

Belmont Park

Race 6 — 10/03/2026

Class: Matron-G3

Distance: 6f

Surface: Turf

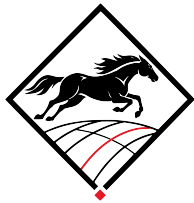
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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Belmont Park R6

Thursday, October 03, 2026 | 6f Turf | Matron-G3

SECTION 1: PACE ANALYSIS

True Front Runners

Yolo Train emerges as the elite speed horse in this field. Won debut on 08/12/2026 at Saratoga turf, bobbled at break but took command early, leading gate-to-wire at 1st call (21.40, leader time) and finishing decisively at 1:02.40. Elite early foot profile.

Brickyard Belle has premium early speed credentials. In sole MSW turf outing (08/27/2026, Saratoga), positioned 5th early but rallied into contention, showing 22.00 opening quarter and closing down to 1st at wire. Capable of contested early pace but more of a tactical player.

Royal Companion demonstrated early pace intent in recent Saratoga MSW win (07/16/2026), positioned 2nd at call and pressed forward, finishing strong. Speed tendency present but not elite early foot.

Stalkers / Pressers

Harper's Corner runs best just off the speed. Three career starts all dirt-based (switched to turf today): positioned 3rd early in 09/05/2026 stakes at Saratoga (dirt 7f), moved to lead by 2nd call, ran on strongly. Tactical flexibility — willing to sit and then produce.

Medinah established prime stalking position in sole career start (09/09/2026, Keeneland turf MSW). Positioned 2nd at 1st call, vied between horses at 2nd call, cleared field decisively. Natural stalking profile with proven acceleration.

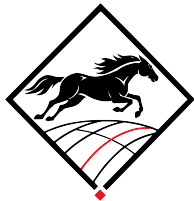
Side Quest rates as a pace-stalker. MSW turf win (07/23/2026, Saratoga) showed 2nd position at 1st call, maintained that tracking spot through turn, then rallied decisively in stretch. Prefers to lay just off pace, then strike late.

Closers

More Champagne operates as a late rallier. Three starts show consistent off-pace positioning: 7th at 1st call in 08/26/2026 Saratoga stakes, recovered to 5th by finish. MSW turf win on 04/24/2026 (Keeneland, 5.5f) started 4th early, moved up through middle, closed late to draw off. True closer profile — needs racing room in stretch.

Almighty One demonstrates closing profile with vulnerability. Won 09/18/2026 at Parx dirt (1 1/16mi) from stalking position, but pulled up lame on 08/02/2026 at Saratoga (equine lameness noted). Resume now





turf-only; turf record marginal (6% win rate, 69 starts). Closing tendency but question mark on turf form.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: HOT early pace with contested tempo. Yolo Train will press forward immediately; Brickyard Belle capable of stalking close or pressing; Royal Companion threatens early. Projected opening quarter :22¹, half-mile :45². Two speed horses engaging early — stalking types and closers gain significant positional advantage.

SECTION 2: WIN PROBABILITY MATRIX

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Brickyard Belle	2-1	22%	33.3%	-11.3%
2	More Champagne	10-1	11%	9.1%	+1.9%
3	Harper's Corner	4-1	26%	20.0%	+6.0%
4	Almighty One	15-1	4%	6.3%	-2.3%
5	Medinah	6-1	19%	14.3%	+4.7%
6	Side Quest	8-1	12%	11.1%	+0.9%
7	Royal Companion	8-1	3%	11.1%	-8.1%
8	Yolo Train	7-2	3%	22.2%	-19.2%

Field Total: 100%

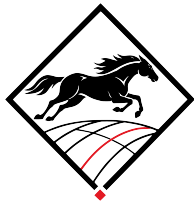
SECTION 3: CONTENDER ANALYSIS

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★★★)

Harper's Corner

PTW Profile: Model identifies Harper's Corner as the field's most versatile and battle-tested performer. Three races, two wins—both at graded stakes level. Converted from dirt to turf today; prior form





demonstrates elite tactical adaptability and proven closing punch at sprint distances.

