

**THISTLEDOWN - June 20, 2026 - Race 12**

STAKES Ohio Derby Grade 3 - Thoroughbred

FOR THREE-YEAR-OLDS. No Nomination Fee by Wednesday, June 10th, 2026. Supplementary Nominations accepted to the Ohio Derby of \$1,250 are due by Saturday June 13th, 2026. \$600 to enter and \$550 additional to Start, with a purse of \$500,000, of which 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth, and 2% to sixth. Weights: 126 lbs. The Ohio Derby will be limited to Fourteen (14) Starters. In the event more than Fourteen (14) Entries pass through the entry box by the usual time of closing on Saturday, June 13th, 2026, preference will be given to (1) Grade/Group 1 winners, (2) Grade/Group 2 winners and Grade/Group 1 place finishers, (3) Grade/Group 3 winners and Grade/Group 2 place finishers, (4) Highest Lifetime Earnings. Lifetime Earnings will be determined according to statistics provided by Equibase. A Trophy is presented to the Winning Owner, Trainer, and Jockey.

**Distance:** One And One Eighth Miles On The Dirt **Current Track Record:** (Smarten - 1:47.40 - June 17, 1979)

**Purse:** \$500,000 Added





**Available Money:** \$500,000

**Value of Race:** \$500,000 1st \$300,000, 2nd \$100,000, 3rd \$50,000, 4th \$25,000, 5th \$15,000, 6th \$10,000

**Weather:** Clear, 73° **Track:** Fast

**Off at:** 6:26 **Start:** Good for all **Timing Method:** Electronic

[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
16May26 <sup>13</sup> LRL <sup>3</sup>	3	Chip Honcho (Ortiz, Jose)	126	--	3	4	4 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>1/2</sup>	3 <sup>4</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>	2.80	altered4w, in time
16May26 <sup>13</sup> LRL <sup>4</sup>	5	Ocelli (Gaffalione, Tyler)	126	--	5	6	8 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>3 1/4</sup>	5.10	4-3bid, led, 2nd best
9May26 <sup>9</sup> BAQ <sup>3</sup>	4	Trendsetter (Kimura, Kazushi)  	126	b	4	3	6 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	6 <sup>1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1</sup>	3 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	20.90	finished determinedly
25May26 <sup>8</sup> LS <sup>1</sup>	8	Desert Gate (Prat, Flavien) 	126	b	7	5	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>	4 <sup>4 3/4</sup>	0.90*	led between calls,
25May26 <sup>8</sup> LS <sup>2</sup>	1	Chad Allan (Chavez, Alexander)	126	--	1	1	5 <sup>1/2</sup>	7 <sup>Head</sup>	8 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	6 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>3 1/2</sup>	67.40	steady rail/7/8p,faded
16May26 <sup>13</sup> LRL <sup>6</sup>	7	Bull by the Horns (Husbands, Micah)	126	b	6	9	9	9	9	8 <sup>5</sup>	6 <sup>1/2</sup>	31.40	no factor
2May26 <sup>12</sup> CD <sup>15</sup>	10	Albus (Torres, Jaime)	126	--	9	8	3 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	3 <sup>Head</sup>	7 <sup>5</sup>	7 <sup>4</sup>	6.00	mid move 3w, empty
16May26 <sup>13</sup> LRL <sup>9</sup>	2	Robusta (Jaramillo, Emisael)	126	b	2	2	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	8 <sup>7 1/2</sup>	17.40	early pace, used up
8Jun26 <sup>7</sup> TDN <sup>1</sup>	9	Jupiter (Diaz, Angel) 	126	b	8	7	7 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>1/2</sup>	9	9	102.80	4w, flattened out

**Fractional Times:** 22.72 47.30 1:12.36 1:38.34

**Final Time:** 1:51.18 **Time from Gate:** 1:52.34

**Split Times:** (24:58) (25:06) (25:98) (12:84)

**Run-Up:** 42 feet

**Winner:** Chip Honcho, Dark Bay or Brown Colt, by [Connect](#) out of Miss My Rose, by Magician (IRE). Foaled Apr 02, 2023 in Kentucky.

