BELMONT AT THE BIG A - October 25, 2025 - Race 2

STAKES Hudson S. Black Type - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD FOALED IN NEW YORK STATE AND APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE-BRED REGISTRY. Lasix not allowed within 48 hours of post time pursuant to HISA Rule 4212. By subscription of \$200 each which should accompany the nomination; \$1,000 to pass the entry box and an additional \$1,000 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental nomination payment of \$1,000 in addition to the entry and starting fees may be made at any time prior to the closing of entries. Three Year Olds: 122 lbs. Older: 125 lbs. Non-winners of a Sweepstakes in 2025 allowed 2 lbs.; of three races other than maiden, claiming, or starter allowed 4 lbs. A trophy will be presented to the winning owner. Closed Saturday, October 11, 2025 with 17 Nominations. (S)

Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt Current Track Record: (Baby Yoda - 1:13.86 - June 13, 2025)

Purse: \$200,000 Guaranteed Available Money: \$200,000

Value of Race: \$200,000 1st \$110,000, 2nd \$40,000, 3rd \$24,000, 4th \$12,000, 5th \$8,000, 6th \$2,000, 7th \$2,000, 8th \$2,000

Weather: Clear, 57° Track: Fast

Off at: 12:43 Start: Good for all Timing Method: Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
19Sep25 8PID6	5	The Wine Steward (Santana, Jr., Ricardo) @obs	125	b	5	3	2 ¹	2 ¹	2^3	1 ^{2 1/4}	1.26*	3w pursuit, edged clr
20Sep25 9BAQ1	4	Vettriano (Carmouche, Kendrick)	123		4	4	11 1/2	11	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Neck}	3.90	in hand inside, ran on
18Oct25 ² BAQ ²	8	Acoustic Ave (Davis, Dylan) 💎 obs	123	b	8	1	6 ³	6 ^{3 1/2}	4 ¹	3 ^{Neck}	2.52	5-6w upper, mild kick
5Sep25 3CNL1	7	Grand Opening (Alvarado, Junior)	123	b	7	2	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ¹	10.13	4-3w pursuit, kept on
20Sep25 9BAQ3	3	Caldo Candy (Rivera, Jr., Luis)	121	b	3	5	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ⁴	5 ^{4 1/4}	14.78	chased 2p, no headway
27Sep25 3BAQ2	2	Locke and Key (Lezcano, Jose)	123	٧	2	7	8	7 ^{1/2}	7 ¹	6 ¹	25.32	5w upper, no impact
20Aug25 ⁴ SAR ⁵	6	Jackson Heights (Rodriguez, Jaime)	123	b	6	8	7 ²	8	8	$7^{3\ 3/4}$	37.90	7w upper, no impact
22Sep25 ⁴ FL ¹	1	Hit the Post (Elliott, Christopher)	125		1	6	3 ^{Head}	4 ^{1/2}	6 ^{1/2}	8	21.43	chased inside, tired

Fractional Times: 22.46 45.20 1:08.71 Final Time: 1:14.80

Split Times: (22:74) (23:51) (6:09)

Run-Up: 65 feet

Winner: The Wine Steward, Bay Colt, by Vino Rosso out of Call to Service, by To Honor and Serve. Foaled Feb 16, 2021 in New York.

Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift

Breeder: Sequel Thoroughbreds LLC, Lakland Farm& Mark Toothaker

Owner: Staudacher, David and Paradise Farms Corp.

Trainer: Maker, Michael

Total WPS Pool: \$194,751

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	The Wine Steward	4.52	2.86	2.38	\$1.00 Daily Double	1-5	4.70	96,657
4	Vettriano		4.14	2.82	\$1.00 Exacta	5-4	11.26	160,130
8	Acoustic Ave			2.36	\$1.00 Quinella	4-5	6.83	9,149
					\$0.10 Superfecta	5-4-8-7	6.17	46,898
					\$0.50 Trifecta	5-4-8	9.73	75.486

Past Performance Running Line Preview

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Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	
5	The Wine Steward	3	21 1/2	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	12 1/4	
4	Vettriano	4	1 1 1/2	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{2 1/4}	
8	Acoustic Ave	1	6 ^{4 1/2}	6 ⁴	$4^{3 1/2}$	3 ^{2 1/2}	
7	Grand Opening	2	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ²	3^3	4 ^{2 3/4}	
3	Caldo Candy	5	5 ³	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/2}	5 ^{3 3/4}	
2	Locke and Key	7	8 ^{9 1/2}	7 ^{7 1/2}	7 ⁹	6 ⁸	
6	Jackson Heights	8	7 ⁷ 1/2	8 ⁸	8 ¹⁰	7 ⁹	
1	Hit the Post	6	3 ^{2 1/2}	4 ²	6 ^{8 1/2}	8 ^{12 3/4}	

Trainers: 5 - Maker, Michael; 4 - Rice, Linda; 8 - Rice, Linda; 7 - Bailes, W.; 3 - Bond, H. James; 2 - Ryerson, James; 6 - Kantarmaci, Ilkay; 1 - Giddings,

Owners: 5 - Staudacher, David and Paradise Farms Corp.; 4 - Lady Sheila Stable, Stroud, Will, Leidel, Peter and Radcliffe, Kerri; 8 - A. Bianco Holding Limited: 7 - WWCD, LLC: 3 - Avanti Stable: 2 - Backwards Stable: 6 - Zilla Racing Stables, Black Jack Racing, LLC and Acqua Nova Stable: 1 -

Old Tavern Farm, LLC;

Footnotes | View Glossary Of Terms

THE WINE STEWARD coaxed from the gate, chased three wide coming under coaxing near the quarter pole and continued three wide into upper stretch, rallied to wear down the leader taking command just outside the sixteenth marker, then edged clear to the finish. VETTRIANO showed the way in hand along the inside patiently handled until set down spinning from the two path into upper stretch, took to the rail straightened away, dug in under a drive and was caught near the sixteenth marker, then ran on to just hold the place honors over a pair of rivals on the line. ACOUSTIC AVE chased four to five paths off the inside down the backstretch, tucked three wide briefly at the nine-sixteenths before heading inside into the turn, angled five to six wide into upper stretch set down for the drive, offered up a mild kick to secure the show honors. GRAND OPENING four then three wide in pursuit, came under encouragement at the five-sixteenths, swung four wide into upper stretch, kept on to the finish. CALDO CANDY chased just off the inside coming under urging three furlongs out, spun two to three wide into upper stretch, made no headway. LOCKE AND KEY coaxed from the gate, chased just off the inside and then along the inside under a ride from the seven-sixteenths, angled five wide into upper stretch and made no impact. JACKSON HEIGHTS chased four to five paths off the inside down the backstretch and then three wide through the turn coming under urging at the three-eighths pole, went seven wide into upper stretch and made no impact. HIT THE POST coaxed from the start, chased along the inside coming under encouragement three furlongs from home, cornered just off the inside into upper stretch, took to the rail straightened away and tired.

