

BELMONT AT THE BIG A - October 11, 2025 - Race 5

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price \$20,000 (1.5% Aftercare Assessment Due At Time Of Claim Otherwise Claim Will Be Void). **Claiming Price:** \$20,000

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Kelly Kip - 1:07.54 - April 10, 1999)

Purse: \$35,000

Available Money: \$35,000

Value of Race: \$35,000 1st \$19,250, 2nd \$7,000, 3rd \$4,200, 4th \$2,100, 5th \$1,400, 6th \$350, 7th \$350, 8th \$350

Weather: Showery, 62° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 2:18 **Start:** Good for all except 5,6 **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
13Apr24 ⁴ KEE ⁴	4	Shadow Surge (Franco, Manuel)	124	L b	4	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/4}	2.51	ins,repelled bid,drvng
12Sep25 ⁵ CNL ⁴	8	Volunteer Fireman (Marin, Samuel) <small>VA CERTIFIED</small>	121	L bf	8	1	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ²	2 ^{4 1/2}	2 ⁵	6.88	pressed,bid3w,2nd best
30May25 ³ GP ⁴	2	How About It (Elliott, Christopher)	121	L b	2	3	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ³	3 ²	16.33	ins,swung4w,best rest
14Sep25 ³ BAQ ²	3	Seeker's Hope (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	121	L b	3	4	5 ^{4 1/2}	5 ⁴	5 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{Nose}	4.92	bmpd1/2,3-5p,6w upper
14Sep25 ³ BAQ ³	7	Nice Try Riley (Gomez, Jose)	121	L bf	7	6	4 ^{1/2}	4 ³	4 ^{Head}	5 ^{3 1/2}	5.83	bmpd1/2,4p,5w uppr,wkn
27Aug25 ⁶ SAR ⁴	5	Noguchi (Lezcano, Jose)	121	L	5	7	7 ³	6 ^{Head}	6 ³	6 ^{2 1/2}	2.04*	stumbled brk,3-4p turn
8May25 ¹ BAQ ⁴	6	Natural Hunk (Hernandez Moreno, Omar)	124	L b	6	8	8	8	8	7 ^{3 1/4}	31.06	took up brk,wide trip
14Sep25 ³ BAQ ⁴	1	Remember the Chief (Silvera, Ruben)	124	L b	1	5	6 ^{Head}	7 ⁴	7 ^{1/2}	8	20.58	ins-2p turn,no menace

Fractional Times: 22.49 45.15 57.11

Final Time: 1:09.88

Split Times: (22:66) (11:96) (12:77)

Run-Up: 50 feet

Winner: Shadow Surge, Chestnut Gelding, by Speightstown out of Diplomatic Miss, by Violence. Foaled Apr 02, 2021 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Machmer Hall

Owner: Repole Stable and R. A. Hill Stable

Trainer: Weaver, George

1 Claimed Horse(s): Shadow Surge New Trainer: Ilkay Kantarmaci New Owner: John J. Witte

Voided Claims: Noguchi(Vet)

Claiming Prices: 4 - Shadow Surge: \$20,000; 8 - Volunteer Fireman: \$20,000; 2 - How About It: \$20,000; 3 - Seeker's Hope: \$20,000; 7 - Nice Try Riley: \$20,000; 5 - Noguchi: \$20,000; 6 - Natural Hunk: \$20,000; 1 - Remember the Chief: \$20,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$248,967

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Shadow Surge	7.02	3.54	2.96	\$1.00 Pick 3	7-2-4 (3 correct)	24.98	41,739
8	Volunteer Fireman		8.10	5.72	\$0.50 Pick 4	6-7-1/2/7-4 (4 correct)	97.98	91,773
2	How About It			10.00	\$0.50 Pick 5	1/4-6-7-1/2/7-4 (5 correct)	272.71	309,510
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-4	9.66	37,651
					\$1.00 Exacta	4-8	28.42	233,578
					\$0.10 Superfecta	4-8-2-3	167.62	73,798
					\$0.50 Trifecta	4-8-2	172.48	111,299

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
4	Shadow Surge	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/4}
8	Volunteer Fireman	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/4}
2	How About It	3	3 ²	3 ²	3 ^{4 1/2}	3 ^{6 1/4}
3	Seeker's Hope	4	5 ³	5 ^{6 1/2}	5 ^{7 3/4}	4 ^{8 1/4}
7	Nice Try Riley	6	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{7 1/2}	5 ^{8 1/4}
5	Noguchi	7	7 ^{1/2}	6 ^{10 1/2}	6 ^{11 1/4}	6 ^{11 3/4}
6	Natural Hunk	8	8 ^{10 1/2}	8 ^{14 3/4}	8 ^{14 3/4}	7 ^{14 1/4}
1	Remember the Chief	5	6 ^{7 1/2}	7 ^{10 3/4}	7 ^{14 1/4}	8 ^{17 1/2}

Trainers: 4 - Weaver, George; 8 - Ryan, Derek; 2 - Brown, Bruce; 3 - Hennig, Mark; 7 - Bartkowski, Lisa; 5 - Rice, Linda; 6 - Johnston, Robert; 1 - Quick, Patrick

Owners: 4 - Repole Stable and R. A. Hill Stable; 8 - Atlantic Six Racing LLC; 2 - Our Sugar Bear Stable LLC; 3 - Lewis, R. Lee, Lewis, Ryan and Lewis, Anthony; 7 - WellSpring Stables; 5 -Ronald P. Stewart; 6 -Bruno Schickedanz; 1 - Metro Racing Stables and Caputo, John;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

SHADOW SURGE set a pressured pace along the inside, moved out to the two path midway on the turn and then was headed nearing the bend while back on the inside, was put to a stiff drive and responded well repelling that bid leaving the furlong marker and edging clear in the final sixteenth to prove best. VOLUNTEER FIREMAN pressed the pace on the outside of the winner from the outset, then made a three wide bid on the turn to go on even terms nearing the quarter pole, gained a short lead leaving the three sixteenths but that rival responded well and came back to edge away in the final sixteenth and had to settle for being clearly second best. HOW ABOUT IT tracked the leaders on the inside, swung out four wide leaving the turn but faded while besting the others. SEEKER'S HOPE chased the early pace and moved out nearing the half mile marker and bumped NICE TRY RILEY, then was three to five wide on the turn and came six wide into the lane and weakened. NICE TRY RILEY chased the pace from the outside and was bumped by a rival by the half mile marker, four wide on the turn and came five wide off the bend and weakened. NOGUCHI stumbled at the break, reserved and was three wide on the turn and came four wide by the quarter pole but was not a threat. NATURAL HUNK took up at the start then was outrun while wide on the turn and never factored. REMEMBER THE CHIEF was reserved on the inside and raced two wide on the turn and never menaced.