 Winner's sire standing at Lane's End

**Breeder:** Venneri Racing Inc. & Tony Fanticola

**Owner:** Leland Ackerley Racing, LLC, Sherwood, James, Shupe, Jode and Cilia, John

**Trainer:** Asmussen, Steven

**Scratched Horse(s):** Zihnal (Trainer)

**Total WPS Pool:** \$793,792

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
3	Chip Honcho	7.60	4.60	3.60	\$0.50 Pick 3	10-2-3 (3 correct)	14.80	159,932
5	Ocelli		5.60	3.80	\$0.50 Pick 4	1-10-2/7/8-3 (4 correct)	298.40	231,170
4	Trendsetter			7.40	\$0.50 Pick 5	10-1-10-2/7/8-3 (5 correct)	1,969.30	304,499
					\$0.20 Pick 6 Jackpot	11-10-1-10-2/7/8-3 (6 correct)	16,728.60	60,227
					\$1.00 Daily Double	2-3	7.90	165,119
					\$1.00 Exacta	3-5	15.40	394,024
					\$0.20 Superfecta	3-5-4-8	57.80	169,714
					\$0.20 Super High Five	3-5-4-8-1	329.54	22,167
					\$0.50 Trifecta	3-5-4	59.35	258,658

**Past Performance Running Line Preview**


Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
3	Chip Honcho	4	4 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	4 <sup>1 1/4</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup>
5	Ocelli	6	8 <sup>4 1/4</sup>	8 <sup>3</sup>	5 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>1</sup>
4	Trendsetter	3	6 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	6 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	6 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	4 <sup>5</sup>	3 <sup>4 1/4</sup>
8	Desert Gate	5	2 <sup>1</sup>	2 <sup>1/2</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	2 <sup>Head</sup>	4 <sup>6</sup>
1	Chad Allan	1	5 <sup>2 1/4</sup>	7 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	8 <sup>3 1/4</sup>	6 <sup>7 1/2</sup>	5 <sup>10 3/4</sup>
7	Bull by the Horns	9	9 <sup>5 3/4</sup>	9 <sup>4 1/2</sup>	9 <sup>4 3/4</sup>	8 <sup>12 3/4</sup>	6 <sup>14 1/4</sup>
10	Albus	8	3 <sup>2</sup>	3 <sup>1 1/2</sup>	3 <sup>1</sup>	7 <sup>7 3/4</sup>	7 <sup>14 3/4</sup>
2	Robusta	2	1 <sup>1</sup>	1 <sup>1/2</sup>	1 <sup>Head</sup>	5 <sup>6</sup>	8 <sup>18 3/4</sup>
9	Jupiter	7	7 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	5 <sup>1 3/4</sup>	7 <sup>2 3/4</sup>	9 <sup>17 3/4</sup>	9 <sup>26 1/4</sup>


**Trainers:** 3 - Asmussen, Steven; 5 - Beckman, D. Whitworth; 4 - Colebrook, Ben; 8 - Baffert, Bob; 1 - Young, Robert; 7 - Joseph, Jr., Saffie; 10 - Mott, Riley; 2 - O'Neill, Doug; 9 - Rivera, Nestor

**Owners:** 3 - Leland Ackerley Racing, LLC, Sherwood, James, Shupe, Jode and Cilia, John; 5 - Durr, Ashley, Tate, Anthony and Front Page Equestrian, LLC; 4 - Davant Latham; 8 - Pegram, Michael E., Watson, Karl and Weitman, Paul; 1 - Gentry Farms (A.P. Gentry); 7 - Peachtree Stable and Corrado, Mark; 10 - Pin Oak Stud LLC; 2 - Calumet Farm; 9 - Rivera Racing Stables, LLC.;

**Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)**

CHIP HONCHO steadied between rivals entering the clubhouse turn, was always within striking distance, waited through the second bend, shifted four wide entering the stretch, rallied under left handed urging and was along in time. OCELLI settled five wide, rallied four then three wide on the far turn and through upper stretch to gain a narrow advantage before the furlong marker then couldn't handle the winner and finished clear for second. TRENDSETTER never far back, finished determinedly out near the middle of the racetrack. DESERT GATE pressed the pace two wide into the far turn, made the lead, set the pace into the stretch then was outfinished. CHAD ALLAN steadied along the rail entering the first turn, raced close up for six furlongs then faded. BULL BY THE HORNS was no factor. ALBUS stalked the early pace, offered a mild bid three wide after a half mile, kept on the through far turn then came up empty. ROBUSTA set a pressured pace along the inside into the second turn then was used up. JUPITER close up four wide for six furlongs flattened out.

 Denotes OBS Graduate

 Denotes Virginia-Certified Thoroughbred

**Track Attendance:** 0      **Handle:** \$153,336  
**Off Track Wagering**      **Handle:** \$5,793,120

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