

**SARATOGA - August 31, 2012 - Race 2**

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

INNER TURF (UP TO \$13,300 NYSBFOA) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$50,000 OR LESS AND WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OR RESTRICTED OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$50,000 FOR THREE YEAR OLDS. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races At A Mile Or Over On The Turf Since June 30, 2012 Allowed 3 lbs. Claiming Price \$50,000 (Races where entered for \$35,000 or less not considered) (Preference By Condition Eligibility). ( C ) **Claiming Price:** \$50,000 One And One Sixteenth Miles On The Inner turf **Track Record:** (Zagora (FR) - 1:39.07 - August 25, 2012)

**Purse:** \$70,000

**Available Money:** \$70,000

**Value of Race:** \$70,000 1st \$42,000, 2nd \$14,000, 3rd \$7,000, 4th \$3,500, 5th \$2,100, 6th \$467, 7th \$467, 8th \$466

**Weather:** Clear **Track:** Firm

**Off at:** 3:03 **Start:** Good for all



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
2Jul12 <sup>9</sup> PRX <sup>1</sup>	8	Cantonic (Napravnik, Rosie)	120	L b	6	3	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>2</sup>	2 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3.90	in 2p,brush 1/8 & 1/16
25Jul12 <sup>6</sup> SAR <sup>1</sup>	1	Hobbs (Castellano, Javier)	116	L	3	1	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1.10*	brush 2x str, in hand
16Aug12 <sup>9</sup> SAR <sup>5</sup>	5	Scorcher (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	116	L	2	4	7 <sup>1/2</sup>	7 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>Neck</sup>	7.60	cut corner,misssed 2nd
6Aug12 <sup>2</sup> SAR <sup>4</sup>	9	Situational Ethics (Leparoux, Julien)	116	L b	7	8	5 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	13.50	3w 1st, no response
13Aug12 <sup>10</sup> SAR <sup>1</sup>	2	Volcano Run (Velazquez, John)	120	L	1	2	4 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup>	5 <sup>2</sup>	6.70	rank,came out bit 3/8
21Jul12 <sup>11</sup> MTH <sup>6</sup>	10	Purest Form (Dominguez, Ramon)	116	L b	8	7	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>Neck</sup>	8.70	into pocket 1/2,outkck
19Aug12 <sup>6</sup> SAR <sup>5</sup>	6	Balance the Budget (Garcia, Wilmer)	112 <sup>7</sup>	L	4	5	6 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>1</sup>	6 <sup>1/2</sup>	7 <sup>2</sup>	7 <sup>3 1/4</sup>	20.30	4w into upper, no kick
18Aug12 <sup>4</sup> PEN <sup>4</sup>	7	Thomas Hill (Lezcano, Abel)	116	L b	5	6	8	8	8	8	8	16.90	5w top lane, trailed

**Fractional Times:** 24.24 48.36 1:11.76 1:35.27 **Final Time:** 1:41.51

**Split Times:** (24:12) (23:40) (23:51) (6:24)

**Run-Up:** 22 feet

**Winner:** Cantonic, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by [Candy Ride \(ARG\)](#) out of Mariah's Cat, by Forestry. Foaled Apr 24, 2006 in New York.

Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

**Breeder:** Sez Who Thoroughbreds & Aron Yagoda. **Winning Owner:** Damchu Stables

**1 Claimed Horse(s):** Hobbs New Trainer: Donna Green Hurtak New Owner: Daniel C. Hurtak

**Claiming Prices:** 1 - Hobbs: \$50,000; 10 - Purest Form: \$50,000;

**Scratched Horse(s):** Dear John (Veterinarian), Drink With Pride (Main-Track-Only), Grandpa Len (Main-Track-Only), Never On Time (Trainer), Thessalonian (Stewards)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$353,435

