

SARATOGA - August 13, 2026 - Race 2

MAIDEN CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
(UP TO \$12,354 NYSBFOA) FOR MAIDENS, THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 126 lbs.
Claiming Price \$85,000 (1.5% Aftercare Assessment Due At Time Of Claim Otherwise Claim Will Be Void). **Claiming Price:**
\$85,000

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Imperial Hint - 1:07.92 - July 27, 2019)

Purse: \$71,000

Available Money: \$71,000

Value of Race: \$71,000 1st \$39,050, 2nd \$14,200, 3rd \$8,520, 4th \$4,260, 5th \$2,840, 6th \$2,130

Weather: Clear, 82° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:46 **Start:** Good for all except 3 **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
18Jul26 ⁹ SAR ⁴	2	Mo the Merrier (Franco, Manuel)	122	L	2	3	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{4 3/4}	1.14*	pressed 3w, drew clear
10Jul26 ¹⁰ SAR ⁴	1	Relative Risk (Saez, Luis)	122	L	1	6	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ⁴	2 ^{3 1/4}	14.00	in hand ins, 2nd best
17Jul26 ² SAR ⁵	3	Grand Gesture (Alvarado, Junior)	126	L b	3	5	6	6	4 ¹	3 ^{5 1/4}	11.07	brush gate st, improve
5Jun26 ³ SAR ⁹	6	Onepac (Zayas, Edgard)	126	L	6	1	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	4 ^{1 1/4}	5.60	5-4w pursuit, tired
17Jul26 ² SAR ²	5	The Standard (Ortiz, Jose)	122	L	5	2	5 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{1 1/2}	6	5 ^{Head}	2.11	3w pursuit, tired
10Jan26 ⁶ AQU ⁵	4	Cost Effective (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	122	L b	4	4	4 ^{Head}	4 ^{Head}	5 ^{Head}	6	8.70	brushed st, tired

Fractional Times: 22.15 44.80 56.63 **Final Time:** 1:09.25 **Time from Gate:** 1:11.58

Split Times: (22:65) (11:83) (12:62)

Run-Up: 52 feet

Winner: Mo the Merrier, Bay Ridgling, by Uncle Mo out of Bambalina, by Bernardini. Foaled Mar 11, 2023 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Repole Stable, Inc.

Owner: Harold Lerner LLC, Nehoc Stables, AWC Stables and Team Stallion Racing Stable

Trainer: McPeek, Kenneth

1 Claimed Horse(s): **Mo the Merrier** New Trainer: Michael Miceli New Owner: George Anthony

Claiming Prices: 2 - Mo the Merrier: \$85,000; 1 - Relative Risk: \$85,000; 3 - Grand Gesture: \$85,000; 6 - Onepac: \$85,000; 5 - The Standard: \$85,000; 4 - Cost Effective: \$85,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$354,372

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Mo the Merrier	4.28	2.76	2.20	\$1.00 Exacta	2-1	26.39	251,846
1	Relative Risk		8.46	4.98	\$1.00 Quinella	1-2	19.74	10,727
3	Grand Gesture			4.78	\$0.50 Trifecta	2-1-3	75.42	103,752
					\$1.00 Daily Double	3-2	7.32	155,150
					\$0.10 Superfecta	2-1-3-6	73.45	49,733

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
2	Mo the Merrier	3	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{4 3/4}
1	Relative Risk	6	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{4 3/4}
3	Grand Gesture	5	6 ^{3 1/2}	6 ^{4 3/4}	4 ^{6 1/2}	3 ⁸
6	Onepac	1	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{5 1/2}	4 ^{13 1/4}
5	The Standard	2	5 ²	5 ^{3 1/4}	6 ^{7 1/2}	5 ^{14 1/2}
4	Cost Effective	4	4 ²	4 ³	5 ^{7 1/2}	6 ^{14 1/2}

Trainers: 2 - McPeek, Kenneth; 1 - Bartkowski, Lisa; 3 - Mott, William; 6 - Terranova II, John; 5 - Asmussen, Steven; 4 - Brown, Chad

Owners: 2 - Harold Lerner LLC, Nehoc Stables, AWC Stables and Team Stallion Racing Stable; 1 - WellSpring Stables; 3 -Cliff Love; 6 - Funbelly Stables, LLC and Yan, Peter; 5 - CJ Stables; 4 - Klaravich Stables, Inc.;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

MO THE MERRIER coaxed from the gate, pressed the pace of RELATIVE RISK from the outside three wide before advancing to duel with that rival coming under coaxing with five-sixteenths to go, took over command spinning just off the inside at the quarter pole, drew clear under a drive to prevail. RELATIVE RISK broke last without incident and then advanced inside to take command five furlongs from home, showed the way in hand along the inside under pressure from the aforementioned foe to the outside, had that rival get on near even terms and dueled through the turn from the three-eighths pole when placed to coaxing, got headed for the front taking the inside route into upper stretch, ran on to chase the winner home clear of the rest and along second best. GRAND GESTURE brushed the off side stall at the start and then brushed COST EFFECTIVE, chased just off the inside under a ride from three furlongs out, angled five wide into upper stretch and improved position to the finish. ONEPAC chased five then four wide under urging from the five-sixteenths marker, spun four wide into upper stretch and tired. THE STANDARD three wide in pursuit, came under encouragement with five-sixteenths remaining, tipped four wide into upper stretch and tired. COST EFFECTIVE got brushed at the break by GRAND GESTURE breaking outwards, chased just off the inside under a ride from three furlongs out, continued in the two path into upper stretch and tired.