Churchill Downs

Race 10 — 11/29/2026

Class: The Cherokee Mile (Listed Stakes)

Distance: 1 Mile

Surface: Dirt

Purse: $250,000

Starters: 8

Post Time: 5:25 ET

THE CHEROKEE MILE. Purse $250,000 (include $50,000 KTDF - Kentucky TB Devt Fund) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD.

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Churchill Downs R10 — The Cherokee Mile
Sunday, November 29, 2026 | 1 Mile Dirt | 3-Year-Olds & Up | Listed Stakes | Purse: $250,000

Field note: The report dated this race Friday; it is Sunday. **Stretching out from sprints:** Built (no route since May 2025) and Jack's Promise (no route since November 2025). **Layoffs:** Hall of Fame, off since 8/9 (112 days); Banishing, off since 9/26. **Same races:** Churchill 9/12 (Louisville Thoroughbred Society)—Built won, Jack's Promise 4th; Churchill 5/2 (Churchill Downs Stakes)—Hall of Fame 7th, Banishing did not finish.

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Gearing Up (Post 8) — Led early in his last three, including a wire-to-wire win at a mile here on 9/10 (the report called him a stalker). **Jack's Promise** (Post 7) — Pressed 2nd early on 11/7. **Built** (Post 3) — Presses and takes over in sprints.

Stalkers / Pressers

Banishing (Post 2) — Sat 2nd early when 2nd in the Charles Town Classic on 8/28. **Chief Wallabee** (Post 1) — Sits 4th to 6th and moves up; not a deep closer.

Closers

Hall of Fame (Post 4), **Steeze** (Post 5), **Stop the Car** (Post 6).

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **MODERATE** early pace—projected :23 1/5 opening quarter, :46 1/5 half-mile (the report said HOT; :46 1/5 at a mile is MODERATE). **Gearing Up** should lead, with **Jack's Promise** and **Built** close up.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Chief Wallabee	5-2	11%	28.6%	-17.6%
2	Banishing	5-1	19%	16.7%	**+2.3%**
3	Built	7-5	24%	41.7%	-17.7%
4	Hall of Fame	6-1	13%	14.3%	-1.3%
5	Steeze	20-1	4%	4.8%	-0.8%
6	Stop the Car	20-1	4%	4.8%	-0.8%
7	Jack's Promise	10-1	15%	9.1%	**+5.9%**





Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
8	Gearing Up	12-1	10%	7.7%	**+2.3%**
	TOTAL		**100%**	**127.7%**	

Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion (the report's table column was scaled). **Fade:** the 7-5 favorite **Built** is –17.7% (not –8.7%); he is also the top model horse, so he stays the Win Bet at his fair-odds floor. **Chief Wallabee** (–17.6%) is also a big underlay. Overlays: **Jack's Promise** +5.9% (not +7.9%), **Banishing** +2.3% (not +5.9%), **Gearing Up** +2.3% (not +4.0%). Hall of Fame is –1.3% (not +1.8%).

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★)

Built (Post 3) — Model Win %: 24%

PTW Profile: A 4-year-old colt, 7 for 16. Won the Grade 2 Alfred G. Vanderbilt at Saratoga by 2 1/2 on 7/25 and a $300,000 stakes at 6 1/2 furlongs here by 1 1/2 on 9/12; 2nd by 1/2 in the Grade 3 Bango here on 6/27. Wayne Catalano trains.

Concerns: A sprinter; every 2026 start was 7 furlongs or shorter. His last route was a 9th, beaten 34 1/2 lengths, in the Grade 2 Pat Day Mile in May 2025 (not a 3rd). 6th by 7 1/2 in the Breeders' Cup Sprint on 10/31. At 7-5 (41.7% implied), –17.7%—the fade.

Banishing (Post 2) — Model Win %: 19%

PTW Profile: A 6-year-old gelding, 11 for 33, $3.3 million earned. 2nd by 1 3/4 in the Grade 2 Charles Town Classic on 8/28 (the report called it a win; he won it in 2025). Won the Jeff Hall Memorial at Ellis Park by 1 on 7/18. David Jacobson trains.

Concerns: 5th, beaten 25 1/4 lengths, in the Grade 2 Lukas Classic here on 9/26; did not finish in the Grade 1 Churchill Downs Stakes on 5/2. No Meydan win on 3/28 and no 8th on 2/14; his only early-2026 start was a 6th in the Pegasus World Cup. At 5-1 (16.7% implied), +2.3%.

Jack's Promise (Post 7) — Model Win %: 15%

PTW Profile: A 4-year-old colt, 6 for 20. 2nd by 2 3/4 in the $300,000 Bet On Sunshine here on 11/7 (not a win). Won the Gulfstream Park Sprint by 3 on 2/21. Dale Romans trains.

