

SARATOGA - August 2, 2026 - Race 2

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD FOALED IN NEW YORK STATE AND APPROVED BY THE
NEW YORK STATE-BRED REGISTRY WHICH HAVE NEVER WON \$22,000 TWICE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OR
STARTER OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OR OPTIONAL CLAIMING PRICE OF \$45,000. Three Year Olds, 122
lbs.; Older, 126 lbs. Claiming Price \$45,000 (Allowance Horses Preferred)(1.5% Aftercare Assessment Due At Time Of Claim
Otherwise Claim Will Be Void). (SNW2\$ X) **Claiming Price:** \$45,000

Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Quality Road - 1:13.74 - August 3, 2009)

Purse: \$110,000

Available Money: \$110,000

Value of Race: \$110,000 1st \$60,500, 2nd \$22,000, 3rd \$13,200, 4th \$6,600, 5th \$4,400, 6th \$3,300

Weather: Cloudy, 82° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:47 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
3Jun26 ² SAR ²	2	Hot Currency (Franco, Manuel) 	122 L b	2 2		1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ⁵	1 ^{7 1/2}	0.63*	ins-2p turn,eased up
4Jul26 ⁴ SAR ¹	6	Grace and Grit (Rodriguez, Jaime) 	126 L b	5 5		6	6	4 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Neck}	3.73	bmp brk,3p turn,2p1/4
24May26 ⁴ BAQ ²	1	Nina Kay (Lezcano, Jose)	126 L b	1 1		3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{2 1/2}	3 ⁴	13.13	tight hold ins,3p1/4
7Jul26 ⁵ FL ¹	7	Zi End (Cruz, Joel)	126 L	6 6		5 ²	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ^{8 1/4}	20.08	bmp brk,3-4p trn,5p1/4
12Jul26 ³ SAR ¹	4	Bellacose (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	126 L	3 4		2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{1/2}	3.48	bmp brk,2-4p,faltered
7Jul26 ⁵ FL ³	5	Missing Fortune (Baez, Jose)	126 L bf	4 3		4 ^{Head}	5 ^{1 1/2}	6	6	37.72	bmp brk,2p-ins,falter

Fractional Times: 22.15 45.48 1:09.72

Final Time: 1:16.29 **Time from Gate:** 1:19.93

Split Times: (23:33) (24:24) (6:57)

Run-Up: 104 feet

Winner: Hot Currency, Bay Filly, by [Central Banker](#) out of Calidez, by Spring At Last. Foaled May 01, 2023 in New York.

CENTRAL BANKER Winner's sire standing at McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds

Breeder: BHMFR, LLC

Owner: Winning Move Stable, Sanford H. Robbins LLC, Lady Sheila Stable, Silverwood Stables and IEE Racing

Trainer: Rice, Linda

Claiming Prices: 4 - Bellacose: \$45,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Kay Cup (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$514,951

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payout	Pool
2	Hot Currency	3.26	2.26	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	2-6	3.08	386,083
6	Grace and Grit		2.90	2.30	\$1.00 Quinella	2-6	2.98	13,323
1	Nina Kay			3.24	\$0.50 Trifecta	2-6-1	5.07	172,490
					\$1.00 Daily Double	8-2	7.32	180,206
					\$0.10 Superfecta	2-6-1-7	3.33	87,303

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
2	Hot Currency	2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ⁵	1 ^{7 1/2}
6	Grace and Grit	5	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ^{4 1/2}	4 ⁸	2 ^{7 1/2}
1	Nina Kay	1	3 ¹	3 ²	2 ⁵	3 ^{7 3/4}
7	Zi End	6	5 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{2 1/2}	3 ^{7 1/2}	4 ^{11 3/4}
4	Bellacose	4	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{8 1/2}	5 ²⁰
5	Missing Fortune	3	4 ^{1 1/2}	5 ³	6 ¹¹	6 ^{20 1/2}

Trainers: 2 - Rice, Linda; 6 - Green, Amelia; 1 - Rice, Linda; 7 - Breed, Debra; 4 - Cox, Brad; 5 - Saul, Dana

Owners: 2 - Winning Move Stable, Sanford H. Robbins LLC, Lady Sheila Stable, Silverwood Stables and IEE Racing; 6 - TCC Stables LLC; 1 -William L. Sinkler; 7 - Breed, Debra A. and Breed, Kariann; 4 -Michael Dubb; 5 -Dana Saul;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

HOT CURRENCY brushed the outside of the gate at the start, was hustled to the front then taken in hand, showed the way while well rated under a snug hold, controlled the action while inside to the two path on the turn, responded well when asked at the quarter-pole, extended the advantage while moving a bit further out in the track in upper stretch, came under one pop of a right-handed crop outside the furlong marker, was given one more pop of the crop while drawing off inside that marker, raced under a solid hand-ride into the final sixteenth then was eased up while much the best. GRACE AND GRIT bumped with a rival at the start, dropped to the rear then settled at the back, moved closer near the nine-sixteenths pole, was roused with a half-mile to run, went around the turn in the three path, dropped to the two path under a strong drive into the stretch and just got up to nail NINA KAY for the place. NINA KAY was urged early then moved up to race just behind the leader, raced under a tight hold along the rail, was asked outside the five-sixteenths pole then moved to the two path, came out some while chasing the winner in upper stretch, pursued that foe into the final sixteenth and was caught for the place while clear for the show. ZI END brushed the inside of the gate then bumped with a foe at the start, settled on the outside, was roused in the three to four path on the turn, raced just off heels briefly inside the five-sixteenths pole, spun into the stretch in the five path, swapped back to her inside lead outside the sixteenth-pole and came up empty. BELLACOSE broke out and bumped with MISSING FORTUNE, pressed the pace on the outside, chased in the two to three path on the turn, dropped back in the four path into the stretch and faltered. MISSING FORTUNE was bumped at the start, settled off the pace, was asked in the two path on the turn, dropped to the rail late on that bend and failed to respond.

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