

A CLOSER LOOK 11th Saratoga

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Saratoga 1 1/4 MILES(2:00) Travers-G1 139th Running of THE TRAVERS. Grade I. Purse \$1,000,000 For Three Year Olds. By subscription of \$1,000 each, which should accompany the nomination; \$5,000 to pass the entry box, \$5,000 to start. The purse to be divided 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth and 2% divided equally among remaining finishers. 126 lbs. Closed Saturday, August 9, 2008 with 20 Nominations.



1 Tale of Ekati

Own: Fipke Charles E
Red White, Blue Emblem, Yellow Sleeves, Blue
PRADO E S (136 21 30 18 .15) 2008: (824 142 .17)



B. c. 3 (Mar)
Sire: Tale of the Cat (Storm Cat) \$37,500
Dam: Silence Beauty Jpn (Sunday Silence)
Br: Charles Fipke (Ky)
Tr: Tagg Barclay(31 8 3 3 .26) 2008:(310 55 .18)

Table with columns for date, race, distance, time, and horse name. Includes entries for Jim Dandy-G2, Belmont-G1, Ky Derby-G1, WoodMem-G1, LaDerby-G2, BCJuvnl-G1, Futurity-G2, Sanford-G2, and Md Sp Wt 52k.

Table with columns for date, race, distance, time, and horse name. Includes entries for Prado E S, Coa E M, Prado E S, Prado E S, Coa E M, Coa E M, Velasquez C, and Coa E M.

Summary table for Tale of Ekati showing performance metrics: Life 9 3 1 0 \$894,200 95, D.Fst 7 3 1 0 \$767,200 95, Wet(364) 2 0 0 0 \$127,000 93, Synth 0 0 0 0 \$0 -, Turf(294) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -, Dst(241) 1 0 0 0 \$100,000 93.

Tale of Ekati

Grade 1 Wood Memorial stakes winner was used early in his Belmont Stakes race after finishing 4th in the Kentucky Derby; returned from a 7-week layoff in the Jim Dandy, where he worked out a good trip, inhaling a speed duel to get 1st run on the closers, but then came up empty in the lane, landing behind Macho Again and Pyro, while giving weight to both of those rivals; owns a Beyer speed figure Top at Saratoga and races at equal weights today for the rematch; others appeal more off the Jim Dandy effort.

2 Colonel John

Own: WinStar Farm
White White, Green And Black Emblem, Green
GOMEZ G K (4 1 0 2 .25) 2008: (693 138 .20)



B. c. 3 (Mar)
Sire: Tiznow (Cee's Tizzy) \$30,000
Dam: Sweet Damsel (Turkoman)
Br: WinStar Farm LLC (Ky)
Tr: Harty Eoin(9 2 0 3 .22) 2008:(111 20 .18)

Table with columns for date, race, distance, time, and horse name. Includes entries for Swaps-G2, Ky Derby-G1, SADERBY-G1, Sham-G3, CshCIFut-G1, RealQuiet105k, Md Sp Wt 45k, and Md Sp Wt 70k.

Table with columns for date, race, distance, time, and horse name. Includes entries for Gomez G K, Nakatani C S, Nakatani C S, Gomez G K, Nakatani C S, Nakatani C S, Nakatani C S, and Gomez G K.

Summary table for Colonel John showing performance metrics: Life 8 4 2 1 \$868,830 99, D.Fst 1 0 0 0 \$0 88, Wet(403) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -, Synth 7 4 2 1 \$868,830 99, Turf(263) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -, Dst(322) 1 0 0 0 \$0 88.

Colonel John

Grade 1 Santa Anita Derby hero likely needed his last start following a 10-week break (6 weeks freshened for this); his lone start on conventional dirt outside of California was his 6th-place finish in the Kentucky Derby, where he ran on late; was unusually close to the early pace in a short field in the Swaps, then hung in the lane when outfinished for 2nd money by a horse he had passed in the lane; must show more.

3 Da' Tara

Own: LaPenta Robert V
Blue Maroon, Gold Epaulets, Maroon Cap
GARCIA ALAN (130 23 16 18 .18) 2008: (882 158 .18)



Dk. b or br c. 3 (Apr) FTSAUG06 \$175,000
Sire: Tiznow (Cee's Tizzy) \$30,000
Dam: Torchera (Pirate's Bounty)
Br: WinStar Farm LLC (Ky)
Tr: Zito Nicholas P(37 4 6 4 .11) 2008:(245 52 .21)

Table with columns for date, race, distance, time, and horse name. Includes entries for Jim Dandy-G2, Belmont-G1, Barbro100k, Derby Trial115k, FlaDerby-G1, Alw 41500N2L, Mid Sp Wt 42k, Mid Sp Wt 23k, and Mid Sp Wt 52k.

