SEVENTH RACE

Saratoga

AUGUST 15, 2026

5½ FURLONGS. (1.02[2]) ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING . Purse $125,000 (UP TO $21,750 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON $22,000 TWICE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER OR STATE BRED ALLOWANCE OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE $80,000. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Claiming Price $80,000 (Allowance Horses Preferred)(1.5% Aftercare Assessment Due At Time Of Claim Otherwise Claim Will Be Void). (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). (ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR TURF).

Value of Race: $121,250 Winner $68,750; second $25,000; third $15,000; fourth $7,500; fifth $5,000. Mutuel Pool $763,598.00 Exacta Pool $403,575.00 Trifecta Pool $140,135.00 Superfecta Pool $61,360.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	⅜	Str	Fin	Jockey	Cl'g Pr	Odds $1
19Jun26 ^{7}BAQ^{1}	Bite and Strike	L b	4	126	1	3	2^{hd}	3^{4}	2½	1½	Lezcano J		4.30
18Jly26 ^{4}Sar^{4}	Vettriano	L	5	126	5	1	1^{1}	11½	1^{1}	2^{3}	Franco M		1.28
18Jly26 ^{4}Sar^{2}	War Stride	L b	6	126	2	2	3^{4}½	2^{hd}	3^{10}	3^{14}	Prat F		2.93
11Jly26 ^{7}Sar^{4}	Candytown	L b	4	126	3	5	5	4^{1}	4^{3}	4½	Zayas E J		3.49
26Jly26 ^{2}Sar^{1}	Vacation Dance	L bf	6	126	4	4	4^{1}	5	5	5	Davis D	80000	10.36

OFF AT 3:55 Start Good For All But CANDYTOWN. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME : 22[3], :45[2], :57[2], 1:03[3] (:22.64, :45.47, :57.40, 1:03.68)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

2 – BITE AND STRIKE	**10.60**	**4.26**	**2.72**
9 – VETTRIANO		**2.84**	**2.20**
5 – WAR STRIDE			**2.44**

$1 EXACTA 2–9 PAID $14.80 50 CENT TRIFECTA 2–9–5 PAID $14.44 10 CENT SUPERFECTA 2–9–5–6 PAID $3.67

Gr/ro. g, (Apr), by Liam's Map – Bernadetta , by Bernardini . Trainer Rice Linda. Bred by Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (Ky).

BITE AND STRIKE raced under a firm hold early on just off the inside just off the leader, tucked inside through the turn and was patiently handled until roused spinning just off the inside into upper stretch, rallied to issue a challenge inside the final furlong and was up in the final jumps over his barn mate to prevail. VETTRIANO coaxed from the gate, showed the way three then two wide down the backstretch before tucking closer to the rail through the turn, came under coaxing just outside the quarter pole before being let out taking the inside route into upper stretch, dug in under growing threat to the outside and was caught in the final strides by his barn mate while clear for the place honors. WAR STRIDE coaxed from the start, chased four paths off the inside down the backstretch and then just off the inside through the turn coming under encouragement with five-sixteenths to go, spun three wide into upper stretch, weakened in the late stages. CANDYTOWN buckled badly at the start and was bumped by VACATION DANCE breaking inwards and conceded four to five lengths to the front, chased five to six paths off the inside down the backstretch and then two to three wide through the turn urged along from three furlongs out, angled five wide into upper stretch and tired. VACATION DANCE broke in at the start bumping CANDYTOWN, chased five then four wide under a ride from the seven-sixteenths marker, tipped six wide into upper stretch, tired.

Owners– 1, Rice Linda; 2, Lady Sheila Stable Leidel Peter and Radcliffe Kerri; 3, Daigneault Thoroughbreds LLC; 4, Calumet Farm; 5, Noda Brothers LLC and Fanelli John

Trainers– 1, Rice Linda; 2, Rice Linda; 3, Weaver George; 4, Pletcher Todd A; 5, Noda Orlando

Scratched– Spiced Up (05Jun26 ^{8}Sar^{2}) , No Evidence (11Jul26 ^{8}Sar^{1}) , Final Verdict (11Jul26 ^{4}Sar^{8}) , Attfield (16May26 ^{9}Lrl^{3})

$1 Daily Double (3–2) Paid $13.32 ; Daily Double Pool $100,923 .

$1 Pick Three (1–3–2) Paid $65.97 ; Pick Three Pool $87,240 .

50 CENT Pick Four (2–1–3–2) Paid $69.13 ; Pick Four Pool $154,984 .

50 CENT Pick Five (4–2–1–3–2) 5 Correct Paid $149.17 ; Pick Five Pool $453,304 .