

111th RUNNING—1979—COASTAL

EIGHTH RACE Belmont JUNE 3, 1979

1 1/2 MILES. (2:24) 111th Running THE BELMONT STAKES. \$200,000 added. (Grade I). 3-year-olds. By subscription of \$100 each to accompany the nomination; \$1,000 to pass the entry box; \$2,000 to start. A supplementary nomination may be made of \$5,000 on Wednesday June 6, an additional \$15,000 to start, with \$200,000 added of which 60% to the winner, 22% to second, 12% to third and 6% to fourth. Colts and Geldings, 126 lbs. Fillies, 121 lbs.

The winning owner will be presented with the August Belmont Memorial Cup to be retained for one year, as well as a trophy for permanent possession and trophies will be presented to the winning trainer and jockey. Closed Wednesday, February 15, 1979 with 260 nominations.) Closed with one Supplementary, Coastal.

Value of race \$259,000, value to winner \$161,400, second \$58,100, third \$32,200, fourth \$16,140. Mutuel pool \$1,179,073. Minus show pool \$19,500.81, OTB pool \$972,538. OTB Minus Show Pool \$23,204.18.

Last Raced	Horse	EqL	A	Wt	PP	1/4	1/2	3/4	1	1 1/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds 1/2
27May 79	#Bel ¹	(S)	Coastal	3	126	7	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Hernandez R	4.40
19May 79	#Pim ²		Golden Act	3	126	6	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	2nd	Hawley S	10.10
19May 79	#Pim ¹		Spectacular Bid	3	126	3	2 1/2	2 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	2 1/2	3 1/2	Franklin R J	.30
19May 79	#Pim ³		Screen King	3	126	4	7 1/2	7 1/2	6 1/2	5 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	Asmussen C B	21.30
28May 79	#Key ⁴	b	King Celebrity	3	126	1	6 1/2	6 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	Nied J Jr	90.90
26May 79	#Bel ¹		Gallant Best	3	126	5	1 1/2	1 1/2	3 1/2	6 1/2	7 1/2	6 1/2	Martens G	85.60
19May 79	#Pim ⁵		General Assembly	3	126	2	3 1/2	3 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	6 1/2	7 1/2	Cordero A Jr	12.80
20May 79	#Aqu ⁵		Mystic Era	3	126	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	Velasquez J	96.00

(S) Supplementary nomination.

OFF AT 5:39 EDT. Start good. Won driving. Time, :23%, :47%, 1:11%, 1:36, 2:02%, 2:28%, Track fast.

\$2 Mutuel Prices:

3-(I)-COASTAL	_____	10.00	4.00	2.10
8-(H)-GOLDEN ACT	_____		5.40	2.10
5-(E)-SPECTACULAR BID	_____			2.10

Ch. c. by Majestic Prince—Alruval, by Buckpasser. Trainer Whiteley David A. Bred by Claiborne Farm (Ky).

COASTAL, never far back while under light restraint, moved to the inside racing into the far turn, got through inside GENERAL ASSEMBLY to loom a threat entering the stretch, took over from SPECTACULAR BID while continuing along the inside near the final furlong and drew away under right-handed urging. GOLDEN ACT, unhurried early, rallied from the outside leaving the far turn and continued on with good courage to wear down SPECTACULAR BID for the place while no match for the winner. SPECTACULAR BID, away in good order, went after GALLANT BEST while racing well out from the rail nearing the backstretch, took over before going five furlongs, held a clear advantage into the stretch while continuing a bit wide and weakened under pressure. SCREEN KING, devoid of early foot, moved within striking distance midway of the far turn but lacked a further response. KING CELEBRITY was always outrun. GALLANT BEST tired badly from his early efforts. GENERAL ASSEMBLY, reserved behind the leaders into the backstretch, made a run along the inside at the far turn, drifted out slightly nearing the stretch and had nothing left for the drive. MYSTIC ERA wasn't able to keep up.

Owners—1, Perry W H; 2, Marino Beach Stable; 3, Hawksworth Farm; 4, Flying Zee Stable; 5, Kaplan M; 6, Sommer Viola; 7, Firestone B R; 8, Festa C Jr.

Trainers—1, Whiteley David A; 2, Rettele Loren; 3, Delp Grover G; 4, Barrera Luis; 5, Taylor Robert J; 6, Martin Frank; 7, Jolley Leroy; 8, Gustines Heliodoro.

Scratched—Quiet Crossing (26May 79 #Be¹³); Picturesque (27May 79 #Be¹⁶).