Table with columns for date, race, distance, time, and horse name. Includes entries for Garcia Alan, Garcia Alan, Velazquez J R, Melancon L, Bravo J, Bravo J, Lezcano J, and Garcia Alan.

Summary table for Da' Tara showing performance metrics: Life 9 2 2 1 \$669,067 99, D.Fst 7 1 2 1 \$638,867 99, Wet(415) 2 1 0 0 \$30,200 72, Synth 0 0 0 0 \$0 -, Turf(280) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -, Dst(276) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -.

Da' Tara

So good in his front-running \$79 shocker in the Grade 1 Belmont Stakes, which was followed up by his lowest Beyer speed figure ever in a last-place finish in his Saratoga debut; is out of a 122K dam (3-for-15); was pressed hard all the way by Mint Lane in the Jim Dandy, while the co-high-weight; clearly appears to be the major pace player here, noting trainer Zito also has midpace runner Cool Coal Man and deep closer Amped entered; Tizbig looms a dangerous rival from the bell and he will need a clear, easy lead to have any chance to bounce back and win; know him early.

4 Tizbig

Own: Long Bay Stable LLC
Yellow Eton Blue, Brown Cap
VELASQUEZ C (142 22 22 .15) 2008: (987 132 .13)



B. c. 3 (Feb) KEESPE06 \$130,000
Sire: Tiznow (Cee's Tizzy) \$30,000
Dam: Lovington (Afleet)
Br: Runnymede Farm Inc & Catesby W Clay (Ky)
Tr: Jerkens H Allen(21 3 2 2 .14) 2008:(197 26 .13)

Table with columns for date, race, distance, time, and horse name. Includes entries for Alw 66640N2L, HWalton91k, Dwyer-G2, Alw 65000N1x, Alw 47000N1x, Alw 41500N2L, Alw 42000N1x, Md Sp Wt 20k, Md Sp Wt 23k, Md Sp Wt 52k, and Md Sp Wt 62k.

Table with columns for date, race, distance, time, and horse name. Includes entries for Velasquez C, Hill C, Hill C, Hill C, Velazquez J R, Velasquez C, Castro E, Castro E, Castro E, Chavez J F, and Chavez J F.

Summary table for Tizbig showing performance metrics: Life 12 1 3 2 \$89,467 91, D.Fst 10 1 2 2 \$77,894 91, Wet(439) 2 0 1 0 \$11,573 81, Synth 0 0 0 0 \$0 -, Turf(248) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -, Dst(264) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -.

Tizbig

Sibling to 605K stakes winner Savorthetime (11-for-32) is Grade 2-placed himself; ran locally 6 days ago in an allowance and shoots extremely high for this; stumbled at the break in last, but quickly recovered and went right to the front, while seemingly hard to handle during the early stages; figures to live up the action up top and may be able to keep Da' Tara honest on the engine?; pace factor.

5 Macho Again

Own: West Point Thoroughbreds
Green Gold, Black Star, Black Sleeves, Gold
LEPAROUX JR (97 16 9 10 .16) 2008: (701 117 .17)



Gr/r.o. c 3 (Feb) OBSFEB07 \$150,000
Sire: Macho Uno (Holy Bull) \$20,000
Dam: Go Donna Go (Wild Again)
Br: Milan Kosanovich (Fla)
Tr: Stewart Dallas (16 2 0 .12) 2008: (204 29 .14)

Table with columns for date, race type, class, and performance metrics for Macho Again's progeny.

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Summary table for Macho Again's performance across different races.

Summary table for Macho Again's performance across different races.

WORKS: Aug16 Sar tr.t 4f fst :50 B 18/31 Aug8 Sar tr.t 4f fst :50 B 14/28
TRAINER: 2Off45-180(47 .09 \$0.86) WonLastStart(68 .18 \$1.34) Dirt(327 .13 \$1.22) Routes(188 .13 \$1.60) GrdStk(37 .05 \$0.82)

6 Cool Coal Man

Own: LaPenta Robert V
Black Maroon, Gold Epaulets, Maroon Cap.
VELAZQUEZ JR (133 25 20 .19) 2008: (832 164 .20)



B. c 3 (May) KESEPE06 \$200,000
Sire: Mineshaft (A.P. Indy) \$75,000
Dam: Coral Sea (Rubiano)
Br: W S Farish EJ Hudson Jr Irrevocable Trust et a (Ky)
Tr: Zito Nicholas P(37 4 6 .11) 2008:(245 52 .21)

Table with columns for date, race type, class, and performance metrics for Cool Coal Man's progeny.

