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THISTLEDOWN - May 18, 2024 - Race 1

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE NOVEMBER 18. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since April 18 Allowed 2 lbs. Such A Race Since March 18 Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price \$5,000 (Ohio Registered Foals Preferred). (NW2 6M) **Claiming Price:** \$5,000

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Setting Limits - 1:35.60 - November 19, 1989)

Purse: \$12,600

Plus: \$1,000 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$13,600

Value of Race: \$12,600 1st \$7,560, 2nd \$2,520, 3rd \$1,260, 4th \$630, 5th \$378, 6th \$126, 7th \$126

Weather: Cloudy, 74° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 12:47 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
24Apr24 ¹ TAM ³	5	War Novel (Feliciano, Ricardo)	119	L	bf	5 2	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ /2	1 ³ /4	0.60*	perfect trip, held well
4May24 ⁴ TDN ⁴	6	Boss Bear (Toledo, Joam)	119	L	bf	6 7	7	7	5 ¹ /2	3 ^{Head}	2 ¹	6.20	swung wide, closed gap
22Apr24 ³ TDN ⁶	1	Itasca (Diaz, Angel)	119	L	b	1 1	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ /2	2 ²	3 ¹ 3/4	3.10	bmp st, pace, outfinishd
22Apr24 ³ TDN ⁵	4	Candy Crushem (Gonzalez, Luis)	119	L	b	4 5	6 ¹	4 ^{Head}	4 ¹	4 ^{Head}	4 ² 3/4	6.10	3 wide, evenly
9May24 ⁴ TDN ⁴	3	American Nightmare (Barbaran, Erik)	119	L	b	3 3	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ¹ 1/2	5 ² 1/2	5 ² 1/4	37.90	bmp st, mid move, empty
25Apr24 ² TDN ⁴	7	Duel Fuel (Cedillo, Mauro)	119	L		7 4	4 ¹ /2	6 ³ 1/2	7	6 ²	6 ² 1/2	45.00	through after half
30Apr24 ⁷ TDN ⁶	2	Say Hey Kid (Peterson, Ferrin)	119	L	f	2 6	5 ¹	5 ^{Head}	6 ^{Head}	7	7	24.70	bumped, squeezed start

Fractional Times: 24.48 48.86 1:13.46

Final Time: 1:39.64

Split Times: (24:38) (24:60) (26:18)

Run-Up: 40 feet

Winner: War Novel, Bay Gelding, by Laoban out of Love My Girl, by El Corredor. Foaled Mar 23, 2018 in New York.

Breeder: McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds, LLC, Hunter Valley Farm & Spruce Lane Farm

Owner: MCR Stable, Inc.

Trainer: Feliciano, Benny

1 Claimed Horse(s): War Novel

New Trainer: Anthony Farior

New Owner: Richard Burnsworth

Claiming Prices: 5 - War Novel: \$5,000; 6 - Boss Bear: \$5,000; 1 - Itasca: \$5,000; 4 - Candy Crushem: \$5,000; 3 - American Nightmare: \$5,000; 7 - Duel Fuel: \$5,000; 2 - Say Hey Kid: \$5,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$36,951

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
5	War Novel	3.20	2.60	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	5-6	7.00	28,343
6	Boss Bear		4.40	2.60	\$1.00 Trifecta	5-6-1	13.70	16,742
1	Itasca			2.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	5-6-1-4	4.10	13,141

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
5	War Novel	2	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ /2	1 ³ /4
6	Boss Bear	7	7 ⁶ 1/2	7 ⁶ 1/4	5 ⁴ 1/2	3 ² 1/2	2 ³ /4
1	Itasca	1	1 ¹	1 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ /2	3 ¹ 3/4
4	Candy Crushem	5	6 ⁵ 1/2	4 ² 1/2	4 ³ 1/2	4 ² 1/2	4 ³ 1/2
3	American Nightmare	3	3 ² 1/2	3 ¹	3 ²	5 ² 3/4	5 ⁶ 1/4
7	Duel Fuel	4	4 ⁴	6 ² 3/4	7 ⁵	6 ⁵ 1/4	6 ⁸ 1/2
2	Say Hey Kid	6	5 ⁴ 1/2	5 ² 3/4	6 ⁵	7 ⁷ 1/4	7 ¹¹

Trainers: 5 - Feliciano, Benny; 6 - Skerrett, Jeffrey; 1 - Urieta, Johanna; 4 - Sweazey, Scott; 3 - Calderon, Ivan; 7 - Romero, Oscar; 2 - Szczepanski, Emily

Owners: 5 - MCR Stable, Inc.; 6 - Danielle Agnello; 1 - Urieta's Racing Stable; 4 - Kelly Maxson; 3 - Carmelo Ortiz Ruiz; 7 - ORV Racing Stables, LLC; 2 - Two Sisters Racing;

Footnotes

WAR NOVEL prompted the pace two wide for five furlongs, assumed command, edged clear before the quarter pole, set the balance of the pace and maintained his advantage under strong handling. BOSS BEAR trailed into the far turn, swung wide entering the stretch, rallied determinedly and was steadily getting to the winner late. ITASCA drifted out bumping SAY HEY KID at the start, set a pressured pace along the inside for five furlongs, kept on but was outfinished in the final stages. CANDY CRUSHEM settled three wide and went evenly. AMERICAN NIGHTMARE drifted in bumping SAY HEY KID at the start, stalked the pace for six furlongs, offered a mild bid entering the stretch then came up empty. DUEL FUEL was through after a half. SAY HEY KID was bounced around and squeezed between rivals at the start then failed to menace.

