Churchill Downs

Race 8 — 11/08/2026

Class: Claiming $50,000 (N2L)

Distance: 8f (1 mile)

Surface: Dirt

Purse: $76,000

Claiming Price: $50,000

Starters: 12

CLAIMING. Purse $76,000 (includes $8,900 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 120 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since October 8 Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price $50,000.

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Churchill Downs R8
Sunday, November 8, 2026 | 1 Mile Dirt | 3YO & Up | Claiming $50,000 (N2L)

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Maginnesontap (Post 1) — The fastest early horse in the field; pressed and took over to win at Keeneland on 10/4. **White Tiger** (Post 7) — Led throughout to win his maiden at Churchill in October 2025 and led early on turf at Ellis Park on 7/24. **Miracle Mark** (Post 12) — Led until the final yards at Churchill on 6/13.

Stalkers / Pressers

Admiral Hall (Post 11) — Took the lead at the stretch call before finishing 2nd at Keeneland on 10/14. **Bourbonkoma** (Post 2) — Pressed and drew off to win at Keeneland on 10/11. **Sotto Mo** (Post 6) — Stalked and led in the stretch on 10/8. **Mount Vernon** (Post 9) and **Stone County** (Post 5) — Stalk in midpack.

Closers

Copp (Post 8) — Strong late-pace profile. **Spirit of Royal** (Post 4), **Reb** (Post 10) and **King of Heat** (Post 3) — Drop back early.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **HOT** early pace—projected :23 3/5 opening quarter, :46 2/5 half-mile. Maginnesontap, White Tiger and Miracle Mark should contest the lead, which sets the race up for stalkers like Admiral Hall and closers like Copp.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Maginnesontap	4-1	10%	20.0%	-10.0%
2	Bourbonkoma	12-1	2%	7.7%	-5.7%
3	King of Heat	20-1	1%	4.8%	-3.8%
4	Spirit of Royal	30-1	1%	3.2%	-2.2%
5	Stone County	15-1	3%	6.3%	-3.3%
6	Sotto Mo	12-1	6%	7.7%	-1.7%
7	White Tiger	7-2	18%	22.2%	-4.2%
8	Copp	8-1	19%	11.1%	**+7.9%**





Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
9	Mount Vernon	8-1	9%	11.1%	-2.1%
10	Reb	30-1	1%	3.2%	-2.2%
11	Admiral Hall	5-1	24%	16.7%	**+7.3%**
12	Miracle Mark	6-1	6%	14.3%	-8.3%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**128.3%**	

Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion (field total 128.3% in this 12-horse field). The original table used rescaled figures. At raw odds **Copp +7.9%** and **Admiral Hall +7.3%** are the overlays. Favorite **White Tiger** –**4.2%**; Maginnesontap –10.0% and Miracle Mark –8.3%.

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★★★)

Admiral Hall (Post 11) — Model Win %: 24%

PTW Profile: The model's top horse. Five-year-old gelding, 1-for-8 with two 2nds and two 3rds. He did not win on 10/14: he was 2nd, beaten 4 lengths, in a $62,500 N2L claimer at 1 1/16 miles on a sloppy track at Keeneland after taking the lead at the stretch call. His only win came in a $20,000 maiden claimer at Keeneland on 4/24. Also 2nd by a neck in a $50,000 N2L claimer at a mile at Ellis Park on 7/11; 12th on turf on 6/20, when he was claimed for $30,000. Has worn blinkers since 6/20; no equipment change today. Trainer Sims 11% in claiming races and routes; jockey Machado 0-for-14 at the meet. At 5-1 (16.7% implied), +7.3%.

Strengths: STRONG early and late; close at this level twice; ran well on 10/14.

Concerns: Has won only a maiden claimer; weak rider and trainer numbers.

Trip Projection: Stalks the speed from post 11 and bids in the stretch.