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Summary table for Cool Coal Man's performance across different races.

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WORKS: Aug14 Sar tr.t 4f fst :48 B 5/29
TRAINER: 2Off45-180(112 .14 \$1.48) Dirt(614 .18 \$1.99) Routes(383 .17 \$2.09) GrdStk(90 .10 \$1.77)

7 Amped

Own: LaPenta Robert V
Orange Maroon, Gold Epaulets, Maroon Cap
CHAVEZ J F (56 3 3 8 .05) 2008: (618 77 .12)



B. c 3 (Apr)
Sire: Fusaichi Pegasus (Mr. Prospector) \$45,000
Dam: Sweet Sarah (Deputy Minister)
Br: Robert Lapenta & Nicholas P Zito (Ky)
Tr: Zito Nicholas P(37 4 6 .11) 2008:(245 52 .21)

Table with columns for date, race type, class, and performance metrics for Amped's progeny.

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Summary table for Amped's performance across different races.

Summary table for Amped's performance across different races.

WORKS: Aug14 Sar tr.t 4f fst :49 B 15/29 Aug8 Sar tr.t 4f fst :52 B 24/28
TRAINER: Dirt(614 .18 \$1.99) Routes(383 .17 \$2.09) GrdStk(90 .10 \$1.77)

8 Harlem Rocker

Own: Stronach Stables
Pink Black, Gold Ball, Red Emblem, Two Red
COA E M (130 18 17 19 .14) 2008: (947 178 .19)



Gr/r.o. c 3 (Apr)
Sire: Macho Uno (Holy Bull) \$20,000
Dam: Freedom Cone (Lit de Justice)
Br: Adena Springs (Ont-C)
Tr: Pletcher Todd A(54 12 6 7 .22) 2008:(698 149 .21)

Table with columns for date, race type, class, and performance metrics for Harlem Rocker's progeny.

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Summary table for Harlem Rocker's performance across different races.

Summary table for Harlem Rocker's performance across different races.

WORKS: Aug17 Sar 5f fst :59 H 3/36 Aug10 Sar 5f fst :1:01 B 16/39 Aug3 Sar 5f fst :1:00 B 2/42
TRAINER: 31-60Days(715 .26 \$1.86) WonLastStart(403 .24 \$1.79) Dirt(905 .23 \$1.47) Routes(1249 23 \$1.61) GrdStk(360 20 \$1.64)

Macho Again

Picks up 11 pounds in weight off his Grade 2 ground-saving winning trip in his Jim Dandy, where he maneuvered around a tiring Da' Tara...

Cool Coal Man

G2 Fountain of Youth champion is out of a 4-for-16 dam (129K); he was well reserved early in the Haskell, while saving ground behind solid early fractions...

Amped

Broke from the gate far back early in the Walton Stakes, then rallied mildly when chasing Mambo in Seattle, while never a threat to the winner...

Harlem Rocker

Lone defeat was racing over a synthetic surface; Grade 3 stakes winner is out of a stakes-placed dam (4-for-9, 218K); received a reserved ground-saving trip in latest behind soft early fractions...

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Mambo in Seattle

Own: Kilroy Mrs William S Farish WS
Trainer: ALBARADO R J

Table with columns: Date, Race, Position, Time, Odds, Trainer. Rows include 9/8Sar, 14Jun08, 23May08, etc.

WORKS: Aug19 Sar 4f gd :48 B 1/1
TRAINER: WonLastStart(38.24 \$1.67) Dirt(137.19 \$1.35)



B. c. 3 (May)
Sire: Kingmambo (Mr. Prospector) \$250,000
Dam: Weekend in Seattle (Seattle Slew)
Tr: Howard Neil J

Summary table for Mambo in Seattle: Life 7 4 2 0 \$163,241 104
2008 5 3 1 0 \$123,229 104
2007 2 1 1 0 \$40,012 78
Sar 1 1 0 0 \$55,050 104

D.Fst 4 3 1 0 \$98,191 96
Wet(365) 1 1 0 0 \$55,050 104
Synth 2 0 1 0 \$10,000 78
Turf(321) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
Dst(346) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -

Mambo in Seattle

Stakes winner is out of a 147K dam (3-for-19); was well reserved in the Walton stakes behind quick early fractions; got into gear at the 6-furlong marker and would not be denied for the win picture; after he made the lead, he was challenged by a serious stretch runner, but held that one off gamely in a Beyer speed figure Top effort in his SAR debut; winner of 3 straight must be considered an exotics possibility off latest strong showing.

