

THISTLEDOWN - October 10, 2025 - Race 1

CLAIMING - Thoroughbred
FOR ACCREDITED OHIO FOALS THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON FOUR RACES OR WHICH HAVE NOT WON A RACE IN 2025. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Since September 10 Allowed 2 lbs. A Race Since August 10 Allowed 4lbs. Claiming Price \$16,000 (Claiming Races For \$7,500 Or Less Not Considered In Eligibility). (S C) **Claiming Price:** \$16,000

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

Purse: \$21,900

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

Available Money: \$21,900

Value of Race: \$21,900 1st \$13,140, 2nd \$4,380, 3rd \$2,190, 4th \$1,095, 5th \$219, 6th \$219, 7th \$219, 8th \$219, 9th \$219

Weather: Clear, 61° **Track:** Fast

Off at: 12:57 **Start:** Good for all except 2 **Timing Method:** Electronic



[Video Race Replay](#)

Last Raced	Pgm	Horse Name (Jockey)	Wgt M/E	PP	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin	Odds	Comments
22Sep25 ⁶ TDN ³	9	John Fitzgerald (Chavez, Alexander)	117 b	8	7	8 ³	5 ¹	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ 1/4	5.50	quick move, drew clear
25Sep25 ¹ TDN ⁶	4	Relish the Ride (Rivera, Luis)	119 L b	3	8	9	8 ^{Head}	3 ¹	2 ² 1/4	3.70	5 wide, finished well,
22Sep25 ⁶ TDN ⁶	6	Red Chips (Bracho, Jose)	119 L	5	6	7 ¹	4 ¹	2 ^{Head}	3 ⁵ 1/4	9.30	bid, needed more
29Aug25 ⁸ TDN ³	1	Color Bearer (Aviles, Yan)	119 L b	1	5	3 ^{1/2}	2 ^{Head}	5 ¹	4 ¹ 1/2	20.10	close up, weakened,
30Jul25 ⁶ BTP ⁴	2	Run Red Run (McKee, John)	119 L b	2	9	4 ^{Head}	1 ²	4 ¹	5 ¹ 1/4	2.00*	hopped start, rushed
18Sep25 ⁷ BTP ¹	8	Merger (Sosa, Laureano)	119 L f	7	1	2 ^{1/2}	6 ^{Head}	7 ^{1/2}	6 ^{3/4}	18.40	well placed, faded,
30Sep25 ⁴ TDN ¹	10	Venture On (Houghton, T.)	123 L	9	2	5 ¹	7 ^{Head}	8 ² 1/2	7 ³ 1/2	33.90	wide early, no threat,
22Sep25 ⁷ TDN ⁶	5	Carson N Spence (Fernandez, Victor)	119 L b	4	3	1 ¹	3 ¹	6 ⁴	8 ² 1/4	41.10	early speed, gave way,
22Sep25 ⁶ TDN ²	7	Authentic Cowtown (Batista, Luis)	119 L	6	4	6 ^{Head}	9	9	9	2.60	outrun,

Fractional Times: 23.35 46.86 59.88

Final Time: 1:12.45

Split Times: (23:51) (13:02) (12:57)

Run-Up: 30 feet

Winner: John Fitzgerald, Dark Bay or Brown Gelding, by Kennedy out of Smile and a Wink, by Archarcharch. Foaled Apr 04, 2022 in Ohio.

Breeder: Raimonde Farms LTD

Owner: Jill Sweeting

Trainer: Sweeting, Craig

Claiming Prices: 9 - John Fitzgerald: \$16,000; 4 - Relish the Ride: \$16,000; 6 - Red Chips: \$16,000; 1 - Color Bearer: \$16,000; 2 - Run Red Run: \$16,000; 8 - Merger: \$16,000; 10 - Venture On: \$16,000; 5 - Carson N Spence: \$16,000; 7 - Authentic Cowtown: \$16,000;

Scratched Horse(s): Marquitos M (Veterinarian)

Total WPS Pool: \$27,562

Pgm	Horse	Win	Place	Show	Wager Type	Winning Numbers	Payoff	Pool
9	John Fitzgerald	13.00	6.00	3.00	\$1.00 Exacta	9-4	33.80	27,719
4	Relish the Ride		4.20	2.60	\$0.50 Trifecta	9-4-6	77.10	16,862
6	Red Chips			3.80	\$0.20 Superfecta	9-4-6-1	234.24	12,523

Past Performance Running Line Preview

Pgm	Horse Name	Start	1/4	1/2	Str	Fin
9	John Fitzgerald	7	8 ⁴ 1/4	5 ⁴	1 ¹ 1/2	1 ¹ 1/4
4	Relish the Ride	8	9 ⁷ 1/4	8 ⁵ 1/4	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ¹ 1/4
6	Red Chips	6	7 ³ 1/4	4 ³	2 ¹ 1/2	3 ³ 1/2
1	Color Bearer	5	3 ¹ 1/2	2 ²	5 ³ 1/2	4 ⁸ 3/4
2	Run Red Run	9	4 ²	1 ²	4 ² 1/2	5 ¹⁰ 1/4
8	Merger	1	2 ¹	6 ⁵	7 ⁸ 1/2	6 ¹¹ 1/2
10	Venture On	2	5 ²	7 ⁵ 1/4	8 ⁹	7 ¹² 1/4
5	Carson N Spence	3	1 ¹	3 ²	6 ⁴ 1/2	8 ¹⁵ 3/4
7	Authentic Cowtown	4	6 ³	9 ⁵ 1/2	9 ¹¹ 1/2	9 ¹⁸

Trainers: 9 - Sweeting, Craig; 4 - Radosevich, Jeffrey; 6 - Radosevich, Jeffrey; 1 - Skerrett, Jeffrey; 2 - Cline, Robert; 8 - Hamm, Timothy; 10 - Bailey, Ricardo; 5 - Cline, Robert; 7 - Ibarra, Marco

Owners: 9 -Jill Sweeting; 4 - J.R. Racing LLC; 6 - Enjoy the Ride Stables LLC and Johnson, W. Lee; 1 -Danielle Agnello; 2 - Holland, Gary and Rumford, Jim; 8 - Blazing Meadows Farm LLC; 10 - Lion Palm Racing Stable; 5 -Ryan Wolking; 7 - McDonald, James H. and Authentic Racing, LLC;

Footnotes | [View Glossary Of Terms](#)

JOHN FITZGERALD was allowed to settle early, rallied in the stretch three wide, drew clear in mid stretch and remained clear late under strong handling. RELISH THE RIDE was unhurried early, rallied in the stretch five wide, finished well and was second best. RED CHIPS raced in the second flight, rallied, in the stretch and drew close but needed more late. COLOR BEARER raced close up on the inside and weakened late. RUN RED RUN hopped at the start, rushed to lead, remained clear at the quarter pole, then tired in the stretch. MERGER well placed for a half, faded in the stretch. VENTURE ON wide early, was outrun. CARSON N SPENCE had good early speed and was through after a half. AUTHENTIC COWTOWN was outrun.