

CHURCHILL DOWNS - May 16, 2026 - Race 1

ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING OR STARTER OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 125 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race On The Turf Since March 16 Allowed 2 lbs. (Races Where Entered For \$35,000 Or Less Not Considered In Allowances). (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at Five Furlongs.). (NW X)

Distance: Five Furlongs On The Dirt - Originally Scheduled For 5 Furlongs On Turf **Current Track Record:** (Wilbo - 56.41 - September 18, 2016)

Purse: \$127,000

Includes: \$33,100 KTFD - Kentucky TB Devt Fund

Available Money: \$127,000

Value of Race: \$125,591 1st \$72,444, 2nd \$25,400, 3rd \$12,700, 4th \$6,350, 5th \$3,810, 6th \$1,630, 7th \$1,630, 8th \$1,627

Weather: Showery, 81° **Track:** Sloppy (Sealed)

Off at: 6:36 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	3/16	3/8	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
17Apr26 ⁶ OP ²	8	Rojo Rita (Mendoza, Amir)	118	L	5	4	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ³ 3/4	1.93	3-2w,bid 3w1/8,cleared
18Apr26 ³ KEE ²	10	Something Stronger (Hernandez, Jr., Brian)	123	L	7	6	6 ¹ 1/2	6 ²	6 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 1/2	5.55	4-6p,ran on,up plc lat
14Aug25 ⁵ DEL ³	7	Lilies N Paradise (Morales, Edgar)	118	L	4	2	2 ²	2 ⁴	1 ¹ 1/2	3 ²	14.91	dueled 2wd,led,yielded
18Apr26 ³ KEE ³	12	Stepping Stones (Concepcion, Axel)	118	L	8	7	5 ²	5 ¹ 1/2	4 ^{Head}	4 ¹	7.15	3p,5p1/4,mild kick
18Apr26 ³ KEE ⁵	1	Viva Vienne (Machado, Luan)	118	L h	1	3	7 ³	7 ² 1/2	7 ² 1/2	5 ¹ 1/2	25.78	ins,4p upr,moved up
9Apr26 ⁵ KEE ⁹	9	Just a Minute (Gutierrez, Mario)	118	L f	6	5	4 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹	5 ¹ 1/2	6 ³ 4	28.11	ins,chsld 2p1/8,no bid
11Mar26 ⁹ TP ⁴	6	J Z's Last Schance (Roman, Evin)	123	L bf	3	8	8	8	8	7 ^{Neck}	9.16	step slow st,4p,7p1/4
17Apr26 ¹⁰ KEE ¹	2	She Wants War (Geroux, Florent)	125	L	2	1	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	3 ² 1/2	8	1.74*	dueled ins foe, wknd

Fractional Times: 22.34 45.64

Final Time: 57.73 **Time from Gate:** 59.54

Split Times: (23:30) (12:09)

Run-Up: 55 feet

Winner: Rojo Rita, Chestnut Filly, by Volatile out of D'ya Knowwhatimean, by Broken Vow. Foaled Mar 03, 2022 in Kentucky.

Breeder: Glen Oak Farm & Two Stamps Stables

Owner: Kamil Ozhan

Trainer: Stewart, Dallas

Scratched Horse(s): Bourbon Notes (Also-Eligible), Cotillard (Also-Eligible), Grade A (Off-Turf), If If If (Also-Eligible), Jerseys Parade (Also-Eligible), Miss Lonelle (Off-Turf), Secret Hideaway (IRE) (Off-Turf), Should've (Off-Turf)

Total WPS Pool: \$258,871

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
8	Rojo Rita	5.86	3.64	3.04	\$2.00 Exacta	8-10	28.42	129,673
10	Something Stronger		4.92	3.88	\$0.50 Trifecta	8-10-7	61.01	65,362
7	Lilies N Paradise			6.26	\$0.10 Superfecta	8-10-7-12	54.33	56,683
					\$2.00 Odd or Even	EVEN	3.76	2,308
					\$1.00 Super High Five	8-10-7-12-1	1,680.91	2,690

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	3/16	3/8	Str	Fin
8	Rojo Rita	4	3 ² 1/2	3 ⁴	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ³ 3/4
10	Something Stronger	6	6 ⁶ 1/2	6 ⁷	6 ⁵	2 ³ 3/4
7	Lilies N Paradise	2	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{Head}	1 ¹ 1/2	3 ⁴ 1/4
12	Stepping Stones	7	5 ⁴ 1/2	5 ⁵ 1/2	4 ³ 1/2	4 ⁶ 1/4
1	Viva Vienne	3	7 ⁸	7 ⁹	7 ⁶ 1/2	5 ⁷ 1/4
9	Just a Minute	5	4 ⁴	4 ⁴ 1/2	5 ³ 1/2	6 ⁷ 3/4
6	J Z's Last Schance	8	8 ¹¹	8 ¹¹ 1/2	8 ⁹	7 ⁸ 1/2
2	She Wants War	1	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	3 ¹	8 ⁸ 3/4

Trainers: 8 - Stewart, Dallas; 10 - Stall, Jr., Albert; 7 - Maker, Michael; 12 - Sharp, Joe; 1 - Wilkes, Ian; 9 - Oliver, Victoria; 6 - Zawitz, Joel; 2 - Ward, Wesley

Owners: 8 -Kamil Ozhan; 10 - Bal Mar Equine, LLC; 7 - Paradise Farms Corp. and Chambers, Case; 12 - Teed Off Stable LLC; 1 - Equine Legends LLC; 9 -G. Watts Humphrey, Jr.; 6 - Flanagan, James, Grieco, Michael and Zawitz, Joel; 2 - Averill Racing, LLC and Two Eight Racing, LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

ROJO RITA prompted three deep early on, failed to sustain pressure and chased the embattled leading pair three to two wide around the turn, rallied to bid outside of them at the furlong grounds then drew clear. SOMETHING STRONGER brushed with an outer foe leaving the gate, raced off of the pace in the four path, floated six wide into the lane then ran on to gain place late. LILIES N PARADISE dueled two wide, led in upper stretch, but got bested by an outer bidder in the final furlong then lost place late. STEPPING STONES brushed with an inner rival at the start, pursued from midpack in the three path, shifted to the five path entering the lane then offered a mild kick. VIVA VIENNE lacked speed along the inside, shifted to the four path in upper stretch, tipped wider in the final furlong and moved up. JUST A MINUTE tracked along the inside, chased in the two path into the final furlong and lacked a bid. J Z'S LAST SCHANCE broke a step slow, trailed in the four path, fanned to the seven path entering the lane and made little impact. SHE WANTS WAR dueled for the lead with an outer rival, got headed by that one entering upper stretch then weakened in the final furlong.

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