

SARATOGA - August 23, 2025 - Race 13

STAKES DraftKings Travers S. Grade 1 - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS. Lasix not allowed within 48 hours of post time pursuant to HISA Rule 4212. By subscription of \$1,250 each which should accompany the nomination; \$9,000 to pass the entry box and an additional \$9,750 to start. For horses not originally nominated, a supplemental payment of \$9,000 in addition to the entry and starting fees may be made at any time prior to the closing of entries. The purse for the DraftKings Travers shall be divided as follows: \$687,500 to the owner of the winner, \$250,000 to second, \$150,000 to third, \$75,000 to fourth, \$50,000 to fifth and 37,500 divided equally amongst the remaining finishers. 126 lbs. The DraftKings Travers winner is eligible for a bonus from the Japan Racing Association if said winner is selected and runs in the 2025 Champions Cup. Trophies will be presented to the winning owner, trainer and jockey. Closed Saturday, August 9, 2025 with 15 Nominations.

Distance: One And One Fourth Miles On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Arrogate - 1:59.36 - August 27, 2016)

Purse: \$1,250,000 Guaranteed

Available Money: \$1,250,000

Value of Race: \$1,212,500 1st \$687,500, 2nd \$250,000, 3rd \$150,000, 4th \$75,000, 5th \$50,000

Weather: Clear, 81° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 6:18 **Start:** Good for all except 5 **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	1/4	1/2	3/4	1m	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
26Jul25 ¹⁰ SAR ¹	4	Sovereignty (Alvarado, Junior)	126	--	4	5	4 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	2 ² 1/2	1 ³	1 ¹⁰	0.30*	2-3p,4p1/4,eased up
19Jul25 ¹² MTH ⁴	2	Bracket Buster (Saez, Luis)	126	f	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹	1 ^{1/2}	2 ⁹	2 ¹⁰ 3/4	17.80	2-3path,led 3/8 to 1/4
5Jul25 ⁷ PRM ¹	1	Magnitude (Curtis, Ben)	126	--	1	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ¹¹	3 ¹¹	3 ¹² 1/2	3.60	ins1st,headed3/8,tired
3Aug25 ⁸ MNR ²	5	McAfee (Velazquez, John)	126	b	5	3 ¹	3 ^{Head}	5	5	4 ¹	4 ³⁴ 1/2	20.40	stmb1 st,3p1st,5-4p2nd
24Jul25 ⁹ SAR ³	3	Strategic Focus (Prat, Flavien)	126	b	3	4 ^{Head}	5	4 ¹	4 ¹ 1/2	5	5	7.10	fractious gate,eased

Fractional Times: 23.47 47.43 1:11.23 1:36.02 **Final Time:** 2:00.84

Split Times: (23:96) (23:80) (24:79) (24:82)

Run-Up: 55 feet

Winner: Sovereignty, Bay Colt, by [Into Mischief](#) out of Crowned, by Bernardini. Foaled Feb 22, 2022 in Kentucky.



Winner's sire standing at Spendthrift Farm

Breeder: Godolphin

Owner: Godolphin, LLC

Trainer: Mott, William

Total WPS Pool: \$3,218,039

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Sovereignty	2.60	2.10	\$1.00 Pick 3	9-4-4 (3 correct)	7.20	301,673
2	Bracket Buster		5.90	\$0.50 Pick 4	1-1/6/9-3/4-4 (4 correct)	22.87	476,748
1	Magnitude			\$0.50 Pick 5	7-1-1/6/9-3/4-4 (5 correct)	53.37	2,055,684
				\$1.00 Pick 6	2-7-1-1/6/9-3/4-4 (5 correct)	5.30	0
				\$1.00 Pick 6	2-7-1-1/6/9-3/4-4 (6 correct)	145.00	626,581
				\$1.00 Daily Double	4-4	2.40	379,559
				\$1.00 Exacta	4-2	9.90	1,465,358
				\$0.10 Superfecta	4-2-1-5	7.90	328,231
				\$0.50 Trifecta	4-2-1	11.45	727,164

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	1/4	1/2	3/4	1m	Str	Fin
4	Sovereignty	5 ²	4 ²	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{1/2}	1 ³	1 ¹⁰
2	Bracket Buster	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ³	2 ¹⁰
1	Magnitude	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	3 ³	3 ¹²	3 ²⁰ 3/4
5	McAfee	3 ¹	3 ²	5 ³	5 ¹⁵ 1/2	4 ²³	4 ³³ 1/4
3	Strategic Focus	4 ²	5 ² 1/2	4 ²	4 ¹⁴	5 ²⁴	5 ⁶⁷ 3/4

Trainers: 4 - Mott, William; 2 - Oliver, Victoria; 1 - Asmussen, Steven; 5 - Dutrow, Jr., Richard; 3 - Brown, Chad

Owners: 4 - Godolphin, LLC; 2 - BBN Racing LLC; 1 - Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC; 5 - Black Type Thoroughbreds, Swinbank Stables LLC, Hicks, Judy B. and Rice, Scott C.; 3 - Klaravich Stables, Inc.;

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SOVEREIGNTY came away in good order, settled between horses in the two path, stalked the leaders early on the far turn, was roused nearing the three-eighths pole, moved to the three path while gaining late on that bend, rallied to the lead in the four path into upper stretch, kicked clear inside the three-sixteenths pole, was given one tap of a down-turned crop into the final furlong, widened while given one tap of a right-handed crop outside the sixteenth-pole then was eased up late while much the best. BRACKET BUSTER established a forward position early, rounded the first turn in the two path, prompted the pace on the outside, turned up the pressure on the leader in the three path early on the far turn, took the advantage with three furlongs to run, dropped to the two path while roused later on that bend, lost the advantage to the winner into upper stretch, remained on his inside lead in the drive and proved no match while well clear for the place. MAGNITUDE bobbed ever so slightly at the start, was coaxed to the front, raced inside on the first turn, showed the way a bit off the rail on the backstretch, was asked into the far turn, vied inside while urged along early on that bend, lost the advantage with three furlongs to run, dropped back outside the quarter-pole, spun into the stretch in the three path and tired while well clear for third purse money. MCAFEE tossed his head some at the start then stumbled but broke with the field, raced in the three path on the first turn, tracked the pace on the outside, dropped back under some urging late on the backstretch, came up empty while moving from the five path to the four path on the far turn, spun into the stretch in the five path and faltered. STRATEGIC FOCUS became very fractious in the gate, angled to the rail early, settled on the inside, dropped back on the far turn, moved to the three path near the five-sixteenths pole, spun into the stretch in the four path and also faltered then was eased in the final furlong but walked off.