

BELMONT AT THE BIG A - May 7, 2026 - Race 6

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

OUTER TURF (UP TO \$11,484 NYSBFOA) FOR MAIDENS, FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Claiming Price \$90,000 (1.5% Aftercare Assessment Due At Time Of Claim Otherwise Claim Will Be Void). (Rail at 12 feet). **Claiming Price:** \$90,000

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

Purse: \$66,000

Available Money: \$66,000

Value of Race: \$66,000 1st \$36,300, 2nd \$13,200, 3rd \$7,920, 4th \$3,960, 5th \$2,640, 6th \$660, 7th \$660, 8th \$660

Weather: Clear, 65° **Track:** Firm

Off at: 3:44 **Start:** Good for all except 8 **Timing Method:** Electronic

| Last Raced | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey) | Wgt M/E | PP | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | 3/4 | Str | Fin | Odds | Comments |
|--|-----|-------------------------------------|---------|-----|--------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|------------------------|
| 16Apr26 ⁴ AQU ³ | 4 | Mermaid (Santana, Jr., Ricardo) | 120 L | 3 1 | 1 ¹ | 1 ¹ | 1 ¹ | 1 ¹ | 1 ^{1 1/2} | 1 ¹ | 4.51 | in hand ins, held well |
| 16Apr26 ⁵ AQU ⁶ | 3 | DQ-Battle Winner (Morelos, Jose) | 120 L f | 2 2 | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{Head} | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ^{1/2} | 37.25 | bumped st, ran on |
| 29Mar26 ¹¹ TAM ⁶ | 1 | Tiz the Lady (Lezcano, Jose) | 120 L b | 1 3 | 6 ^{Head} | 6 ^{1/2} | 6 ^{1/2} | 6 ^{Head} | 5 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{Nose} | 8.70 | 3w upper, mild kick |
| 25Mar26 ⁵ TAM ³ | 6 | Loveontheleftbank (Franco, Manuel) | 126 L | 5 4 | 4 ^{Head} | 5 ¹ | 5 ¹ | 5 ¹ | 3 ¹ | 4 ¹ | 2.26* | 5w 1/4, altered, bid |
| 12Apr26 ⁵ KEE ⁷ | 5 | Just Tell Anne (Davis, Dylan) | 120 L | 4 5 | 5 ^{1 1/2} | 7 ^{Head} | 8 | 8 | 6 ³ | 5 ^{1 3/4} | 5.63 | 6w upper, improved |
| 15Jan26 ⁴ AQU ⁵ | 9 | Laylani Lou (Velazquez, John) | 126 L h | 8 6 | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ¹ | 2 ¹ | 4 ^{Head} | 6 ¹ | 3.84 | 2-3w in aim, wknd late |
| --- | 7 | Playing Games (Prat, Flavien) | 120 L | 6 7 | 7 ¹ | 8 | 8 | 7 ^{1/2} | 7 ^{1 1/2} | 7 ^{4 1/4} | 4.04 | chased 3w, no headway |
| 16Apr26 ⁴ AQU ⁶ | 8 | Pay the Bills (FR) (Rivera, Dalila) | 126 L | 7 8 | 8 | 4 ^{Head} | 4 ^{1/2} | 4 ^{1/2} | 8 | 8 | 53.30 | lunge st, 3w both trn |

Fractional Times: 24.19 49.41 1:13.85 1:37.70

Final Time: 1:43.84 **Time from Gate:** 1:47.24

Split Times: (25:22) (24:44) (23:85) (6:14)

Run-Up: 92 feet **Temporary Rail:** 12 feet

Winner: Mermaid, Dark Bay or Brown Filly, by Caravaggio out of Deep Water Cay, by Pioneerof the Nile. Foaled Apr 15, 2023 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Muller Thoroughbred Stable LTD

Owner: Team D

Trainer: Dutrow, Anthony

Claiming Prices: 4 - Mermaid: \$90,000; 3 - Battle Winner: \$90,000; 1 - Tiz the Lady: \$90,000; 6 - Loveontheleftbank: \$90,000; 5 - Just Tell Anne: \$90,000; 9 - Laylani Lou: \$90,000; 7 - Playing Games: \$90,000; 8 - Pay the Bills (FR): \$90,000;

Disqualification(s): # 3 Battle Winner from 2 to 4

Scratched Horse(s): Reconnected (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$210,326

