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SARATOGA - August 2, 2012 - Race 7

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

(UP TO \$17,100 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER, OR RESTRICTED OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$75,000. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of \$45,000 Since June 1 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$75,000 (Races where entered for \$65,000 or less not considered in allowances). (NW3 X) **Claiming Price:** \$75,000 Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Track Record:** (Speightstown - 1:08.00 - August 14, 2004)

Purse: \$90,000

Available Money: \$90,000

Value of Race: \$90,000 1st \$54,000, 2nd \$18,000, 3rd \$9,000, 4th \$4,500, 5th \$2,700, 6th \$1,800

Weather: Clear **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:22 **Start:** Good for all

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
16Jun12 ² BEL ¹	6	R King of the Road (Velazquez, John)	121	L b	6	2	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹	0.50*	vied 2p, edged away
12May12 ¹¹ CRC ⁷	4	Little Drama (Maragh, Rajiv)	121	L f	4	1	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ³	2 ^{2 3/4}	10.30	took hold 1/2, ins bid
8Jun12 ⁹ BEL ⁶	5	Leave of Absence (Garcia, Alan)	121	L b	5	4	5 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{Nose}	13.70	3w, good spot, empty
23Jun12 ⁴ BEL ²	2	Winning Touch (Castellano, Javier)	121	L b	2	5	3 ¹	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	4 ⁴	4.50	angled out 1/4, no kick
24Jun12 ⁹ MTH ¹	3	Catalan (Garcia, Wilmer)	114 ⁷	L b	3	3	4 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{4 1/4}	13.30	to 2p 1/2, 4w upper
23Jun12 ⁴ BEL ³	1	Tahitian Warrior (Dominguez, Ramon)	121	L b	1	6	6	6	6	6	7.00	steadied 1/2, outrun

Fractional Times: 22.04 44.61 56.48

Final Time: 1:09.00

Split Times: (22:57) (11:87) (12:52)

Run-Up: 40 feet

Winner: R King of the Road, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Trippi out of Holiday Tune, by Concorde's Tune. Foaled Jan 30, 2008 in Florida.

Breeder: E. Paul Robsham Stable LLC.

Winning Owner: E. Paul Robsham Stables LLC

Claiming Prices: 4 - Little Drama: \$75,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$351,464

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	R King of the Road	3.00	2.60	2.20	\$2.00 Exacta	6-4	17.20	297,547
4	Little Drama		5.80	4.00	\$2.00 Trifecta	6-4-5	82.50	151,831
5	Leave of Absence			4.50	\$2.00 Daily Double	7-6	8.60	87,095
					\$2.00 Pick 3	3-7-6 (3 correct)	53.00	82,832
					\$2.00 Superfecta	6-4-5-2	160.50	63,895

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
6	R King of the Road	2	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹
4	Little Drama	1	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹
5	Leave of Absence	4	5 ³	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ³	3 ^{3 3/4}
2	Winning Touch	5	3 ^{1 1/2}	4 ²	4 ^{3 1/4}	4 ^{3 3/4}
3	Catalan	3	4 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{3 1/2}	5 ^{5 3/4}	5 ^{7 3/4}
1	Tahitian Warrior	6	6 ^{4 1/2}	6 ⁵	6 ^{7 1/4}	6 ¹²

Trainers: 6 - Pletcher, Todd; 4 - Mareina, Michael; 5 - Violette, Jr., Richard; 2 - Brown, Chad; 3 - Rodriguez, Rudy; 1 - Albertrani, Thomas

Owners: 6 - E. Paul Robsham Stables LLC; 4 - Harold L. Queen; 5 - Klaravich Stables, Inc. and Lawrence, William H.; 2 - West, Gary and Mary; 3 - Elizabeth Loftus; 1 - Godolphin Racing, LLC;

Footnotes

R KING OF THE ROAD came out of the starting gate without incident, appeared a bit eager in the early stages, contested the pace directly outside the runner up, was left alone on the front end though once LITTLE DRAMA was taken hold of momentarily, had that rival hitch up again during the initial stages of the run around the bend, spun into the lane on nearly even terms as a stretch duel commenced, went at it head head, reached the eighth pole, still clutching the slimmest of advantage, began to inch his way clear the remainder of the way. LITTLE DRAMA was forwardly placed right from the get-go, raced as a team with the top one proceeding towards the half mile pole, was taken hold when briefly unsettled, a stride or so before arriving at that station, recovered in short order and joined up with R KING OF THE ROAD once more, launched a decisive move coming to the quarter pole to turn for home in a near dead heat, engaged in a spirited tussle with the winner from upper to deep stretch, fell back gradually leaving the furlong grounds and had to settle for the place. LEAVE OF ABSENCE well placed three wide off the front runners, proved no match for either one of them. WINNING TOUCH angled off the inside entering the stretch, lacked the needed response. CATALAN tucked into the two path coming to the half mile pole, was swung four wide into upper stretch, made no headway on the front runners. TAHITIAN WARRIOR steadied off heels as CATALAN was settling into the two path just before reaching the turn, was outrun.