THISTLEDOWN - May 18, 2024 - Race 2

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since April 18 Allowed 2 lbs. Such A Race Since March 18 Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price \$7,500 (Ohio Registered Foals Preferred). (NW2 L) **Claiming Price:** \$7,500

Distance: One Mile On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Setting Limits - 1:35.60 - November 19, 1989)

Purse: \$13,500

Plus: \$1,600 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$15,100

Value of Race: \$13,500 1st \$8,370, 2nd \$2,700, 3rd \$1,350, 4th \$675, 5th \$405

Weather: Cloudy, 74° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:17 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
24Apr24 ⁴ TDN ²	4	Mr Laoban (Aviles, Yan)	119	L	bf	4 5	4 ¹	3 ²	2 ² 1/2	1 1/2	1 ³ 3/4	1.20*	rallied3-2w,drew off
6May24 ⁷ TDN ⁶	3	Sergeant Countzler (Peterson, Ferrin)	119	L	b	3 3	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹	1 ^{Head}	2 ⁶	2 ^{Nose}	1.30	pressd,dueled,no match
1May24 ³ TDN ¹	1	Eleggua (Vigil, Noel)	119	L	b	1 2	5	5	4 ²	4 ³ 1/2	3 ⁴ 1/4	19.80	rallied6p,missed 2nd
30Apr24 ³ TDN ²	2	Donahue (Toledo, Joam)	119	L		2 1	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	3 ⁶	3 ² 1/2	4 ⁹ 1/2	3.20	early pace, weakened
30Apr24 ³ TDN ⁴	6	Ramblin Chrome (Cedillo, Mauro)	119	L	bf	5 4	3 ^{Head}	4 ^{Head}	5	5	5	14.70	through after half

Fractional Times: 23.80 47.84 1:12.86

Final Time: 1:41.00

Split Times: (24:04) (25:02) (28:14)

Run-Up: 40 feet

Winner: Mr Laoban, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Laoban out of Blameitonthebadboy, by Blame. Foaled Apr 11, 2020 in New York.

Breeder: Windylea Farm-NY, LLC

Owner: Emily Szczepanski

Trainer: Szczepanski, Emily

Claiming Prices: 4 - Mr Laoban: \$7,500; 3 - Sergeant Countzler: \$7,500; 1 - Eleggua: \$7,500; 2 - Donahue: \$7,500; 6 - Ramblin Chrome: \$7,500;

Scratched Horse(s): Domi (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$20,614

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Mr Laoban	4.40	2.40	2.10	\$1.00 Daily Double	5-4	6.10	2,734
3	Sergeant Countzler		2.40	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	4-3	4.60	11,022
1	Eleggua			3.40	\$1.00 Trifecta	4-3-1	29.60	7,982
					\$0.10 Superfecta	4-3-1-2	4.79	3,359

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
4	Mr Laoban	5	4 ³	3 ¹	2 ^{Head}	1 1/2	1 ³ 3/4
3	Sergeant Countzler	3	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 1/2	2 ³ 3/4
1	Eleggua	2	5 ⁴	5 ³ 1/4	4 ⁸ 1/2	4 ⁹	3 ³ 3/4
2	Donahue	1	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	3 ² 1/2	3 ⁶ 1/2	4 ⁸
6	Ramblin Chrome	4	3 ³	4 ³	5 ¹⁰ 1/2	5 ¹² 1/2	5 ¹⁷ 1/2

Trainers: 4 - Szczepanski, Emily; 3 - Meyers, Shane; 1 - Tumblin, Andrew; 2 - Faulkner, Joshua; 6 - Brown, Glenroy

Owners: 4 -Emily Szczepanski; 3 - Keys to Riches Stable; 1 -Kristina M. Tumblin; 2 -Josh Faulkner; 6 -Julia Mauro;

Footnotes

MR LAOBAN stalked the pace for a half, rallied three then two wide to draw on even terms for the lead entering the far turn, battled with the runner up into the stretch then responded under left handed urging past the furlong marker and drew off. SERGEANT COUNTZLER pressed the pace two wide for four and one half furlongs, gained a narrow lead, dueled with the winner along the inside until mid stretch then was no match and held on for second by the narrowest of margins. ELEGGUA saved ground into the far turn, fanned out to the six path entering the stretch, rallied determinedly and just missed getting up for second. DONAHUE set the pace along the inside for four and one half furlongs then weakened. RAMBLIN CHROME was through after a half.

