

SARATOGA - August 7, 2026 - Race 11

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR FILLIES AND MARES FOUR YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$16,000 OR LESS SINCE FEBRUARY 7, 2025 OR CLAIMING PRICE \$20,000. Weight, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since February 7, 2026 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price \$20,000 (1.5% Aftercare Assessment Due At Time Of Claim Otherwise Claim Will Be Void). New York Bred Claiming Price \$25,000. (C) **Claiming Price:** \$20,000

Distance: Seven Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Englishman - 1:20.40 - June 6, 2026)

Purse: \$52,000

Available Money: \$52,000

Value of Race: \$52,000 1st \$28,600, 2nd \$10,400, 3rd \$6,240, 4th \$3,120, 5th \$2,080, 6th \$780, 7th \$780

Weather: Cloudy, 83° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 6:48 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
31Jul26 ³ SAR ¹	8	Mursal (Davis, Dylan)	123	L	5	2	4 ¹	4 ² 1/2	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³ 1/2	3.29	hit gate,bobld,2-3p,4p
25Jun26 ⁷ BAQ ³	10	Despo's Dream (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	123	L	b	7	1	3 ^{1/2}	2 ¹	2 ^{1/2}	2.24	out,bid1/2,3-2p turn
27Jun26 ⁹ BAQ ⁷	5	Coquito (Ortiz, Jose)	123	L	bf	2	3	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{1/2}	3 ⁵ 1/2	1.72*	out,2p-ins turn,wknd
10Jul26 ⁸ SAR ¹	6	Baby Sassicaia (Harkie, Heman)	123	L	f	3	5	6 ^{Head}	6 ^{1/2}	4 ^{Head}	17.48	ins-2p turn,no rally
10Jul26 ⁸ SAR ³	7	Curlin's Magic (Alvarado, Junior)	121	L		4	7	7	5 ² 1/2	5 ³ 1/4	24.46	hit gate,2-3path,4p1/4
4Jun26 ¹¹ SAR ⁶	9	Heavenly Light (Rodriguez, Jaime)	123	L	b	6	4	5 ² 1/2	5 ¹	6 ⁴	6.92	3-4p turn,5p1/4,empty
22Mar26 ⁵ AQU ¹	3	Carolina Smokeshow (Lezcano, Jose)	123	L	bf	1	6	1 ^{Head}	3 ^{1/2}	7	15.03	drop back rail3/8,stop

Fractional Times: 23.51 46.57 1:11.14 **Final Time:** 1:23.61 **Time from Gate:** 1:25.54

Split Times: (23:06) (24:57) (12:47)

Run-Up: 38 feet

Winner: Mursal, Bay Mare, by Classic Empire out of Classic Brit, by To Honor and Serve. Foaled Mar 06, 2020 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Parrish Hill Farm & Ashford Stud

Owner: Rice, Linda, Marequest and DiLorenzo, Mark

Trainer: Rice, Linda

Claiming Prices: 9 - Heavenly Light: \$25,000; 3 - Carolina Smokeshow: \$20,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Lika Rolling Stone (PrivVet-Illness), Mischievous Trick (PrivVet-Illness), Moon Gate (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$494,261

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
8	Mursal	8.58	3.96	2.38	\$1.00 Exacta	8-10	10.96	342,798
10	Despo's Dream		3.60	2.40	\$0.50 Trifecta	8-10-5	9.73	153,094
5	Coquito			2.28	\$0.10 Superfecta	8-10-5-6	8.14	86,205
					\$1.00 Daily Double	1-8	58.09	241,510
					\$1.00 Pick 3	9-1-8 (3 correct)	181.83	333,187
					\$1.00 Pick 6	4-4-10-9-1-8 (6 correct)	147,398.97	231,669
					\$1.00 Pick 6	4-4-10-9-1-8 (5 correct)	615.87	0
					\$0.50 Pick 4	10-9-1-8 (4 correct)	934.88	501,564
					\$0.50 Pick 5	4-10-9-1-8 (5 correct)	4,449.63	933,709

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
8	Mursal	2	4 ²	4 ²	1 ^{1/2}	1 ³ 1/2
10	Despo's Dream	1	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ³ 1/2
5	Coquito	3	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	3 ⁴
6	Baby Sassicaia	5	6 ⁵ 1/2	6 ⁵ 1/2	4 ⁶	4 ⁸ 3/4
7	Curlin's Magic	7	7 ⁵ 3/4	7 ⁶	5 ⁶ 1/4	5 ¹¹ 3/4
9	Heavenly Light	4	5 ³	5 ⁴ 1/2	6 ⁸ 3/4	6 ¹⁵
3	Carolina Smokeshow	6	1 ^{Head}	3 ¹ 1/2	7 ¹² 3/4	7 ³⁵ 1/4

Trainers: 8 - Rice, Linda; 10 - Rodriguez, Rudy; 5 - Sharp, Joe; 6 - Follett, Norman; 7 - Arenas, Marcelo; 9 - De Paz, Horacio; 3 - Romero, Jesus

Owners: 8 - Rice, Linda, Marequest and DiLorenzo, Mark; 10 - Imperio, Michael, Rodriguez, Rudy R. and Nassau CC Stables; 5 - TEC Racing (Elliott S. Logan); 6 -Alex Kazdan; 7 -Marcelo Arenas; 9 - Upback Racing LLC and MicDuff Stables LLC; 3 - Turtle SixTSix Stable and Romero, Jesus;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MURSAL hit the outside of the gate then bobbled, moved in while well placed just off the pace, went around the turn in the two then three path, was roused near the quarter-pole, gained to make a bid in the four path into upper stretch, took the lead coming to the furlong marker and drew clear under steady handling to prove much the best. DESPO'S DREAM showed speed then tracked the pace on the outside, made a bid late on the backstretch, vied in the three then two path on the turn, was put to a drive in upper stretch, battled between horses into the final furlong and proved no match for the winner while able to get the place. COQUITO showed speed on the outside then disputed the pace, dropped from the two path to the inside while asked inside of a foe on the turn, battled inside of opponents under a drive into the final furlong and weakened then missed the place but was clear for the show. BABY SASSICAIA settled off the pace under some urging, shifted from the rail to the two path on the turn, came between horses near the quarter-pole, turned into upper stretch under a drive, moved out inside the furlong marker and failed to rally. CURLIN'S MAGIC broke out and hit the gate, settled at the rear, went around the turn in the two then three path, spun into the stretch in the four path then moved further out and failed to threaten. HEAVENLY LIGHT was urged along on the outside, moved in near the nine-sixteenths pole, went around the turn in the three then four path, turned into the stretch in the five path and came up empty. CAROLINA SMOKESHOW showed speed then disputed the pace, vied inside on the turn, dropped back outside the three-eighths pole and stopped then faltered in the final furlong and was placed under a protective hold from outside the sixteenth-pole to the finish.

Total Attendance: 0 **Handle:** \$22,093,165