Belmont Park

Race 1 — 11/14/2026

Class: Md Sp Wt 100k

Distance: 6.5f

Surface: Dirt

Purse: $100,000

Starters: 5

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse $100,000 (UP TO $17,400 NYSBFOA) FOR MAIDENS, TWO YEARS OLD. Weight, 123 lbs. (Non-Starters For A Claiming Price Of $55,000 Or Less In The Last 5 Starts Preferred).

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Belmont Park R1
Saturday, November 14, 2026 | 6.5f Dirt | 2YO | Maiden Special Weight

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Louden (Post 1) — The only proven early speed: vied for the lead inside on 10/16 before fading, and was 2nd at the second call on 9/18. **Warspite** (Post 2) and **Smead** (Post 4) are **first-time starters** with no race record—the report's "four prior efforts" for Warspite do not exist.

Stalkers / Pressers

Donegal Luster (Post 5) — Broke slowly in his 9/30 debut, climbed to 3rd by the second call and finished 3rd by 4.

Closers

No proven closer. First-time starter **Briggs N Dunn** (Post 3) has no running style yet.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **MODERATE** early pace—projected :22 1/5 opening quarter, :45 1/5 half-mile. Louden is the only known speed; how the three first-time starters break decides the shape.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Louden	5-1	17%	16.7%	**+0.3%**
2	Warspite	2-1	31%	33.3%	-2.3%
3	Briggs N Dunn	6-1	14%	14.3%	-0.3%
4	Smead	3-1	26%	25.0%	**+1.0%**
5	Donegal Luster	8-5	12%	38.5%	-26.5%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**127.8%**	

Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion. **Donegal Luster is the 8-5 favorite** (38.5% implied, not 17.1%), so his edge is –**26.5%**, not an overlay. Louden at 5-1 is 16.7% (not 14.3%), Briggs N Dunn at 6-1 is 14.3% (not 12.8%), Smead at 3-1 is 25.0% (not 22.5%). Overlays: Smead +1.0%, Louden +0.3%.

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★★★)





Warspite (Post 2) — Model Win %: 31%

PTW Profile: The model's top horse. **First-time starter** by Flightline out of Paulassilverlining (Ghostzapper), bred and owned by Juddmonte. Chad Brown is 35-for-141 (25%) at the meet and 18% with first-time starters. Flavien Prat rides. Sustained Speed Rating UNRATED—there is no race data behind the report's ELITE ratings. At 2-1 (33.3% implied), –2.3%.

Strengths: Barn and rider; pedigree.

Concerns: Debut; slight underlay.

Trip Projection: Breaks alertly and sits on or near the lead.

Smead (Post 4) — Model Win %: 26%

PTW Profile: **First-time starter** by Essential Quality; a $190,000 Keeneland September yearling. Kenny McPeek is 4-for-30 at the meet and 14% with first-time starters. Manny Franco rides. UNRATED. At 3-1 (25.0% implied), +1.0%.

Louden (Post 1) — Model Win %: 17%

PTW Profile: Gun Runner colt, 0-for-3. On 10/16 he vied for the lead and faded to **6th**, beaten 11 3/4 (not 3rd); his 3rd was on 9/18 at 38-1, beaten 6 3/4. 9th at Saratoga on 8/22 after being checked. Off 29 days—not a layoff. Shortens up from two one-mile races. Bill Mott is 8-for-78 at the meet. At 5-1 (16.7% implied), +0.3%.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★★★)

Briggs N Dunn (Post 3) — Model Win %: 14%

PTW Profile: **First-time starter** by Drain the Clock; a $75,000 yearling. Raymond Handal is 5-for-27 (19%) at the meet but 7% with first-time starters. Dylan Davis rides. UNRATED. At 6-1 (14.3% implied), –0.3%.

Donegal Luster (Post 5) — Model Win %: 12%

PTW Profile: **The 8-5 morning-line favorite.** City of Light colt, $300,000 yearling. 3rd by 4 in his 9/30 debut here after a slow start. Todd Pletcher is 20% with second-time starters but only 4-for-65 (6%) at the meet. John Velazquez rides. At 8-5 (38.5% implied), –**26.5%**—the favorite to fade.

Report Section 4: MPH Analysis + Sustained Speed Ratings

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings

Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Louden	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — faded in all three starts
Donegal Luster	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — one start
Warspite	UNRATED	UNRATED	First-time starter





Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Smead	UNRATED	UNRATED	First-time starter
Briggs N Dunn	UNRATED	UNRATED	First-time starter

Critical MPH Insight

Only two horses have raced. **Louden** shows early speed but has faded every time; **Donegal Luster** showed a mild rally in his debut. Warspite and Smead are UNRATED—the report's ELITE and STRONG ratings for them had no race data behind them.

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

Donegal Luster — Second start; Pletcher wins 20% with second-time starters.

Louden — Cuts back from a mile to 6.5f, which may suit his speed.

Bounce / Regression Risks

Louden — Has weakened late in all three starts.

Briggs N Dunn — Barn is only 7% with first-time starters.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

WIN BET: WARSPITE — Confidence 5/10 — Target odds: 9-4 or better

Model projects 31% win probability, the highest in the field. At 2-1 (33.3% implied), –2.3%. Fair price is about 9-4.

Value Assessment: **SLIGHT UNDERLAY** at 2-1.

VALUE PLAY: SMEAD — Confidence 4/10 — Target odds: 3-1 or better

Model projects 26% at 3-1 (25.0% implied): +1.0%.

LONGSHOT PLAY: None—no horse is 10-1 or higher.

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

A: Warspite — 31%
B: Smead — 26%
C: Louden — 17%

Combined Projected Probability: 74%

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating





★★★ (3 of 5 stars)

Three first-time starters in a five-horse field. **Warspite** is the top pick. **Donegal Luster**, the 8-5 favorite, is the favorite to fade at –26.5%.

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