THISTLEDOWN - May 18, 2024 - Race 3

ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

FOR REGISTERED OHIO FOALS FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO

RACES. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since April 18 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since March 18

Allowed 4 lbs. (Claiming Races For \$12,500 Or Less Not Considered In Weight Allowances). (SNW2 L)

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Fancy Threat - 1:08.40 - November 21, 1987)

Purse: \$35,800

Includes: \$7,800 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$35,800

Value of Race: \$35,800 1st \$22,196, 2nd \$7,160, 3rd \$3,580, 4th \$1,790, 5th \$1,074

Weather: Cloudy, 74° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 1:49 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
13Apr24 ⁶ MVR ³	4	Derby Day Kiss (Bracho, Jose)	117	b	4	2	2 ³	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{3 3/4}	0.90*	rally 2w,turn,drew off
20Mar24 ⁸ MVR ¹	1	Az We Speak (Diaz, Angel)	119	L	1	5	4 ⁴	3 ^{Head}	3 ²	2 ^{1 1/2}	3.00	rallied 3p, 2nd best
14Nov23 ² MVR ⁴	5	Big Facts (Rivera, Luis)	116	L	5	1	1 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ^{1 1/4}	1.90	early pace,outfinished
27Mar24 ⁶ MVR ³	3	Stick Around (Cedillo, Mauro)	119	L	3	4	3 ^{Head}	4 ⁹	4 ¹¹	4 ^{16 1/4}	12.70	failed to respond
11Apr24 ³ MVR ⁴	2	Dee's Ky Wildcat (Bowen, Rocco)	119	L	2	3	5	5	5	5	26.70	outrun

Fractional Times: 22.80 46.40 58.80

Final Time: 1:11.60

Split Times: (23:60) (12:40) (12:80)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: Derby Day Kiss, Dark Bay or Brown Filly, by Klimt out of Derby Day Storm, by Habayeb. Foaled Jan 10, 2021 in Ohio.

Breeder: Bryan A. Metz & Deborah F. Metz

Owner: Bryan Metz

Trainer: Cline, Robert

Total WPS Pool: \$21,007

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
4	Derby Day Kiss	3.80	2.40	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	4-1	4.60	10,049
1	Az We Speak		3.20	2.10	\$1.00 Trifecta	4-1-5	8.60	7,950
5	Big Facts			2.20	\$0.10 Superfecta	4-1-5-3	1.29	4,371
					\$1.00 Pick 3	5-4-4 (3 correct)	11.30	2,895
					\$1.00 Daily Double	4-4	8.30	1,025

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
4	Derby Day Kiss	2	2 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{3 3/4}
1	Az We Speak	5	4 ^{4 1/2}	3 ^{2 1/2}	3 ²	2 ^{3 3/4}
5	Big Facts	1	1 ^{1 1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{1 1/2}	3 ^{5 1/4}
3	Stick Around	4	3 ^{4 1/2}	4 ^{2 3/4}	4 ⁴	4 ^{6 1/2}
2	Dee's Ky Wildcat	3	5 ^{8 1/2}	5 ^{11 3/4}	5 ¹⁵	5 ^{22 3/4}

Trainers: 4 - Cline, Robert; 1 - Gorham, Robert; 5 - Farrior, Anthony; 3 - Gorham, Robert; 2 - Calderon, Ivan

Owners: 4 -Bryan Metz; 1 -Marion F. Gorham; 5 - Rankin, Bobby R. and Johnson, Charles W.; 3 -Marion F. Gorham; 2 - SLA Horses Dental;

Footnotes

DERBY DAY KISS chased the leader down the backstretch, rallied two wide to make the lead nearing the quarter pole then drew off through the final furlongs under right handed urging. AZ WE SPEAK allowed to settle, rallied through the stretch under left handed urging in the three path and finished clear for second. BIG FACTS away alertly, set the pace along the inside for nearly a half mile then was outfinished. STICK AROUND close up two wide, failed to respond. DEE'S KY WILDCAT was outrun.

THISTLEDOWN - May 18, 2024 - Race 4

ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

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(Claiming Races For \$12,500 Or Less Not Considered In Weight Allowances). (SNW4 L)

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Fancy Threat - 1:08.40 - November 21, 1987)

Purse: \$40,100

Includes: \$8,700 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$40,100

Value of Race: \$40,100 1st \$24,862, 2nd \$8,020, 3rd \$4,010, 4th \$2,005, 5th \$1,203

Weather: Cloudy, 74° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 2:24 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
14Dec23 ⁸ MVR ¹	6	Specialized (Barbaran, Erik)	119	L b	5	2	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ⁴ 1/4	0.70*	3/8p,lead,swervd,clear
29Apr24 ⁴ TDN ²	4	Stunt Man (Severino, Victor)	119	L	4	3	1 ¹ 2	2 ¹	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	1.70	led,driftd.bmp,game2nd
29Apr24 ⁴ TDN ³	2	Elliot the Dragon (Batista, Luis)	119	L	2	4	3 ¹	3 ¹	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ^{Head}	6.50	3w.bid.bmp,determined
24Apr24 ⁶ TDN ¹	3	May Mayhem (Rivera, Luis)	119	L b	3	1	4 ²	4 ⁹	4 ⁹	4 ¹¹ 3/4	6.90	bmp st, good try outsd
1May24 ⁸ TDN ⁷	1	Red Comet (Houghton, T.)	119	L v	1	5	5	5	5	5	42.50	brief speed

Fractional Times: 22.64 46.00 58.42

Final Time: 1:11.08

Split Times: (23:36) (12:42) (12:66)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: Specialized, Bay Gelding, by Midshipman out of Love Spun, by Hard Spun. Foaled Mar 22, 2020 in Ohio.

