

FIRST RACE
Thistledown
AUGUST 8, 2026

1 1/8 MILES. (1472) BEST OF OHIO PAY THE MAN S. Purse \$100,000 FOR FILLIES & MARES THREE-YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD REGISTERED OHIO FOALS (WHICH REFLECTS \$35,000 FROM THE OHIO THOROUGHBRED FUND). Foaled in the State of Ohio as per requirements set forth by the Ohio State Racing Commission. Nomination fee of \$50. \$350 to enter with an additional \$650 to start, with a purse of \$100,000, of which 60% to the winner, 20% to second, 10% to third, 5% to fourth, 3% to fifth and 2% to sixth. Weights: Three-Year-Olds 119 lbs. Older 123 lbs. Nominations Close Wednesday, July 29th, 2026. Starters to be named through the entry box Saturday August 1st, 2026. A Trophy will be presented to the Winning Owner, Trainer, and Jockey. This stake will not split. In the event more than fourteen (14) horses pass the entry box at the time of closing of entries, preference will be given to those horses having accumulated the highest 2025-2026 earnings as published by Equibase. Fees to be refunded to excluded horses. (Cloudy. 84.)

Value of Race: \$100,000 Winner \$60,000; second \$20,000; third \$10,000; fourth \$5,000; fifth \$3,000; sixth \$2,000. Mutuel Pool \$33,114.00 Exacta Pool \$28,866.00 Trifecta Pool \$17,141.00 Superfecta Pool \$10,294.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A. Wt	PP	St	¼	½	¾	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1	
14Jly26 7Tdn2	Candlelight Hours	f	7	123	3	2	4 ¹	3 ¹ ₂	2 ^{hd}	1 ¹	11 ¹ ₂	Houghton T D	2.60
13Jly26 5Tdn1	Silver Kiss		4	123	1	1	2 ^{hd}	2 ¹ ₂	3 ¹	2 ¹	23 ¹ ₄	Keiser C	0.60
17Jly26 8BtP3	La Artista		4	123	4	6	7 ^{hd}	7 ^{hd}	6 ¹	3 ⁴	36 ¹ ₄	Spieth S	11.50
17Jly26 8BtP2	Lionistic	b	7	123	9	4	1 ¹	1 ¹	1 ¹ ₂	42 ¹ ₂	41 ³ ₄	Rivera L R	7.30
17Jly26 8BtP5	Here's the Spider	bf	5	123	2	5	5 ¹ ₂	5 ^{hd}	4 ¹	52 ¹ ₂	51 ¹ ₄	Batista L A	24.60
17Jly26 8BtP4	Derby Day Kiss	b	5	123	7	9	8 ¹ ₂	83 ¹ ₂	7 ¹ ₂	6 ⁴	64 ¹ ₂	Gonzalez S	76.30
17Jly26 4BtP1	Striking Lady	b	3	119	5	3	3 ¹	4 ¹	5 ¹	7 ¹ ₂	72 ³ ₄	Simpson J	23.10
26Jun26 8BtP6	Jac's Cocoabella		3	120	6	8	9	9	9	8 ¹²	826 ³ ₄	Halдар D J	132.70
13Jly26 5Tdn3	Banana Pudding		5	123	8	7	6 ¹ ₂	6 ¹ ₂	8 ³	9	9	Bracho J A	38.80

OFF AT 12:14 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :224, :472, 1:123, 1:40, 1:542 (:22.80, :47.58, 1:12.76, 1:40.06, 1:54.44)

\$2 Mutuel Prices:
3 - CANDLELIGHT HOURS _____ 7.20 2.40 2.20
1 - SILVER KISS _____ 2.10 2.10
4 - LA ARTISTA _____ 3.40

**\$1 EXACTA 3-1 PAID \$6.70 50 CENT TRIFECTA 3-1-4
PAID \$17.45 20 CENT SUPERFECTA 3-1-4-9 PAID \$21.46**

Ch. m, (Apr), by Dominus - Nava, by Even the Score. Trainer Jackson James R. Bred by Elkhorn Oaks Inc (Ohio).

CANDLELIGHT HOURS vied for the lead along the inside into the far turn, made the lead before the quarter pole, set the balance of the pace and proved best underright handed urging. SILVER KISS was bumped near the fifteen sixteenths pole by the leading LIONISTIC, checked over that ones heels nearing the first turn, shifted out bumping STRIKING LADY, prompted the pace three wide into the stretch, kept on two wide but couldn't get by the winner. LA ARTISTA allowed to settle, offered a mild bid along the inside into the stretch then was outfinished. LIONISTIC bumped the runner up near the fifteenth sixteenths pole, set the pace two wide into the far turn, drifted to the six path entering the stretch and tired. HERE'S THE SPIDER moved up two wide on the far turn then came up empty. DERBY DAY KISS failed to menace. STRIKING LADY was bumped from her inside entering the clubhouse turn then had no response. JAC'S COCOABELLA was outrun. BANANA PUDDING settled two wide, was through after a half, stopped in upper stretch and was eased to the wire.

Owners- 1, Elkhorn Oaks Inc; 2, Vigil Alan Boots N Bikinis LLC and Blue Snow Racing Stables; 3, Thorobeam Farm; 4, Annechino Racing LLC; 5, Executive Management LLC; 6, Metz Bryan; 7, Lion Palm Racing Stable; 8, Donald Robert L; 9, Irish Charm Thoroughbreds LLC

Trainers- 1, Jackson James R; 2, Wolochuk David; 3, Kintz S Matthew; 4, Radosevich Jeffrey A; 5, Fernandez Edward; 6, Cline Robert C; 7, Bailey Ricardo; 8, Vazquez Ivan; 9, Johnson Gary L