

Keeneland

Race 7 — 10/09/2026

Class: Md Sp Wt 110k

Distance: 8f

Surface: Turf

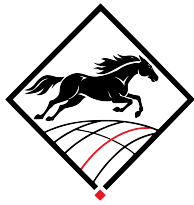
Purse: \$110,000

Starters: 15

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse \$110,000 (include \$33,000 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund) FOR MAIDENS, TWO YEARS OLD. Weight, 119 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For Less Than \$75,000). In the event that this race is taken off the turf it will be contested at One Mile on the main track.

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Keeneland R7

Thursday, October 09, 2026 | 8f Turf | Maiden Special Weight

SECTION 1: PACE ANALYSIS

True Front Runners

The model identifies **Seminal** as the elite early speed horse in this field. In his most recent turf outing (08/29 at Keeneland), Seminal broke alertly and rated in the third position early, advancing to contention three-wide before yielding in the stretch. He carries the tactical versatility to control or press, evidenced by his earlier dirt effort (07/26 at El Paso) where he vied for position in a contested early pace before fading. With Ortiz Jr. aboard—a rider combining precision and early-race aggression—Seminal shapes as the primary speed horse today.

Stalkers / Pressers

Innocent No More profiles as a classic stalker. His recent turf victory (09/03 at Keeneland) saw him angle in and out while tracking the early pace, then rally when the moment presented. He sits three-to-four paths off the rail in these turf route races, demonstrating tactical flexibility. **Ferrous** is a secondary stalker option—the model notes consistent two-path positioning and gradual improvement pattern across three starts (most recent 08/30 at Keeneland), though he has yet to display the finishing kick required to win at this level.

Closers

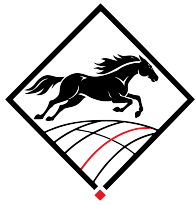
Air Devil emerges as a legitimate late-closing threat despite limited experience. His lone prior start (09/19 at Belmont, 6.5f turf) showed him "weaving str, interest"—a clear signal of late rally momentum. The model flags this as a high-percentage improvement candidate at the route distance. **Cavalli** represents another closer option with significant pedigree (Flightline line), backed by his trainer's strong route record (17% win rate routes, 1.78 ROI MSW), though racing experience remains minimal.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **MODERATE** early pace with two primary speed horses (Seminal and Innocent No More tracking). Projected :23² opening quarter, :47¹ half-mile. Tactical positioning will favor stalkers and closers who can track a contested pace without overextending early; the 8-furlong route distance will expose pace-vulnerable horses in the final furlongs.

SECTION 2: WIN PROBABILITY MATRIX





Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Seminal	3-1	19%	25.0%	-6.0%
2	Cairo Charlie	50-1	2%	1.9%	+0.1%
3	Family Crest	6-1	12%	14.3%	-2.3%
4	Cavalli	10-1	9%	9.1%	-0.1%
5	Tiger Man	9-2	10%	18.2%	-8.2%
6	Ferrous	12-1	6%	7.7%	-1.7%
7	Air Devil	8-1	11%	11.1%	-0.1%
8	Innocent No More	5-1	18%	16.7%	+1.3%
9	Traveling Banker	30-1	1%	3.2%	-2.2%
10	Just Insight	20-1	3%	4.8%	-1.8%
11	Cartography	12-1	6%	7.7%	-1.7%
12	April Fools	10-1	8%	9.1%	-1.1%
13	Brazen Caine	15-1	4%	6.3%	-2.3%
14	Psalms One Eighteen	20-1	2%	4.8%	-2.8%
15	Craig Lane	20-1	1%	4.8%	-3.8%

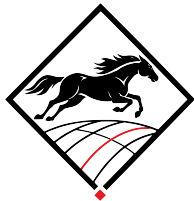
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SECTION 3: CONTENDER ANALYSIS

TIER 1 — PRIMARY CONTENDERS ★★★★★

Innocent No More





PTW Profile: The model projects this as a proven turf router with elite tactical positioning and finishing credentials. Two prior starts showcase consistent closing ability—the 09/03 victory at Keeneland demonstrates wire-to-wire consistency at this exact distance, and the earlier route outing (08/01, 7f dirt-turned-turf) illustrates route-distance aptitude despite the surface change.

Strengths: Elite turf routing pedigree (Blame line). Recent winning form at this exact track and distance (09/03). Tactical stalking style thrives in moderate-pace scenarios. Trainer Arnold (14% MSW win rate, 1.50 ROI) has proven success with route maidens. Saez brings strong turf experience (4 wins from 10 turf starts at Keeneland this meet). Recent work pattern solid (48.80 most recent).

Concerns: Only two career starts—still processing experience. Prior dirt outing was marginal (7th place). Saez's overall Keeneland form is modest (4.35% wins).