Concerns: A sprinter; his last route was a 7th by 10 at a mile here in November 2025. 6th by 7 1/4 in the Grade 2 Phoenix on 10/2 (not 3rd). At 10-1 (9.1% implied), +5.9%.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★)

Hall of Fame (Post 4) — Model Win %: 13%

PTW Profile: A 5-year-old horse, 4 for 15. 3rd by 3 1/4 in the Grade 3 Hanshin Cup at a mile here on 6/28 (the report called it a 3 1/4-length win). His last win was the Grade 3 Mineshaft at Fair Grounds in February 2025. Steve Asmussen trains.





Concerns: No wins in his last nine. 5th by 16 3/4 at Mountaineer on 8/9; off 112 days. At 6-1 (14.3% implied), –1.3%.

Chief Wallabee (Post 1) — Model Win %: 11%

PTW Profile: A 3-year-old colt, 1 for 8 with four 2nds, $683,000 earned. 2nd by a head in the Grade 3 Perryville at Keeneland on 10/17 (not 5th); 4th by 3 in the Kentucky Derby (not 10th, never threatened); 3rd by 1/2 in the Florida Derby and 2nd by a head in the Fountain of Youth. Bill Mott trains.

Concerns: Only one win, his maiden. 2nd as the 1-2 favorite in an N1X allowance at Belmont on 9/19. At 5-2 (28.6% implied), –17.6%.

Gearing Up (Post 8) — Model Win %: 10%

PTW Profile: A 4-year-old colt, 3 for 8. Won an N2X optional claimer at a mile here wire to wire by 2 3/4 on 9/10; 2nd by 1 1/2 on the lead in a $175,000 optional claimer here on 11/7.

Concerns: First stakes start. At 12-1 (7.7% implied), +2.3%.

Tier 3 — Pace Factors & Longshots (★)

Steeze (20-1) — 3 for 11; won an N2X optional claimer at Keeneland by 4 3/4 on 10/10, then 5th in an N3X on 10/31. –0.8%. **Stop the Car** (20-1) — 2 for 8; 3rd by 4 1/2 in the Ellis Park Derby on 8/9; 6th by 8 1/2 in the Harrods Creek here on 9/19. His last win was in November 2025, not recent. –0.8%.

Pedigree, workout, trainer/jockey-percentage and ROI claims removed throughout.

Report Section 4: MPH Analysis + Sustained Speed Ratings

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings

Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Banishing	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — 2nd by 1 3/4 on 8/28
Built	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — won by 1 1/2 on 9/12
Hall of Fame	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — 3rd by 3 1/4 on 6/28
Gearing Up	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — led, 2nd by 1 1/2 on 11/7
Chief Wallabee	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — 2nd by a head on 10/17
Jack's Promise	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — sprinter stretching out
Steeze	VULNERABLE	STRONG	Moderate — won by 4 3/4 on 10/10
Stop the Car	VULNERABLE	VULNERABLE	High — 6th by 8 1/2 on 9/19

Critical MPH Insight





Ratings changed to match the record: **Chief Wallabee** from VULNERABLE/VULNERABLE to STRONG/STRONG (three 2nds by a head or less this year); **Gearing Up** to ELITE/STRONG; **Steeze** to STRONG late. **Banishing** remains the best sustained profile among the horses with route form; Built and Jack's Promise have to prove they can carry their speed a mile.

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

Banishing — Drops from Grade 2 company; back at a mile.

Gearing Up — Should get an easy lead at a distance he has won at here.

Bounce / Regression Risks

Built — 7-5 stretching out from sprints after a 6th in the Breeders' Cup Sprint.

Hall of Fame — Off 112 days and beaten 16 3/4 last out.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

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

Model projects 24% at 7-5 (41.7% implied): –17.7%. Top model horse but also the fade; only a bet at 7-2 or better, which he won't be.

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

Model projects 19% at 5-1 (16.7% implied): +2.3%.

LONGSHOT PLAY: JACK'S PROMISE — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 6-1 or better

Model projects 15% at 10-1 (9.1% implied): +5.9%, the biggest overlay. The report listed him as the value play; at 10-1 he is the longshot.

SECOND PLAY: HALL OF FAME — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 7-1 or better

Model projects 13% at 6-1 (14.3% implied): –1.3%. Next unused model horse.

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

A: Built — 24%
B: Banishing — 19%
C: Jack's Promise — 15%

Combined Projected Probability: 58%

Favorite to fade: **Built** (7-5), –17.7%; he stays A as the top model horse. Chief Wallabee (–17.6%) is also a big underlay.





Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★★ (2 of 5 stars)

A listed mile with two short-priced underlays. **Built** is the top model horse but a sprinter at 7-5; the value is **Banishing** at 5-1 and **Jack's Promise** at 10-1.

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