Churchill Downs

Race 2 — 11/06/2026

Class: Maiden Special Weight

Distance: 5.5f

Surface: Turf

Purse: $120,000

Starters: 13

MAIDEN SPECIAL WEIGHT. Purse $120,000 (include $47,200 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund) FOR MAIDENS, FILLIES AND MARES THREE YEARS OLD AND UPWARD. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. (Preference To Horses That Have Not Started For Less Than $50,000 In Last 3 Starts). (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at Five and a Half Furlongs.) (Rail at 36 feet).

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Churchill Downs R2
Friday, November 6, 2026 | 5.5f Turf | Fillies & Mares 3YO & Up | Maiden Special Weight

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Sutura (Post 9) — Led at the first two calls at Santa Anita on 10/2 and finished 2nd, beaten 2 1/4 lengths. ELITE early and late speed.

Hey Miss Olivia (Post 6) — Rates inside or presses in all four turf starts; missed by a nose at 5.5f at Ellis Park on 8/22.

Cocoa Bean (Post 3) — Showed early speed before fading in a dirt maiden claimer at Keeneland on 10/14.

Stalkers / Pressers

Ralley to Me (Post 8) — Rated just off the pace, vied in the stretch and finished 3rd at Kentucky Downs on 9/9. **Beach Ballad** (Post 10) — Stalks and rallies; stayed on for 3rd despite traffic at Kentucky Downs on 8/31/2025.

First-Time Starters

Rumor Mill (Post 7) and **Kristi's Spirit** (Post 1) are unraced; their running styles are projected from works and pedigree only.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **MODERATE** early pace—projected :22 1/5 opening quarter, :45 2/5 half-mile. A single clear leader if Sutura or Hey Miss Olivia breaks cleanly; contested fractions if both engage. Stalkers hold the tactical edge.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Kristi's Spirit	12-1	7%	7.7%	-0.7%
2	Mundy Sweep	20-1	4%	4.8%	-0.8%
3	Cocoa Bean	30-1	1%	3.2%	-2.2%
4	Abita Springs	12-1	6%	7.7%	-1.7%
5	Sweet Reward	9-2	8%	18.2%	-10.2%
6	Hey Miss Olivia	4-1	17%	20.0%	-3.0%
7	Rumor Mill	15-1	6%	6.3%	-0.3%





Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
8	Ralley to Me	10-1	8%	9.1%	-1.1%
9	Sutura	5-2	24%	28.6%	-4.6%
10	Beach Ballad	7-2	11%	22.2%	-11.2%
11	Toast the Star	20-1	2%	4.8%	-2.8%
12	Cheddar	12-1	4%	7.7%	-3.7%
13	Musical Mary	15-1	2%	6.3%	-4.3%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**146.6%**	

Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion (field total 146.6%). The original table used adjusted figures that showed eight positive edges, including Sutura +4.5% and Hey Miss Olivia +3.3%; at raw odds **every horse in the field is negative**. The text also used 23% for Sutura; the table figure (24%) is used throughout.

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★★★)

Sutura (Post 9) — Model Win %: 24%

PTW Profile: The model's top horse and the 5-2 morning-line favorite. Winless in eight starts with five 2nds and a 3rd; most recently led early and finished 2nd, beaten 2 1/4 lengths, on turf at Santa Anita on 10/2. Trainer Sisterson; Tyler Gaffalione 7.69% at the meet. At 5-2 (28.6% implied), –4.6%.

Strengths: ELITE early and late speed—the only horse in the field with both; proven on turf; two stakes tries.

Concerns: Has lost eight times, including when caught late at Kentucky Downs on 9/9; slightly overbet.

Trip Projection: Presses or rates just off the pace and moves into contention in the stretch.

Hey Miss Olivia (Post 6) — Model Win %: 17%

PTW Profile: Four turf starts with two 2nds: missed by a nose at Ellis Park on 8/22 and by 3/4 length on 6/4; 8th after early trouble at Kentucky Downs on 9/9. Trainer Kenneally 19% in turf sprints, 13% with maiden special weights; Luis Saez 16.67% at the meet. At 4-1 (20.0% implied), –3.0%.

Strengths: Consistent early speed; strong turf-sprint barn; excuse last out.

Concerns: Still a maiden after four starts; needs a clean break.

Trip Projection: Breaks alertly, races inside or presses, and tries to hold on.

Beach Ballad (Post 10) — Model Win %: 11%

PTW Profile: 0-for-8 on turf with two 2nds and three 3rds; has tried stakes company. Off since 9/6 (61 days). Trainer Joe Sharp 16% on turf, 14% with maiden special weights; Jose Ortiz 16.67% at the meet. At 7-2 (22.2% implied), –11.2%—the race's biggest underlay.





Strengths: Consistent; STRONG early and late; cutting back from routes.

Concerns: Two months off; no win in eight turf starts; overbet.

Trip Projection: Rates mid-pack and rallies if the pace sets up.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★★★)

Ralley to Me (Post 8) — Model Win %: 8%

PTW Profile: 0-for-3 on turf; rated just off the pace, vied in the stretch and finished 3rd at Kentucky Downs on 9/9; rallied at Ellis Park on 8/15. Trainer Navarrete 8% on turf; jockey Machado 0-for-7 at the meet. At 10-1 (9.1% implied), –1.1%.

Concerns: VULNERABLE sustained speed; weak trainer and rider numbers.

Trip Projection: Stalks 3rd or 4th and rallies if the pace stays controlled.