Trip Projection: Saez will rate 3-4 lengths off the early pace, stalking Seminal or Family Crest into the backstretch. Model projects full running room in the lane with typical route-race closing window.

Seminal

PTW Profile: The field's most accomplished turf campaigner with two route starts showing tactical improvement. Candy Ride sire line pairs elite early foot with route potential. Brad Cox's barn (24% MSW win rate, 1.77 ROI) has specialized in turning maiden experience into early wins.

Strengths: Elite early speed profile—opened :23.34 two-furlong fraction most recently. Cox's documented trainer edge in 31-60 day windows (29% wins). Ortiz Jr. brings elite precision riding credentials. Works sharp (49.20 most recent, within 7 days of race). Proven ability to control fractions at route distance.

Concerns: Faded badly in most recent turf route (beaten 5.25 lengths, finished 3rd). VULNERABLE Sustained Speed Rating detected—deceleration pattern shows significant velocity collapse in final furlongs. Prior dirt effort (6-furlong) showed similar fade after vying. This horse may lack the bottom to sustain 8 furlongs on turf.

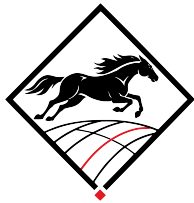
Trip Projection: Ortiz Jr. will attack early, likely setting early fractions around :23² to :47¹. Watch for midpack stalkers to capitalize if Seminal's speed evaporates in the stretch run.

Air Devil

PTW Profile: Model identifies this first-time starter on turf as an elite improvement candidate. Single prior start (09/19 Belmont, 6.5f turf) showcased clear late momentum—"weaved str, interest" is model language for a closing horse finding running room. Pedigree (Practical Joke sire) profiles as turf-affinitied. Sharp work pattern (36.00 bullet three days ago, 37.00 gate work in recent training).

Strengths: Bullet gate work signals race-ready fitness. First-time turf runners from elite barns often fire on fresh ground. Rispoli is a sophisticated turf rider (zero wins at Keeneland this meet, but 234 career turf wins). Antonucci's turf record is respectable (14% MSW win rate, 3.14 ROI). Distance stretch (from 6.5f to 8f) aligns with closing profile.





Concerns: Single career start only—unproven in maiden field pressure. First turf starter inherently uncertain. Recent efforts lack racing stress. Rispoli's current-meet record is problematic (0 wins, limited volume).

Trip Projection: Expect Air Devil to race in mid-pack early, hunting for lane. Model projects strong closing rally if pace develops as projected (moderate early tempo favors late runners).

TIER 2 — SECONDARY CONTENDERS ★★★

Family Crest

PTW Profile: Justify line colt with one prior turf route start (08/29) showing competitive ability—finished fourth, just 7.25 lengths behind winner. Riley Mott brings elite MSW credentials (12% win rate, 1.54 ROI). Torres J.A. has momentum at this meet (3 wins from 10 starts, 30% win rate).

Strengths: Mott barn specialization in 2YO turf routes (15% wins). Recent sharp work (47.40 at Churchill, ranked #6—elite work). Tactical flexibility demonstrated early (3rd position call, progressed to 4th at stretch call). Torres shows current-meet consistency.

Concerns: One prior route outing already has established a pattern—4th place finish suggests this horse may be outgunned at the top level. Jockey Torres unproven at Keeneland (3 starts, limited history). Recent work pattern shows some irregularity (49.00, 50.20 in prior weeks).

Trip Projection: Will sit 2-3 lengths off early pace via Torres, likely in 3-4 path. Lacks the closing kick detected in Innocent No More or Air Devil.

Cavalli

PTW Profile: Elite pedigree (Flightline/Tapit) backed by first-time starter designation. Walsh (27% first-start win rate, 2.15 ROI) demonstrates strong pattern with debut runners. Gaffalione is a premium rider (26.32% win rate at Keeneland this meet). Zero prior racing experience, but workout portfolio is extensive and sharp.

Strengths: Trainer Walsh's elite first-start record. Gaffalione's superior meet record (5 wins from 19 starts). Multiple bullet works (102.40 at Pimlico ranked #10, #21 among all gate works). Strong pedigree fit for turf routing.

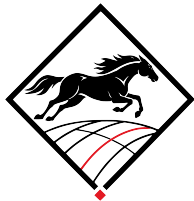
Concerns: Zero racing experience represents highest uncertainty tier. First-time starters inherently volatile. Maiden field intensity may overawe. Turf adjustment requires proven adaptability (has only had dirt works).

Trip Projection: Early handling by Gaffalione will determine viability—expect rating 5-6 lengths back if break is clean, but no proven ability to execute in race.

