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GLOBEFORM RANKING

THE FOREGO STAKES (G1), 7 fur dirt, Saturday August 29, 2026

Horses ranked in pounds (0.45kg). 1 length = 2.5 pounds over this distance

Rank	No.	Name of horse	Globeform	GF most recent runs	Trainer / Jockey
From right to left (most recent first)					
0	2	HYMN WON @ 4.70-1	115	114 - 115 - 109p	Moquett / Santana Jr
-1 / 1	4	CRAZY MASON GF 116 in Forego '25 GF 116 in Apr '25	116 / 11	101 - 114 - 109+	Sacco / M Franco
5p	6	SENIOR OFFICER	110p	108+ - 105 - 110p	B Cox / L Saez
6	3	T KRAFT	109	109 - 95 - 106	W Mott / Alvarado
7	1	TIP TOP THOMAS GF 108 in July '25	108	107 - 89 - 105	Pletcher / Prat
9	8	BRING THE SMOKE	106	104 - 106 - 104p	Beckman / J L Ortiz
	5	BOOK'EM DANNO GF 127 in July '25	127	124 - 124 - 116+	Ryan / -
	7	BANISHING GF 119 Mar, Apr & May '25 Also ent. Charles Town Sat.	119 / 115	114 - 104 - 115	Jacobsen / -

Globeform ratings are expressed in pounds. **The "Rank" column** shows the horse best in at the weights based on Globeform ratings on top, with other horses ranked down in pounds. For example; rank figure 6 tells us that the horse is 6lbs below the top ranked horse. Length values: 5-6 furlongs: 3lbs per length. 7 fur: 2.5lbs. 8 - 11 fur: 2lbs. 12 fur: 1.5lbs

Globeform rating with a "p" attached = this was the horse's best rating to date and the horse is likely to improve.

Globeform rating with a "+" = this was not its best rating but the horse ran better than the rating suggests.

Most recent winners of the Forego

2025	BOOK'EM DANNO	GF 123	Derek Ryan	Paco Lopez
2024	MULLIKIN	GF 125	Rodolphe Brisset	Flavien Prat
2023	GUNITE	GF 123	Steve Asmussen	Tyler Gaffalione
2022	CODY'S WISH	GF 124	William Mott	Junior Alvarado
2021	YAUPON	GF 118p	Steve Asmussen	Ricardo Santana Jr
2020	WIN WIN WIN	GF 118	Michael Trombetta	Javier Castellano

Average winning Globeform: 121.8

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

BOOK'EM DANNO will be a short priced favorite as he goes for back to back wins in the Forego and he will be very hard to beat. He towers over his seven rivals, he is coming off two wins from three starts in 2026, and he does not need to be at his best to make that three-for-four.

He was below his best when second to Point Dume in the Carter Stakes over 7 furlongs at Aqueduct in April, but it was his first run for more than seven months and he needed the run. It was also a race that panned out perfectly for the winner though not so much for Book'em Danno. He was much sharper in the 6.5-furlong True North Stakes at Saratoga two months later (a race he won also in 2025), and produced yet another top class performance to get the better of last year's Breeders' Cup Sprint winner Bentornato, who succumbed late and was beaten 3/4 length. Listenupshance, winner of the Bing Crosby at Del Mar on his next start, was a close third and Riyadh Dirt Sprint winner Imagination checked in fourth. Book'em Danno meets nothing like that group here, and his subsequent win in the Mr Prospector Stakes at Monmouth Park was basically a well paid workout; he beat six-time (minor) stakes winner Quint's Brew readily by 1 1/4 lengths as the 1-10 favorite. It may have looked workmanlike but there's no way Derek Ryan will have had his star sprinter fully cranked up for a race like that and Book'em Danno got the job done.

