

THISTLEDOWN - August 20, 2026 - Race 1

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 July 20 Allowed 2 lbs. Such A Race Since June 20 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 \$8,100, 2nd \$2,700, 3rd \$1,350, 4th \$675, 5th \$270, 6th \$135, 7th \$135, 8th \$135

Weather: Cloudy, 73° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 12:54 **Start:** Good for all except 1 **Timing Method:** Electronic

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt	M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments	
30Jul26 ³ TDN ¹	2	Guns and Ships (Gonzalez, Luis)	119	L	2	3	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ²	2 ⁵	1 ^{Head}	4.00	fought back gamely	
5Aug26 ⁸ TDN ⁵	9	Wise Words (Keiser, Chelsey)	116	L	bf	8	2	6 ¹	3 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ³	4.10	3w,move,led,denied	
5Aug26 ⁸ TDN ⁶	5	Polizon (Simpson, Jason)	116	L	f	5	5	2 ¹	4 ^{3 1/2}	4 ^{3 1/2}	3 ^{1/2}	8.30	chased, evenly	
11Aug26 ⁴ TDN ⁴	1	Shukran (Parker, Deshawn)	117	L	b	1	8	7 ¹	6 ²	5 ^{2 1/2}	5 ³	8.70	head turn,miss step st	
5Aug26 ⁸ TDN ²	8	Axcel (Cedillo, Mauro)	120	L	b	7	6	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{3 1/2}	3 ²	4 ^{2 1/2}	5 ^{3 3/4}	3.20	3-2w, weakened lane
5Aug26 ⁸ TDN ⁸	3	Trouble Or Nothin (Tapara, Brandon)	119	L	b	3	1	8	7 ¹	8	8	6 ^{3/4}	14.20	no threat
21Jul26 ⁴ TDN ⁵	6	Lao Way (Salazar Becerra, Fernando)	121	L	b	6	7	5 ¹	5 ¹	6 ¹	7 ^{Head}	7 ²	19.10	brief speed
5Aug26 ⁸ TDN ⁴	4	Game Performer (Barbaran, Erik)	117	L	bf	4	4	4 ^{Head}	8	7 ^{1/2}	6 ^{Head}	8	2.70*	through early

Fractional Times: 24.26 48.14 1:13.38

Final Time: 1:40.92 **Time from Gate:** 1:42.87

Split Times: (23:88) (25:24) (27:54)

Run-Up: 40 feet

Winner: Guns and Ships, Bay Gelding, by Gun Runner out of Crimson Frost, by Stormy Atlantic. Foaled Mar 27, 2022 in Virginia.

Breeder: South Gate Farm, LLC

Owner: Shanyfelt Stables, Inc.

Trainer: Shanyfelt, Valerie

Claiming Prices: 2 - Guns and Ships: \$7,500; 9 - Wise Words: \$7,500; 5 - Polizon: \$7,500; 1 - Shukran: \$7,500; 8 - Axcel: \$7,500; 3 - Trouble Or Nothin: \$7,500; 6 - Lao Way: \$7,500; 4 - Game Performer: \$7,500;

Scratched Horse(s): Aces Mischief (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$27,146

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
2	Guns and Ships	10.00	6.20	4.20	\$1.00 Exacta	2-9	22.40	24,214
9	Wise Words		5.40	3.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	2-9-5	104.15	13,607
5	Polizon			5.20	\$0.20 Superfecta	2-9-5-1	372.74	9,132

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin
2	Guns and Ships	3	1 ^{1 1/2}	1 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}
9	Wise Words	2	6 ⁴	3 ⁴	1 ^{Head}	1 ^{Head}	2 ^{Head}
5	Polizon	5	2 ^{1 1/2}	4 ⁴	4 ⁴	3 ⁵	3 ³
1	Shukran	8	7 ⁵	6 ^{8 1/2}	5 ^{7 1/2}	5 ⁸	4 ^{4 3/4}
8	Axcel	6	3 ^{2 1/2}	2 ^{1/2}	3 ²	4 ^{5 1/2}	5 ⁷
3	Trouble Or Nothin	1	8 ⁶	7 ^{10 1/2}	8 ^{11 1/2}	8 ^{11 1/4}	6 ^{10 3/4}
6	Lao Way	7	5 ³	5 ^{7 1/2}	6 ¹⁰	7 ^{11 1/4}	7 ^{11 1/2}
4	Game Performer	4	4 ³	8 ^{11 1/2}	7 ¹¹	6 ¹¹	8 ^{13 1/2}

Trainers: 2 - Shanyfelt, Valerie; 9 - Lopez Jr, Enrique; 5 - Bailey, Ricardo; 1 - Urieta, Johanna; 8 - Lopez, Jacinto; 3 - Morales, Saul; 6 - Langley, Joshua; 4 - Rone, Michael

Owners: 2 - Shanyfelt Stables, Inc.; 9 -Enrique Lopez; 5 - Lion Palm Racing Stable; 1 - Urieta's Racing Stable; 8 - Ebenezer Racing, LLC and Lopez, Juana; 3 - N and E Racing Stables; 6 -Argenis Serrano; 4 -Namir Zaiber;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

GUNS AND SHIPS set a pressured pace along the inside to the quarter pole gave up a narrow lead to the runner up, fought back gamely under left handed urging along the rail and got back up in time. WISE WORDS never far back, rallied three wide through the far turn to gain a narrow lead at the quarter pole, matched strides with the winner the length of the stretch two wide and finished second best. POLIZON chased the pace and went evenly. SHUKRAN had his head turned then miss stepped at the start, was unhurried and passed tiring rivals in the six path. AXCEL stalked the pace three then two wide into the stretch then weakened. TROUBLE OR NOTHIN was no threat. LAO WAY had brief speed. GAME PERFORMER was through early.