

**NINTH RACE**  
**Belmont**  
JUNE 5, 1999

**1½ MILES. (2.24) 131st Running of THE BELMONT.** Grade I. Purse \$1,000,000 (plus up to \$72,000 NYSBFOA). 3-year-olds. By subscription of \$600 each to accompany the nomination if made on or before January 16, or \$6,000 if made on or before March 27. \$10,000 to pass the entry box and \$10,000 to start. At any time prior to the closing time of entries, horses may be nominated to The Belmont Stakes upon payment of a supplementary fee of \$100,000 to The New York Racing Association Inc. All supplementary fees will be included in the purse distribution. Horses nominated by payment of a supplementary fee (supplemental nominees) will not be allowed to enter if the maximum number of starters has otherwise been reached prior to the time of closing. All entrants, supplemental or otherwise, will be required to pay entry and starting fees. The purse to be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth and 3% to fifth. Weights: Colts and geldings, 126 lbs. Fillies, 121 lbs. Starters to be named at the closing time of entries. The Belmont field will be limited to sixteen (16) starters. In the event that more than 16 entries pass through entry box at the closing, the starters will be determined at the closing with 50% of the field (8 starters) given preference by accumulating the highest earnings in Graded Stakes (lifetime), including all money paid for performance in such Graded Stakes. The next five (5) starters (approximate 30%) will be determined by accumulating the highest earnings (lifetime) in all races except restricted races (i.e., any stake containing eligibility conditions other than sex and age). The remaining 3 starters (approximate 20%) shall be determined by accumulating the highest earnings (lifetime) in all races. Should this preference produce any ties the additional starter(s) shall be determined by lot. If the rules described result in the exclusion of any horse, the \$10,000 entry fee will be refunded to the owner of said horse. 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 to the winning trainer and jockey. Closed with 396 nominations, and 11 late nominations.

**Value of Race:** \$1,000,000 Winner \$600,000; second \$200,000; third \$110,000; fourth \$60,000; fifth \$30,000. **Mutuel Pool** \$16,306,619. **Exacta Pool** \$9,012,139.0 **Trifecta Pool** \$10,552,147.

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.Wt	PP	1/4	1/2	1	1 1/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1	
23May99 8Bel3	Lemon Drop Kid	L	3	126	6	83 1/2	82	82 1/2	4hd	1 1/2	1hd	Santos J A	29.75
8May99 8Haw1	Vision and Verse	Lb	3	126	2	3hd	4hd	42 1/2	52 1/2	31 1/2	21 1/2	Castillo H Jr	54.75
15May99 10Pim1	Charismatic	L	3	126	4	21	2 1/2	1hd	2hd	34 3/4	Antley C W	1.60	
23May99 8Bel1	Best of Luck	bf	3	126	12	115	119	10 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	4 1/2	Samyn J L	13.00
15May99 10Pim4	Stephen Got Even	L	3	126	11	51 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	2hd	41 1/2	53 1/2	Sellers S J	9.30
15May99 10Pim5	Patience Game	L	3	126	7	6 1/2	71	9hd	81 1/2	75	6no	Desormeaux K J	12.50
14May99 11Pim1	Silverbulletday	L	3	121	3	1hd	1hd	1 1/2	31	51 1/2	77 1/2	Bailey J D	5.10
15May99 10Pim2	Menifee	L	3	126	10	4hd	51	5hd	94 1/2	86	83 1/4	Day P	2.60
8May99 8Haw3	Pineaff	Lb	3	126	5	12	12	12	10 1/2	98		Lejeune S P Jr	60.00
8May99 8Haw2	Prime Directive	Lb	3	126	9	7 1/2	6 1/2	6hd	114	111	10nk	Smith M E	76.00
15Feb99 11GP1	Teletable	f	3	126	1	91	92 1/2	1120	10hd	92	112 1/4	Velazquez J R	75.75
15May99 10Pim6	Adonis	Lbf	3	126	8	106	104 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	12	12	Chavez J F	46.25

**OFF AT 5:29 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.**

**TIME :** :233, :473, 1:12, 1:362, 2:014, 2:274 (:23.79, :47.60, 1:12.08, 1:36.57, 2:01.90, 2:27.88)

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

6—LEMON DROP KID .....	61.50	26.00	10.60
2—VISION AND VERSE .....		44.40	17.00
4—CHARISMATIC .....			3.60

**\$2 EXACTA 6—2 PAID \$1,537.00 \$2 TRIFECTA 6—2—4 PAID \$5,343.00**

**B. c. (May), by Kingmambo—Charming Lassie, by Seattle Slew. Trainer Schulhofer Flint S. Bred by Farish William S & Kilroy William S (Ky).**

LEMON DROP KID rated kindly off the pace while maintaining good striking position, began to move up while racing just off the rail on the far turn, went five wide into the stretch while continuing to rally, came in after gaining command in upper stretch and held gamely to turn back VISION AND VERSE. VISION AND VERSE held close striking position while saving ground, went back to the rail after splitting CHARISMATIC and SILVERBULLETDAY in upper stretch and finished determinedly inside the winner to narrowly miss. CHARISMATIC broke out at the start brushing PINEAFF, applied light pace pressure while outside SILVERBULLETDAY, gained a narrow advantage nearing the stretch, steadied briefly inside LEMON DROP KID when that one took over in upper stretch and continued on gamely to the finish. CHARISMATIC then pulled up abruptly a sixteenth of a mile past the finish, broke down in his left fore and was vanned off. BEST OF LUCK broke slowly and was far off the early pace, moved up in the four to five path around the far turn and rallied mildly without seriously threatening. STEPHEN GOT EVEN raced in close attendance to the pace while in the four path, challenged for command three wide around the far turn, remained prominent to upper stretch and tired. PATIENCE GAME, with the easy striking distance in the three path around the first turn, fell back nearing the far turn and never mounted a rally. SILVERBULLETDAY took command early on the first turn, saved ground setting the pace under light pressure and gave way soon after turning for home. MENIFEY well placed between horses early, backed off midway down the backstretch and tired after entering the far turn. PINEAFF, brushed by CHARISMATIC at the start, was a distant trailer to the stretch and found his best stride way too late while finishing inside. PRIME DIRECTIVE, within striking distance early while four wide around the first turn, tired badly. TELETABLE rated off the early pace, came off the rail after entering the backstretch, offered mild bid in the four path nearing the far turn, gave way and was not abused in the stretch. ADONIS well off the early pace while in the three path around the first turn, lodged a bid four wide around the far turn, but was finished entering the stretch.

**Owners**—1, Vance Jeanne G; 2, Lunsford W B; 3, Robert B Lewis & Beverly J Lewis; 4, Bohemia Stable; 5, Hilbert Stephen C; 6, bin Salman Ahmed; 7, Pegram Michael E; 8, Hancock III Arthur B & Stone James; 9, Monroe Joyce & Roy K; 10, Carpenito Noreen; 11, Perez Robert; 12, Paraneck Stable

**Trainers**—1, Schulhofer Flint S; 2, Mott William I; 3, Lukas D Wayne; 4, Jerkens H Allen; 5, Zito Nicholas P; 6, Hassinger Alex L Jr; 7, Baffert Bob; 8, Walden W Elliott; 9, McPeek Kenneth G; 10, Byrne Patrick B; 11, Callejas Alfredo; 12, Zito Nicholas P