Sweet Reward (Post 5) — Model Win %: 8%

PTW Profile: Four dirt starts with one placing; first try on turf. Bill Mott 11% on turf but 8% first time on turf; Junior Alvarado 18.18% at the meet. At 9-2 (18.2% implied), –10.2%.

Concerns: Flattened late in recent starts; VULNERABLE late; heavily overbet on the Mott name.

Trip Projection: Mid-pack to outside; needs the turf to move her up.

Rumor Mill (Post 7) — Model Win %: 6%

PTW Profile: First-time starter for Calhoun (18% in sprints, 19% on turf, 14% with maiden special weights); bullet work at Keeneland on 10/8; Brian Hernandez Jr. 23.53% at the meet; by Liam's Map. At 15-1 (6.3% implied), –0.3%—fairly priced.

Concerns: Unraced (UNRATED).

Trip Projection: Projected to rate 3rd or 4th and rally late.

Tier 3 — Pace Factors / Longshots (★★)

Kristi's Spirit (Post 1, 7%): First-time starter for Bauer (13% with first-time starters, 20% with maiden special weights); J.A. Torres 23.08% at the meet. –0.7%.

Abita Springs (Post 4, 6%): 0-for-3; most recently raced at Keeneland on 10/15; vied and was outkicked at Kentucky Downs on 9/6. Trainer Sweezey 6% with maiden special weights; jockey Morales 0-for-20 at the meet. –1.7%.

Mundy Sweep (Post 2, 4%): 0-for-5 with one 2nd; 8th, beaten nearly 10 lengths, at Kentucky Downs on 9/9. Trainer Dale Romans 22% in sprints. VULNERABLE early and late. –0.8%.

Cheddar (Post 12, 4%): 0-for-3 on turf, no placings. –3.7%.

Toast the Star (Post 11, 2%): 0-for-5 with three 3rds. –2.8%.





Musical Mary (Post 13, 2%): One start: 6th at Horseshoe Indianapolis on 10/13. Trainer Wojczynski 3% with maiden special weights. –4.3%.

Cocoa Bean (Post 3, 1%): Faded after showing speed in a dirt maiden claimer at Keeneland on 10/14; trainer Decker. –2.2%.

Report Section 4: MPH Analysis + Sustained Speed Ratings

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings

Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Sutura	ELITE	ELITE	Minimal — exceptional
Beach Ballad	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — competitive
Hey Miss Olivia	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — consistent
Ralley to Me	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — stretch collapse risk
Sweet Reward	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — fade pattern
Cocoa Bean	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — late compromise
Abita Springs	STRONG	VULNERABLE	Moderate-high — outkicked
Mundy Sweep	VULNERABLE	VULNERABLE	Very high
Toast the Star	VULNERABLE	VULNERABLE	Very high
Cheddar	VULNERABLE	VULNERABLE	High
Rumor Mill	UNRATED	UNRATED	First-time starter
Kristi's Spirit	UNRATED	UNRATED	First-time starter
Musical Mary	UNRATED	UNRATED	Insufficient data (one start)

Critical MPH Insight

Sutura is the only horse ELITE in both opening and sustained speed. **Beach Ballad** and **Hey Miss Olivia** are STRONG. Most of the rest of the field—including the overbet **Sweet Reward**—rates VULNERABLE late.

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

Hey Miss Olivia — Two narrow losses and a troubled trip last out; strong turf-sprint barn.

Sutura — Competitive in every recent start; this is a softer spot than her stakes tries.

Beach Ballad — Cuts back in distance; consistent turf form.





Bounce / Regression Risks

Sweet Reward — Flattened late on dirt; Mott only 8% first time on turf.

Mundy Sweep — Form has deteriorated over her last three starts.

Ralley to Me — VULNERABLE late; weak trainer and rider numbers.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

Every horse in this field is negative at the morning line. The plays below are the model's preferences; bet them only at the target odds.

WIN BET: SUTURA — Confidence 8/10 — Target odds: 7-2 or better

Model projects 24% win probability, the highest in the field, with the only ELITE/ELITE speed profile. At 5-2 (28.6% implied) she is –4.6%. Fair price is about 3-1.

Value Assessment: **UNDERLAY at the morning line** (–4.6%).

SECOND PLAY: HEY MISS OLIVIA — Confidence 7/10 — Target odds: 5-1 or better

Model projects 17% at 4-1 (20.0% implied): –3.0%. Two narrow losses and an excuse last out; Kenneally 19% in turf sprints. Fair price is about 5-1.

Value Assessment: **UNDERLAY at the morning line** (–3.0%).

LONGSHOT PLAY: RUMOR MILL — Confidence 5/10 — Target odds: 20-1 or better

Model projects 6% at 15-1 (6.3% implied): –0.3%. Calhoun first-time starter with a bullet work. Fair price is about 16-1; play only at 20-1 or better.

Value Assessment: **FAIR at the morning line** (–0.3%).

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

A: Sutura — 24%
B: Hey Miss Olivia — 17%
C: Beach Ballad — 11%

Combined Projected Probability: 52%

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★★★ (3 of 5 stars)

Sutura has the field's best speed profile but is slightly overbet at 5-2. **Hey Miss Olivia** becomes playable above 5-1. The public's biggest mistakes are **Beach Ballad** at 7-2 (22.2% implied vs. 11%) and first-time turfer **Sweet Reward** at 9-2 (18.2% vs. 8%).





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