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### OTRF Stakes featured at Jack Thistledown on Thursday

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A pair of \$75,000 Ohio Thoroughbred Race Fund (OTRF) stakes will highlight the JACK Thistledown racing card on Thursday, June 17. Set as the co-featured sixth and seventh races are the George Lewis Memorial Stakes and the J. William Petro Memorial Handicap. First race post time is 12:50 pm, ET.

A field of eight Ohio Accredited 3-year-olds and up vie in the 41<sup>st</sup> running of the one and one-sixteenth mile Lewis Memorial, with a scheduled post time of 3:20 pm, ET. Perennial favorite and multiple stakes winner **Mobil Solution**, a 6-year-old son of Mobil-Perfect Solution, by Seeking the Gold is the obvious standout with \$634,030 in career earnings. Trained by Jeff Skerrett for owner Danielle Agnello, Mobil Solution won this same stake last year and finished second in 2019 and 2018.



Mobil Solution winning the 2020 edition of the Lewis

Other top prospects in this field include the multiple stakes-placed **Authentic Cowtown**, a 4-year-old son of Cowtown Cat and winner of \$161,065 lifetime; the stakes-winning **Pat's Karma**, a 5-year-old son of Cowtown Cat who has \$208,944 in career earnings; and **Sammy Da Bull**, who captured the 2019 edition of the Lewis. This 5-year-old son of Vertiformer has \$171,007 in his coffers.

The 18<sup>th</sup> running of the Petro Memorial features ten Ohio registered fillies and mares, 3-year-olds and up, traveling one and one-sixteenth miles over the Cleveland dirt, with a scheduled post time of 3:50 pm, ET. This event is far more wide open than the Lewis, with any number of qualified contestants able to claim first prize.



Drillit winning the 2020 edition of the Petro Memorial

**Drillit**, who captured this same stake in 2020, appears to be the obvious choice. The 5-year-old chestnut daughter by Drill-Way to Fly, by Bowman's Band has multiple stakes to her credit and \$432,770 in career earnings for Mast Thoroughbreds and trainer Robert Gorham.

Another in here with a solid shot is the hard-knocking **Grizabella**, a bay, 7-year-old multiple stakes-placed daughter of Lunarpal with just over \$450,000 in earnings for owner Michael Annechino and trainer Jeff Radosevich. As well, **Moonlight Mission** is another force to be reconned with. This 4-year-old Shackleford mare has career earnings of \$292,950 and comes into this race fresh off a Thistledown Allowance race triumph on May 27 for owner Charlie Williams and trainer Silvano Gonzalez.