TENTH RACE

Saratoga

AUGUST 5, 2012

6 FURLONGS. (1.08) 28TH RUNNING OF THE ALFRED G. VANDERBILT HANDICAP. Grade I. Purse $400,000 A HANDICAP FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. No nomination fee. $4,000 to pass the entry box. A supplemental nomination fee of $8,000 in addition to the entry fee will be accepted at any time prior to the publication of weights. All starters including supplemental nominees will receive a $2,000 rebate. The purse to be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth and 2% divided equally among the remaining finishers. Any horse that competes in both the Alfred G. Vanderbilt Handicap and the Forego will have their entry fee waived for the Forego. Trophies will be presented to the winning owner, trainer and jockey. Closed Saturday, July 21, 2012 with 22 Original Nominations and 1 Supplement.

Value of Race: $400,000 Winner $240,000; second $80,000; third $40,000; fourth $20,000; fifth $12,000; sixth $2,667; seventh $2,667; eighth $2,666. Mutuel Pool $652,124.00 Exacta Pool $537,205.00 Trifecta Pool $316,247.00 Superfecta Pool $172,398.00 Grand Slam Pool $29,183.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds $1
8Jly12 9Mth5	Poseidon's Warrior	L	4	114	5	2	4¹	3²	3¹½	1nk	Ortiz I Jr	36.25
8Jly12 9Mth3	Justin Phillip	L b	4	115	3	7	5²½	4½	4²	2nk	Dominguez R A	6.00
5May12 6Bel1	Emcee	L	4	115	2	4	1¹	1hd	1½	3¹¼	Garcia Alan	2.40
9Jun12 7Bel4	Hamazing Destiny	L	6	117	8	1	8	7¹	6¹	4¹½	Rosario J	30.75
29Jun12 9PrM2	Rothko	L	4	116	4	5	2¹	2¹	2¹	5¹¾	Leparoux J R	7.30
31Mar12 2GP2	Jersey Town	L	6	116	7	8	6hd	6½	5hd	6½	Prado E S	8.00
7Jly12 10Mth3	Sloane Ranger	L b	6	115	6	3	7¹½	8	7¹	7³½	Lezcano J	46.25
28May12 10Bel1	Shackleford	L	4	121	1	6	3hd	5¹	8	8	Velazquez J R	1.20

OFF AT 5:56 Start Good. Won driving. Track muddy.

TIME :21⁴, :44³, :56², 1:09² (:21.99, :44.61, :56.55, 1:09.40)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

5 –POSEIDON'S WARRIOR	**74.50**	**25.60**	**8.10**
3 –JUSTIN PHILLIP		**6.10**	**3.50**
2 –EMCEE			**3.40**

$2 EXACTA 5–3 PAID $359.00 $2 TRIFECTA 5–3–2 PAID $1,554.00

$2 SUPERFECTA 5–3–2–8 PAID $15,133.00

Dk. b or br. c, (Apr), by Speightstown – Poised to Pounce, by Smarten. Trainer Reid Robert E Jr. Bred by Dark Hollow Farm & William P Beatson (Md).

POSEIDON'S WARRIOR sat perched in the three path just behind the front twosome, patiently kept a watchful eye on them for nearly a half, was let out a notch a short distance from the quarter pole then for much more once into the stretch, lost ground making his way through the furlongs grounds, commencing to drift outward noticeably in the vicinity of the three-sixteenths pole, forged on ahead, closed in steadily leaving the furlong marker, still on a non straight course, and resisting right handed pressure coming from the pilot, took over about two strides prior to the wire then held off the runner up in time to preserve the decision. JUSTIN PHILLIP settled just behind the front runners, was put to some coaxing to keep pace from the two path for the opening half, swung wider for the stretch drive, drafted behind the eventual winner for a few strides, had the rider take a quick peek back over his right shoulder and commit to being angled outward just as the top one starting on a course in the direction of the grandstand apron, drifted out even more than that opponent did, fed a steady diet of right handed stick work all the while, continued on with good courage but came up short. EMCEE quickly tucked over to the rail on a freshly harrowed track, argued to maintain control, was set down shortly before reaching the quarter pole, feeling intensified pressure from the closest pursuers at this juncture, held on gallantly but got reeled in late. HAMAZING DESTINY came in slightly at the start, making light contact with the nearest rival, raced from well off the inside throughout, was parked along the overland from about midway on the turn, steadily worked his way farther and farther away from the rail proceeding down the stretch, was taken inward for final stages and kicked in with some late foot to secure the last major check. ROTHKO assumed a forward position soon after the start, moved up during the later stages of the run around the bend setting up a stiff challenge by the quarter pole, sparred on nearly even terms with EMCEE during the ensuing furlong, weakened once past the eighth pole. JERSEY TOWN bobbled slightly then brushed with HAMAZING DESTINY who was coming inward at that time, settled along and rode the rail until the three-eighths pole, commenced to angle outward under his own power, taking the three path away from SLOANE RANGER soon afterwards, swung into the stretch and was asked for a response, made little headway on the front runners. SLOANE RANGER departed the backstretch three wide, lost position to JERSEY TOWN coming to the five-sixteenths pole, leaving that station four wide, entered the stretch and lacked the needed response. SHACKLEFORD was used hard early, getting put to strong hand encouragement as soon as about a jump or so out of the starting gate, got geared down after securing the pocket, but remained under lighter encouragement while tracking the front runners, underwent a ground-saving journey, failed to fire when called upon for the stretch and retreated.

Owners– 1, Swilcan Stable LLC; 2, Zayat Stables LLC; 3, Godolphin Racing LLC; 4, Butzow Barry and Westrock Stables LLC; 5, Padua Stables; 6, Fipke Charles E; 7, Schowe Vicki; 8, Lauffer Michael Cubbedge W D and Phillips Racing Partnership

Trainers– 1, Reid Robert E Jr; 2, Asmussen Steven M; 3, McLaughlin Kiaran P; 4, Lukas D Wayne; 5, Asmussen Steven M; 6, Tagg Barclay; 7, Ciresa Martin E; 8, Romans Dale

$2 Pick Three (4–3–5) Paid $2,404.00 ; Pick Three Pool $71,222 .
$2 Daily Double (3–5) Paid $244.00 ; Daily Double Pool $146,828 .
$2 Grand Slam (1/7/16–4/5/8–3/4/8–5) Paid $583.00 ; Grand Slam Pool $29,183 .

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