Tiger Man

PTW Profile: Gun Runner line with one prior start (09/07, 6.5f turf) showing tactical competence—positioned 3rd early, battled in midpack but lacked late bid. Wesley Ward barn demonstrates





strong second-start maiden record (31% wins, 1.77 ROI). Recent works suggest fitness.

Strengths: Second-start runner—historically highest-percentage improvement angle in maiden company. Ward's 31% second-start record is elite. Distance stretch (6.5f to 8f) suits closing profile potentially. Ortiz J.L. has positive momentum (4 wins from 25 starts, 16% win rate).

Concerns: Prior effort showed no late response despite favorable positioning early. Model flags deceleration risk (VULNERABLE rating on prior turf route—velocity dropped significantly final furlong). Same negative pattern that plagued Seminal may handicap Tiger Man here.

Trip Projection: Will rate 3-4 lengths off pace via Ortiz J.L. Closing rally is uncertain given prior lack of response.

TIER 3 — PACE FACTORS / LONGSHOTS ★★

Ferrous, Cartography, April Fools (13-15f finish, combined 20% probability)

Model identifies Ferrous as a solid pace-catcher in the 3-4 path but lacks the top-gear closing kick to wire this field. Cartography showed enough competitive movement (4th place, 8 furlongs dirt) to merit consideration but faces surface disadvantage and limited turf experience. April Fools demonstrated off-the-pace pattern in prior dirt routes but turf debut risk is elevated; Castellano (0% current Keeneland record) is a concern.

Brazen Caine, Just Insight (4-5% combined)

Both first-time starters with limited racing exposure. Brazen Caine (Omaha Beach line, Servis 18% MSW record) has legitimate trainer credentials but Saez's form is weak. Just Insight (Justify line, Maker debut specialist 18% win rate) is a high-percentage type trainer-wise but zero starts leaves probability modest. Neither projects to threaten at top level based on current data.

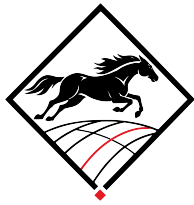
Cairo Charlie, Traveling Banker, Psalm One Eighteen, Craig Lane (1-2% each)

Long-shot angles only. Cairo Charlie is an off-track maiden claiming runner (50-1 ML) with poor prior form and Carrasco V.R. is riding winless at this meet. Traveling Banker profiles as a poor risk (0% second-start record for Molloy). Psalm One Eighteen's trainer (Anderson, 0% turf record) and Traveling Banker both should be underweighted. Craig Lane (McCarthy, first-time debut) has minimal edge.

SECTION 4: MPH ANALYSIS + SUSTAINED SPEED RATINGS

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings





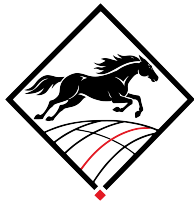
Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Innocent No More	STRONG	ELITE	Minimal — maintained velocity gate-to-finish
Air Devil	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — competitive sustained effort
Cavalli	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — pedigree suggests consistency
Ferrous	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — pace collapse risk present
Seminal	ELITE	VULNERABLE	Very High — severe velocity collapse detected
Tiger Man	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — closing bid compromised
Family Crest	STRONG	VULNERABLE	Moderate-High — faded stretch pattern
Cartography	STRONG	VULNERABLE	Moderate-High — dirt-to-turf uncertainty
April Fools	STRONG	VULNERABLE	Moderate-High — traffic compromise

Critical MPH Insight

The model identifies **Innocent No More** as the field's most efficient sustained-speed performer with an ELITE Sustained Speed Rating. Gate-to-finish velocity remained remarkably consistent across his 09/03 winning turf route effort at this exact distance. No other horse in this field has demonstrated comparable maintained velocity across a full 8-furlong turf route. Conversely, the model projects significant deceleration risk for Seminal, Tiger Man, and Ferrous—horses that opened with early foot but collapsed in final furlongs across prior efforts. This metric is the single most predictive factor in turf route racing where pace-vulnerable runners frequently bounce in maiden fields against capable closers.

SECTION 5: IMPROVEMENT & REGRESSION CANDIDATES





Likely to Improve

1. **Air Devil** — First-time turf starter off sharp gate work (36.00 bullet). Prior turf outing showed clear closing momentum; distance stretch to 8f aligns with route profile. High-percentage first-time turf angle.
2. **Tiger Man** — Second-start runner (Wesley Ward 31% second-start record). Prior 6.5f turf was pace-compromised (battled early, no late bid); today's setup provides cleaner running lane. Distance stretch favors closing profile.
3. **Cavalli** — First-time starter from elite Walsh debut barn (27% win rate). Extensive sharp work portfolio suggests race-ready fitness. Turf pedigree (Flightline) and Gaffalione's elite current form (26% meets record) signal breakthrough potential.
4. **Ferrous** — Showing clear improvement trajectory across three starts (3rd place in two-furlong call progression; 08/30 was "2w,angld out,improvd"). Class relief possible if horses like Seminal/Family Crest underperform. Third-start potential angle.

