

BELMONT AT THE BIG A - April 30, 2026 - Race 1

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT - Thoroughbred

(UP TO \$14,790 NYSBFOA) FOR MAIDENS, FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. (Non-Starters For A Claiming Price Of \$55,000 Or Less In The Last 5 Starts Preferred).

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Easy Goer - 1:32.40 - April 8, 1989)

Purse: \$85,000

Available Money: \$85,000

Value of Race: \$82,450 1st \$46,750, 2nd \$17,000, 3rd \$10,200, 4th \$5,100, 5th \$3,400

Weather: Showery, 55° **Track:** Muddy (Sealed)

Off at: 1:12 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
3Apr26 ⁴ AQU ²	3	Directive (Davis, Dylan)	120	L b	3	4	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ⁴	1 ^{7 3/4}	0.27*	in hand 2p, went clear
28Mar26 ¹ AQU ³	2	Moonlit (Rodriguez, Jaime)	120	L	2	3	3 ^{1/2}	4 ¹	2 ²	2 ⁸	2 ^{14 1/4}	18.88	chased 2-3w, 2nd best
28Mar26 ¹ AQU ²	1	Irresistible (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	120	L	1	5	5	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{4 1/2}	3 ^{5 1/2}	3 ^{2 1/4}	4.79	shied 6 1/2, 5w upper
6Mar26 ¹ AQU ³	5	Pomerance (Franco, Manuel)	120	L	5	1	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	6.13	chased 3-2w, faltered
5Feb26 ⁶ GP ³	4	Tejanita (Lezcano, Jose)	126	L	4	2	4 ^{Head}	5	5	5	5	21.73	bump 7 1/2, no impact

Fractional Times: 23.08 46.20 1:10.43 1:22.72

Final Time: 1:35.34 **Time from Gate:** 1:37.51

Split Times: (23:12) (24:23) (12:29) (12:62)

Run-Up: 46 feet

Winner: Directive, Bay Filly, by Gun Runner out of Antonoe, by First Defence. Foaled Mar 11, 2023 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Juddmonte

Owner: Juddmonte

Trainer: Brown, Chad

Total WPS Pool: \$181,220

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Directive	2.54	2.24	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	3-2	9.78	85,979
2	Moonlit		9.32	3.46	\$0.10 Superfecta	3-2-1-5	5.07	21,940
1	Irresistible			2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-2-1	14.71	40,086

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Directive	4	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ⁴	1 ^{7 3/4}
2	Moonlit	3	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ⁴	2 ^{7 3/4}
1	Irresistible	5	5 ²	3 ¹	3 ^{3 1/2}	3 ¹²	3 ²²
5	Pomerance	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	4 ⁸	4 ^{17 1/2}	4 ^{24 1/4}
4	Tejanita	2	4 ²	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{8 1/2}	5 ¹⁸	5 ^{24 3/4}

Trainers: 3 - Brown, Chad; 2 - Clement, Miguel; 1 - Pletcher, Todd; 5 - Brown, Chad; 4 - McGaughy III, Claude

Owners: 3 - Juddmonte; 2 - LJSS Thoroughbreds, Tango Uniform Racing, LLC and New Phoenix Stable; 1 - Bass Stables, LLC and Cheyenne Stables, LLC; 5 - Drown, Jeffrey and Rachel, Don; 4 -Emory A. Hamilton;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

DIRECTIVE got bumped with seven and a half furlongs to go when POMERANCE came inwards bumping TEJANITA who was between foes, established the front inside seven furlongs to run and showed the way in hand just off the inside before heading to the inside midway on the turn, swung three then two wide into upper stretch and was roused straightened away, went clear under a drive to the eighth pole and then was ridden out to the finish. MOONLIT two to three wide down the backstretch, tucked inside into the turn before darting to the two path three furlongs out when the aforementioned foe took to the rail, came under encouragement at the five-sixteenths marker, swung four wide into upper stretch, proved no match for the top one while well clear of the rest and along second best. IRRESISTIBLE shied out two paths six and a half furlongs out when near the clubhouse turn gap, chased four then three wide coming under a ride at the three-eighths pole, tipped five wide into upper stretch and tired. POMERANCE came in after the start and bumped TEJANITA into POMERANCE when leading briefly early on, got displaced by her barn mate and chased three then two wide coming under urging with seven-sixteenths to go, swung four wide for home and faltered in the stretch. TEJANITA coaxed from the gate, got bumped with seven and a half furlongs remaining when POMERANCE came inwards, and in turn bumped DIRECTIVE, chased five paths off the inside down the backstretch and then three wide through the turn, went five wide into upper stretch and made no impact.