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Show | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
|-----|-------------------|-------|-------|------|---------------------|-------------------|--------|---------|
| 4 | Mermaid | 11.02 | 5.04 | 2.98 | \$1.00 Pick 3 | 6-7-4 (3 correct) | 27.38 | 38,172 |
| 1 | Tiz the Lady | | 7.18 | 3.74 | \$1.00 Daily Double | 7-4 | 12.96 | 39,232 |
| 6 | Loveontheleftbank | | | 2.40 | \$1.00 Exacta | 4-1 | 44.25 | 139,206 |
| | | | | | \$0.10 Superfecta | 4-1-6-3 | 146.84 | 43,944 |
| | | | | | \$0.50 Trifecta | 4-1-6 | 69.22 | 73,418 |

Past Performance Running Line Preview

| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | 3/4 | Str | Fin |
|-----|--------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 4 | Mermaid | 1 | 1 ¹ | 1 ¹ | 1 ¹ | 1 ^{1 1/2} | 1 ¹ |
| 3 | Battle Winner | 2 | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ^{1 1/2} | 3 ² | 2 ^{1 1/2} | 2 ¹ |
| 1 | Tiz the Lady | 3 | 6 ^{3 1/2} | 6 ³ | 6 ^{3 1/2} | 5 ³ | 3 ^{1 1/2} |
| 6 | Loveontheleftbank | 4 | 4 ² | 5 ² | 5 ^{2 1/2} | 3 ² | 4 ^{1 1/2} |
| 5 | Just Tell Anne | 5 | 5 ² | 7 ^{3 1/2} | 8 ^{4 1/4} | 6 ^{3 1/2} | 5 ^{2 1/2} |
| 9 | Laylani Lou | 6 | 2 ¹ | 2 ¹ | 2 ¹ | 4 ³ | 6 ^{4 1/4} |
| 7 | Playing Games | 7 | 7 ^{3 3/4} | 8 ^{3 3/4} | 7 ^{3 3/4} | 7 ^{6 1/2} | 7 ^{5 1/4} |
| 8 | Pay the Bills (FR) | 8 | 8 ^{4 3/4} | 4 ² | 4 ² | 8 ⁸ | 8 ^{9 1/2} |

Trainers: 4 - Dutrow, Anthony; 3 - Antonucci, Jena; 1 - McGaughey III, Claude; 6 - Clement, Miguel; 5 - Handal, Raymond; 9 - Martin, Carlos; 7 - Brown, Chad; 8 - Metivier, Richard

Owners: 4 - Team D; 3 - Isabelle de Tomaso; 1 - West Point Thoroughbreds and Sharpe, Kirsten L.; 6 - Dahman; 5 - West Paces Racing LLC, Zilla Racing Stables and Brown Road Racing; 9 - Blue Devil Racing Stable (Holliday); 7 - Brennan, Niall J. and Ryan, Michael J.; 8 -H. Bud Wolf;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MERMAID showed the way in hand along the inside through sensible splits patiently handled until placed to coaxing nearing the quarter pole, spun three wide into upper stretch, came in slightly to the two path a furlong out and then closer to the inside just after, held well and clear to the finish kept to task. BATTLE WINNER got bumped at the start by TIZ THE LADY, tracked the pace along the inside coming under coaxing near the quarter pole, cut the corner into upper stretch roused for the drive, tipped off the rail just inside the eighth pole clear of rivals and shied under a left handed crop coming out two paths which in turn forced LOVEONTHELEFTBANK to alter a path out, ran on to secure the place honors safely over a pair of rivals on the line. TIZ THE LADY broke out at the start bumping BATTLE WINNER, saved ground near the rear of the field patiently handled until set down angled three wide into upper stretch, offered up a mild kick. LOVEONTHELEFTBANK broke out a step at the start and was corrected, raced three wide through the first turn, settled in pursuit three then two wide coming under a ride nearing the quarter pole, angled five wide into upper stretch, dug in under a drive altering out a path near the sixteenth pole when BATTLE WINNER tipped out and then shied out and offered up a mild bid. JUST TELL ANNE tracked the front just off the inside from near the rear of the field, remained on hold until let out angled six wide at the top of the stretch, improved position to the finish. LAYLANI LOU two to three wide in closest aim of the leader, came under encouragement with five-sixteenths to go, tipped three to four wide into upper stretch, weakened in the late stages. PLAYING GAMES just off the inside through the first turn, chased three wide patiently handled until set down angled nine wide into upper stretch, made no headway. PAY THE BILLS (FR) broke a half a beat slow and lunged at the start getting away last, raced three wide through the first turn and then three to four paths off the inside down the backstretch, continued three wide through the far turn under urging from the three-eighths marker, angled five wide for home and weakened in the stretch. There was a Stewards' Inquiry into the stretch run focusing on BATTLE WINNER and LOVEONTHELEFTBANK. After review, it was deemed that BATTLE WINNER had interfered with LOVEONTHELEFTBANK, therefore BATTLE WINNER

was disqualified from second and placed fourth prior to the race being declared official.

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