

**BELMONT AT THE BIG A - June 27, 2026 - Race 5**

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

OUTER TURF (UP TO \$8,352 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES.

Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Claiming Price \$40,000 (1.5% Aftercare Assessment Due At Time Of Claim Otherwise Claim Will Be Void). (Rail at 24 feet). (NW2 L) **Claiming Price:** \$40,000

**Distance:** Six Furlongs On The Outer turf **Current Track Record:** (Outlaw Kid - 1:06.73 - July 4, 2024)

**Purse:** \$48,000

**Available Money:** \$48,000

**Value of Race:** \$48,000 1st \$26,400, 2nd \$9,600, 3rd \$5,760, 4th \$2,880, 5th \$1,920, 6th \$1,440

**Weather:** Showery, 74° **Track:** Firm

**Off at:** 3:18 **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	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
10Sep25 <sup>6</sup> KD <sup>7</sup>	8	After Taxes (IRE) (Davis, Dylan)	126	L	6	5	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup>	1 <sup>3/4</sup>	0.87*	chased 4-2w, held safe
19Jun26 <sup>8</sup> BAQ <sup>6</sup>	5	Middle Market (Rodriguez, Jaime)	126	L b	4	6	6	6	4 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	9.09	5w upper, closed well
25May26 <sup>9</sup> BAQ <sup>5</sup>	6	Slay Sadie Slay (Franco, Manuel)	121	L b	5	1	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>3/4</sup>	9.86	in hand 3-2w, kept on
14Jun26 <sup>5</sup> BAQ <sup>7</sup>	1	Hong Kong Phooey (Zayas, Edgard)	121	L	1	3	4 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	19.58	5w uppr,bid, flattened
25May26 <sup>9</sup> BAQ <sup>3</sup>	4	Sports Hero (Lezcano, Jose)	126	L	3	2	5 <sup>2</sup>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	6	5 <sup>Head</sup>	7.71	6w uppr, no response
5Jun26 <sup>7</sup> CD <sup>8</sup>	2	Archimedes (Carmouche, Kendrick)	121	L b	2	4	2 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1/2</sup>	6	2.29	hustled st, weakened

**Fractional Times:** 22.77 45.33 57.03


**Final Time:** 1:09.05 **Time from Gate:** 1:10.38

**Split Times:** (22:56) (11:70) (12:02)

**Run-Up:** 20 feet **Temporary Rail:** 24 feet

**Winner:** After Taxes (IRE), Bay Gelding, by =Kodiak (GB) out of =Jeva (IRE), by =Sea The Stars (IRE). Foaled Jan 20, 2022 in Ireland.

**Breeder:** John Yarr

**Owner:** Stroud, Will, Smart Choice Stable and Ocean Reef Racing 

**Trainer:** Ward, Wesley

**1 Claimed Horse(s):** After Taxes (IRE)

New Trainer: Bruce R. Brown

New Owner: The Luchncup Syndicate

**Claiming Prices:** 8 - After Taxes (IRE): \$40,000; 5 - Middle Market: \$40,000; 6 - Slay Sadie Slay: \$40,000; 1 - Hong Kong Phooey: \$40,000; 4 - Sports Hero: \$40,000; 2 - Archimedes: \$40,000;

**Scratched Horse(s):** Solomini's World (RegVet-Injured), Swaging (PrivVet-Illness), Toga d'Oro (Main-Track-Only)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$285,465

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
8	After Taxes (IRE)	3.74	2.70	2.10	\$1.00 Pick 3	4-7-8 (3 correct)	114.00	25,486
5	Middle Market		5.38	3.58	\$0.50 Pick 4	4-2/4/5-7-3/7/8/9 (4 correct)	121.97	107,241
6	Slay Sadie Slay			3.82	\$0.50 Pick 5	3-4-2/4/5-7-3/7/8/9 (5 correct)	847.52	307,632
					\$1.00 Daily Double	7-8	33.38	30,918
					\$1.00 Exacta	8-5	8.51	196,211
					\$0.10 Superfecta	8-5-6-1	25.93	52,871
					\$0.50 Trifecta	8-5-6	24.78	91,659

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
8	After Taxes (IRE)	5	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>3/4</sup>
5	Middle Market	6	6 <sup>5</sup>	6 <sup>4 3/4</sup>	4 <sup>4</sup>	2 <sup>3/4</sup>
6	Slay Sadie Slay	1	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>
1	Hong Kong Phooey	3	4 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>3 3/4</sup>
4	Sports Hero	2	5 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>5 1/2</sup>
2	Archimedes	4	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>5</sup>	6 <sup>5 1/2</sup>

**Trainers:** 8 - Ward, Wesley; 5 - Arenas, Marcelo; 6 - Dutrow, Jr., Richard; 1 - Rodriguez, Rudy; 4 - Ryerson, James; 2 - Maker, Michael

**Owners:** 8 - Stroud, Will, Smart Choice Stable and Ocean Reef Racing; 5 -Marcelo Arenas; 6 -Dennis Narlinger; 1 - Rodriguez, Rudy R. and Imperio, Michael; 4 - Stonybrook Farm Trust and Potash, Edward C.; 2 - Paradise Farms Corp., Staudacher, David, Carlesimo, Angelo and P Shooter Stable;

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

AFTER TAXES (IRE) broke out at the start, chased four paths off the inside down the backstretch and then just off the inside through the turn coming under coaxing near the quarter pole, swung three to four wide into upper stretch, rallied to take command just inside the eighth pole, edged clear briefly inside that station, then held safe to the finish. MIDDLE MARKET chased three then two wide coming under a ride near the quarter pole, angled five wide into upper stretch, closed well to latch on the top one as he hit the wire. SLAY SADIE SLAY vied briefly with a pair of rivals before taking sole command with nine-sixteenths to go and showed the way three then two wide before tucking inside through the turn, remained patiently handled until roused cutting the corner into upper stretch, dug in under threat and was collared just inside the eighth pole, kept on to the finish to preserve the show honors on the line. HONG KONG PHOOEY coaxed from the start, vied early on before chasing along the inside and then just off the inside under a ride from three furlongs out, angled five wide into upper stretch, offered up a bid a furlong out, then flattened out in the very late stages. SPORTS HERO chased three wide patiently handled until let out angled six wide into upper stretch and offered no response. ARCHIMEDES hustled from the start, vied early on with a pair of rivals before chasing two to three paths off the rail, tucked inside through the turn and was coaxed along from the three-eighths marker, spun just off the inside into upper stretch and weakened.