

BELMONT AT THE BIG A - May 1, 2026 - Race 5

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred

OUTER TURF FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD FOALED IN NEW YORK STATE AND APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE-BRED REGISTRY. THREE Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. (Non-Starters For A Claiming Price Of \$55,000 Or Less In The Last 3 Starts Preferred). (S)

Distance: One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Outer turf **Current Track Record:** (Battle of Blenheim - 1:39.91 - April 14, 2018)

Purse: \$80,000

Available Money: \$80,000

Value of Race: \$80,000 1st \$44,000, 2nd \$16,000, 3rd \$9,600, 4th \$4,800, 5th \$3,200, 6th \$800, 7th \$800, 8th \$800

Weather: Clear, 61° **Track:** Firm

Off at: 3:37 **Start:** Poor **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
15Aug25 ¹ SAR ²	4	Honoree (Franco, Manuel)	120 --	4	7	5 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹ 2	1 ¹	1 ¹ 3/4	0.93*	stumbled, steady st
25Oct25 ¹¹ BAQ ⁴	1	Before the Wind (Rodriguez, Jaime)	126 L b	1	1	4 ¹	4 ¹ 2	5 ¹	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2.91	tracked ins, willingly
---	6	Sleep Walking (Carmouche, Kendrick)	126 L	6	8	8	8	8	6 ⁴	3 ¹ 3/4	23.70	lunged, hit gate start
18Apr26 ⁶ AQU ⁶	2	Classic Commander (Zayas, Edgard)	120 L	2	3	6 ^{Head}	6 ¹	6 ¹	5 ^{Head}	4 ¹ 1/4	28.90	bumped st, keen 6 1/2
20Mar26 ⁸ AQU ⁷	8	Nancy's Laugh (Hernandez Moreno, Omar)	120 --	8	5	3 ¹ 2	3 ¹ 2	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	78.29	4w in aim, led, wknd
9Jan26 ⁵ AQU ⁴	5	Nonno Joe (Silvera, Ruben)	126 L b	5	4	2 ¹	2 ¹ 2	1 ^{Head}	4 ¹ 1/2	6 ⁶ 3/4	14.55	brush gate st, wknd
28Feb26 ¹ AQU ⁵	7	Sfumato (Lezcano, Jose)	120 L	7	6	7 ²	7 ¹ 1/2	7 ^{Head}	7 ⁵	7 ¹² 1/2	4.17	3w pursuit, weakened
29Mar26 ⁶ AQU ⁴	3	Easemyworriedmind (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	120 L	3	2	1 ¹ 2	1 ¹ 2	3 ¹	8	8	12.51	bumped st, faltered

Fractional Times: 25.18 50.47 1:14.94 1:40.30

Final Time: 1:46.76 **Time from Gate:** 1:48.17

Split Times: (25:29) (24:47) (25:36) (6:46)

Run-Up: 16 feet

Winner: Honoree, Bay Colt, by Code of Honor out of Figure of Beauty, by Street Cry (IRE). Foaled Feb 16, 2023 in New York.

Breeder: Spruce Lane Farm, Blue Spader Thoroughbreds, LLC, et al

Owner: West Point Thoroughbreds, Woodford Racing LLC and St. Elias Stable

Trainer: McGaughey III, Claude

Scratched Horse(s): Judge Boushay (Main-Track-Only), Reign It In (Main-Track-Only)

Total WPS Pool: \$295,562

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Honoree	3.86	2.50	2.10	\$1.00 Pick 3	3-3-4 (3 correct)	23.88	20,653
1	Before the Wind		2.92	2.26	\$0.50 Pick 4	5-3-3-4/9/10 (4 correct)	44.03	63,030
6	Sleep Walking			5.48	\$0.50 Pick 5	4-5-3-3-4/9/10 (5 correct)	137.43	217,521
					\$1.00 Daily Double	3-4	3.73	25,734
					\$1.00 Exacta	4-1	4.96	184,078
					\$0.10 Superfecta	4-1-6-2	24.47	69,874
					\$0.50 Trifecta	4-1-6	21.28	108,295