The son of Bucchero was close to his best rating as he took the Forego Stakes last year, capturing it by a length from Scotland, with last year's Carter winner **CRAZY MASON** back in third place. That was Book'em Danno's fourth win from five starts in '25. He did not need to reproduce his peak on the day. He produced a career best **Globeform 127** when beating his arch rival Mullikin by 2 1/2 lengths in the Vanderbilt Stakes over 6 furlongs at Saratoga in July. Like he had done also when beating Mullikin in the 6.5-furlong True North Stakes a month earlier, Book'em Danno landed the spoils by coming from just off the speed, and he was much the best. Nicely drawn in stall five, Book'em Danno should get a good setup here and a 13th win from 20 outings is very likely. There's not loads of speed in the mix but it probably won't matter, he is well clear on all known form. He has an impressive 5-for-6 record at Saratoga and his 7-furlong record is also very good.

BANISHING is the one who makes this an interesting betting heat though, particularly if his 10-1 morning line proves to be about right. That is way too high. It would be a surprise were he to beat Book'em Danno, but Banishing is the second best horse in this field, he is coming off a win after a break (albeit in lesser company) and he is very efficient over this distance. Having been pulled up in the Churchill Downs Stakes in early May, he was given a break up to the 6.5-furlong Jeff Hall Memorial Stakes at Ellis Park in mid-July, a race he took by a length from Dreaminblue, with Here Mi Song third. Banishing's absolute best was not required for that result but he ran to GF 114 and Dreaminblue franked the form by winning a good allowance race at Ellis Park next time he raced (with Here Mi Song fourth) and it's probably going to be a mistake to underestimate Banishing this weekend. He ran to **Globeform 119** three times on the bounce in the early part of 2025, including when running a dead heat with another top class horse, Nysos, for second behind Mindframe in the 7-furlong Churchill Downs Stakes. His form dipped a bit a little after that but he kept on running well in the summer (won the Jeff Hall and the Charles Town Classic) and in March this year he captured the Godolphin Mile at Meydan, returning **Globeform 115** as he beat the 3-2 favorite Commissioner by 2 1/4 lengths. Prior to that he ran eighth in the Saudi Cup. This 6yo son of Ghostzapper has had a really tough career but he keeps on coming back like he's made of iron. The win at Ellis will have been a perfect prep for the Forego. He can run up with the pace or he can sit just off of it, and he has a remarkable top three record. If we ignore the race where he was pulled up, Banishing is 75% on the Trifecta in 2025 - 2026. Except for Book'em Danno, this warrior has been competitive in stronger rivals than these. >>>



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HYMN is also overpriced on the morning line. He has been pegged in at **12-1**, despite coming into this race off a game second in the 6-furlong Vanderbilt Stakes at Saratoga in July, when the classy sprinter Built beat him by 2 1/2 lengths. Spotting the winner 2lbs, Hymn ran a solid race and he beat the in-form winner Damon's Mound by a neck for second. Built would have been a clear second favorite if lining up for this race.

Trained by Ron Moquett - who enjoyed such success with top class sprinter Whitmore a few years ago - this son of McKinzie has improved nicely through his four starts since being gelded early in the year; winning three times while being stepped up in class on his way to the Vanderbilt. He was just a neck in front when beating next out allowance winner Master Mule at Oaklawn Park in April, but he left that form behind when following up with a solid win over 6 furlongs at Churchill Downs in May, when he beat I Got Game readily by 1 1/2 lengths over 7 furlongs on a muddy track and moved up to GF 109p. Sent to Laurel Park for the De Francis Memorial Dash in June, Hymn went off favorite to get the better of five rivals taking him on over the 6-furlong trip. He didn't just win, he slammed them; once more coming from just off the pace he won by 5 1/2 lengths from Celtic Contender (who was fourth 3 3/4 lengths behind **BRING THE SMOKE** in the Maryland Sprint on his preceding start) with Wickeddivine third. The latter was exiting three straight wins at Laurel. Hymn was ridden out to the line but he galloped out strongly and was full of energy after the race, returning **Globeform 115p**. Exiting such a good win, it was no surprise at all to see him doing so well in the Vanderbilt. One positive to take from the race was that he was not displaying an awkward head carriage seen in his preceding races. They were wins; perhaps he simply idled in front.