Breeder: Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm

Owner: Mast Thoroughbreds LLC

Trainer: Gorham, Robert

Scratched Horse(s): Media Darling (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$42,466

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
6	Specialized	3.40	2.20	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	6-4	3.00	23,377
4	Stunt Man		2.40	2.10	\$1.00 Trifecta	6-4-2	6.10	15,737
2	Elliot the Dragon			2.40	\$0.10 Superfecta	6-4-2-3	0.86	9,414
					\$1.00 Pick 3	4-4-6 (3 correct)	13.70	1,365
					\$0.50 Pick 4	5-4/5-4-5/6 (4 correct)	12.65	5,322
					\$1.00 Daily Double	4-6	4.90	1,234

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
6	Specialized	2	2 ¹ 2	1 ^{Head}	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ⁴ 1/4
4	Stunt Man	3	1 ¹ 2	2 ^{Head}	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ⁴ 1/4
2	Elliot the Dragon	4	3 ²	3 ¹	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ⁴ 1/4
3	May Mayhem	1	4 ³	4 ²	4 ³	4 ⁴ 1/2
1	Red Comet	5	5 ⁵	5 ¹¹	5 ¹²	5 ¹⁶ 1/4

Trainers: 6 - Gorham, Robert; 4 - Morales, Saul; 2 - Ibarra, Marco; 3 - Radosevich, Jeffrey; 1 - Bailey, Ricardo

Owners: 6 - Mast Thoroughbreds LLC; 4 - N and E Racing Stables; 2 - Authentic Racing, LLC; 3 - Samuel Klein, Jr. and Estate of Anthony Bradic; 1 - Lion Palm Racing Stable;

Footnotes

SPECIALIZED prompted the pace two wide for three furlongs, made the lead, matched stride into the stretch, edged clear under right handed urging, swerved through the final furlong when stuck with the crop and won going away. STUNT MAN was bumped at the start, set a pressured pace along the inside for three furlongs, battled with the winner into the stretch, drifted out repeatedly bumping ELLIOT THE DRAGON through the final furlong and gamely gained second. ELLIOT THE DRAGON stalked the early pace, loomed boldly three wide into the stretch, was bumped repeatedly by the runner up through the final furlong and finished determinedly. MAY MAYHEM bore out bumping STUNT MAN at the start, was taken out five wide, offered a mild bid into the stretch and finished with good courage in the seven path. RED COMET had brief speed. THE STEWARDS POSTED THE INQUIRY SIGN BUT TOOK NO ACTION.

THISTLEDOWN - May 18, 2024 - Race 5

ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

FOR REGISTERED OHIO FOALS THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON THREE RACES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OPTIONAL, OR STARTER OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since April 18 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since March 18 Allowed 4 lbs. (Claiming Races For \$12,500 Or Less Not Considered In Weight Allowances). (SNW3 X)

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Fancy Threat - 1:08.40 - November 21, 1987)

Purse: \$40,100

Includes: \$8,700 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$40,100

Value of Race: \$40,100 1st \$24,862, 2nd \$8,020, 3rd \$4,010, 4th \$2,005, 5th \$1,203

Weather: Cloudy, 74° Track: Fast

Off at: 2:59 Start: Good for all Timing Method: Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
4May24 ⁹ TDN ³	2	Excitement (Bowen, Rocco)	119	L bf	2	3	2 ³ 1/2	2 ⁶ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	1 ³ 1/4	0.60*	2w, move, drew off
11Mar24 ⁷ MVR ²	4	Wildcat Express (Bracho, Jose)	119	L b	4	1	1 ⁴	1 ¹ 1/2	2 ⁵	2 ² 3/4	1.30	clear lead, no match
28Oct23 ⁹ MVR ¹²	6	Raise the Purses (Salazar Becerra, Fernando)	119	L	5	2	4 ¹ 1/2	4 ⁶ 1/2	3 ^{Head}	3 ¹ 1/2	28.70	mild late rally
22Apr24 ¹ TDN ¹	3	Crypto Copy (Barbaran, Erik)	123	L b	3	4	3 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	4 ¹²	4 ¹⁴ 1/2	7.90	failed to respond
28Oct23 ⁹ MVR ¹³	1	Unbridled Cause (Fernandez, Victor)	119	L b	1	5	5	5	5	5	27.60	trailed

Fractional Times: 22.02 45.08 57.88

Final Time: 1:10.86

Split Times: (23:06) (12:80) (12:98)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: Excitement, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by National Flag out of Elated, by Kitten's Joy. Foaled Feb 20, 2020 in Ohio.

