2-3

PAID \$15.37 10 CENT SUPERFACTA 1-2-3-5 PAID \$14.52

Dk. b or br. g, (Apr), by Successful Appeal - Gift of Gab , by In Excess-Ire . Trainer Colebrook Ben. Bred by Mike Ball & Katherine Ball (Ky).

LIMOUSINE LIBERAL three then two wide in pursuit from near the rear, came under coaxing at the five-sixteenths, went to swing three to four wide into upper stretch and was bumped solidly five wide by SHAFT OF LIGHT and in turn bumped LEWISFIELD to the six path due to WHITMORE bulling his way up the inside, gathered himself put to a drive and rallied to issue a challenge through the final furlong latching on to WHITMORE nearing the sixteenth marker when engaging the leader EYE LUV LULU as a team, got herded out a path or so by WHITMORE when that rival took narrow command inside that station, showed good courage to get up in the final jumps and score. WHITMORE two to three wide in aim of the front, tucked inside at the nine-sixteenths, came under coaxing just past the five-sixteenths, lacked optimal room to the inside of SHAFT OF LIGHT nearing the quarter pole and scraped the paint bulling his way inside at that station spinning just off the inside for home unable to cut the corner and hip checking SHAFT OF LIGHT off stride into LIMOUSINE LIBERAL and in turn LEWISFIELD, rallied tipping out to the three path nearing the eighth pole issuing a challenge for command, dug in under a drive coming under a near sided stick nearing the sixteenth pole and came out to look LIMOUSINE LIBERAL in the eye herding that foe about a path and seizing brief and narrow command, then got nailed in the final strides to the wire. EYE LUV LULU away well to the front, got displaced from command by SHAFT OF LIGHT and conceded to that rival being guided to track that foe from the four path in closest aim, tucked three wide through the turn advancing under his own power to latch on three furlongs from home, came under coaxing nearing the quarter pole and took command at that station, swung three wide into upper stretch shaking away just enough to avoid the turmoil right in behind, edged away under a drive to the eighth pole, dug in under growing threat from a pair, got collared just inside the sixteenth marker and ran on clear for the show honors. LEWISFIELD chased four then three wide coming under coaxing three furlongs from home, went to swing five wide at the head of the stretch and was bumped to the six path by LIMOUSINE LIBERAL due to pressure initiated in a chain of bumps commenced by WHITMORE bulling his way up the inside, dug in under a drive through to the finish but was outkicked. FAVORABLE OUTCOME four wide in pursuit down the backstretch, tucked to the two path at the nine-sixteenths, altered eight wide into upper stretch aspying the bumping going on in front and made no impact. SHAFT OF LIGHT hustled from the gate, established the front shortly after the start and showed the way from the five then four path down the backstretch before tucking three wide with nine-sixteenths to run, came under coaxing at the three-eighths as EYE LUV LULU latched on to the outside, dug in under threat and was headed nearing the quarter pole, went to spin just off the inside for home and had WHITMORE scrape the paint to his inside and swing just off the inside, got hip checked and bumped off stride to the four path straightened away bumping LIMOUSINE LIBERAL into LEWISFIELD, then weakened through to the finish. There was a Stewards' Inquiry into the incident in upper stretch focusing on WHITMORE and SHAFT OF LIGHT before the result stood and the race was declared official.

Owners- 1, Ball Katherine G; 2, LaPenta Robert V Moquett Ron and Head of Plains Partners LLC; 3, Dubb Michael; 4, Zang Linda L; 5, Klaravich Stables Inc and Lawrence William H; 6, Al and Michelle Crawford Racing

Trainers- 1, Colebrook Ben; 2, Moquett Ronald E; 3, Servis Jason; 4, Runco Jeff C; 5, Brown Chad C; 6, Navarro Jorge

\$1 Pick Three (9-7-1) Paid \$62.25 ; Pick Three Pool \$169,959 .

\$1 Daily Double (7-1) Paid \$15.60 ; Daily Double Pool \$166,952 .