Copp (Post 8) — Model Win %: 19%

PTW Profile: Four-year-old gelding (gelded 1/31), 1-for-10. Won a turf maiden special weight at 1 1/16 miles at Churchill on 9/18/25; 5th in an N1X turf allowance at Keeneland and 8th in the Grade 1 Hollywood Derby in late 2025. 2026: 6th in a $50,000 N1X optional claimer on dirt at Santa Anita on 1/8 and 6th on turf at Santa Anita on 3/29. Returns from more than seven months off; his last dirt start was 1/8, not 2025. 0-for-3 on dirt at Churchill with a 3rd. Trainer McCarthy 18% in claiming races and 11% off layoffs of more than 180 days; jockey Ortiz Jr. 7-for-21 at the meet. At 8-1 (11.1% implied), +7.9%—the best overlay in the race.

Strengths: Has faced much better company; a hot pace sets up his late run.

Concerns: More than seven months away; has not won on dirt.

Trip Projection: Settles off the pace and rallies.

White Tiger (Post 7) — Model Win %: 18%





PTW Profile: Three-year-old colt, 1-for-5. 2nd in a 7 furlong maiden special weight at Churchill in September 2025, then led throughout to win at 1 1/16 miles at Churchill on 10/26/25 as the 7-20 favorite. 9th in the Grade 3 Lecomte on 1/17; 5th after leading in an N2L turf allowance at Ellis Park on 7/24; 3rd in an N1X turf allowance at Kentucky Downs on 8/30 (blinkers off). He has not run at Saratoga. First claiming start; returns from 70 days off. Trainer Cox 8-for-17 at the meet, 31% in claiming races and 27% off 61–180 day layoffs; jockey Geroux 0-for-3 at the meet. As the 7-2 morning-line favorite (22.2% implied), –4.2%.

Strengths: ELITE early and late; class drop; strong trainer numbers.

Concerns: Pace pressure from Maginnesontap and Miracle Mark; first race since 8/30.

Trip Projection: Presses or leads.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★★★)

Maginnesontap (Post 1) — Model Win %: 10%

PTW Profile: Three-year-old colt, 1-for-8 with four 2nds. Won a $50,000 maiden claimer at 1 1/16 miles at Keeneland on 10/4 by 5 1/2 lengths as the even-money favorite; claimed from that race by Matt Williams. First start for Williams and first try against winners. First start at Churchill. Williams 17% first off the claim but 5% in routes; jockey Gaffalione. At 4-1 (20.0% implied), –10.0%.

Strengths: ELITE early speed; won last out.

Concerns: Overbet; faces winners for the first time; likely pace pressure.

Trip Projection: Goes for the lead from the rail.

Mount Vernon (Post 9) — Model Win %: 9%

PTW Profile: Three-year-old colt, 1-for-5. Won a dirt maiden special weight at a mile at Indiana Grand on 7/7 by a head. 7th in the Curlin Stakes on dirt at Saratoga on 8/2 (not two turf starts); 10th, beaten 24 lengths, in a 7 furlong N1X allowance at Keeneland on 10/4. First claiming start. Trainer DeVaux 25% on dirt but 0-for-10 in claiming races; jockey Jose Ortiz 5-for-41 at the meet. At 8-1 (11.1% implied), –2.1%.

Strengths: Drops in class; has won at a mile.

Concerns: VULNERABLE late; well beaten in his last two starts.

Trip Projection: Stalks in midpack.

Sotto Mo (Post 6) — Model Win %: 6%

PTW Profile: Four-year-old colt, 1-for-2. Won a $12,500 maiden claimer at Colonial Downs on 7/18; 2nd by a quarter length in a $20,000 N2L claimer at Keeneland on 10/8 after leading in the stretch. He did not win last out, and this is his third career start. Steps up from $20,000 to $50,000. Trainer West 28% in claiming races; jockey Murrill. At 12-1 (7.7% implied), –1.7%.

Strengths: ELITE sustained speed; improving.

Concerns: Big class rise; only two starts.





Trip Projection: Stalks and bids in the stretch.

