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**SARATOGA - August 1, 2020 - Race 5**  
 STAKES Personal Ensign S. Grade 1 - Thoroughbred  
 FOR FILLIES AND MARES FOUR YEARS OLD AND UPWARD.  
 One And One Eighth Miles On The Dirt **Track Record:** (Lawyer Ron - 1:46.64 - July 28, 2007)  
**Purse:** \$500,000 Added  
**Available Money:** \$500,000  
**Value of Race:** \$485,000 1st \$275,000, 2nd \$100,000, 3rd \$60,000, 4th \$30,000, 5th \$20,000  
**Weather:** Clear **Track:** Fast  
**Off at:** 3:29 **Start:** Good for all

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
11Jul20 <sup>4</sup> BEL <sup>2</sup>	4	Vexatious (Lezcano, Jose)	120 L	4	2	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Neck</sup>	9.50	3w uppr, dug in, game
27Jun20 <sup>9</sup> CD <sup>1</sup>	3	Midnight Bisou (Santana, Jr., Ricardo)	124 L	3	3	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	2 <sup>3</sup>	2 <sup>6 1/4</sup>	0.30*	4w 1/4, dug in, bested
13Jun20 <sup>9</sup> BEL <sup>2</sup>	6	Point of Honor (Castellano, Javier)	120 L	5	5	5	5	5	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	3.65	3w upper, kept on
27Jun20 <sup>9</sup> CD <sup>2</sup>	2	Motion Emotion (Ortiz, Jr., Irad)	120 L	2	1	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>3/4</sup>	13.70	in hand ins, weakened
4Jul20 <sup>7</sup> PRM <sup>1</sup>	1	Abounding Joy (Ortiz, Jose)	120 L	1	4	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	5	5	18.90	saved grd, weakened

**Fractional Times:** 24.15 48.36 1:12.20 1:36.29 **Final Time:** 1:48.82  
**Split Times:** (24:21) (23:84) (24:09) (12:53)  
**Run-Up:** 80 feet

**Winner:** Vexatious, Bay Mare, by Giant's Causeway out of Dream of Summer, by Siberian Summer. Foaled Apr 09, 2014 in Kentucky.  
**Breeder:** James C. Weigel & Giant's Causeway Syndicate, LLC.  
**Winning Owner:** Calumet Farm

**Scratched Horse(s):** Bossy Bride (Trainer)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$982,869

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Vexatious	21.00	4.60	\$1.00 Exacta	4-3	21.10	485,903
3	Midnight Bisou		2.10	\$0.50 Trifecta	4-3-6	15.25	285,963
6	Point of Honor			\$1.00 Pick 3	9-5-4 (3 correct)	161.50	298,403
				\$0.50 Pick 4	6-6/9-5-4 (4 correct)	2,295.25	508,905
				\$0.50 Pick 5	3-6-6/9-5-4 (5 correct)	13,459.50	1,360,256
				\$1.00 Daily Double	5-4	64.75	135,593
				\$1.00 Consolation Pick 3	9-4-4 (3 correct)	34.00	0
				\$0.10 Superfecta	4-3-6-2	6.15	115,737

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
4	Vexatious	2	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Neck</sup>
3	Midnight Bisou	3	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Neck</sup>
6	Point of Honor	5	5 <sup>4</sup>	5 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>3</sup>	4 <sup>5</sup>	3 <sup>6 1/2</sup>
2	Motion Emotion	1	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>8 3/4</sup>
1	Abounding Joy	4	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>2 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>7 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>9 1/2</sup>

**Trainers:** 4 - Sisterson, Jack; 3 - Asmussen, Steven; 6 - Weaver, George; 2 - Baltas, Richard; 1 - Brisset, Rodolphe

**Owners:** 4 - Calumet Farm; 3 - Bloom Racing Stable, LLC (Jeffrey Bloom), Madaket Stables LLC and Allen Racing LLC.; 6 - Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Stetson Racing, LLC; 2 - DeDomenico, Mark, Abbondanza Racing, LLC and Medallion Racing; 1 - WinStar Stablemates Racing LLC;

**Footnotes**

VEXATIOUS lightly coaxed from the gate, raced three wide into the first turn before tucking to the two path once into the bend, tracked the leader in closest pursuit just off the inside down the backstretch and into the far turn, the rider sneaking a peak back over his right shoulder half a mile from home, to catch a glimpse of MIDNIGHT BISOU, came under coaxing at the five-sixteenths and took over command nearing the quarter pole, swung three wide into upper stretch under an off sided stick, dug in confronted and was guided out to look MIDNIGHT BISOU in the eye nearing the eighth pole and herded that rival two paths inside that station, dug in head to head and traded a bump when under a near sided stick as her main rival came under an off sided stick forty yards from home and held gamely and defiant to the wire to score. MIDNIGHT BISOU just off the inside through the opening bend, tipped out a path to race three wide in pursuit down the backstretch, continued three wide through the far turn getting placed to coaxing three furlongs from home, advanced to issue a challenge swinging four wide into upper stretch, dug in under a drive latched on to the outside of the top one straightened away, got herded out two paths near the furlong marker, dug in under a drive knocking heads to the finish, came under an off sided stick and was bumped lightly and brushed as VEXATIOUS dug in under a near sided stick forty yards from the wire and could not go by, ultimately bested at the end while well clear of the rest for the place honors. POINT OF HONOR just off the inside through the first turn, raced three then four wide in pursuit from the tail of the compact field, came under a ride five-sixteenths from home, swung three wide into upper stretch, proved no match for the top pair while keeping on to secure the show honors. MOTION EMOTION coaxed from the gate, showed the way in hand along the inside patiently handled through sensible splits, came under coaxing near the five-sixteenths under challenge for the initial time, yielded the front nearing the quarter pole, cut the corner into upper stretch and weakened. ABOUNDING JOY took the inside route through the first turn and saved ground in pursuit from mid pack, remained patiently handled spinning just off the inside into upper stretch, got roused at the three-sixteenths and weakened. There was a Stewards' Inquiry into the stretch run as well as a Claim of foul by the rider of MIDNIGHT BISOU alleging interference against VEXATIOUS in the stretch. After review, the Claim of foul was dismissed and the result was allowed to stand prior to the race being declared official.

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