

BELMONT AT THE BIG A - September 20, 2024 - Race 2

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(UP TO \$17,400 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON \$20,000 THREE TIMES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER OR STATE BRED ALLOWANCE OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES OR WHICH HAVE NOT WON \$45,000 OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING OR STARTER SINCE FEBRUARY 1 OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$80,000. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races Other Than Claiming Or Starter At A Mile Or Over In 2024 Allowed 2 lbs. Such A Race In 2024 Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price \$80,000 (Allowance Horses Preferred)(1.5% Aftercare Assessment Due At Time Of Claim Otherwise Claim Will Be Void). (If the Stewards consider it inadvisable to run this race on the turf course, this race will be run at One Mile on the Main Track.) (Rail at 18 feet). (C) **Claiming Price:** \$80,000

Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Summer to Remember - 1:40.11 - December 3, 2021)

Purse: \$100,000

Available Money: \$100,000

Value of Race: \$100,000 1st \$55,000, 2nd \$20,000, 3rd \$12,000, 4th \$6,000, 5th \$4,000, 6th \$3,000

Weather: Clear, 78° **Track:** Firm

Off at: 1:42 **Start:** Good for all except 3 **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
14Jul24 ⁷ SAR ¹	5	Battle of Normandy (Rosario, Joel)	126 L b	5 3	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Nose}	2.45*	tracked 2p, held on
21Aug24 ³ SAR ³	2	Andthewinneris (Prat, Flavien)	122 L	2 4	3 ¹	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ²	3 ²	2 ^{Neck}	3.55	2-3w uppr, just missed
16Aug24 ⁷ MTH ⁵	1	Kubrick (IRE) (Franco, Manuel)	124 L	1 1	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹	3 ² 3/4	2.60	rated ins, caught late
18May24 ⁷ CD ⁵	6	Utah Beach (Velazquez, John)	126 L f	6 6	4 ¹	4 ²	4 ²	4 ²	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	6.80	tracked 2p, one paced
16Aug24 ⁷ MTH ⁷	3	Highestdistinction (Rendon, Jairo)	122 L	3 2	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	5 ¹	5 ¹	5 ^{3/4}	5.10	bobbled st, no headway
1Sep24 ¹¹ SAR ⁵	4	Pioneering Spirit (Lezcano, Jose)	122 L b	4 5	6	6	6	6	6	6	7.40	tracked 2-3w, trailed


Fractional Times: 25.63 51.66 1:16.38 1:38.43

Final Time: 1:43.97

Split Times: (26:03) (24:72) (22:05) (5:54)

Run-Up: 170 feet **Temporary Rail:** 18 feet

Winner: Battle of Normandy, Bay Colt, by [City of Light](#) out of Adorable Miss, by Kitten's Joy. Foaled Apr 01, 2020 in Kentucky.

 Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

Breeder: Gage Hill Stables, LLC & W. S. Farish

Owner: West Point Thoroughbreds and Woodford Racing, LLC

Trainer: McGaughey III, Claude

Scratched Horse(s): Olympic Dreams (Main-Track-Only), Phileas Fogg (Main-Track-Only), Unbridled Bomber (Main-Track-Only), Winit (Main-Track-Only)

Total WPS Pool: \$219,002

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Battle of Normandy	6.90	3.60	2.50	\$1.00 Daily Double	8-5	12.90	81,747
2	Andthewinneris		4.60	2.80	\$1.00 Exacta	5-2	17.30	133,918
1	Kubrick (IRE)			2.50	\$1.00 Quinella	2-5	8.30	7,696
					\$0.10 Superfecta	5-2-1-6	9.00	29,631
					\$0.50 Trifecta	5-2-1	15.87	54,077

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	Battle of Normandy	3	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹	1 ^{Nose}
2	Andthewinneris	4	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ²	3 ²	3 ² 1/2	2 ^{Nose}
1	Kubrick (IRE)	1	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹	3 ^{Neck}
6	Utah Beach	6	4 ² 1/2	4 ² 1/2	4 ²	4 ⁴ 1/2	4 ³
3	Highestdistinction	2	5 ³ 1/2	5 ⁴ 1/2	5 ⁴	5 ⁵	5 ³ 1/4
4	Pioneering Spirit	5	6 ⁴	6 ⁵	6 ⁴ 1/2	6 ⁶	6 ⁴

Trainers: 5 - McGaughey III, Claude; 2 - Brown, Chad; 1 - Brown, Chad; 6 - Correas, IV, Ignacio; 3 - Schultz, Lindsay; 4 - Rice, Linda

Owners: 5 - West Point Thoroughbreds and Woodford Racing, LLC; 2 - Susan Moulton; 1 - Peter M. Brant; 6 - Amling, Jeffrey S. and Merriebelle Stable; 3 - Willow Lane Stable, Inc.; 4 - A. Bianco Holding Limited;

Footnotes

BATTLE OF NORMANDY broke in at the start trading a bump with PIONEERING SPIRIT, tracked the leader just off the inside in closest aim, remained on hold until set down spinning three then two wide into upper stretch, rallied to tussle with the leader through the final furlong taking command forty yards from the finish, dug in between foes and just held on at the wire. ANDTHEWINNERIS tracked the pace along the inside patiently handled until let out spinning two to three wide into upper stretch, closed well through the final furlong and just missed at the end. KUBRICK (IRE) established the front and was rated showing the way along the inside through dawdling splits, came under coaxing near the quarter pole and was roused taking the inside route into upper stretch, dug in under threat and was caught in the final forty yards to the finish, ran on to preserve the show honors clear of the rest. UTAH BEACH settled just off the inside tracking the leader from just off the pace, came under coaxing at the five-sixteenths, angled five wide into upper stretch, stayed on one paced through to the finish. HIGHESTDISTINCTION bobbled at the break, saved ground near the rear of the field patiently handled until placed to coaxing nearing the quarter pole, got set down spinning four wide into upper stretch, made mild ground but made no headway. PIONEERING SPIRIT broke out at the start trading a bump with BATTLE OF NORMANDY, tracked the front two to three wide from the tail of the field, came under coaxing with five-sixteenths to go, angled five wide at the head of the stretch and trailed.