

**TENTH RACE**  
**Belmont Park**  
 May 27th, 2013

1 MILE. (1.321) STAKES. Purse \$750,000 METROPOLITAN H. (GRADE I) A HANDICAP FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. No nomination fee. \$7,500 to pass the entry box. A supplemental nomination fee of \$15,000 in addition to the entry fee can be made at any time prior to the publication of weights. All starters including supplemental nominees to receive a \$4,000 rebate. The purse will be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth and 2% divided equally among remaining finishers. Any horse that competes in both the Westchester Handicap and the Metropolitan Handicap will have their entry fee waived for the Metropolitan. Trophies will be presented to the winning owner, trainer and jockey. Closed Saturday, May 11, 2013 with 36 Nominations. (Clear 70)

Value of Race: \$750,000 Winner \$450,000; second \$150,000; third \$75,000; fourth \$37,500; fifth \$22,500; sixth \$3,750; seventh \$3,750; eighth \$3,750; ninth \$3,750. Mutuel Pool \$748,135 Pick 3 Pool \$128,709 Pick 4 Pool \$714,138 Daily Double Pool \$172,222 Exacta Pool \$536,540 Superfecta Pool \$181,227 Trifecta Pool \$321,571

Last Raced	#	Horse	M/Eqt.	A/S	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1		
06Apr13	10	Aqu <sup>2</sup>	7	Sahara Sky	L b	5H	120	7	7	9	9	6 <sup>1</sup>	31½	1 <sup>no</sup>	Rosario J	4.80
27Apr13	9	Bel <sup>2</sup>	1	Cross Traffic	L	4C	117	1	9	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>hd</sup>	11½	23½	Velazquez J R	2.90	
27Apr13	9	Bel <sup>1</sup>	6	Flat Out	L	7H	120	6	4	8 <sup>4</sup>	8 <sup>6</sup>	5½	4 <sup>2</sup>	31½	Alvarado J	2.50
30Mar13	8	FG <sup>2</sup>	3	Mark Valeski	L	4C	117	3	6	5½	51½	22½	2 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>6</sup>	Napravnik R	5.60
06Apr13	6	SA <sup>2</sup>	9	Fed Biz	L	4C	117	9	3	6¾	6½	7½	6½	5½	Smith M E	10.70
06Apr13	10	Aqu <sup>4</sup>	4	Fort Loudon	L b	4C	117	4	2	31½	4½	4½	5½	6 <sup>1</sup>	Lezcano J	23.90
06Apr13	10	Aqu <sup>1</sup>	5	Swagger Jack	L f	5H	118	5	5	7½	7 <sup>hd</sup>	8 <sup>4</sup>	8 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>no</sup>	Ortiz, Jr. I	14.20
04May13	9	CD <sup>4</sup>	8	Handsome Mike	L bf	4C	116	8	1	2 <sup>1</sup>	21½	3 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup>	8 <sup>9</sup>	Gutierrez M	34.75
06Apr13	10	Aqu <sup>3</sup>	2	Discreet Dancer	L	4C	117	2	8	4 <sup>hd</sup>	3 <sup>hd</sup>	9	9	9	Castellano J	7.70

OFF AT 5:49 Start Good. Won driving. Track Fast.

TIME :222, :444, 1:091, 1:34 (22.40, :44.88, 1:09.20, 1:34.17)

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

7- SAHARA SKY .....	11.60	6.00	3.80
1- CROSS TRAFFIC .....		5.10	3.40
6- FLAT OUT .....			2.80

\$2 EXACTA 7-1 PAID \$77.00 \$2 SUPERFACTA 7-1-6-3 PAID \$663.00

\$2 TRIFECTA 7-1-6 PAID \$189.50

Dark Bay or Brown Horse, (Mar), by Pleasant Tap - Seeking the Sky by Storm Cat. Trainer Hollendorfer Jerry. Bred by Martin Stables Inc.(FL).

SAHARA SKY was placed at a slight distance from off the rail after leaving the starting gate, loped along proceeding down the backstretch, was put to some urging and started to pick up the pace during the later stages of the run around the bend, fanned five wide into the stretch, got straightened away and began to close in with good energy on the leader, drifted out in the vicinity of the sixteenth pole while being put to a steady diet of left handed stick work, continued onward with good courage and got the head down in time at the finish line to prevail. CROSS TRAFFIC broke inward, was put to some very light hand urging and worked his way to the top, took up residence in the two path, cutting the pace while being rated along, was put to a stiff test by MARK VALESKI approaching the end of the bend, got let out in response, staved that foe off, felt the winner's presence in the late stages, dug in with good determination, but got nipped at the wire, losing the bob. FLAT OUT unhurried from off the inside for the opening six furlongs, picked up the pace leaving the five-sixteenths pole, angled three wide into the stretch and was put to a strong drive, mustered up a mild response to take the show. MARK VALESKI unhurried during the opening stages, was well off the rail departing the backstretch, tipped onto the overland route midway on the turn and took it briefly to move past a tiring rival, retucked into the four path at the five-sixteenths pole and unleashed a bold run from that station to turn for home fully latched on to CROSS TRAFFIC, got rebuffed travelling through the furlong grounds and weakened late. FED BIZ strung out in the overland route on the turn, folded. FORT LOUDON put to hand urging in the very early stages, was sent into the pocket before reaching the half mile pole, kept pace for almost six furlongs and faltered. SWAGGER JACK was guided over to the inside before reaching the end of the backstretch, remained along the rail before squeezing his way into the two path in the vicinity of the five-sixteenths pole, trying to elude being shuffled at that juncture, was forced to check when bottled up in traffic nearing the quarter pole, losing some ground and momentum, angled outward shortly afterwards, failed to fire. HANDSOME MIKE prompted the pacesetter from the three path, was put to some encouragement halfway around the turn to keep pace, remained in range for the rest of the way to the quarter pole then backed away. DISCREET DANCER was taken hold after ducking inward sharply at the start, rushed up into a forward position, achieving the goal under his own power, chased the front runners three to four wide during the initial stages of the run around the turn, having been asked for run from the half mile pole, fell back steadily and gave way.

**Owners-** 7, Hollendorfer, Jerry and Lloyd, Kim ; 1, GoldMark Farm, LLC ; 6, Preston Stables LLC ; 3, Jones Brereton C.; 9, Kaleem Shah, Inc. ; 4, Brei Fred J.; 5, Silverton Hill LLC ; 8, Reddam Racing LLC ; 2, E. Paul Robsham Stables LLC

**Trainers-** 7, Hollendorfer Jerry ; 1, Pletcher Todd A.; 6, Mott William I.; 3, Jones J. Larry; 9, Baffert Bob ; 4, Zito Nicholas P.; 5, Wolfson Martin D.; 8, O'Neill Doug F.; 2, Pletcher Todd A.

**Breeders-** 7, Martin Stables Inc. (FL); 1, Diamond A Racing Corp. (KY); 6, Nikolaus Bock (FL); 3, Brereton C. Jones (KY); 9, Colts Neck Stables LLC (KY); 4, Jacks or Better Farm Inc. (FL); 5, Edward P. Evans (VA); 8, John Liviakis (KY); 2, E. Paul Robsham Stable, LLC (FL)

\$2 Daily Double (5-7) Paid \$31.00; Daily Double Pool \$172,222.

\$2 Pick Three (2-5-7) Paid \$205.00; Pick Three Pool \$128,709.

\$2 Pick Four (2-2-5-7) Paid \$810.00; Pick Four Pool \$714,138.

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