

SARATOGA - September 6, 1999 - Race 9

STAKES Forego H. Grade 2 - Thoroughbred

(Up To \$38,500 NYSBFOA) A HANDICAP FOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS AND UPWARD. By subscription of \$250 each, which should accompany the nomination; \$1,250 to pass the entry box and \$1,250 to start. The purse to be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 11% to third, 6% to fourth and 3% to fifth. Trophies will be presented to the winning owner, trainer and jockey. Closed Saturday, August 21, with 24 nominations.

Seven Furlongs On The Dirt **Track Record:** (Darby Creek Road - 1:20.40 - August 8, 1978)

Purse: \$250,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$250,000

Value of Race: \$250,000 1st \$150,000, 2nd \$50,000, 3rd \$27,500, 4th \$15,000, 5th \$7,500

Weather: Clear **Track:** Fast

Off at: 5:21 **Start:** Good for all

| Last Raced | Pgm | Horse Name (Jockey) | Wgt | M/E | PP | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | Str | Fin | Odds | Comments |
|---------------------------------------|-----|--|-----|-------|----|-------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------|-------------------------|
| 4Jul99 ⁸ BEL ¹ | 4 | Crafty Friend (Stevens, Gary) | 119 | L | 4 | 3 | 1 ^{Head} | 1 ^{Head} | 1 ^{Head} | 1 ^{Neck} | 4.60 | shown whip, prevailed |
| 4Jul99 ⁸ BEL ² | 2 | Affirmed Success (Chavez, Jorge) | 119 | L | 2 | 8 | 2 ^{1/2} | 2 ³ | 2 ^{3 1/2} | 2 ^{1 1/4} | 2.65* | battled gamely inside |
| 1Aug99 ⁹ SAR ⁴ | 5 | Sir Bear (Velazquez, John) | 119 | L | 5 | 1 | 6 ² | 4 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ^{2 1/4} | 4.90 | game finish outside |
| 5Aug99 ⁹ SAR ² | 3 | Mountain Top (Luzzi, Michael) | 112 | L | 3 | 7 | 5 ^{Head} | 6 ^{1 1/2} | 5 ^{2 1/2} | 4 ^{1 1/2} | 62.75 | game finish inside |
| 11Aug99 ⁹ SAR ² | 1 | Artax (Smith, Mike) | 117 | L f | 1 | 9 | 7 ^{1/2} | 7 ^{2 1/2} | 4 ^{Head} | 5 ^{5 1/4} | 8.50 | hustled, no rally |
| 22Jul99 ⁶ MTH ¹ | 9 | Liberty Gold (Santos, Jose) | 114 | L b | 9 | 5 | 9 | 9 | 6 ² | 6 ^{3 1/4} | 13.00 | angled out, no response |
| 11Aug99 ⁹ SAR ¹ | 6 | Intidab (Davis, Robbie) | 116 | L b | 6 | 6 | 8 ¹ | 8 ^{Head} | 7 ^{3 1/2} | 7 ^{5 1/4} | 6.80 | came wide, no response |
| 11Aug99 ⁹ SAR ⁴ | 8 | Good and Tough (Sellers, Shane) | 119 | L f | 8 | 4 | 4 ^{1/2} | 5 ^{Head} | 8 ^{2 1/2} | 8 ¹¹ | 13.80 | chased 4 wide, tired |
| 7Aug99 ⁸ LRL ¹ | 7 | Secret Firm (Prado, Edgar)  | 116 | L b f | 7 | 2 | 3 ^{Head} | 3 ^{Head} | 9 | 9 | 4.80 | chased 3 wide, tired |

Fractional Times: 22.25 44.32 1:08.28

Final Time: 1:21.32

Split Times: (22:07) (23:96) (13:04)

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Crafty Friend, Chestnut Horse, by Crafty Prospector out of Companionship, by Princely Native. Foaled Feb 21, 1993 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Foxfield. **Winning Owner:** The Thoroughbred Corporation

Total WPS Pool: \$995,851

| Pgm | Horse | Win | Place | Show | Wager Type | Winning Numbers | Payoff | Pool |
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| 4 | Crafty Friend | 11.20 | 4.50 | 3.40 | \$2.00 Exacta | 4-2 | 32.00 | 789,280 |
| 2 | Affirmed Success | | 4.10 | 2.90 | \$2.00 Trifecta | 4-2-5 | 144.00 | 673,958 |
| 5 | Sir Bear | | | 3.70 | | | | |

Past Performance Running Line Preview


| Pgm | Horse Name | Start | 1/4 | 1/2 | Str | Fin |
|-----|------------------|-------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 4 | Crafty Friend | 3 | 1 ^{Head} | 1 ^{Head} | 1 ^{Head} | 1 ^{Neck} |
| 2 | Affirmed Success | 8 | 2 ^{Head} | 2 ^{Head} | 2 ^{Head} | 2 ^{Neck} |
| 5 | Sir Bear | 1 | 6 ^{1 1/4} | 4 ^{3 1/4} | 3 ^{3 1/2} | 3 ^{1 1/2} |
| 3 | Mountain Top | 7 | 5 ^{1 1/4} | 6 ^{3 3/4} | 5 ^{4 1/4} | 4 ^{3 3/4} |
| 1 | Artax | 9 | 7 ^{3 1/4} | 7 ^{5 1/4} | 4 ⁴ | 5 ^{5 1/4} |
| 9 | Liberty Gold | 5 | 9 ^{4 3/4} | 9 ⁸ | 6 ^{6 3/4} | 6 ^{10 1/2} |
| 6 | Intidab | 6 | 8 ^{3 3/4} | 8 ^{7 3/4} | 7 ^{8 3/4} | 7 ^{13 3/4} |
| 8 | Good and Tough | 4 | 4 ^{3/4} | 5 ^{3 3/4} | 8 ^{12 1/4} | 8 ²⁰ |
| 7 | Secret Firm | 2 | 3 ^{1/2} | 3 ³ | 9 ^{14 3/4} | 9 ³¹ |

Trainers: 4 - Kimmel, John; 2 - Schosberg, Richard; 5 - Ziadie, Ralph; 3 - Perry, William; 1 - Albertrani, Louis; 9 - Arnold, II, George; 6 - McLaughlin, Kieran; 8 - Alexander, Frank; 7 - Motion, H.

Owners: 4 - The Thoroughbred Corporation; 2 - Albert Fried, Jr.; 5 - Barbara Smollin; 3 - John D. Murphy, Sr.; 1 - Paraneck Stable; 9 - John H. Peace; 6 - Shadwell Stable; 8 - David P. Reynolds; 7 - Mea Culpa Stables, Inc. and Beatson, Jr., W. P.;

Footnotes

CRAFTY FRIEND, away well and in front soon after the break, set the pace with AFFIRMED SUCCESS to his inside, dug in determinedly through the stretch and bested that rival while being shown the whip in the final yards. AFFIRMED SUCCESS was hustled up along the inside, contested the pace into the stretch and fought it out gamely to the finish. SIR BEAR, never far back, rallied approaching the stretch and finished gamely from the outside. MOUNTAIN TOP raced close up inside, responded when roused for the drive and finished gamely on the rail. ARTAX was hustled along early, raced outside on the turn and lacked a rally. LIBERTY GOLD, inside early on, angled out in upper stretch but had no response when roused. INTIDAB, outrun early, came wide approaching the stretch but had no rally. GOOD AND TOUGH, hustled outside, chased the pace while four wide and tired in the stretch. SECRET FIRM, hustled outside, chased the pace while three wide and tired in the stretch.

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