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
4	Honoree	7	5 ³	5 ²	4 ¹ 1/4	1 ¹	1 ¹ 3/4
1	Before the Wind	1	4 ²	4 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹ 3/4	2 ¹	2 ¹ 3/4
6	Sleep Walking	8	8 ⁶ 1/2	8 ⁶	8 ³ 3/4	6 ³ 3/4	3 ¹ 3/4
2	Classic Commander	3	6 ⁴ 1/2	6 ³ 1/2	6 ² 3/4	5 ³ 1/2	4 ³ 1/2
8	Nancy's Laugh	5	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹	2 ^{Head}	3 ²	5 ⁴ 3/4
5	Nonno Joe	4	2 ¹ 2	2 ¹ 2	1 ^{Head}	4 ²	6 ⁵
7	Sfumato	6	7 ⁴ 1/2	7 ⁴ 1/2	7 ³ 3/4	7 ⁷ 3/4	7 ¹¹ 3/4
3	Easemyworriedmind	2	1 ¹ 2	1 ¹ 2	3 ^{Head}	8 ¹² 3/4	8 ²⁴ 1/4

Trainers: 4 - McGaughey III, Claude; 1 - Merryman, Elizabeth; 6 - Donk, David; 2 - Kantarmaci, Ilkay; 8 - Metivier, Richard; 5 - Rodriguez, Rudy; 7 - Mott, William; 3 - Hennig, Mark

Owners: 4 - West Point Thoroughbreds, Woodford Racing LLC and St. Elias Stable; 1 -Gregory D. Hawkins; 6 -Patricia L. Moseley; 2 - Five C's Stable; 8 -Richard Metivier; 5 - Hibiscus Stables LLC and Fallek (Ret), Judge Susan; 7 - Dream Maker Racing; 3 -Alan Brodsky;

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HONOREE stumbled at the start and then got forced to steady briefly when losing his lane to EASEMYWORRIEDMIND and NONNO JOE, raced just off the inside through the first turn before tipping three paths off the rail down the backstretch settling just off the top trio, remained three wide through the far turn and began to tip out inside the five-sixteenths pole following NANCY'S LAUGH until angled out further to swing six wide into upper stretch roused for the drive, rallied to take command nearing the eighth pole, then edged away to the finish to prevail. BEFORE THE WIND broke out at the start bumping CLASSIC COMMANDER into EASEMYWORRIEDMIND, tracked the pace along the inside from a loose pocket, remained patiently handled until set down taking the inside route into upper stretch, dug in under a drive rallying up the rail to run on through to the finish, along willingly for the place honors. SLEEP WALKING lunged and hit the near side stall at the start and was away last, raced along the inside through the first turn before tipping two to three paths off the rail down the backstretch, tucked to the two path through the far turn coming under encouragement with five-sixteenths to run, angled out seven wide at the top of the stretch and kicked on belatedly to secure the show honors. CLASSIC COMMANDER got bumped at the start by BEFORE THE WIND and in turn bumped EASEMYWORRIEDMIND, raced along the inside through the first turn and pulled a bit keen coming under restraint by the rider to throttle it down and sky gazed for two to three strides rank under that restraint six and a half furlongs from home before tipping to the two path and settling albeit while still engaged with the bit, continued just off the inside through the far turn coming under light coaxing nearing the quarter pole, angled six wide at the head of the stretch let out for the drive, kept on through the stretch to the finish. NANCY'S LAUGH raced four wide through the first turn and then four paths off the inside down the backstretch advancing to settle just off the top pair, continued four wide through the far turn stacked outside the leader and his closest escort and advanced to take command inside the five-sixteenths under urging from that station, continued four wide into upper stretch, yielded the front inside the three-sixteenths pole and weakened in the late stages. NONNO JOE broke in a step brushing the near side stall and then continued inwards taking over the lane of HONOREE in tandem with EASEMYWORRIEDMIND and forcing that foe to steady in behind, raced three wide through the first turn forwardly placed latched on the leader to the outside, had the aforementioned foe advance into the backstretch and raced between rivals, continued three wide through the far turn taking narrow and brief command with five-sixteenths remaining, got displaced by NANCY'S LAUGH near the quarter pole, spun just off the inside into upper stretch and weakened in the late going. SFUMATO three then two wide through the first turn, chased three wide from near the

rear of the field, came under right handed taps from the crop with seven-sixteenths to run and went three wide through the far turn coming under urging at the five-sixteenths marker, went eight wide into upper stretch and weakened in the drive. EASEMYWORRIEDMIND got bumped at the start by CLASSIC COMMANDER due to pressure from BEFORE THE WIND and took over the lane of HONOREE forcing that foe to be briefly steadied behind, showed the way in hand just off the inside under the watchful eyes of NONNO JOE and then also NANCY'S LAUGH down the backstretch, continued just off the inside through the far turn getting placed to a ride near the five-sixteenths when under intensified pressure for the initial time, yielded the front at that station, spun three wide at the head of the lane and faltered in the stretch.

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