

**BELMONT AT THE BIG A - May 3, 2026 - Race 9**

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(UP TO \$15,312 NYSBFOA) FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON \$20,000 OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER OR STATE BRED ALLOWANCE OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE \$55,000. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Claiming Price \$55,000 (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 and One Eighth on the Main Track.) (Rail at 18 feet). (NW1\$ X)

**Claiming Price:** \$55,000

**Distance:** One And One Eighth Miles On The Turf **Current Track Record:** (Slew the Dragon - 1:47.00 - November 3, 1985)

**Purse:** \$88,000

**Available Money:** \$88,000

**Value of Race:** \$88,000 1st \$48,400, 2nd \$14,080, 2nd \$14,080, 4th \$5,280, 5th \$3,520, 6th \$880, 7th \$880, 8th \$880

**Weather:** Clear, 58° **Track:** Firm

**Off at:** 5:25 **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
18Apr26 <sup>5</sup> LRL <sup>3</sup>	9	Protective Custody (Lezcano, Jose)	126	L	b	8 3	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	3.44	out,2p,lead1/4,drw awy
6Dec25 <sup>4</sup> GP <sup>3</sup>	2	Getting Serious (Prat, Flavien)	120	--		2 8	5 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	3.19	lunged brk,2p turns
28Mar26 <sup>5</sup> TAM <sup>6</sup>	7	Soul Dance (GB) (Franco, Manuel)	126	L		6 1	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	6.61	ins,headed out1/8,wknd
12Nov25 <sup>6</sup> AQU <sup>1</sup>	8	Salt Princess (Velazquez, John)	120	L	b	7 4	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	6.83	3path turns,no kick
29Sep25 <sup>5</sup> LBS <sup>11</sup>	4	Swiss Moon (FR) (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	120	L		4 5	6 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>1/2</sup>	7 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>3/4</sup>	1.95*	bmp brk,2-3p,no rally
24Apr26 <sup>1</sup> AQU <sup>4</sup>	6	Patty Cakes (Kocakaya, Gokhan)	126	L		5 7	8	8	8	7 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>Neck</sup>	18.21	threw head brk,5p1/4
15Nov25 <sup>5</sup> LRL <sup>4</sup>	3	Hidden Rose (Rodriguez, Jaime)	120	L	b	3 6	7 <sup>1/2</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	8	7 <sup>2</sup>	15.57	ins turns, no threat
4Apr26 <sup>7</sup> AQU <sup>8</sup>	1	Hauntress (Rivera, Dailia)	119	L	b	1 2	3 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	8	55.66	rated inside, empty

**Fractional Times:** 25.40 51.27 1:15.60 1:39.40

**Final Time:** 1:51.11

**Split Times:** (25:87) (24:33) (23:80) (11:71)

**Run-Up:** 31 feet **Temporary Rail:** 18 feet

**Winner:** Protective Custody, Chestnut Filly, by Ghostzapper out of Hold Harmless, by Blame. Foaled Feb 01, 2022 in Kentucky.

**Breeder:** Stuart S. Janney, III LLC

**Owner:** Stuart S. Janney III

**Trainer:** McGaughey III, Claude

**Claiming Prices:** 6 - Patty Cakes: \$55,000; 1 - Hauntress: \$55,000;

**Dead Heats:** 2nd place - # 2 Getting Serious  
2nd place - # 7 Soul Dance (GB)

**Scratched Horse(s):** Creative Stuff (RegVet-Unsound), I'm Buzzy (Main-Track-Only), Romantic Dancer (Main-Track-Only)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$481,202

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
9	Protective Custody	8.88	3.60	3.04	\$1.00 Pick 3	3-2-9 (3 correct)	98.49	61,156
2	Getting Serious		2.46	2.80	\$0.50 Pick 4	4-3-2-9 (4 correct)	129.00	90,783
7	Soul Dance (GB)		3.64	4.40	\$0.50 Pick 5	6/8/14/15-4-3-2-9 (5 correct)	508.10	202,922
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-9	18.52	52,341
					\$1.00 Exacta	9-2	10.21	290,267
					\$1.00 Exacta	9-7	12.38	0
					\$1.00 Consolation Pick 3	3-2-5 (3 correct)	16.32	0
					\$0.10 Superfecta	9-2-7-8	11.57	96,708
					\$0.10 Superfecta	9-7-2-8	16.59	0
					\$0.50 Trifecta	9-2-7	17.38	157,010
					\$0.50 Trifecta	9-7-2	21.06	0
					\$1.00 Consolation Double	2-5	3.62	0

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
9	Protective Custody	3	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>3 1/2</sup>
2	Getting Serious	8	5 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup>	2 <sup>3 1/2</sup>
7	Soul Dance (GB)	1	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>3 1/2</sup>
8	Salt Princess	4	4 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>4</sup>
4	Swiss Moon (FR)	5	6 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>7</sup>	5 <sup>5 3/4</sup>
6	Patty Cakes	7	8 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>5 3/4</sup>	7 <sup>7 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>6 1/2</sup>
3	Hidden Rose	6	7 <sup>6</sup>	7 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	8 <sup>7 1/4</sup>	7 <sup>6 3/4</sup>
1	Hauntress	2	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>8 3/4</sup>

**Trainers:** 9 - McGaughey III, Claude; 2 - McGaughey III, Claude; 7 - Motion, H.; 8 - Donk, David; 4 - Clement, Miguel; 6 - Kantarmaci, Ilkay; 3 - Clement, Miguel; 1 - Arriaga, Antonio

**Owners:** 9 -Stuart S. Janney III; 2 -Stuart S. Janney III; 7 - Cayton Park Stud; 8 -Joseph Bucci; 4 - Madaket Stables, LLC, Kisber, Michael E. and Strauss, William; 6 -Ilkay Kantarmaci; 3 - Adelphi Racing Club and Cold Press Racing; 1 - Arriaga, Coco and Salinas, Gerardo;

**Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)**

PROTECTIVE CUSTODY was hustled from the gate, traveled around the first turn in the two path, stalked the pace on the outside, turned up the pressure on the leader in the two path on the far turn, was asked outside the quarter-pole, gained a short lead under a drive inside the three-sixteenths pole, battled outside of the runner-up into the final furlong and powered away under strong urging to prove much the best. GETTING SERIOUS lunged at the start and was last away while breaking relatively with the body of the field, raced in the two path while rated off the pace, was asked at the quarter-pole then came under a drive in upper stretch, chased the winner to the finish and shared the place. SOUL DANCE (GB) went to the front, showed the way on the inside while in hand, was given her cue outside the quarter-pole, came under a drive in upper stretch, lost the advantage to the winner outside the furlong marker,

battled with that foe into the final furlong and weakened then just held a share of the place. SALT PRINCESS was taken under a snug hold early, raced in the three path on the first turn, settled outside towards the front without cover, chased in the three path on the far turn and lacked the needed response. SWISS MOON (FR) bumped with a rival at the start, raced in the two path on the first turn, settled off the pace, was roused in the two then three path on the far turn and failed to rally. PATTY CAKES threw her head at the start and broke near the back but with the body of the field, rounded the first turn in the two path, raced at the rear under reserve, was urged along while moving from the two path to the four path on the far turn, spun into the stretch in the five path and failed to threaten. HIDDEN ROSE broke out and brushed the gate, saved ground on the turns, was roused outside the quarter-pole and was no factor. HAUNTRESS was taken under a tight hold early then rated just off the pace on the inside, continued to save ground while asked on the far turn and came up empty.