Miracle Mark (Post 12) — Model Win %: 6%

PTW Profile: Five-year-old gelding, 1-for-24 with eight 3rds. He did not win on 6/13: he was 2nd by a half length in a $50,000 N2L claimer at Churchill after leading, and was claimed by Joe Sharp. Since: 3rd in an allowance at Ellis Park, 2nd and 3rd in turf allowances at Kentucky Downs, and 8th in an allowance moved off the turf at Keeneland on 10/11. 0-for-11 on fast dirt. Trainer Sharp 6-for-19 at the meet and 25% in claiming races; jockey Saez. At 6-1 (14.3% implied), –8.3%.

Strengths: Early speed; strong trainer.

Concerns: VULNERABLE late; one win in 24 starts; overbet.

Trip Projection: Presses the pace from the outside post.

Tier 3 — Pace Factors / Longshots (★★)

Stone County (Post 5, 3%): Gelding, 1-for-8. Won a $30,000 maiden claimer at Ellis Park on 7/18; 3rd in N2L claimers on 8/7 (claimed by Armando Hernandez) and at Keeneland on 10/4. First route since April. Hernandez 23% in claiming races. –3.3%.

Bourbonkoma (Post 2, 2%): Gelding, 1-for-4. Won a $30,000 maiden claimer at Keeneland on 10/11 by 5 1/2 lengths and was claimed by Genaro Garcia (8% first off the claim). Steps up against winners. –5.7%.

King of Heat (Post 3, 1%): Gelding, 1-for-8. Won a $20,000 maiden claimer at 6 furlongs at Churchill on 10/29 by 4 lengths; big class rise and stretches out. –3.8%.

Spirit of Royal (Post 4, 1%): 1-for-11; blinkers on (trainer Cunningham 0-for-5 with that change). –2.2%.

Reb (Post 10, 1%): 1-for-12; won a maiden special weight at Thistledown on 7/15. Trainer Fletcher 0-for-16 off 61–180 day layoffs and 10% in claiming races. –2.2%.

Report Section 4: MPH Analysis + Sustained Speed Ratings

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings

Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
White Tiger	ELITE	ELITE	Low — maintains speed
Copp	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate
Admiral Hall	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate
Miracle Mark	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — pace collapse
Mount Vernon	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — pace collapse
Stone County	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate
Maginnesontap	ELITE	STRONG	Low-moderate





Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Sotto Mo	STRONG	ELITE	Low — maintains speed
Reb	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — pace collapse
Bourbonkoma	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate
King of Heat	VULNERABLE	VULNERABLE	High — pace collapse
Spirit of Royal	VULNERABLE	VULNERABLE	High — pace collapse

Critical MPH Insight

White Tiger is the only horse rated ELITE early and late. **Sotto Mo** also has an ELITE sustained speed rating. **Admiral Hall** and **Copp** are STRONG at both ends and should benefit from a hot pace.

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

Admiral Hall — Ran well at a higher level on 10/14.

White Tiger — First claiming start for a trainer who wins 31% in claiming races.

Sotto Mo — Third career start, after a near-miss.

Bounce / Regression Risks

Miracle Mark — One win in 24 starts; well beaten last out.

Mount Vernon — Well beaten in his last two starts.

Maginnesontap — Faces winners for the first time after a maiden-claiming win.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

WIN BET: ADMIRAL HALL — Confidence 9/10 — Target odds: 7-2 or better

Model projects 24% win probability, the highest in the field, at 5-1 (16.7% implied): +7.3%. STRONG early and late and close at this level. Fair price is about 3-1.

Value Assessment: **OVERLAY** (+7.3%).

VALUE PLAY: COPP — Confidence 9/10 — Target odds: 9-2 or better

Model projects 19% at 8-1 (11.1% implied): +7.9%. Has faced much better and gets a hot pace to close into. Fair price is about 17-4.

Value Assessment: **OVERLAY** (+7.9%).

LONGSHOT PLAY: None





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

A: Admiral Hall — 24%
B: Copp — 19%
C: White Tiger — 18%

Combined Projected Probability: 61%

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★★★★ (4 of 5 stars)

Admiral Hall and **Copp** are the model's top two and both overlays. Favorite **White Tiger** (7-2, –4.2%) is a slight underlay but not a fade; **Maginnesontap** (4-1, –10.0%) is the most overbet horse in the race.

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