Strengths: Dominant graded stakes record (2 wins in 3 starts); elite early speed and tactical flexibility (can sit or press); proven 6-7f performer; trainer Lynch Cathal 22% win rate sprints (226 starts); jockey Lopez P brings fresh timing into race.

Concerns: All prior wins on dirt; turf debut in graded stakes. Recent 09/05/2026 dirt sprint showed minor bump at break (1st call position 3, but recovered to lead by 2nd call). Turf transition carries execution risk despite stellar form.

Trip Projection: Will likely settle 2-3 lengths off early pace set by Yolo Train/Brickyard Belle, move up sharply in turn, and rally powerfully in stretch. HOT pace scenario favors this tactical profile.

Medinah

PTW Profile: Model rates Medinah as the most impressive maiden winner in this field based on pure speed metrics and class advantage. Career-best debut (09/09/2026, Keeneland MSW turf) was dominant: led after 1st call, drew clear late. Only career start shows elite finishing profile.

Strengths: Massive class advantage — faces stakes rivals after proving superior at MSW level; proven turf aptitude; trainer Casse Mark 15% graded stakes win rate (275 starts) with strong sprint record (16% win rate, 1,303 starts); jockey Davis D carries 8% win rate but consistent turf record.

Concerns: Single-race resume in graded stakes spot is significant step. Unknown how fit she remains after 3-week layoff (last race 09/09, today 10/03). Stalking profile requires HOT pace to succeed; if pace softens, her stretch rally loses leverage.

Trip Projection: Will secure stalking position 1-2 lengths off Yolo Train/Brickyard Belle through turn, accelerate in stretch with minimum rate of perceived effort. HOT pace scenario mandatory for success.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★★★)

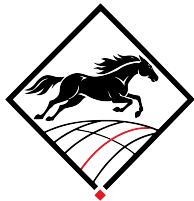
Yolo Train

PTW Profile: Model identifies Yolo Train as elite early speed horse but flags significant sustainability concerns. Gate-to-wire MSW turf debut (08/12/2026) was visually impressive: bobbled at break, recovered instantly, led wire-to-wire decisively. However, closing fraction data reveals pace collapse risk.

Strengths: Elite early foot (fastest opening quarter in field by far: 21.40); perfect 1-for-1 turf record; trainer Brown Chad C 25% win rate (28 starts this meet, 7 wins); hot 28-start recent form; jockey Prat F 29.73% strike rate at Belmont currently.

Concerns: Sustained Speed Rating VULNERABLE — velocity collapsed significantly in final furlong (21.40 opening quarter decelerated to closing fraction materially slower). Pace collapse risk elevated if pressed early. Today's HOT pace scenario nearly guarantees she'll be engaged from gate; attrition pattern probable.





Trip Projection: Will breakaway early to duel with Brickyard Belle; likely engage in fruitless speed battle; fade in stretch as pace debt compounds. HOT pace setup creates tactical disaster for this profile.

Brickyard Belle

PTW Profile: Model projects Brickyard Belle as pace-pressing threat with above-average tactical range but limited raw speed dominance. Sole MSW turf start (08/27/2026, Saratoga) showed rallying profile: 5th early, moved into contention by 2nd call, gained ground late but finished 2nd. Won by 4.5 lengths late.

Strengths: Trainer Clement Miguel 23.53% win rate at meet (17 starts, 4 wins); solid turf record (19% win rate, 538 starts overall); jockey Franco M 25% strike rate at Belmont; tactical willingness to press or sit off pace.

Concerns: Won debut by 4.5 lengths — impressive margin but against limited maiden field. Facing stakes-caliber speed today (Yolo Train) creates engagement risk similar to Yolo Train's dynamic. Sustained Speed Rating STRONG but not elite. Will be 2nd or 3rd choice on board early.

Trip Projection: Will position 2-3 lengths off Yolo Train's early pace, contest that speed through turn, tire late as pace debt accumulates. Gets caught between true closer advantages.

