

BELMONT AT THE BIG A - June 26, 2026 - Race 6

ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD FOALED IN NEW YORK STATE AND APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE-BRED REGISTRY WHICH HAVE NEVER WON \$20,000 OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING OR STARTER OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. (Non-Starters For A Claiming Price Of \$35,000 Or Less In The Last 3 Starts Preferred). (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.). (SNW1\$ X)

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

Purse: \$82,000

Available Money: \$82,000

Value of Race: \$82,000 1st \$45,100, 2nd \$16,400, 3rd \$9,840, 4th \$4,920, 5th \$3,280, 6th \$615, 7th \$615, 8th \$615, 9th \$615

Weather: Cloudy, 80° **Track:** Firm

Off at: 3:43 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)

[GPS Race Chart](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments	
7Nov25 ¹⁰ AQU ⁸	4	English Castle (Rodriguez, Jaime)	126	L	4	2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ² 1/2	1 ¹ 3/4	11.09	in hand ins, held clr	
3Jun26 ⁷ SAR ⁴	7	Oat Coutour (Lezcano, Jose)	126	L	b	7	8	6 ¹ 1/2	6 ¹	6 ¹ 1/2	4 ^{Head}	2 ¹	6.09	tracked 2p, mild kick
3Jun26 ⁷ SAR ²	5	Willpowered (Prat, Flavien)	126	L	5	9	8 ¹	8 ¹ 1/2	8 ² 1/2	7 ¹ 1/2	3 ^{Nose}	1.91	7w upper, belatedly	
8Nov25 ⁹ AQU ¹	8	Newlyn (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	120	-	8	6	3 ¹	3 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹	2 ¹	4 ¹ 1/2	13.43	tracked ins, kept on	
10May26 ⁹ BAQ ²	2	Inspeightofcharlie (Franco, Manuel)	126	L	2	1	5 ¹	5 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹ 1/2	5 ¹ 1/2	5 ³ 1/4	1.46*	5w uppr, no headway	
16May26 ¹⁰ BAQ ⁵	3	Joe West (Gutierrez, Reylu)	126	L	b	3	4	7 ¹ 1/2	7 ¹ 1/2	7 ¹ 1/2	8 ³ 1/2	6 ^{Head}	57.82	saved grd, no response
16May26 ¹⁰ BAQ ⁷	9	Tough Critic (Davis, Dylan)	120	L	9	7	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹	2 ¹	3 ^{Head}	7 ^{Neck}	15.63	3-2w in aim, wknd late	
13Jun26 ⁵ BAQ ¹	1	Blue Pill (Villa Pino, Favinho)	126	L	b	1	3	9	9	9	8 ¹ 1/2	49.84	10-11w uppr, no impact	
3Jun26 ⁷ SAR ⁹	6	Six Fortyfive (Carmouche, Kendrick)	126	L	b	6	5	4 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹	3 ^{Head}	6 ¹ 1/2	9	17.92	tracked 2p, weakened

Fractional Times: 23.30 48.68 1:13.10 1:36.58

Final Time: 1:42.44 **Time from Gate:** 1:46.55

Split Times: (25:38) (24:42) (23:48) (5:86)

Run-Up: 130 feet

Winner: English Castle, Chestnut Gelding, by English Channel out of Sea Coast (IRE), by Rock of Gibraltar (IRE). Foaled Mar 09, 2021 in New York.

Breeder: Jump sucker Stables

Owner: Chalk Racing

Trainer: De Paz, Horacio

Scratched Horse(s): Corvus (Main-Track-Only), Hey Toby (Main-Track-Only)

Total WPS Pool: \$306,834

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	English Castle	24.18	11.80	6.46	\$1.00 Pick 3	6-4-4 (3 correct)	127.85	44,612
7	Oat Coutour		6.98	3.64	\$1.00 Daily Double	4-4	28.90	41,266
5	Willpowered			2.66	\$1.00 Exacta	4-7	81.12	248,103
					\$0.10 Superfecta	4-7-5-8	240.52	63,600
					\$0.50 Trifecta	4-7-5	121.40	114,200

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
4	English Castle	2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ² 1/2	1 ¹ 3/4
7	Oat Coutour	8	6 ⁵ 1/2	6 ⁴ 1/2	6 ⁴	4 ³ 1/2	2 ¹ 3/4
5	Willpowered	9	8 ⁷ 1/2	8 ⁶	8 ⁶	7 ⁵ 3/4	3 ² 3/4
8	Newlyn	6	3 ³	3 ² 1/2	4 ² 1/2	2 ² 1/2	4 ² 3/4
2	Inspeightofcharlie	1	5 ⁴ 1/2	5 ⁴	5 ³ 1/2	5 ³ 3/4	5 ³ 1/4
3	Joe West	4	7 ⁶	7 ⁵ 1/2	7 ⁵ 1/2	8 ⁶ 1/4	6 ⁶ 1/2
9	Tough Critic	7	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 1/2	3 ³ 1/2	7 ⁶ 3/4
1	Blue Pill	3	9 ⁸ 1/2	9 ⁷ 1/2	9 ⁸ 1/2	9 ⁹ 3/4	8 ⁷
6	Six Fortyfive	5	4 ⁴	4 ³	3 ² 1/2	6 ⁴ 1/4	9 ⁸ 1/2

Trainers: 4 - De Paz, Horacio; 7 - Englehart, Chris; 5 - Clement, Miguel; 8 - Weaver, George; 2 - Tagg, Barclay; 3 - Begg, James; 9 - Weaver, George; 1 - Ferraro, James; 6 - Dini, Michael

Owners: 4 - Chalk Racing; 7 - Wachtel Stable and Begleiter, Steven; 5 - West Point Thoroughbreds and CJ Stables; 8 - Blue Bird Stables; 2 - Two Lions Farm; 3 - Dixie Partners LLC; 9 - Brockley, Thomas, Brockley, Daryn A., Dew Sweepers and R. A. Hill Stable; 1 - Tri-Bone Stables; 6 - Dini, Michael and Follmer, John;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

ENGLISH CASTLE established the front shortly after the break and showed the way in hand along the inside uncontested and patiently handled until roused taking the two path into upper stretch, edged away under a drive to the eighth pole, held well and clear to the finish kept to task. OAT COUTOUR settled tracking the front just off the inside from mid pack, remained on hold until set down angled six wide into upper stretch, offered up a mild kick. WILLPOWERED unhurried just off the inside settling near the rear of the field, came under coaxing nearing the quarter pole and went seven wide into upper stretch, kicked on belatedly to the finish. NEWLYN tracked the pace along the inside patiently handled until let out spinning just off the inside into upper stretch and kept on to the wire. INSPEIGHTOFCHARLIE saved ground in pursuit from mid pack, remained on hold until roused angled five wide at the top of the stretch, dug in under a drive and made no headway through to the end. JOE WEST coaxed from the gate, chased along the inside near the rear of the field, got asked spinning just off the inside into upper stretch, offered no response. TOUGH CRITIC raced three then two wide in closest aim of the leader coming under encouragement with five-sixteenths to go, spun three wide for home, weakened in the late stages. BLUE PILL saved ground at the tail of the field, came under urging three furlongs from home, went ten to eleven wide at the head of the stretch, made no impact. SIX FORTYFIVE tracked the leader just off the inside from just off the pace, came under a ride with five-sixteenths remaining and tipped four wide into upper stretch, then weakened in the drive.