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
8	Cantonic	9.80	4.30	3.20	\$2.00 Exacta	8-1	26.40	322,048
1	Hobbs		3.00	2.50	\$2.00 Quinella	1-8	10.80	20,605
5	Scorcher			3.30	\$2.00 Trifecta	8-1-5	109.50	168,321
					\$2.00 Daily Double	1-8	11.20	203,458
					\$2.00 Superfecta	8-1-5-9	663.00	77,145

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
8	Cantonic	3	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>2 1/2</sup>
1	Hobbs	1	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>2 1/2</sup>
5	Scorcher	4	7 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>7</sup>	5 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>3 1/4</sup>	3 <sup>2 1/2</sup>
9	Situational Ethics	8	5 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>4</sup>	4 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>4 3/4</sup>	4 <sup>2 3/4</sup>
2	Volcano Run	2	4 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>5 1/4</sup>	5 <sup>3 3/4</sup>
10	Purest Form	7	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>3</sup>	6 <sup>5 3/4</sup>
6	Balance the Budget	5	6 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>6</sup>	6 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>6 1/4</sup>	7 <sup>6</sup>
7	Thomas Hill	6	8 <sup>5 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>8</sup>	8 <sup>7</sup>	8 <sup>8 1/4</sup>	8 <sup>9 1/4</sup>

**Trainers:** 8 - Maker, Michael; 1 - Pletcher, Todd; 5 - Guerrero, Juan; 9 - Hennig, Mark; 2 - Dutrow, Anthony; 10 - Fawkes, David; 6 - Chatterpaul, Naipaul; 7 - Grusmark, Karl

**Owners:** 8 - Damchu Stables; 1 - Repole Stable; 5 - Rontos Racing Stable Corp.; 9 -Mark B. Grier; 2 - Dubb, Michael, Grant, Stuart, Aisquith, Gary and Akman, Scott K.; 10 - Kuehl, John, Broth, Rick, Durlacher, James and Mary and Richland Hills Stable; 6 - Chatterpaul, Naipaul and Terikchand; 7 -David Cramer;

**Footnotes**

CANTONIC left alertly to secure a forward position, latched on to HOBBS just before completing the initial split, made additional progress until eye to eye with that opponent, raced as a team with, with hardly ever more than a head separating the two combatants, neither of whom was being asked for run, arrived at the top of the stretch still on dead even terms and was asked for a response, came in slightly, quickly corrected by the rider, as the chief nemesis drifted out ever so slightly, likewise put on a straighter course in short order, with the end result of no serious contact made, came in less than a lane twice thereafter, rubbing shoulders with the runner up at the eighth pole then bumping lightly with the same foe a sixteenth down the road, kicked well clear after the second incident, crossing the wire hand urged. HOBBS gained early command and tucked along the inside a short distance from the end of the homestretch, had the top one draw directly alongside soon after going the first quarter, went at it head to head, with the pilot only applying the lightest of coaxing to maintain interest, got called upon as the pair spun into the stretch, made insignificant contact with the winner in midstretch, got brushed with more impact at the sixteenth pole, with the rider taking hold and losing a tad of momentum, fell back steadily, then just held on to the place. SCORCHER took the inside route, was under a drive cutting the corner into the lane, finished willingly, missing out on place honors. SITUATIONAL ETHICS three wide on the first turn, was closer to the inside thereafter until the quarter pole, lacked the necessary stretch response. VOLCANO RUN settled along the inside early, rode the hedge while pulling continuously on the left side of the bit, became rank and came out into the two at the three-eighths pole, had the rider switch over to a much stronger grip on the left rein with some stick work near the right shoulder as well, stayed two wide the rest of the way around the far

turn turn, was asked for the stretch run, failed to respond appreciably. PUREST FORM sneaked his way into the pocket near the half mile pole, saved ground from that point and got outfinished. BALANCE THE BUDGET swung four wide into upper stretch, had no rally. THOMAS HILL managed a tuck into the two path prior to reaching the first turn, commenced the stretch run the widest of all, trailed. An objection lodged by the rider of HOBBS against the rider of CANTONIC alleging interference in the stretch was not allowed.

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