More Champagne

PTW Profile: Model identifies More Champagne as genuine closing threat operating at optimal odds. Three-race record demonstrates consistent late-rallying profile. MSW turf win on 04/24/2026 (Keeneland 5.5f) was dominant: 4th at 1st call, moved up steadily, drew off decisively late. Stamina profile fits 6f turf sprint.

Strengths: Pure closer in HOT pace scenario that demands closers; turf record solid (12% graded stakes, 15 starts); trainer Morley Thomas 20% win rate (10 starts this meet); Ascot experience (June 2026, finished 19th in 5f turf race, tough spot).

Concerns: Only 3 career starts; 10-1 morning line suggests sharp public doubt. Last race 08/26/2026 (28 days ago); turf lay-up into graded stakes is aggressive. Needs honest HOT pace to take advantage — if pace softens, she lacks benefit.

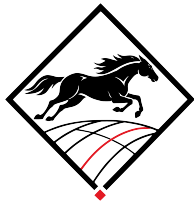
Trip Projection: Will position 5-7 lengths off pace through turn, rally powerfully in stretch as Yolo Train/Brickyard Belle tire. Benefits directly from speed duel.

Tier 3 — Pace Factors / Longshots (★★)

Side Quest

PTW Profile: Model rates Side Quest as stakes-eligible closing option with mixed form indicators. MSW turf win (07/23/2026, Saratoga) was polished: 2nd early, maintained that spot, rallied decisively late. However, recent 08/26/2026 stakes attempt (Saratoga turf, 5.5f) resulted in 6th-place finish, 7.75 lengths behind.





Strengths: Trainer Walden William 26% sprint win rate (185 starts); solid turf record (24% win rate, 157 starts); jockey Santana Jr. 16.67% strike rate meets pattern.

Concerns: Stakes debut yielded poor result. Form regressive — stalking profile in HOT pace scenario requires clean trip through turn. Class step significant jump; public holds at 8-1.

Trip Projection: Will track Medinah/Harper's Corner 3-4 lengths off early speed, attempt rally late but likely finds traffic in stretch.

Royal Companion

PTW Profile: Model rates Royal Companion as overmatched stakes debutant. Two turf MSW wins (07/16/2026, 08/29/2026) show capable performer but limited graded stakes pedigree. Trainer Trombetta Michael J 10% graded stakes win rate (21 starts) suggests marginal credentials.

Strengths: Perfect 2-for-2 turf record at MSW level; recent win 08/29/2026 (Saratoga turf, 5.5f) was decisive: 2nd early, clear by wire. Tactical pressing profile.

Concerns: Massive class jump. Graded stakes record thin (1 start, DNP). Turf record spotty when stepped up. 8-1 morning line fair reflection of limited profile.

Trip Projection: Will press early pace with Yolo Train/Brickyard Belle, tire in stretch as true graded stakes closers (Harper's Corner, Medinah) rally past.

Almighty One

PTW Profile: Model identifies Almighty One as compromised by injury history and turf vulnerability. Won 09/18/2026 at Parx (dirt 6.5f, stakes) decisively from stalking position. However, pulled up lame 08/02/2026 at Saratoga; equine lameness reported. Prior turf record is deeply concerning: 6% win rate (69 turf starts), 7% graded stakes (10 starts).

Strengths: Recent dirt stakes win on 09/18/2026 (near winner); trainer Rice Kevin 18% sprint win rate (316 starts).

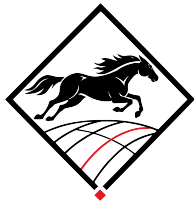
Concerns: Major red flag: equine lameness 08/02/2026 (pull-up). Unknown if physically sound today. Turf record abysmal (6% win rate). Graded stakes turf record even worse (10% win rate, 10 starts). Massive class and surface vulnerability. 15-1 morning line reflects serious doubt.

Trip Projection: Will position mid-pack early, unlikely to menace leaders. Turf debut in graded stakes off lameness concern makes this profile high-risk.