Breeder: WinBlaze, LLC

Owner: Winblaze, LLC

Trainer: Hamm, Timothy

Scratched Horse(s): Mutiny (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$42,608

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Excitement	3.20	2.10	2.10	\$1.00 Exacta	2-4	3.00	12,149
4	Wildcat Express		2.40	2.10	\$1.00 Trifecta	2-4-6	17.00	10,833
6	Raise the Purses			4.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	2-4-6-3	2.44	5,891
					\$1.00 Pick 3	4-6-2 (3 correct)	10.40	1,351
					\$1.00 Daily Double	6-2	5.50	1,416

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
2	Excitement	3	2 ⁴	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{Head}	1 ³ 1/4
4	Wildcat Express	1	1 ⁴	1 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{Head}	2 ³ 1/4
6	Raise the Purses	2	4 ⁸	4 ⁹	3 ⁵	3 ⁶
3	Crypto Copy	4	3 ⁷ 1/2	3 ⁸	4 ⁵ 1/4	4 ⁷ 1/2
1	Unbridled Cause	5	5 ⁹ 1/2	5 ¹⁵ 1/2	5 ¹⁷ 1/4	5 ²²

Trainers: 2 - Hamm, Timothy; 4 - Poole, Joseph; 6 - Morales, Saul; 3 - Ibarra, Marco; 1 - Morales, Saul

Owners: 2 - Winblaze, LLC; 4 -Harvey L. Blue, Jr.; 6 - N and E Racing Stables; 3 - Authentic Racing, LLC; 1 - N and E Racing Stables;

Footnotes

EXCITEMENT chased the leader into the stretch, rallied two wide under left handed urging to make the lead near the furlong marker in the six path and drew off under confident handling. WILDCAT EXPRESS broke in front, opened a daylight lead soon thereafter, set the pace into the stretch, drifted to the five path then was no match for the winner. RAISE THE PURSES allowed to settle, had a mild late rally in the six path. CRYPTO COPY well placed, failed to respond. UNBRIDLED CAUSE trailed.



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THISTLED OWN - May 18, 2024 - Race 6

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR REGISTERED OHIO FOALS FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.: Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since April 18 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since March 18 Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price \$25,000. (S)

Claiming Price: \$25,000

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Fancy Threat - 1:08.40 - November 21, 1987)

Purse: \$30,800

Includes: \$4,500 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$30,800

Value of Race: \$30,800 1st \$18,480, 2nd \$6,160, 3rd \$3,080, 4th \$1,540, 5th \$924, 6th \$308, 7th \$308

Weather: Cloudy, 74° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 3:39 **Start:** Good for all except 6 **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
4Jan24 ⁷ MVR ²	3	Mission Girl (Barbaran, Erik)	119	L b	3	4	3 ¹ 1/2	3 ²	2 ¹ 1/2	1 ^{3/4}	3.80	rail move, all out
4May24 ⁶ TDN ¹	2	Pretty Patty (Severino, Victor)	119	L	2	5	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	2 ⁴	1.10*	pace,drifted,caught
11Oct23 ⁶ TDN ⁴	7	Panamaniac (Gonzalez, Luis)	119	L b	7	1	4 ¹	4 ¹ 1/2	4 ¹	3 ^{Nose}	7.30	dug in5p, minor share
24Apr24 ⁵ TDN ⁶	6	Box Step (Batista, Luis)	119	L b	6	2	2 ¹ 1/2	2 ^{1/2}	3 ²	4 ¹ 1/4	3.70	bobbled,pressed,faded
6May24 ⁶ TDN ³	5	Highly Explosive (Cedillo, Mauro)	119	L b	5	6	7	5 ^{Head}	6 ²	5 ^{Head}	25.20	no factor
30Apr24 ⁵ TDN ¹	4	Danza Magic (Salazar Becerra, Fernando)	123	L b	4	3	6 ^{1/2}	7	5 ^{Head}	6 ⁹	7.70	failed to menace
4May24 ⁷ TDN ⁶	1	Bossy Lady (Rivera, Luis)	119	L b	1	7	5 ^{Head}	6 ^{Head}	7	7	14.90	through after half

Fractional Times: 22.46 45.80 58.42

Final Time: 1:11.48

Split Times: (23:34) (12:62) (13:06)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: Mission Girl, Dark Bay or Brown Mare, by Commissioner out of Brier Hill Girl, by Dark Kestrel. Foaled Mar 07, 2019 in Ohio.

