

**NINTH RACE  
Saratoga  
July 29th, 2016**

**1 1/8 MILE. (1:463) STAKES. Purse \$100,000 Curlin S.FOR THREE YEAR OLDS WHICH HAVE NOT WON A GRADED SWEEPSTAKES OVER A MILE IN 2016. By subscription of \$100 each which should accompany the nomination; \$500 to pass the entry box and an additional \$500 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental payment of \$1,000 along with the entry and starting fees may be made at any time prior to the closing of entries. The purse to be divided 60% to the owner of the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth and 2% divided equally among the remaining finishers. Weight 123 lbs. Non-winners of a sweepstake at a mile or over in 2016 allowed 2 lbs.; of two races other than maiden, claiming, starter or state-bred allowance races at a mile or over in 2016 allowed 4 lbs.; of such a race in 2016 allowed 6 lbs. A presentation will be made to the winning owner. Closed Saturday, July 16, 2016 with 34 Nominations. (Clear 81)**

**Value of Race: \$100,000 Winner \$60,000; second \$20,000; third \$10,000; fourth \$5,000; fifth \$3,000; sixth \$1,000; seventh \$1,000. Mutuel Pool \$663,605 Daily Double Pool \$145,853 Exacta Pool \$506,415 Superfecta Pool \$165,727 Trifecta Pool \$302,507 Pick 3 Pool \$85,054 Grand Slam Pool \$50,364**

Last Raced	#	Horse	M/Eqt.	A/S	Wt	PP	St	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1
11Jun16 <sup>2</sup>	Bel <sup>1</sup>	1 Connect	L	3C	119	1	4	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	Velazquez J R	1.75
26May16 <sup>8</sup>	Bel <sup>1</sup>	4 Gift Box	L	3R	119	4	6	2hd	3 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 3/4	Castellano J	1.00
11Jun16 <sup>11</sup>	Bel <sup>13</sup>	2 Forever d'Oro	L f	3C	117	2	5	7	7	5 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/4	Geroux F	26.50
25Jun16 <sup>8</sup>	Bel <sup>1</sup>	3 Ready Dancer	L b	3C	119	3	7	6 2/2	6 2/2	6 1/2	5 1/2	4 2/4	Rosario J	12.20
31Jan16 <sup>7</sup>	FG <sup>1</sup>	5 Dolphus	L	3C	119	5	1	3 1/2	2hd	3 1/2	4hd	5 1/2	Hernandez, Jr. B J	33.25
07May16 <sup>12</sup>	CD <sup>18</sup>	6 Majesto	L	3R	117	6	3	4 1 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	6 7 1/2	6 1 1/2	Ortiz J L	7.80
09Jul16 <sup>7</sup>	Bel <sup>7</sup>	8 Swipe	L	3C	117	7	2	5 1/2	5 2/2	7	7	7	Alvarado J	10.60

**OFF AT 5:40 Start Good. Won driving. Track Fast.**

**Time :24, :48<sup>2</sup>, 1:12<sup>2</sup>, 1:36, 1:48<sup>3</sup> (:24.06, :48.43, 1:12.41, 1:36.03, 1:48.69)**

**\$2 Mutuel Prices:**

1- CONNECT .....	5.50	2.80	2.40
4- GIFT BOX .....		2.50	2.10
2- FOREVER D'ORO .....			5.00

**\$2 EXACTA (1-4) PAID \$9.50 \$2 SUPERFACTA (1-4-2-3) PAID \$177.40  
\$2 TRIFECTA (1-4-2) PAID \$45.00**

**Dark Bay or Brown Colt, (May), by Curlin - Bullville Belle by Holy Bull. Trainer Chad C. Brown. Bred by Fox Straus KY (KY).**

CONNECT away quickly from the starting gate, grabbed command before reaching the end of the homestretch, gradually wandered out into the path three wide making his way on the clubhouse turn, showed the way, rated and with GIFT BOX applying pressure stationed to his left, had that foe pick it up just a bit to establish position in the hole along the inside route approaching the end of the backstretch, saw the runner up whittle away at the lead from the midway point on the turn to its bend, spun into the stretch clinging to the front by a neck when set down to a drive, rebuffed GIFT BOX during the ensuing furlong in game fashion, then kicked away in the final seventy yards, kept to a drive. GIFT BOX cut over towards the inside after the start eventually getting put into the two path, required a snug grip by the pilot to temper down a touch of keenness early on the first turn, ranged up to take up position directly to the inside of the top one coming to the half mile pole, continued to press the issue after being put to some brisk hand urging, had a sliver of deficit left to be made up when put to a drive for the drive, battled hard but couldn't go by, got shaken off with well under a sixteenth remaining and had to settle for the place. FOREVER D'ORO quickly tucked along the inside route, picked up interest coming to the end of the backstretch, launched himself into a stronger contending position with a rail run, was under a full drive cutting the corner into the lane, altered course to be outside the top twosome deep into the furlong grounds, proved no match. READY DANCER took up the chase from the two path, was asked for more run around the five-sixteenths marker, altered course to the outside in deep stretch, made no headway afterwards. DOLPHUS off to a sharp start, raced three wide on the first turn, got strung out slightly farther off the rail on the subsequent one, was called upon after going six furlongs, had no rally. MAJESTO three wide on both turns, was fanned out into five path from upper to midstretch, had no response. SWIPE three wide early, failed to respond when asked past the three-eighths pole, retreated while not being heavily ridden down the stretch.

**Owners-** 1, Paul P. Pompa, Jr. ; 4, W.S. Farish ; 2, Charles E. Fipke ; 3, Let's Go Stable ; 5, Dede McGehee ; 6, Grupo Seven C Stable ; 8, Big Chief Racing, LLC, Fizzy Racing LLC and Shelton, Billy R.

**Trainers-** 1, Chad C. Brown ; 4, Chad C. Brown ; 2, Dallas Stewart ; 3, Todd A. Pletcher ; 5, Joe Sharp ; 6, Gustavo Delgado ; 8, J. Keith Desormeaux

**Breeders-** 1, Fox Straus KY (KY) ; 4, Machmer Hall, Carrie Brogden & Craig Brogden (KY) ; 2, Charles Fipke (KY) ; 3, St George Farm LLC & Spurrmont, LLC (KY) ; 5, Heaven Trees Farm (KY) ; 6, Diamond A Racing Corp. (KY) ; 8, Lou Oppenheim (KY)

**Scratched-** Uncle Vinny(09Jul16<sup>9</sup>Mth<sup>3</sup>)

**\$2 Daily Double (1-1) Paid \$67.50; Daily Double Pool \$145,853.**

**\$2 Pick 3 (2-1-1) Paid \$1,202.00; Pick 3 Pool \$85,054.**

**\$2 Grand Slam (4/6/9-1/2/6-1/4/5/11/12-1) Paid \$63.50; Grand Slam Pool \$50,364.**

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