Churchill Downs

Race 4 — 11/15/2026

Class: Md 50000

Distance: 1 1/16 Miles

Surface: Dirt

Purse: $67,000

Claiming Price: $50,000

Starters: 8

MAIDEN CLAIMING. Purse $67,000 (includes $7,800 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund) FOR MAIDENS, TWO YEARS OLD. Weight, 119 lbs. Claiming Price $50,000.

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Churchill Downs R4
Sunday, November 15, 2026 | 1 1/16 Miles Dirt | 2YO | Maiden Claiming $50,000

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Goal to Go (Post 1) — The only horse to show early speed in a route: 2nd at the second call at Ellis on 8/2 before weakening. He was 10th early in his 10/7 sprint.

Stalkers / Pressers

Chasing Em (Post 3) — **Not** a speed horse: 7th early before rallying to 3rd at Keeneland on 10/9.
Shamrock Guard (Post 8) — 7th early, made a brief bid, then gave way in his only start.

Closers

Celtic Mo (Post 4) — Rallied from 10th to 2nd on 8/1. **Mined That Gold** (Post 6), **Very Royal** (Post 2), **Mo Que** (Post 7) and **Prove Me Wrong** (Post 5) — All raced far back early on turf.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **MODERATE** early pace—projected :23 opening quarter, :47 half-mile. Very little proven speed; Goal to Go may be left alone on the lead from the rail.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Goal to Go	7-2	13%	22.2%	-9.2%
2	Very Royal	9-2	8%	18.2%	-10.2%
3	Chasing Em	8-1	16%	11.1%	**+4.9%**
4	Celtic Mo	2-1	29%	33.3%	-4.3%
5	Prove Me Wrong	20-1	2%	4.8%	-2.8%
6	Mined That Gold	6-1	18%	14.3%	**+3.7%**
7	Mo Que	5-1	9%	16.7%	-7.7%
8	Shamrock Guard	12-1	5%	7.7%	-2.7%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**128.3%**	

Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion (the report's column was scaled). **Celtic Mo is the 2-1 favorite** at 33.3% implied, so he is a –**4.3% underlay**, not a +3.0% overlay. Very Royal (9-2) is –**10.2%**. Overlays: Chasing Em +4.9% (not +7.3%) and Mined That Gold +3.7% (not +6.9%).





Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★★★)

Celtic Mo (Post 4) — Model Win %: 29%

PTW Profile: The model's top horse and **the 2-1 favorite**. Uncle Mo colt, 0-for-2. His 8/1 race at Ellis was a **2nd** (not a win), rallying from 10th; his 6/27 debut was a 7th, beaten 28 1/2. **Both starts were sprints** (6f and 7f), so this is his first route.

Strengths: Eddie Kenneally is 24% with maiden claimers and 18% off 61–180 days; he is 3-for-9 at the meet.

Concerns: Off 106 days. Kenneally is 11% going from a sprint to a route. Florent Arrieta is 9% at the meet. At 2-1 (33.3% implied), –4.3%.

Trip Projection: Settles back, rallies wide.

Mined That Gold (Post 6) — Model Win %: 18%

PTW Profile: Mineshaft colt, 0-for-2, both in maiden special weights on the Churchill turf (7th and 9th). First start on dirt and first in a claimer.

Strengths: Ken McPeek is 16% dropping maidens into claimers and 22% switching from turf to dirt. At 6-1 (14.3% implied), +3.7%.

Concerns: Beaten further in his second start. Edgar Esquivel is 7% at the meet.

Chasing Em (Post 3) — Model Win %: 16%

PTW Profile: Cyberknife gelding, 0-for-3 with one 3rd (not a 2nd). He was not claimed. 7th at Churchill on 9/11, then 3rd in a **$30,000** maiden claimer at Keeneland on 10/9, rallying from 7th—a closer, not a front-runner.

Strengths: Chris Hartman is 18% off 31–60 days. Rafael Bejarano (17%) rides back. At 8-1 (11.1% implied), **+4.9%**, the race's best overlay.

Concerns: Steps up from $30,000 to $50,000 and stretches out; Hartman is 10% going from a sprint to a route and 0-for-16 at the meet.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★★★)

Goal to Go (Post 1) — Model Win %: 13%

PTW Profile: Life Is Good gelding, a $550,000 yearling, 0-for-2. **First start since being gelded** (11/8). 6th at a mile at Ellis as the odds-on favorite on 8/2, then 5th, beaten 8 1/2, in a $50,000 maiden claimer at Keeneland on 10/7.

