

**SARATOGA - August 28, 1999 - Race 8**

STAKES Fourstardave H. Grade 3 - Thoroughbred

MELLON TURF (Up To \$29,100 NYSBFOA) A HANDICAP FOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of \$150 each, which should accompany the nomination; \$750 to pass the entry box and \$750 to start. The purse to be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth and 3% to fifth. The New York Racing Association reserves the right to transfer this race to the Main Track. In the event that this race is taken off the turf, it may be subject to downgrading upon review by the Graded Stakes Committee.

One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Turf **Track Record:** (Ring Weekend - 1:38.29 - September 5, 2016)

**Purse:** \$150,000 Guaranteed

**Available Money:** \$150,000

**Value of Race:** \$150,000 1st \$90,000, 2nd \$30,000, 3rd \$16,500, 4th \$9,000, 5th \$4,500

**Weather:** Clear **Track:** Soft

**Off at:** 4:30 **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	
30Jul99 <sup>8</sup> SAR <sup>3</sup>	5	Comic Strip (Day, Pat)	115	L	5	6	10 <sup>5</sup>	9 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	6.00	wide move, driving	
12Aug99 <sup>3</sup> SAR <sup>2</sup>	1	Divide and Conquer (Smith, Mike)	114	L	1	3	7 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	42.75	game finish outside	
1Aug99 <sup>3</sup> SAR <sup>1</sup>	2	Bomfim (Davis, Robbie)	113	L	b	2	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	6.00	set pace, stayed gamely	
1Aug99 <sup>4</sup> DMR <sup>1</sup>	12	Joe Who (BRZ) (Antley, Chris)	119	L		11	9 <sup>1/2</sup>	10 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>Head</sup>	8 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	4.10	game finish outside	
30Jul99 <sup>8</sup> SAR <sup>1</sup>	3	Middlesex Drive (Sellers, Shane)	118	L	b	3	4	6 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>Neck</sup>	3.40*	4 wide move 2nd turn	
6Aug99 <sup>3</sup> SAR <sup>2</sup>	4	Cryptic Rascal (Solis, Alex)	115	-	-	4	2	3 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>Nose</sup>	20.70	blocked inside stretch	
12Aug99 <sup>3</sup> SAR <sup>1</sup>	9	Star Connection (Santos, Jose) 	114	L		9	5	2 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	28.75	pressed pace, tired	
4Jul99 <sup>8</sup> HOL <sup>4</sup>	6	Dr Fong (Stevens, Gary) 	118	-	-	6	8	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	7 <sup>2</sup>	8 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	3.65	speed 3 wide, empty
24Jul99 <sup>7</sup> HAW <sup>2</sup>	7	Stay Sound (Chavez, Jorge) 	114	L	b	7	11	11	11	11	9 <sup>Nose</sup>	31.25	4 wide second turn	
10Jan99 <sup>10</sup> GP <sup>4</sup>	11	Musical Ghost (Velazquez, John)	114	L	b	10	9	5 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>Head</sup>	8 <sup>1/2</sup>	10 <sup>Head</sup>	10 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	41.75	3 wide both turns
4Aug99 <sup>8</sup> SAR <sup>1</sup>	8	Golden Dice (Bailey, Jerry)	113	L		8	7	8 <sup>1/2</sup>	8 <sup>1</sup>	9 <sup>Head</sup>	9 <sup>1</sup>	11	8.90	came wide, no rally

**Fractional Times:** 23.36 46.77 1:11.02 1:35.56 **Final Time:** 1:41.76

**Split Times:** (23:41) (24:25) (24:54) (6:20)

**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

**Scratched Horse(s):** Black Cash (Trainer)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$1,239,269

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Comic Strip	14.00	8.10	5.10	\$2.00 Exacta	5-1	404.00	1,078,661
1	Divide and Conquer		35.00	14.20	\$2.00 Trifecta	5-1-2	2,704.00	813,280
2	Bomfim			5.30	\$2.00 Pick 3	5-10-5 (3 correct)	156.00	419,347
					\$2.00 Pick 6	11-6-4-5-10-5 (6 correct)	66,226.00	235,472
					\$2.00 Pick 6	11-6-4-5-10-5 (5 correct)	613.00	0

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	Comic Strip	6	10 <sup>7</sup>	9 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>2 1/2</sup>
1	Divide and Conquer	3	7 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	7 <sup>3</sup>	6 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	2 <sup>2 1/2</sup>
2	Bomfim	1	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>3 1/2</sup>
12	Joe Who (BRZ)	10	9 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>4</sup>
3	Middlesex Drive	4	6 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	5 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	5 <sup>3/4</sup>	5 <sup>5 1/4</sup>
4	Cryptic Rascal	2	3 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>3/4</sup>	6 <sup>5 1/2</sup>
9	Star Connection	5	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>5 1/2</sup>
6	Dr Fong	8	4 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	4 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	7 <sup>2</sup>	8 <sup>7 3/4</sup>
7	Stay Sound	11	11 <sup>12</sup>	11 <sup>10</sup>	11 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	11 <sup>7 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>9 1/2</sup>
11	Musical Ghost	9	5 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	5 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	8 <sup>3 3/4</sup>	10 <sup>7 1/2</sup>	10 <sup>9 1/2</sup>
8	Golden Dice	7	8 <sup>6</sup>	8 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	9 <sup>6 1/2</sup>	11 <sup>10 3/4</sup>

**Trainers:** 5 - Howard, Neil; 1 - McGaughey III, Claude; 2 - Kelly, Patrick; 12 - Baffert, Bob; 3 - Hauswald, Philip; 4 - Badgett, Jr., William; 9 - Hough, Stanley; 6 - Kimmel, John; 7 - Flint, Bernard; 11 - Hennig, Mark; 8 - Mott, William

**Owners:** 5 - Farish, William S., Humphrey, Jr., G. W. and Elkins, James; 1 - Ogden Mills Phipps; 2 - Live Oak Plantation; 12 - James E. Helzer; 3 - C. Steven Duncker; 4 - Landon Knight; 9 - Roberts, Bea and Robert H.; 6 - bin Salman, Ahmed, Clay, Robert N. and Farmer, Tracy; 7 - Klein, Richard, Bertram and Elaine; 11 - Edward P. Evans; 8 - Saud bin Khaled;

**Footnotes**

COMIC STRIP, rated along early, advanced three wide on the second turn, dug in determinedly when roused for the drive and drew clear. DIVIDE AND CONQUER, rated along inside, advanced inside on the second turn, came wide for the drive and finished gamely from the outside. BOMFIM set the pace along the inside while in hand and stayed on gamely to the finish. JOE WHO (BRZ), four wide on the first turn and inside on the second turn, altered course to the outside in upper stretch and finished gamely. MIDDLESEX DRIVE, rated along between rivals, put in a four wide run approaching the stretch but could not sustain that bid. CRYPTIC RASCAL, close up inside while in hand, saved ground into the stretch but was blocked along the inside in the drive. STAR CONNECTION contested the pace from the outside and tired in the final furlong. DR FONG raced close up while in hand, came three wide for the drive but came up empty when called on. STAY SOUND, outrun early, raced four wide on the second turn and had no response when roused. MUSICAL GHOST raced three wide on both turns and tired. GOLDEN DICE, rated outside, came wide into the stretch but had no rally.