Tres Borrachos

Own: Greely C Beau Greely IV John J Houc
Trainer: BAZE T C

Table with columns: Date, Race, Position, Time, Odds, Trainer. Rows include 12Jul08, 15Jun08, 17May08, etc.

WORKS: Aug19 Hol 4f st :48 H 9/16
TRAINER: 31-60Days(68.06 \$1.59) WonLastStart(11.00 \$0.00)



B. g. 3 (Mar)
Sire: Ecton Park (Forty Niner) \$75,000
Dam: Pete's Fancy (Peteski)
Tr: Greely C Beau

Summary table for Tres Borrachos: Life 10 2 1 3 \$398,270 101
2008 6 1 1 2 \$366,070 101
2007 4 1 0 1 \$32,200 79
Sar 0 0 0 0 \$0 -

D.Fst 3 0 0 2 \$118,000 95
Wet(365) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
Synth 7 2 1 1 \$280,270 101
Turf(199) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
Dst(297*) 1 0 0 0 \$0 73

Tres Borrachos

Grade 2 stakes winner is out of a stakes-winning dam, who was a 10-race winner (10-for-40, 405K); snuck through along the inside to shock the Swaps and Colonel John as a \$24 winner in a 4-horse field; it was his 1st win of the year and 1st triumph since his Hollywood Park maiden score; from way out here, he will likely be used from the gate to gain early position; no exacta finishes on his resume from 3 attempts on conventional dirt; prefer others.

Pyro

Own: Winchell Ron
Trainer: BRIDGMOHAN S X

Table with columns: Date, Race, Position, Time, Odds, Trainer. Rows include 27Jul08, 14Jun08, 3May08, etc.

WORKS: Aug18 Sar tr.t 4f st :52 B 3/37
TRAINER: Dirt(3028.24 \$1.67) Routes(1442.20 \$1.50)



Dk. b or br. c. 3 (Feb)
Sire: Pulpit (A.P. Indy) \$80,000
Dam: Wild Vision (Wild Again)
Tr: Asmussen Steven M

Summary table for Pyro: Life 10 4 3 1 \$1,274,063 105
2008 6 3 1 0 \$757,345 101
2007 4 1 2 1 \$516,718 105
Sar 2 0 1 1 \$106,700 101

D.Fst 6 4 1 0 \$767,363 101
Wet(388) 3 0 2 1 \$506,700 105
Synth 1 0 0 0 \$0 73
Turf(317) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
Dst(274) 1 0 0 0 \$0 87

Pyro

G2 Louisiana Derby winner appears back to best form now after not showing up in the Blue Grass or Kentucky Derby; was making up ground with big strides on Macho Again in the Jim Dandy, but get the feeling the winner was not going to let Pyro get by him if they ran around again; is Grade 1-placed over the track as a 2-year-old; must overcome the outside draw to score, but races at equal weights today after spotting Macho Again 6 pounds in latest; looms a logical contender for win honors.

Court Vision

Own: IEAH Stables WinStar Farm
Trainer: DESORMEAUX K J

Table with columns: Date, Race, Position, Time, Odds, Trainer. Rows include 19Jul08, 21Jun08, 3May08, etc.

WORKS: Aug18 Sar tr.t 5f st :02 B 7/9
TRAINER: Turf/Dirt(125.17 \$1.67) 31-60Days(468.18 \$1.47)



Dk. b or br. c. 3 (Mar)
Sire: Gulch (Mr. Prospector) \$20,000
Dam: Weekend Storm (Storm Bird)
Tr: W S Farish & Kilroy

Summary table for Court Vision: Life 9 3 2 2 \$553,542 99
2008 5 0 1 2 \$296,000 99
2007 4 3 1 0 \$257,542 90
Sar 0 0 0 0 \$0 -

D.Fst 5 2 0 2 \$331,872 90
Wet(346) 0 0 0 0 \$0 -
Synth 2 1 1 0 \$35,670 83
Turf(279) 2 0 1 0 \$186,000 99
Dst(306) 1 0 0 0 \$0 73

Court Vision

G2 Remsen hero is winless since that 2007 victory; accomplished his best Beyer speed figures on turf in 2008 with latest a near-miss strong effort at today's distance on the lawn; runs from far off the early pace, while making his 1st main track start since finishing 13th in the Kentucky Derby; the trainer began the meet icy; he hopes to run past the timing speed late; view as an exotics hopeful underneath.

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