Strengths: Bob Baffert is 30% going from a sprint to a route and 30% second off a layoff; Baffert and Tyler Gaffalione are 1-for-2 at Churchill. Only proven early speed.

Concerns: Baffert is 0-for-5 at the meet. At 7-2 (22.2% implied), –9.2%.





Mo Que (Post 7) — Model Win %: 9%

PTW Profile: Uncle Mo gelding, 0-for-2 on turf (Kentucky Downs 9/7, Indiana 10/13). **First start since being gelded** and first on dirt. Joe Sharp is 8-for-34 at the meet, 21% dropping maidens into claimers and 24% switching from turf to dirt; Sharp and apprentice Y. Ortiz Jr. (29%, 7 pounds off) are 5-for-14 at Churchill. At 5-1 (16.7% implied), –7.7%.

Tier 3 — Pace Factors / Longshots (★★)

Very Royal (Post 2) — Model Win %: 8%

PTW Profile: Cairo Prince colt, 0-for-4 on turf with one 2nd (by a head at Indiana on 10/13); 6th in his other three, including 10/30. First try on dirt. Jose Aranha is 2-for-7 switching from turf to dirt (the report had this as his turf record) but 0-for-8 with maiden claimers. At 9-2 (18.2% implied), –**10.2%**.

Shamrock Guard (Post 8) — Model Win %: 5%

PTW Profile: Double Irish gelding, 6th, beaten 17 1/2, in his only start (Indiana, 9/10). First start for Lindsay Schultz (14% with new acquisitions; 32% dropping maidens into claimers). Blinkers on for the first time—Schultz is 1-for-28 with that change. D. Cannon is 0-for-9. At 12-1 (7.7% implied), –2.7%.

Prove Me Wrong (Post 5) — Model Win %: 2%

PTW Profile: Yaupon colt, a $475,000 yearling, 0-for-2 on the Belmont turf (9th and 12th). **Blinkers come OFF** today (the report had them going on). Whit Beckman is 7-for-15 dropping maidens into claimers and 19% switching from turf to dirt; Luis Saez (24%) rides. At 20-1 (4.8% implied), –2.8%.

Report Section 4: MPH Analysis + Sustained Speed Ratings

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings

Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Celtic Mo	STRONG	ELITE	Low — maintains velocity
Mined That Gold	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — consistent effort
Goal to Go	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — pace collapse risk
Chasing Em	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — late rally
Mo Que	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — deceleration concern
Very Royal	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — inconsistent
Shamrock Guard	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — stamina fade
Prove Me Wrong	VULNERABLE	VULNERABLE	High — trailed both starts

Critical MPH Insight





The model rates **Celtic Mo** the field's best sustained finisher (ELITE), from a 2nd-place rally—not a win. Chasing Em's opening speed is changed from ELITE to STRONG: he closes. **Goal to Go** has the only real early speed and is VULNERABLE late.

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

Goal to Go and **Mo Que** — First starts since being gelded; strong barns.

Prove Me Wrong — Blinkers off and a turf-to-dirt switch for a trainer who is 47% dropping maidens to claimers.

Mined That Gold — McPeek is 22% switching from turf to dirt.

Bounce / Regression Risks

Celtic Mo — First route off 106 days; overbet at 2-1.

Very Royal — Overbet at 9-2 for a 0-for-8 maiden-claiming trainer.

Shamrock Guard — Trainer is 1-for-28 adding blinkers.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

WIN BET: CELTIC MO — Confidence 4/10 — Target odds: 5-2 or better

Model projects 29% win probability, the highest in the field. At 2-1 (33.3% implied), –4.3%—a slight underlay, not SLIGHT VALUE.

VALUE PLAY: MINED THAT GOLD — Confidence 4/10 — Target odds: 5-1 or better

Model projects 18% at 6-1 (14.3% implied): +3.7%, SLIGHT VALUE. (Chasing Em, at +4.9%, is the bigger overlay.)

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

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

A: Celtic Mo — 29%
B: Mined That Gold — 18%
C: Chasing Em — 16%

Combined Projected Probability: 63%

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★★ (2 of 5 stars)





A weak 2-year-old maiden claimer: the model's top horse, **Celtic Mo**, is a maiden making his first route start off 106 days. No favorite to fade (–4.3%), but **Very Royal** (–10.2%) is overbet.

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