

SARATOGA - July 23, 2020 - Race 1

STAKES A. P. Smithwick Memorial Steeplechase S. Grade 1 - Thoroughbred

TO BE RUN OVER NATIONAL FENCES A HURDLE FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Closed Saturday, July 11, 2020 with 13 Nominations.

About Two And One Sixteenth Miles On The Hurdle **Track Record:** (Demonstrative - 3:42.65 - July 26, 2012)

Purse: \$100,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$100,000

Value of Race: \$100,000 1st \$60,000, 2nd \$18,000, 3rd \$10,000, 4th \$7,000, 5th \$5,000

Weather: Cloudy **Track:** Firm

Off at: 12:51 **Start:** Good for all

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	1/2	1m	11/2	13/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
13Jun20 ³ MID ¹	5	Moscato (GB) (Mitchell, Michael)	156	L b	4	6 ^{Head}	6 ^{1/2}	6 ^{1 1/2}	5 ³	4 ⁴	1 ^{3/4}	1.70*	ins to 5/16,4-5w lane
1Jul19 ³ PRX ¹	3	Optimus Prime (FR) (Nagle, Darren)	158	L	2	8	8	7 ^{1/2}	7 ⁴	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{2 1/2}	1.95	ins,3w run 4th,dug in
27Jun20 ⁵ GRM ⁴	4	Gibralfaro (IRE) (McDermott, Sean)	142	L	3	4 ¹	3 ¹	4 ²	2 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	3 ¹	10.20	2w,bid upper-1/16pl
27Jun20 ⁵ GRM ³	9	Redicean (GB) (Garner, Thomas)	144	L hf	8	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ⁴	2 ³	1 ^{4 1/2}	2 ¹	4 ^{6 3/4}	6.70	draft 2w,bold bid 7th
27Jun20 ⁵ GRM ²	7	Chief Justice (GB) (Foley, Barry)	142	L	6	7 ¹	5 ³	5 ^{1/2}	4 ^{1/2}	5 ²⁴	5	16.60	3w 1st,2w,empty
19Oct19 ³ FH ¹	2	Pravalaguna (FR) (Dalton, Bernard)	147	- -	1	3 ^{Head}	4 ¹	3 ^{Head}	3 ²	6 ⁶	---	9.90	ins,tip out 5th,eased
13Jun20 ³ MID ⁵	6	Surprising Soul (Geraghty, Ross)	148	L	5	1 ²	1 ²	1 ²	6 ^{Head}	7 ¹	---	9.50	pace 2w,eased
27Jun20 ⁵ GRM ⁵	8	Winner Massagot (FR) (Galligan, Gerard)	140	L	7	5 ¹	7 ¹	8	8	8	---	40.75	2w pursuit eased

Final Time: 3:47.51

Run-Up: 0 feet

Winner: Moscato (GB), Gray or Roan Gelding, by \$Hernando (FR) out of Alba Stella (GB), by Nashwan. Foaled Mar 30, 2011 in Great Britain.

Breeder: Miss K. Rausing.

Winning Owner: Bruton Street-US

Scratched Horse(s): Belisarius (IRE) (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$102,633

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	Moscato (GB)	5.40	2.50	2.30	\$1.00 Exacta	5-3	7.70	82,312
3	Optimus Prime (FR)		3.50	2.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	5-3-4	18.12	42,215
4	Gibralfaro (IRE)			4.50	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-3-4-9	13.50	24,449

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	1/2	1m	11/2	13/4	Str	Fin
5	Moscato (GB)	6 ^{6 1/2}	6 ¹¹	6 ^{7 1/2}	5 ^{7 1/2}	4 ²	1 ^{3/4}
3	Optimus Prime (FR)	8 ^{7 3/4}	8 ^{12 1/2}	7 ⁹	7 ^{10 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{3/4}
4	Gibralfaro (IRE)	4 ^{4 1/2}	3 ⁶	4 ⁵	2 ^{4 1/2}	3 ¹	3 ^{3 1/4}
9	Redicean (GB)	2 ²	2 ²	2 ²	1 ^{4 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	4 ^{4 1/4}
7	Chief Justice (GB)	7 ^{6 3/4}	5 ⁸	5 ⁷	4 ⁷	5 ⁶	5 ¹¹
2	Pravalaguna (FR)	3 ^{4 1/2}	4 ⁷	3 ⁵	3 ⁵	6 ³⁰	---
6	Surprising Soul	1 ²	1 ²	1 ²	6 ^{10 1/2}	7 ³⁶	---
8	Winner Massagot (FR)	5 ^{5 1/2}	7 ^{11 1/2}	8 ^{9 1/2}	8 ^{14 1/2}	8 ³⁷	---

Trainers: 5 - Fisher, Jack; 3 - Hendriks, Richard; 4 - Fisher, Jack; 9 - Young, Leslie; 7 - Murphy, Cyril; 2 - Fisher, Jack; 6 - Hendriks, Richard; 8 - Valentine, Richard

Owners: 5 - Bruton Street-US; 3 - Rosbrian Farm; 4 - Riverdee Stable; 9 -Sharon E. Sheppard; 7 -Irvin S. Naylor; 2 - Bruton Street-US; 6 -Wendy W. Hendriks; 8 -Mrs. George L. Ohrstrom, Jr.;

Footnotes

MOSCATO (GB) tracked the pace towards the inside route, was put strong encouragement angling to the outside at the five-sixteenths pole, swung the widest of all into the stretch, launched a relentless four to five wide rally, struck the front with less than seventy yards to go and edged away. OPTIMUS PRIME (FR) shifted over to the inside shortly after the field broke from the flag, was well held all the way to the last jump, moved into the three path and closed the gap on the fourth and final bend, was still in hand spinning into the stretch, settled in at the top of the lane then was given his cue, charged to the front during the run leading up and then through the furlong grounds, albeit by a narrow margin, faced pressure from both sides in the last eighth, offered resistance before yielded to the winner in deep stretch, had no trouble after having done so to saving the place. GIBRALFARO (IRE) kept watch on the front runners while being rated two wide in midpack, came under a ride entering the stretch, put up a bid in earnest before flattening out in the final sixteenth. REDICEAN (GB) secured a prominent position after the field had been sent on its way, was positioned on the inside border of path two drafting behind the left shoulder of the leader for most of the trip leading up to the backstretch the second time, unleashed a bold takeover at the seventh hurdle, quickly extended the margin, sensed others closing in during the final stages of the run around the final turn, was turned loose for the stretch run, gave in to heavy pressure in midlane and weakened. CHIEF JUSTICE (GB) strung out three wide on the first turn, worked out a tuck into path two after leaving it, would continue to venture along it all the way to the last turn, stepped into the stretch, lacked the needed response. PRAVALAGUNA (FR) abandoned the inside for path two at the fifth hurdle, backed away after entering the last turn then was eased down the stretch. SURPRISING SOUL showed the way from near the two path on a loosely-contested lead, got overpowered by REDICEAN at the initial of two jumps on the backstretch the second time, retreated after clearing the last one, then was put to a protective hold and allowed to fade away down the stretch. WINNER MASSAGOT (FR) underwent a two wide pursuit, never made his presence felt, then after being placed to a protective hold for the stretch run, was allowed to fade away.