

CHURCHILL DOWNS - November 21, 1999 - Race 9

STAKES River City H. Grade 3 - Thoroughbred

A HANDICAP FOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of \$150 each on or before November 6 1999 or by supplementary nomination of \$7,500 each by the of closing of entries Saturday, November 13, 1999. \$750 to pass the entry box; \$750 additional to start with \$150,000 added of which 62% of all monies to the owner of the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth and 3% to fifth. Weights to be announced Sunday, November 14, 1999.

One And One Eighth Miles On The Turf **Track Record:** (Lure - 1:46.34 - April 30, 1993)





Purse: \$150,000 Added

Available Money: \$171,150

Value of Race: \$171,150 1st \$106,113, 2nd \$34,230, 3rd \$17,115, 4th \$8,558, 5th \$5,134

Weather: Cloudy **Track:** Firm

Off at: 4:36 **Start:** Good for all

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
30Oct99 ⁸ AQU ²	8	Comic Strip (Day, Pat)	119	L	8	8	8 ^{1/2}	8 ³	8 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1.10*	5wide trip,hand urging
7Nov99 ⁸ CD ¹	4	Keats and Yeats (Peck, Brian) 	112	L	4	6	6 ¹	4 ^{Head}	6 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	12.80	angle 7wide late,2dbst
23Oct99 ⁶ KEE ¹	2	Aboriginal Apex (Melancon, Larry)	114	L f	2	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{Head}	16.50	dueled,led,weaken late
16Oct99 ⁸ BEL ⁶	6	Treat Me Doc (Court, Jon)	112	L b	6	9	9 ²	9 ^{Head}	9 ^{1/2}	8 ^{1/2}	4 ^{3/4}	18.30	broke awkward,bobbled
13Oct99 ⁷ KEE ¹	10	El Angelo (St. Julien, Marlon)	113	L	10	10	10	10	10	7 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	33.80	slight inside gain
5Nov99 ⁹ GP ⁴	5	Joe Who (BRZ) (Borel, Calvin)	118	L	5	3	5 ^{Head}	6 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{Head}	4 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{Head}	3.00	inside,flattened out
3Nov99 ⁸ CD ²	3	Stay Sound (D'Amico, Anthony) 	112	L b	3	5	7 ^{2 1/2}	7 ⁴	7 ¹	9 ²	7 ^{1/2}	23.20	not a threat
29Oct99 ⁸ AQU ¹	1	Scagnelli (Martinez, Willie) 	112	L	1	1	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{3 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	3 ¹	8 ^{3 1/2}	15.00	dueled, weakened
3Nov99 ⁸ CD ³	7	Midway Magistrate (Gonzalez, Jr., Sal) 	114	L b	7	4	4 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1 1/2}	10	9 ^{Neck}	42.10	bump foe start,tired
21Oct99 ⁷ KEE ³	9	Merlin's Ring (GB) (Sellers, Shane)	113	L	9	7	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	6 ^{Head}	10	5.60	faded in drive

Fractional Times: 23.93 47.96 1:12.64 1:37.95

Final Time: 1:50.71

Split Times: (24:03) (24:68) (25:31) (12:76)

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Comic Strip, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by Red Ransom out of Now That's Funny, by Saratoga Six. Foaled Jan 24, 1995 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Brereton C. Jones.

Winning Owner: Farish, William S., Humphrey, Jr., G. W. and Elkins, James

Total WPS Pool: \$353,714

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
8	Comic Strip	4.20	3.00	2.20	\$2.00 Exacta	8-4	34.40	277,278
4	Keats and Yeats		7.40	4.20	\$2.00 Trifecta	8-4-2	349.20	289,078
2	Aboriginal Apex			5.20	\$2.00 Pick 3	4/6-6-8 (3 correct)	68.80	47,581

Past Performance Running Line Preview


Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
8	Comic Strip	8	8 ⁸	8 ^{11 1/4}	8 ^{5 1/4}	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}
4	Keats and Yeats	6	6 ^{4 1/2}	4 ⁵	6 ^{3 3/4}	5 ⁴	2 ^{1 1/2}
2	Aboriginal Apex	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}	3 ²
6	Treat Me Doc	9	9 ^{8 1/2}	9 ^{14 1/4}	9 ^{7 3/4}	8 ^{5 1/4}	4 ²
10	El Angelo	10	10 ^{10 1/2}	10 ^{14 1/4}	10 ^{8 1/4}	7 ^{4 3/4}	5 ^{2 3/4}
5	Joe Who (BRZ)	3	5 ^{4 1/2}	6 ^{5 3/4}	5 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	6 ^{4 1/4}
3	Stay Sound	5	7 ^{5 1/2}	7 ^{7 1/4}	7 ^{4 1/4}	9 ^{5 3/4}	7 ^{4 1/2}
1	Scagnelli	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 1/2}	8 ⁵
7	Midway Magistrate	4	4 ⁴	5 ^{5 1/4}	4 ²	10 ^{7 3/4}	9 ^{8 1/2}
9	Merlin's Ring (GB)	7	3 ³	3 ^{3 1/2}	3 ^{1 1/2}	6 ^{4 1/2}	10 ^{8 3/4}

Trainers: 8 - Howard, Neil; 4 - Ange, Brian; 2 - Mayo, Larry; 6 - Brajczewski, Jr., Eugene; 10 - Romans, Dale; 5 - Baffert, Bob; 3 - Flint, Bernard; 1 - Serpe, Philip; 7 - Hiles, Rick; 9 - Walden, W.

Owners: 8 - Farish, William S., Humphrey, Jr., G. W. and Elkins, James; 4 - Smith, George A. and Ryan, William; 2 - Gary B. Knapp; 6 - Nelson, Howard E. and Johns, Dan; 10 - Lakeside Farms LLC; 5 - James E. Helzer; 3 - Klein, Richard, Bertram and Elaine; 1 - Barney, Robert and Dee, John T.; 7 - B M H Stable; 9 - James H. Stone;

Footnotes

COMIC STRIP settled early, edged in a bit to race five wide under light restraint, edged further inside on the second turn, came out to make his run five abreast leaving the three-eighths pole, came out further on the course for the drive, was tapped once with the whip leaving the eighth pole, then edged clear late under solid hand urging. KEATS AND YEATS moved inside early, raced between foes, came out five wide for the drive and finished willingly when angled outside COMIC STRIP in the final sixteenth. ABORIGINAL APEX went up to gain a slim lead early while dueling outside of SCAGNELLI, was headed by that one just before going six furlongs, regained the lead, opened a clear advantage for the final furlong but weakened soon after. TREAT ME DOC broke awkwardly, then was bumped, bobbed and steadied soon after, moved inside, saved ground until the stretch, was about 10 wide when straightened for the drive and offered a mild gain. EL ANGELO, angled inside soon after the start, saved ground and continued inside for his position while offering a mild gain. JOE WHO (BRZ), rated behind the leaders from early on, remained prominent into the final furlong but came up empty. STAY SOUND, unhurried early and saving ground for six furlongs, came out five wide on the second turn but failed to respond. SCAGNELLI went inside to vie for the lead with ABORIGINAL APEX early, headed that one leaving the backstretch but tired in the drive. MIDWAY MAGISTRATE leaned in at the start bumping TREAT ME DOC, followed the leaders in a striking position four wide but gave way in the drive. MERLIN'S RING (GB) moved inside early, stalked the dueling leaders three wide until the stretch and faded.

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