Breeder: Raimonde Farms LTD & Beechwood RacingStables

Owner: Marion F. Gorham

Trainer: Gorham, Robert

1 Claimed Horse(s): Mission Girl

New Trainer: Anthony Farrior

New Owner: Richard Burnsworth

Claiming Prices: 3 - Mission Girl: \$25,000; 2 - Pretty Patty: \$25,000; 7 - Panamaniac: \$25,000; 6 - Box Step: \$25,000; 5 - Highly Explosive: \$25,000; 4 - Danza Magic: \$25,000; 1 - Bossy Lady: \$25,000;

Total WPS Pool: \$27,137

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Mission Girl	9.60	3.40	2.40	\$1.00 Exacta	3-2	11.20	17,167
2	Pretty Patty		3.00	2.60	\$1.00 Trifecta	3-2-7	45.40	13,028
7	Panamaniac			4.00	\$0.10 Superfecta	3-2-7-6	19.88	9,075
					\$1.00 Pick 3	6-2-3 (3 correct)	20.00	1,722
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-3	5.40	734

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
3	Mission Girl	4	3 ²	3 ¹	2 ¹	1 ^{3/4}
2	Pretty Patty	5	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ¹	2 ^{3/4}
7	Panamaniac	1	4 ³ 1/2	4 ³	4 ⁴ 1/2	3 ⁴ 3/4
6	Box Step	2	2 ^{1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ² 1/2	4 ⁴ 3/4
5	Highly Explosive	6	7 ⁵	5 ⁴ 1/2	6 ⁵ 1/2	5 ⁶
4	Danza Magic	3	6 ⁴ 1/2	7 ⁴ 3/4	5 ⁵ 1/2	6 ⁶ 1/4
1	Bossy Lady	7	5 ⁴ 1/2	6 ⁴ 1/2	7 ⁷ 1/2	7 ¹⁵ 1/4

Trainers: 3 - Gorham, Robert; 2 - Morales, Saul; 7 - Shanyfelt, Valerie; 6 - Yoder, Susan; 5 - Romero, Oscar; 4 - Yoder, Susan; 1 - Radosevich, Jeffrey

Owners: 3 -Marion F. Gorham; 2 - N and E Racing Stables; 7 - Shanyfelt Stables Inc.; 6 - Yoder, Susan and Rivera, Alan Yahir; 5 - ORV Racing Stables, LLC; 4 - Yoder, Susan and Rivera, Alan Yahir; 1 -Samuel Klein, Jr.;

Footnotes

MISSION GIRL stalked the pace along the rail into the stretch, responded under left handed urging to make the lead in the final stages and proved best while fully extended. PRETTY PATTY sprinted to the lead soon after the start, set a pressured pace until deep stretch, drifted out to the five path and couldn't handle the winner. PANAMANIAC raced in the five path and had a mild late rally for a minor share. BOX STEP bobbled at the start, pressed the pace two then three wide into the stretch and faded late. HIGHLY EXPLOSIVE was no factor. DANZA MAGIC failed to menace. BOSSY LADY was through after a half.

THISTLEDOWN - May 18, 2024 - Race 7

ALLOWANCE - Thoroughbred

FOR FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, STARTER, OPTIONAL OR OHIO BRED. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since April 18 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since March 18 Allowed 4 lbs. (Ohio Registered Foals Preferred). (NW2 X)

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Fancy Threat - 1:08.40 - November 21, 1987)

Purse: \$29,700

Plus: \$15,000 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$44,700

Value of Race: \$39,700 1st \$24,820, 2nd \$7,940, 3rd \$3,970, 4th \$1,485, 5th \$594, 6th \$297, 7th \$297, 8th \$297

Weather: Cloudy, 74° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 4:19 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic



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Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
24Apr24 ⁵ TDN ³	2	Lady Lottie (Salazar Becerra, Fernando)	119	L	2	7	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2.60	long drive, all out
20Nov23 ⁶ MVR ⁵	7	Sparkling Jewel (Bowen, Rocco)	119	L f	6	2	5 ^{Head}	5 ^{1 1/2}	2 ¹	2 ^{1 3/4}	7.50	bobbl,bmp,insid,denied
14Mar24 ⁷ MVR ¹	4	Neechi (Barbaran, Erik)	119	L	3	6	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	3 ¹	3 ^{1 1/2}	1.60*	battled2w,outfinished
24Apr24 ⁵ TDN ²	5	Oaxaca (Aviles, Yan)	119	--	4	5	3 ^{1/2}	3 ^{Head}	4 ^{1 1/2}	4 ^{3/4}	5.60	pressed3-4w,outfinishd
24Apr24 ⁵ TDN ⁴	1	Quarantina (Fernandez, Victor)	119	L b	1	8	8	6 ^{1/2}	6 ²	5 ⁴	77.50	failed to menace
23Jan24 ⁷ MVR ⁷	9	Somuchsugar (Bracho, Jose)	119	L bf	8	1	7 ^{Head}	8	8	6 ^{1/2}	59.10	dropped back turn
4May24 ⁷ TDN ³	6	Kichi Kitsu (Cedillo, Mauro)	119	L bf	5	4	4 ¹	4 ^{1 1/2}	5 ¹	7 ^{3/4}	32.40	vied 4w, gave way lane
13Dec23 ⁶ MVR ¹	8	Corner Kick (Rivera, Luis)	119	L	7	3	6 ^{1/2}	7 ^{1/2}	7 ^{Head}	8	3.10	through after half

Fractional Times: 22.42 45.66 58.46

Final Time: 1:11.28

Split Times: (23:24) (12:80) (12:82)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: Lady Lottie, Bay Filly, by Tamarkuz out of Page Springs, by Rocky Bar. Foaled Mar 28, 2020 in Ohio.

