

SARATOGA - August 17, 2025 - Race 7

STARTER ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

(UP TO \$6,960 NYSBFOA) FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF \$12,500 OR LESS SINCE AUGUST 17, 2024. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since February 17, 2025 Allowed 2 lbs. (C)

Claiming Price: \$12,500 - \$0

Distance: Six And One Half Furlongs On The Dirt

Current Track Record: (Quality Road - 1:13.74 - August 3, 2009)

Purse: \$40,000

Available Money: \$40,000

Value of Race: \$38,800 1st \$22,000, 2nd \$8,000, 3rd \$4,800, 4th \$2,400, 5th \$1,600

Weather: Cloudy, 82°

Track: Fast

Off at: 4:47

Start: Good for all

Timing Method: Electronic

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Video Replay

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
23Jul25 ⁵ SAR ²	3	Problematica (Ortiz, Jose)	124	L b	2	4	1 ²	1 ²	1 ²	1 ^{3 1/2}	1.50	bmp brk,2p trn,respond
10Jul25 ⁹ SAR ¹	6	Spiritual Lady (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	124	L b	4	3	2 ^{Head}	3 ^{6 1/2}	2 ²	2 ¹	0.80*	out,2-3p turn,chased
23Jul25 ⁵ SAR ⁶	2	Equus (Rivera, Jr., Luis)	122	L b	1	2	3 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	3 ⁸	3 ^{5 1/2}	6.60	inside turn,no kick
23Jul25 ⁵ SAR ⁷	4	Champagne Surprise (Alvarado, Nazario)	122	L b	3	5	5	5	5	4 ^{Head}	14.80	bmp st,svd grnd,4p3/16
8Jul25 ⁷ FL ⁴	8	Troubled Luck (Gomez, Jose)	124	L bf	5	1	4 ⁷	4 ⁴	4 ^{Head}	5	21.20	outside,4p turn,5p3/16

Fractional Times: 22.65 46.31 1:11.22

Split Times: (23:66) (24:91) (6:58)

Run-Up: 95 feet

Final Time: 1:17.80

Winner: Problematica, Bay Filly, by World of Trouble out of Score Four, by Grand Slam. Foaled Apr 30, 2021 in Kentucky.

Breeder: University of Kentucky

Owner: Linda Rice

Trainer: Rice, Linda

Scratched Horse(s): Ghostly Girl (PrivVet-Illness), Irish Jackson (PrivVet-Illness), Jackson's Dixie (PrivVet-Illness)

Total WPS Pool: \$370,490

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Problematica	5.00	2.30	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	3-6	4.20	210,455
6	Spiritual Lady		2.10	2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	3-6-2	3.70	96,125
2	Equus			2.30	\$1.00 Daily Double	4-3	6.70	59,493
					\$1.00 Pick 3	1-4-3 (3 correct)	20.00	97,931
					\$0.50 Pick 4	3-1-1/4-3 (4 correct)	78.12	155,911
					\$0.50 Pick 5	5-3-1-1/4-3 (5 correct)	201.50	370,750
					\$1.00 Consolation Pick 3	1-1-3 (3 correct)	6.90	0
					\$0.10 Superfecta	3-6-2-4	1.09	44,296

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Problematica	4	1 ²	1 ²	1 ²	1 ^{3 1/2}
6	Spiritual Lady	3	2 ²	3 ²	2 ²	2 ^{3 1/2}
2	Equus	2	3 ²	2 ²	3 ⁴	3 ^{4 1/2}
4	Champagne Surprise	5	5 ^{10 1/2}	5 ^{12 1/2}	5 ¹²	4 ¹⁰
8	Troubled Luck	1	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{8 1/2}	4 ¹²	5 ¹⁰

Trainers: 3 - Rice, Linda; 6 - Charlerie, Gregory; 2 - Potts, Wayne; 4 - Sells, Rachel; 8 - DeLauro, Edward

Owners: 3 -Linda Rice; 6 -Brandon Charlerie; 2 -Craig Benoit; 4 -Scott Durgan; 8 - DLM Stables LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

PROBLEMATICA bumped with a rival at the start, went to the front then showed the way with a clear advantage, controlled the action in the two path on the turn, responded well when asked turning into upper stretch, was put to a right-handed crop at the furlong marker and proved much the best under steady urging. SPIRITUAL LADY broke out at the start, tracked the pace on the outside, tucked into the two path for the run around the turn, was given her cue at the five-sixteenths pole, tipped to the three path outside the quarter-pole, chased the winner under a drive in the stretch and was second best. EQUUS broke out then was corrected by the rider, settled in third position, saved ground on the turn, was roused at the five-sixteenths pole, turned into upper stretch under a drive and lacked the needed response while best of the rest. CHAMPAGNE SURPRISE bumped with a rival at the start, dropped back early then was hard ridden at the rear, saved ground on the turn, came out to the four path into upper stretch and was no factor. TROUBLED LUCK settled outside under some urging, was roused for more in the four path on the turn, spun into upper stretch in the five path and failed to respond.