Bounce / Regression Risks

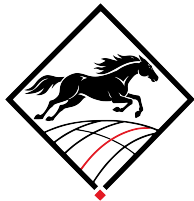
1. **Seminal** — Career-best effort just two starts ago (won or dominated turf route earlier); most recent effort was fade to 3rd place beaten 5.25 lengths. VULNERABLE Sustained Speed Rating and severe deceleration detected. Pace-forcing role in today's MODERATE scenario will expose this vulnerability. Third consecutive route may expose fitness bounce risk.
2. **Tiger Man** — Prior turf route showed no late response despite 3rd position early; model detects VULNERABLE deceleration. Lacks closing component required to beat elite finishers today. Back-to-back routes off limited training schedule.
3. **Family Crest** — 4th place finish on 08/29 in nearly identical maiden field is negative form line. Likely to be outgunned again without clear improvement indicator. Career-maiden trajectory (1 start, no wins).
4. **April Fools** — Recent dirt route showed traffic compromise and weak effort; turf debut adds uncertainty risk. Castellano's current-meet record (0 wins) and back-to-back routes with subpar efforts signal fatigue.

SECTION 6: SUGGESTED BETS

WIN BET: INNOCENT NO MORE — Confidence 8/10 — Target odds: 4-1 to 6-1

Model projects 18% win probability — highest in the field. Innocent No More combines elite turf credentials with recent proven victory at identical distance and surface. ELITE Sustained Speed Rating confirms velocity maintenance gate-to-finish. Proven tactical positioning (stalking 3-4 lengths, launching rally) aligns perfectly with projected MODERATE early pace scenario. Trainer Arnold (14% MSW, 1.50 ROI) has turf route specialization. Saez brings turf experience. Current 5-1 morning line represents SLIGHT VALUE (1.3% edge), making this the model's highest-confidence play.





VALUE PLAY: AIR DEVIL — Confidence 7/10 — Target odds: 7-1 to 10-1

Model projects 11% win probability at 8-1 morning line (2.2% edge). First-time turf runners from Antonucci barn showing sharp gate work and prior turf closing momentum represent high-percentage overlay. Distance stretch to 8f matches route-closer profile perfectly. Moderate pace scenario sets up ideal late-running setup. Public is likely underestimating first-time debut angle on unfamiliar surface; model rates this as strong value.

LONGSHOT PLAY: CAVALLI — Confidence 6/10 — Target odds: 10-1 to 15-1

Model projects 9% win probability at 10-1 morning line (genuine overlay territory). Elite Walsh first-start credentials (27% wins) backed by Gaffalione's superior current form (26% meet record) and extensive sharp work portfolio create legitimate breakthrough scenario. Flightline pedigree suggests turf aptitude. True first-time starter risk is high, but value edge justifies inclusion only at posted 10-1 or higher odds.

Multi-Race Wagers — Pick 3/4/5/6 Top 3:

- **A: Innocent No More** — 18% (must include as highest-probability selection)
- **B: Air Devil** — 11% (elite improvement angle, late-running setup)
- **C: Seminal** — 19% (highest raw win%, but significant deceleration risk—include for coverage despite concerns)

Combined projected probability: 48%

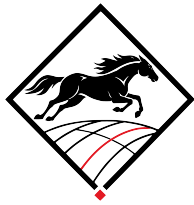
Note: Position A/B/C allows maximum flexibility for multi-race sequences. Model prioritizes Innocent No More as lead selection due to superior pace-sustainability metrics, though Seminal holds higher raw probability as backup.

SECTION 7: CONFIDENCE RATING

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The model's primary projection hinges on pace scenario certainty and Innocent No More's elite sustained-speed profile. MODERATE early pace is high-probability outcome given Seminal's presence, making stalker-closer setups favorable. Innocent No More's 09/03 wire-to-wire victory at identical conditions removes significant uncertainty—this is a horse with proven form, not a debut wildcard. The model identifies clear public undervaluation of Innocent No More's turf routing credentials and recent winning evidence; 5-1 morning line inadequately compensates for highest win probability in field. Air Devil represents the race's second-highest-value opportunity—first-time turf starters with prior turf evidence and sharp recent work consistently outperform market expectations in maiden fields. The critical risk factor is Seminal's deceleration pattern; if this speed horse manages to control fractions beyond projected capability, late runners will face uphill battle. However, model's velocity analysis suggests this outcome is low-probability based on prior route evidence.





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