Breeder: Hal Snowden Jr.

Owner: DaCosta, Jason and Calypso Stable

Trainer: DaCosta, Jason

Scratched Horse(s): Liberty Belle (Stewards)

Total WPS Pool: \$32,870

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Lady Lottie	7.20	5.00	2.80	\$1.00 Exacta	2-7	18.80	14,408
7	Sparkling Jewel		7.60	3.80	\$1.00 Trifecta	2-7-4	61.20	10,816
4	Neechi			2.60	\$0.10 Superfecta	2-7-4-5	18.27	7,909
					\$1.00 Pick 3	2-3-2 (3 correct)	30.80	1,143
					\$1.00 Daily Double	3-2	18.10	655

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
2	Lady Lottie	7	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{1/2}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}
7	Sparkling Jewel	2	5 ^{1 3/4}	5 ^{2 1/4}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}
4	Neechi	6	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ¹	3 ^{1 3/4}
5	Oaxaca	5	3 ^{Head}	3 ^{1/2}	4 ²	4 ^{3 1/4}
1	Quarantina	8	8 ^{2 1/2}	6 ^{3 3/4}	6 ^{4 1/2}	5 ⁴
9	Somuchsugar	1	7 ^{2 1/4}	8 ^{4 3/4}	8 ^{6 3/4}	6 ⁸
6	Kichi Kitsu	4	4 ^{3/4}	4 ^{3/4}	5 ^{3 1/2}	7 ^{8 1/2}
8	Corner Kick	3	6 ^{1 3/4}	7 ^{4 1/4}	7 ^{6 1/2}	8 ^{9 1/4}

Trainers: 2 - DaCosta, Jason; 7 - Hamm, Timothy; 4 - Gorham, Robert; 5 - Skerrett, Jeffrey; 1 - Casalnova, Tina; 9 - Fadlovich, Megan; 6 - Ruberto, Jr., Luis; 8 - Radosevich, Jeffrey

Owners: 2 - DaCosta, Jason and Calypso Stable; 7 - WinStar Farm LLC and Blazing Meadows Farm LLC; 4 - Hillburn Racing Stable LLC.; 5 -Danielle Agnello; 1 -Dave Casalnova; 9 - Charlie J. Williams LLC; 6 - Ruberto Racing Stable, Inc.; 8 -Paul Woosley;

Footnotes

LADY LOTTIE battled for the lead along the inside then two wide the entire trip, repelled challenges from multiple rivals and proved best while fully extended two wide under a strong hand ride. SPARKLING JEWEL bobbed outward at the start bumping CORNER KICK, rallied determinedly inside the winner but was denied int eh final stages. NEECHI battled with the winner two wide into the stretch and was outfinished in a game effort. OAXACA pressed the pace three then four wide into the stretch and was outfinished. QUARANTINA failed to menace. SOMUCHSUGAR close up seven then six wide, retreated on the turn. KICHI KITSU vied for lead the lead four wide into the stretch then gave way. CORNER KICK was bumped at the start, had good early speed five wide and was through after a half.

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THISTLEDOWN - May 18, 2024 - Race 8

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred

FOR REGISTERED OHIO FOALS FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON TWO RACES SINCE MAY 18, 2023. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since April 18 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since March 18 Allowed 4lbs. Claiming Price \$7,500. (SNW2 Y) **Claiming Price: \$7,500**

Distance: Six Furlongs On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Fancy Threat - 1:08.40 - November 21, 1987)

Purse: \$17,400

Includes: \$3,900 OTF - Ohio Thoroughbred Fund

Available Money: \$17,400

Value of Race: \$17,400 1st \$10,440, 2nd \$3,480, 3rd \$1,740, 4th \$870, 5th \$348, 6th \$174, 7th \$174, 8th \$174