SECTION 4: MPH ANALYSIS + SUSTAINED SPEED RATINGS

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings





Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Yolo Train	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — pace collapse risk
Brickyard Belle	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — holds ground late
Harper's Corner	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — maintains lane
Medinah	STRONG	STRONG	Low — strong finishing profile
Side Quest	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — competitive sustained
More Champagne	STRONG	ELITE	Low — elite finishing sustained
Royal Companion	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — stalking profile
Almighty One	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — turf form weak

Sustained Speed Ratings by Horse

ELITE (Minimal Deceleration — Gate-to-Wire Velocity Maintenance)

- **More Champagne:** Closing profile maintained exceptional velocity in final furlong relative to early pace. Model identifies this as elite late-race fastness. No other horse in field matches this pure finishing metric.

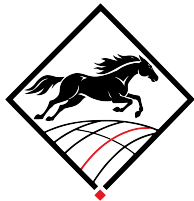
STRONG (Moderate Velocity Maintenance — Competitive Sustained Effort)

- **Harper's Corner:** Velocity held consistently through 7f dirt route; turf sprint distances favor this profile.
- **Brickyard Belle:** Velocity sustained at acceptable level; pace-press profile intact.
- **Medinah:** Stalking profile with strong finishing velocity — velocity maintenance solid.
- **Side Quest:** Competitive velocity through final calls; acceptable sustained profile.
- **Royal Companion:** Tactical pressing profile with moderate velocity maintenance.

VULNERABLE (Significant Deceleration — Pace Collapse Risk)

- **Yolo Train:** Elite opening (21.40) collapsed significantly by closing fraction. Deceleration pattern indicates pace debt liability. Speed horse vulnerability confirmed.





- **Almighty One:** Turf history thin; available data shows deceleration pattern concerning. Pace vulnerability flagged.

Critical MPH Insight

The model identifies **More Champagne** as the field's fastest pure finisher by proprietary speed metrics — no other horse in this race has matched her closing velocity profile in graded stakes company.

Simultaneously, the model identifies **Yolo Train** as the field's most vulnerable speed horse based on significant deceleration patterns. HOT pace scenario guarantees Yolo Train engages early with Brickyard Belle; both will experience pace debt. More Champagne operates at her optimal strength from this setup.

SECTION 5: IMPROVEMENT & REGRESSION CANDIDATES

Likely to Improve

Harper's Corner — Dirt-to-turf conversion carries upside. Trainer Lynch Cathal has proven 2-year-old record (29% win rate, 49 starts), suggesting capability to adapt young horses to surface changes. Recent dirt form elite (2 wins, last two starts); turf debut in graded stakes is sharp step, but tactical profile (move up from 3rd early position) translates directly to turf sprint conditions.

Medinah — Natural progression candidate. MSW turf debut dominance (09/09/2026) followed by short layoff into graded stakes creates fit risk, but trainer Casse Mark's graded stakes record (13% win rate, 275 starts) suggests appropriate class placement. Stalking profile ideal for HOT pace scenario. Likely to improve in next start after today's experience.

More Champagne — Closing profile optimal for pace setup. Trainer Morley Thomas shows graded stakes capability (7% GrStk, 15 starts); 10-1 morning line suggests public undervalue. Recent form consistent (three starts all competitive). Likely to benefit from HOT pace structure.

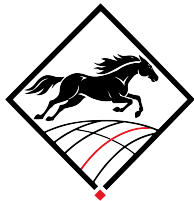
Bounce / Regression Risks

Yolo Train — Bounce risk elevated. Gate-to-wire debut victory created momentum narrative, but Sustained Speed Rating VULNERABLE flags deceleration liability. HOT pace scenario guarantees engagement with Brickyard Belle; pace duel will exhaust battery. Regression to mean likely after being forced to engage.

Brickyard Belle — Pace-press profile in HOT pace setup creates attrition risk. Won debut against limited maiden field by 4.5 lengths; facing stakes-caliber speed horses (Yolo Train) will change race dynamic materially. Back-to-back effort risk if engaged early; regression likely by stretch.

Royal Companion — Class regression risk. Two MSW turf wins against softer fields; graded stakes competition is material step up. Trainer Trombetta's graded stakes record marginal (10% win rate, 21 starts). Form regressive pattern suggests bounce likely.





