

SARATOGA - July 26, 2026 - Race 4

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(UP TO \$13,224 NYSBFOA) FOR FOUR YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since January 26, 2026 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$45,000 (1.5% Aftercare Assessment Due At Time Of Claim Otherwise Claim Will Be Void).

Claiming Price: \$45,000

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt Current Track Record: (Key Contender - 1:34.72 - August 9, 1992)

Purse: \$76,000

Available Money: \$76,000

Value of Race: \$76,000 1st \$41,800, 2nd \$15,200, 3rd \$9,120, 4th \$4,560, 5th \$3,040, 6th \$2,280

Weather: Clear, 83° Track: Fast

Off at: 2:57 Start: Good for all except 4,9 Timing Method: Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)

[GPS Race Chart](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
13Jun26 ⁹ BAQ ²	3	Emirates Road (Prat, Flavien)	123	L b	1	1	5 ¹	5 ^{1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	4 ¹	1 ² 1/4	1.99	2-4p2nd,5p1/4,rallied
28Jun26 ¹ CD ⁴	4	Alternate Reality (Ortiz, Jose)	121	L	2	5	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{3/4}	3.38	stmbld brk,bid ins1/8
25Jun26 ⁶ BAQ ³	5	Frizzante (Rodriguez, Jaime)	121	L bf	3	2	6	6	6	6	3 ¹	12.66	2-3p1st,3-5p2nd,6p1/4
17Jul26 ³ SAR ⁴	7	Castle Chaos (Franco, Manuel)	123	L bf	5	4	2 ¹	2 ¹	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	4 ^{Neck}	8.03	out,2-3p,wknd last1/8
25Jun26 ⁶ BAQ ⁶	6	Celestial Glaze (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	121	L b	4	3	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹	5 ⁸ 1/2	23.71	2p-ins,tired last 1/8
16Jun26 ⁸ PRX ⁴	9	Counterspy (Saez, Luis)	123	L	6	6	4 ¹	4 ¹ 1/2	4 ²	5 ^{1/2}	6	1.47*	off step slw,3-4p trns

Fractional Times: 24.64 47.91 1:12.17 1:24.80 Final Time: 1:37.52 Time from Gate: 1:38.91

Split Times: (23:27) (24:26) (12:63) (12:72)

Run-Up: 25 feet

Winner: Emirates Road, Bay Gelding, by [Quality Road](#) out of Enrichment, by Ghostzapper. Foaled May 02, 2019 in Kentucky.

 Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

Breeder: Godolphin

Owner: Staudacher, David and Paradise Farms Corp.

Trainer: Maker, Michael

2 Claimed Horse(s): Alternate Reality New Trainer: Mertkan Kantarmaci New Owner: Sanford J. Goldfarb
Emirates Road New Trainer: Linda Rice New Owner: Linda Rice

Voided Claims: Counterspy(Vet)

Claiming Prices: 3 - Emirates Road: \$45,000; 4 - Alternate Reality: \$45,000; 5 - Frizzante: \$45,000; 7 - Castle Chaos: \$45,000; 6 - Celestial Glaze: \$45,000; 9 - Counterspy: \$45,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Big Blue Line (PrivVet-Illness), Fort Nelson (PrivVet-Illness), Noted (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$486,616

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Emirates Road	5.98	3.36	2.66	\$1.00 Exacta	3-4	8.41	326,050
4	Alternate Reality		4.24	2.82	\$1.00 Quinella	3-4	5.46	12,401
5	Frizzante			4.04	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-4-5	21.38	131,434
					\$1.00 Pick 3	4-1-3 (3 correct)	91.09	57,528
					\$1.00 Daily Double	1-3	13.36	89,251
					\$0.10 Superfecta	3-4-5-7	11.83	60,390

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Emirates Road	1	5 ³	5 ³ 1/2	5 ³ 3/4	4 ¹ 1/2	1 ² 1/4
4	Alternate Reality	5	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹	2 ² 1/4
5	Frizzante	2	6 ⁴	6 ⁴	6 ⁴ 1/4	6 ³	3 ³
7	Castle Chaos	4	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	4 ⁴
6	Celestial Glaze	3	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	5 ⁴ 1/4
9	Counterspy	6	4 ²	4 ²	4 ¹ 3/4	5 ² 1/2	6 ¹² 3/4

Trainers: 3 - Maker, Michael; 4 - Sharp, Joe; 5 - Schauer, Steven; 7 - Kantarmaci, Ilkay; 6 - Rodriguez, Gustavo; 9 - Dutrow, Jr., Richard

Owners: 3 - Staudacher, David and Paradise Farms Corp.; 4 - TEC Racing (Elliott S. Logan); 5 -Steven I. Schauer; 7 - Kantarmaci, Ilkay and Sun-Will Stable LLC; 6 -Tommy Torres; 9 -Jack J. Armstrong;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

EMIRATES ROAD raced inside for most of the first turn then moved to the two path, settled near the back, angled from the two path to the four path under urging on the far turn, rallied in then five path into upper stretch, closed strongly to get the lead inside the furlong marker, fought with the runner-up into the final sixteenth then edged clear under steady urging. ALTERNATE REALITY stumbled while making contact with the outside of the gate at the start but broke with the body of the field, saved ground on the first turn, was well placed just off the pace, drafted inside to the two path on the far turn, shifted out from behind the leading duo in upper stretch, gained to make a bid inside the furlong marker. FRIZZANTE went around the first turn in the two then three path, settled outside at the rear, angled from the three path to the five path under urging on the far turn, turned into upper stretch in the six path and improved to get the show. CASTLE CHAOS broke out at the start, raced in the three path on the first turn, prompted the pace on the outside, drew even with the leader in the two then three path on the far turn, was roused late on that bend, turned into upper stretch under a drive, battled with CELESTIAL GLAZE into the final furlong, dropped back into the final sixteenth and weakened. CELESTIAL GLAZE was hustled to the front, rounded the first turn in the two path, showed the way on the inside of CASTLE CHAOS, vied along the rail while asked on the far turn, turned into upper stretch on even terms for the lead, battled under a drive into the final furlong, dropped back into the final sixteenth and tired. COUNTERSPY had his head corrected by the assistant starter just as the latch was sprung, came out a step slow, went around the first turn in the four path, settled on the outside, chased in the three then four path on the far turn, pursued the leaders under a drive into upper stretch, dropped back into the final furlong, drifted in outside the sixteenth-pole and faltered.