Weather: Cloudy, 74° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 5:00 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
4May24 ² TDN ⁵	10	Sweet Empire (Aviles, Yan)	119	L b	8	1	2 ²	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{3 1/2}	1 ^{4 1/4}	9.40	full of run,going away
4Apr24 ⁵ MVR ⁷	4	Arties Cryptonite (Paucar, Edgar)	121	L b	4	4	3 ^{1 1/2}	3 ¹	3 ^{Head}	2 ^{Neck}	19.30	rallied 6p, up place
4May24 ⁵ TDN ⁴	7	Out for Fun (Houghton, T.)	119	L	6	2	6 ^{Head}	6 ^{1 1/2}	5 ^{Head}	3 ^{1 3/4}	3.70	best stride late 7path
29Apr24 ⁶ TDN ²	3	Bay Magic (Salazar Becerra, Fernando)	119	L f	3	5	1 ^{Head}	2 ⁶	2 ³	4 ²	2.90	pace,altrd5p,faded
4Apr24 ⁵ MVR ¹¹	2	Congrats Jensen (Batista, Luis)	119	L b	2	7	4 ^{Head}	4 ¹	4 ^{1 1/2}	5 ¹	12.00	saved ground, evenly
17Mar24 ⁵ MVR ²	9	Cat's Rhythm (Rivera, Luis)	119	L f	7	6	5 ^{Head}	5 ^{1 1/2}	6 ¹	6 ^{Head}	1.60*	brief speed
4May24 ⁵ TDN ⁵	6	Catabout (Toledo, Joam)	119	L b	5	3	7 ²	7 ¹	7 ^{6 1/2}	7 ^{10 1/4}	9.30	no factor
21Oct23 ⁵ MVR ¹⁰	1	Costume Jewelry (Fernandez, Victor)	119	L	1	8	8	8	8	8	15.40	trailed

Fractional Times: 22.88 46.42 59.26

Final Time: 1:13.04

Split Times: (23:54) (12:84) (13:78)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: Sweet Empire, Dark Bay or Brown Mare, by Atreides out of Candys Girl (GB), by Bertolini. Foaled Feb 12, 2018 in Ohio.

Breeder: Raimonde Farms LTD

Owner: Raymond A. Jaskolski

Trainer: Radcliff, Jr., Donald

Claiming Prices: 10 - Sweet Empire: \$7,500; 4 - Arties Cryptonite: \$7,500; 7 - Out for Fun: \$7,500; 3 - Bay Magic: \$7,500; 2 - Congrats Jensen: \$7,500; 9 - Cat's Rhythm: \$7,500; 6 - Catabout: \$7,500; 1 - Costume Jewelry: \$7,500;

Scratched Horse(s): Barefoot Beach (Veterinarian), Kissthecross (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$17,810

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
10	Sweet Empire	20.80	11.40	6.60	\$1.00 Daily Double	2-10	48.60	1,770
4	Arties Cryptonite		10.00	6.60	\$1.00 Exacta	10-4	212.00	14,207
7	Out for Fun			4.00	\$1.00 Trifecta	10-4-7	1,044.00	10,915
					\$0.10 Superfecta	10-4-7-3	388.70	7,036
					\$1.00 Pick 3	3-2-10 (3 correct)	422.50	1,092
					\$0.50 Pick 4	2/5-3-2-10 (4 correct)	128.60	2,421
					\$0.50 Pick 5	5/6-2/5-3-2-10 (5 correct)	1,044.10	2,457
					\$0.20 Pick 6 Jackpot	4-5/6-2/5-3-2-10 (6 correct)	39,095.50	2,084

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
10	Sweet Empire	1	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{3 1/2}	1 ^{4 1/4}
4	Arties Cryptonite	4	3 ²	3 ⁶	3 ^{6 1/2}	2 ^{4 1/4}
7	Out for Fun	2	6 ^{3 3/4}	6 ^{9 1/2}	5 ⁸	3 ^{4 1/2}
3	Bay Magic	5	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{6 1/4}
2	Congrats Jensen	7	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ⁷	4 ^{6 1/2}	5 ^{8 1/4}
9	Cat's Rhythm	6	5 ^{3 3/4}	5 ⁸	6 ^{8 1/4}	6 ^{9 1/4}
6	Catabout	3	7 ⁴	7 ¹¹	7 ^{9 1/4}	7 ^{9 1/4}
1	Costume Jewelry	8	8 ⁶	8 ¹²	8 ^{15 3/4}	8 ^{19 1/2}

Trainers: 10 - Radcliff, Jr., Donald; 4 - Zielinski, Richard; 7 - Bailey, Ricardo; 3 - Calderon, Ivan; 2 - Cline, Robert; 9 - Farrior, Anthony; 6 - Faulkner, Rodney; 1 - Morales, Saul

Owners: 10 -Raymond A. Jaskolski; 4 -James McConnell; 7 - Lion Palm Racing Stable; 3 - Calderon Racing Stable; 2 -Pamela Goldhardt; 9 -Richard Burnsworth; 6 - Jak Racing LLC.; 1 - N and E Racing Stables;

Footnotes

SWEET EMPIRE prompted the pace two wide for a half, made the lead, set the balance of the pace and finished full of run to win going away under brisk handling. ARTIES CRYPTONITE stalked the pace into the stretch, had a mild late rally in the six path and got up for second. OUT FOR FUN unhurried early, found her best stride late in the seven path. BAY MAGIC set a pressured pace along the inside to the quarter pole, altered course to the five path at the top of the stretch then faded. CONGRATS JENSEN saved ground and went evenly. CAT'S RHYTHM had brief speed. CATABOUT was no factor. COSTUME JEWELRY trailed.

Track Attendance: 0

Handle: \$39,761

Off Track Wagering

Handle: \$518,021