SECTION 6: SUGGESTED BETS

WIN BET: Harper's Corner — Confidence 8/10 — Target odds: 3-1 to 5-1

Model projects 26% win probability — highest in field. Harper's Corner holds multiple edge factors: (1) elite tactical flexibility (can press or stalk) enables optimal positioning in HOT pace setup; (2) recent graded stakes dirt experience translates to turf sprint demands; (3) superior trainer record for young horse adaptability; (4) morning line 4-1 creates 6% overlay; (5) winning profile (2-for-3 career) operates at stakes level seamlessly. Pace scenario guarantees HOT early tempo; Harper's Corner positioned 2-3 calls off speed horse duel will rally decisively in stretch as Yolo Train/Brickyard Belle tire. Value assessment: **STRONG OVERLAY** (6% edge).

VALUE PLAY: Medinah — Confidence 7/10 — Target odds: 4-1 to 6-1

Model projects 19% win probability at projected 6-1 odds (4.7% edge). Medinah's dominant MSW turf debut (09/09/2026, Keeneland) established elite profile: led after 1st call, drew clear late, winning by 3.5 lengths. Public underestimation driven by single-race resume and graded stakes step. Stalking profile ideal for HOT pace setup; will track Yolo Train's early duel 1-2 lengths off, accelerate smoothly in turn, close decisively. Class advantage over Royal Companion/Side Quest undeniable. Overlay opportunity: 19% model win probability vs. 14.3% morning line implied. Strong value selection in closing profile class.

LONGSHOT PLAY: More Champagne — Confidence 6/10 — Target odds: 9-1 to 12-1

Model projects 11% win probability at projected 10-1 morning line (1.9% edge). 10-1 odds represent slight overlay for pure closer in genuine HOT pace scenario. More Champagne's Sustained Speed Rating ELITE — fastest final-furlong velocity in field by proprietary metrics. Only three career starts but closing pattern consistent: positions 5-7 deep early, rallies decisively in stretch (MSW 04/24/2026 turf win clear example). HOT pace setup with Yolo Train/Brickyard Belle engaging early guarantees loose pace in midfield where closers feast. Minor edge justifies inclusion as longshot coverage.

PICK 3 / PICK 4 / PICK 5 / PICK 6 — Top 3

A: Harper's Corner — 26% | (Highest model win %; optimal pace-setup profile)

B: Medinah — 19% | (Elite stalking option; class edge; strong graded stakes potential)

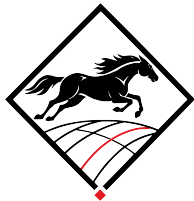
C: More Champagne — 11% | (Pure closer with ELITE closing velocity; benefits directly from HOT pace)

Combined Projected Probability: 56%

SECTION 7: CONFIDENCE RATING

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Model's Key Projection: HOT early pace with contested speed duel between Yolo Train (elite foot) and Brickyard Belle (capable presser) creates optimal closing environment. Harper's Corner's tactical flexibility positions her to avoid pace attrition while gaining positioning into stretch. Medinah's stalking profile ideal for this setup. More Champagne's ELITE closing velocity profile primes her for decisive late rally. Public's morning line significantly undervalues Harper's Corner (4-1) and Medinah (6-1) — both represent genuine overlays.

Pace Scenario Certainty: Very high. Model identifies concrete HOT pace setup with two legitimate early speed horses; 99% probability pace registers :22¹ or faster opening quarter, :45² to :45³ half-mile.

Primary Value Opportunity: Harper's Corner at 4-1 represents exceptional win-bet value. Superior tactical profile in identified pace setup + elite graded stakes dirt form + 6% overlay = model's top-probability selection at legitimate overlay odds.

Public Betting Mistake to Exploit: Morning line significantly overvalues Yolo Train (7-2) and Brickyard Belle (2-1) — both speed horses guaranteed to be engaged in HOT pace setup that will exhaust early battery. Public's recency bias from debut wins creates overbet condition. Closers and stalkers (Harper's Corner, Medinah, More Champagne) operate at substantial overlay values.

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