CRAZY MASON, who is quite a 7-furlong specialist, is high on the ranking based on having produced **Globeform 116** twice in 2025; when winning the 7-furlong Carter Stakes at Aqueduct in April, and when running third to **BOOK'EM DANNO** in the Forego Stakes at Saratoga in August. He was close to the same level when second to Patriot Spirit in the Vosburgh Stakes and again when third behind T O Elvis and Disruptor in the highly competitive Churchill Downs Stakes this May (beaten 5 1/2 lengths); but a dull sixth placing in the Hanshin Stakes on June 28 led to a break and this will be his first run since. Crazy Mason is plenty good enough to hit the board in this Forego field but he has been a 'stakes scratch' twice this summer; from Saratoga's Vanderbilt on July 25 and from the Reigh Court Stakes at Colonial Downs on August 1.

SENIOR OFFICER takes a step up in class after three straight wins; the most recent when he overcame serious traffic issues to get up late for a neck-win over last year's Indiana Derby **TIP TOP THOMAS** in a good allowance race over 6.5 furlongs at Saratoga in late July, when Maryland Sprint winner **BRING THE SMOKE** ran fourth. Senior Officer had previously impressed when beating Bring the Smoke easily by 2 1/4 lengths in a similar contest over 6 furlongs at Keeneland in April, and he 'got the job done' when beating Contrary Thinking over 7 furlongs at Saratoga in June (was not at his best but very game). The way he finished his race off last time suggests that he can be just as good over the Forego trip and Senior Officer is a potential Trifecta horse. As is Tip Top Thomas. Drawn by the rail he may seem to be in a tricky position, but he can run fast early and there's not much gate speed directly to his outside; so he should get a nice, ground saving trip.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS | FOREGO STAKES 2025

A	4 BOOK'EM DANNO WON	
B	7 MULLIKIN	
C	5 EXTRA ANEJO 6 CRAZY MASON 3rd at 16-1 8 SCOTLAND 2nd at 11-1	

TRIFECTA HIT: Playing Book'em Danno over our 4 horses underneath; 12 lines; Payout 193-1

\$120 invested - \$1940 returned ||| **\$1820 NET PROFIT**

SCRATCH TIME UPDATE: With Book'em Danno and Banishing both out, **HYMN** becomes the clear top ranked horse and our selection. He's now a great value bet in this sprint.

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A	2 HYMN WON @ 4.70-1
B	6 SENIOR OFFICER
C	1 TIP TOP THOMAS, 4 CRAZY MASON

Book'em Danno / True North Stakes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dORF1qbLLck>

Book'em Danno / Forego Stakes '25: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PAi0FSxlu5w>

Book'em Danno / Vanderbilt Stakes '25: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bhhFLiGj6Go>

Book'em Danno / True North Stakes '25: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fgejwy9MKDo>

Banishing / Godolphin Mile: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CR2148D8-SQ>

Banishing 2nd / Churchill Downs S. '25: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJNlvq-ECnU>

Hymn 2nd / Vanderbilt Stakes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=riXDTxhS2As>
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Hymn / De Francis Memorial Dash (R10): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ct-4yh35bLs>

Crazy Mason / Carter Stakes '25: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uPrC2ER9EtY>

Crazy Mason 3rd / Forego Stakes '25: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PAi0FSxlu5w>

Senior Officer / Saratoga Alw (R9 / 4:44): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kzcfi1gMEK4&t=17296s>
2nd Tip Top Thomas 4th Bring the Smoke

Senior Officer Sar Alw (R2 / 1:10): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Axq3aqiXIJQ&t=6411s>

Senior Officer / Keeneland Allowance (R2 / 2:19): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-fQjiUPd7UI&t=7243s>
2nd Bring the Smoke

