ELEVENTH RACE

Saratoga

AUGUST 1, 2026

5½ FURLONGS. (Turf) (.59⁴) ALLOWANCE . Purse $105,000 FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD FOALED IN NEW YORK STATE AND APPROVED BY THE NEW YORK STATE–BRED REGISTRY WHICH HAVE NEVER WON $22,000 OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OR STARTER OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. (Non–Starters For A Claiming Price Of $35,000 Or Less In The Last 3 Starts Preferred). (If the Stewards consider it inadvisable to run this race on the turf course, this race will run at Five and One Half Furlongs on the Main Track). (Rail at 27 feet).

Value of Race: $105,000 Winner $57,750; second $21,000; third $12,600; fourth $6,300; fifth $4,200; sixth $788; seventh $788; eighth $788; ninth $786. Mutuel Pool $907,002.00 Exacta Pool $735,680.00 Trifecta Pool $359,540.00 Superfecta Pool $185,644.00 Grand Slam Pool $80,125.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	⅜	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
11Jun26 1SA1	Dakota Country	L b	5	126	9	7	7¹	7²	4½	1hd	Ortiz I Jr	2.43
9Jly26 8Sar2	Joker On Fire	L	4	126	2	6	6³	5hd	3½	2no	Lezcano J	3.51
20Jun26 7BAQ2	Illmatic	L	3	122	1	3	3½	41½	6hd	32¼	Prat F	2.46
4Jly26 6Sar11	Van Vollenhoven	L	5	126	4	1	4¹	3hd	1hd	4hd	Davis D	12.22
4Jly26 6Sar2	Rhyton	L	4	126	7	5	5½	6²	5hd	52¼	Santana R Jr	8.68
29Jun26 3FL1	Blamicker	L f	4	126	5	4	1¹	1¹	2hd	6½	Carmouche K	18.49
4Jly26 6Sar8	Diliello	L	3	122	8	8	8²	82½	82½	7²	Alvarado J	38.64
4Jly26 6Sar3	Mozambique	L b	4	126	3	9	9	9	9	8½	Rodriguez J	23.20
4Jly26 6Sar7	King Puck	L b	5	126	6	2	2½	2¹	72½	9	Ortiz J L	9.84

OFF AT 6:24 Start Good For All But DILIELLO. Won driving. Course firm.

TIME :22³, :46, :57³, 1:03³ (:22.60, :46.06, :57.65, 1:03.63)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

9 – DAKOTA COUNTRY	**6.86**	**3.60**	**2.94**
2 – JOKER ON FIRE		**4.22**	**3.00**
1 – ILLMATIC			**2.98**

$1 EXACTA 9–2 PAID $13.02 50 CENT TRIFECTA 9–2–1 PAID $15.37 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 9–2–1–4 PAID $25.52

B. g, (May), by Mucho Macho Man – Dakota Kid , by Lemon Drop Kid . Trainer Hess R B Jr. Bred by Ronald L Bowden Living Trust (NY).

DAKOTA COUNTRY chased two to three paths off the inside down the backstretch, tucked inside into the turn and came under coaxing near the quarter pole, went eight wide into upper stretch, dug in under a drive rallying through the final furlong knocking heads late with JOKER ON FIRE and was just up on the wire. JOKER ON FIRE broke out at the start trading a bump with MOZAMBIQUE, chased along the inside coming under coaxing near the quarter pole, angled five wide into upper stretch, rallied to take command just inside the eighth pole, dug in head to head with the top one late and was nailed on the line. ILLMATIC tracked the pace along the inside continuing along the inside route into upper stretch, paused in behind the leader BLAMICKER with KING PUCK to his outside with nowhere to go but remain boxed along the rail until gaining clearance just inside the eighth pole, tipped out roused for the remainder of the stretch and closed with a rush to just miss for the it all at the end. VAN VOLLENHOVEN two to three wide in pursuit from just off the pace, came under a ride near the quarter pole and spun three wide into upper stretch, rallied to take command at the eighth pole, got displaced just inside that station, then weakened in the late stages. RHYTON coaxed from the gate, chased three then two wide under encouragement from the five-sixteenths marker, angled six wide into upper stretch, made no headway. BLAMICKER coaxed from the start, showed the way in hand along the inside, got let out taking the inside route into upper stretch, dug in under threat and was caught a furlong out, weakened through to the finish. DILIELLO stumbled at the start, chased three then two wide under urging from the five-sixteenths pole, angled six wide into upper stretch, had no rally. MOZAMBIQUE broke in at the start trading a bump with JOKER ON FIRE, chased two to three wide until tucked inside into the turn, came under a ride with five-sixteenths to go, swung four to five wide for home and made no impact. Following a saddle adjustment behind the gate, KING PUCK chased three then two wide coming under coaxing near the quarter pole, cornered just off the inside into upper stretch, weakened in the final furlong.

Owners– 1, Paradise Farms Corp Valente Roddy J and Adams Daniel R; 2, Blue Water Stables; 3, Adelphi Racing Club and LJSS Thoroughbreds; 4, Heronwood Racing Partnership; 5, West Point Thoroughbreds Hertrich III Frederick and Backstretch Seven Racing; 6, My Purple Haze Stables; 7, Twin Sports Racing Cypresshead Racing LLC and Let's Go Racing; 8, Rodriguez Rudy R GRC Racing LLC and Take a Shot Stables; 9, Three Diamonds Farm

Trainers– 1, Hess R B Jr; 2, Levine Bruce N; 3, Clement Miguel; 4, Duggan David P; 5, Clement Miguel; 6, Englehart Chris; 7, Morley Thomas; 8, Rodriguez Rudy R; 9, Maker Michael J

Scratched– Leo's Reward (30Jul26 9Sar5) , B Provocateur (03Jul26 3Sar2)

$1 Pick Three (6–3–9) Paid $28.86 ; Pick Three Pool $127,024 .
50 CENT Pick Five ((X–COUNTRY P5) 4–4–6–3–9)
5 Correct Paid $600.08 ; Pick Five Pool $46,596 .
$1 Daily Double (3–9) Paid $11.03 ; Daily Double Pool $190,839 .
$1 Grand Slam (6/10/11–1/6/7/8/10/11–3/4/5–9) Paid $106.85 ; Grand Slam Pool $80,125 .