Del Mar

Race 4 — 11/14/2026

Class: Claiming $12,500 (N2L)

Distance: 5.5f

Surface: Dirt

Purse: $23,000

Starters: 9

CLAIMING. Purse $23,000 FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Claiming Price $12,500.

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Del Mar R4
Saturday, November 14, 2026 | 5.5f Dirt | 3YO & Up | Claiming $12,500 (N2L)

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Victoria's Rocket (Post 6) — Led throughout to win his maiden here on 8/20. **Amador** (Post 5) — Dueled for the lead at Los Alamitos on 9/18 and won his maiden wire-to-wire. **Bazooka Charlie** (Post 8) vied early at Los Alamitos on 9/20.

Stalkers / Pressers

Hankering (Post 4) — Presses the pace; he was 2nd, not a gate-to-wire winner, on 8/29. **Battle School** (Post 3) — Pressed outside and missed by 3/4 on 9/25; his maiden win came from 3rd, not on the lead.

Closers

Crucible (Post 1) and **Danzing Wild Cat** (Post 9) come from off the pace; **Precision** (Post 7) and **Kiddo Light** (Post 2) rarely threaten.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **HOT** early pace—projected :22 1/5 opening quarter, :44 4/5 (the report's second fraction was unreadable; 4/5 used). Victoria's Rocket, Amador and Hankering should all be prominent.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Crucible	12-1	6%	7.7%	-1.7%
2	Kiddo Light	30-1	2%	3.2%	-1.2%
3	Battle School	7-2	15%	22.2%	-7.2%
4	Hankering	5-2	20%	28.6%	-8.6%
5	Amador	5-1	10%	16.7%	-6.7%
6	Victoria's Rocket	5-1	12%	16.7%	-4.7%
7	Precision (GB)	15-1	4%	6.3%	-2.3%
8	Bazooka Charlie	15-1	19%	6.3%	**+12.7%**
9	Danzing Wild Cat	4-1	12%	20.0%	-8.0%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**127.7%**	





Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion. Corrected: Hankering 28.6% (not 22.4%), Battle School 22.2%, Danzing Wild Cat 20.0%, the 5-1s 16.7%, Crucible 7.7%, the 15-1s 6.3%. Hankering, the 5-2 favorite, is –8.6%—short of a fade. **Bazooka Charlie (+12.7%) is the only overlay.** The model's top horse is **Hankering (20%)**, not Bazooka Charlie (19%).

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★★★)

Hankering (Post 4) — Model Win %: 20%

PTW Profile: The model's top horse and the 5-2 morning-line favorite. 3-year-old gelding, **1-for-5**. 3rd by 12 in this class at Santa Anita on 10/23, when Francisco Rodriguez claimed him; **2nd** by 4 1/2 (not a wire-to-wire win) here on 8/29. First start for the new barn. Juan Hernandez (6-for-16 at the meet) rides. At 5-2 (28.6% implied), –8.6%.

Strengths: Tactical speed; top rider; new barn.

Concerns: Underlay; weakened in his last two.

Trip Projection: Presses the leaders from the start.

Bazooka Charlie (Post 8) — Model Win %: 19%

PTW Profile: 4-year-old gelding, **1-for-17**. He did **not** win at Santa Anita on 10/13—no such race appears. 7th by 7 1/2 here on 11/7 after a slow start; 4th at Los Alamitos on 9/20 after vying early; 11th as the 11-5 favorite on 8/29. Genaro Vallejo is 0-for-2 at the meet. Edwin Payeras rides. At 15-1 (6.3% implied), +12.7%—but the 19% is hard to support with that form.

Battle School (Post 3) — Model Win %: 15%

PTW Profile: 4-year-old gelding, 1-for-7. 2nd by 3/4 in this class at Santa Anita on 9/25; won a Los Alamitos maiden claimer on 9/11 rallying from 3rd. 8th going a mile on 10/11. Steve Knapp is 2-for-6 at the meet. At 7-2 (22.2% implied), –7.2%.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★★★)

Victoria's Rocket (Post 6) — Model Win %: 12%

PTW Profile: 4-year-old gelding, 1-for-5. Won a Cal-bred $12,500 maiden claimer here on 8/20 **on the lead** by 2 3/4; 8th on the turf on 10/16. R.B. Hess Jr. is 1-for-7 at the meet. At 5-1 (16.7% implied), –4.7%.

Danzing Wild Cat (Post 9) — Model Win %: 12%

PTW Profile: 5-year-old gelding, 1-for-10, blinkers off. Won a Cal-bred $50,000 maiden claimer at Santa Anita on 5/29; 8th on the turf on 10/16. Big drop to $12,500. At 4-1 (20.0% implied), –8.0%.

Tier 3 — Pace Factors / Longshots (★★)

Amador (Post 5, 10%): 3-year-old gelding, 1-for-8; 2nd at Los Alamitos on 9/18 after a duel; stumbled on 10/23. Jeff Mullins is 1-for-2 at the meet. –6.7%.

Crucible (Post 1, 6%): Still a maiden after 7 starts; 2nd, beaten 11, on 10/23. –1.7%.





Precision (GB) (Post 7, 4%): Turf router, 1-for-14; 6th on 10/23. –2.3%.

Kiddo Light (Post 2, 2%): Blinkers off; 5th at Los Alamitos on 10/31. –1.2%.

Report Section 4: MPH Analysis + Sustained Speed Ratings

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings

Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Hankering	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — weakened last two
Bazooka Charlie	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — 1-for-17
Battle School	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate
Victoria's Rocket	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — speed
Danzing Wild Cat	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High
Amador	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — speed
Crucible	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High
Precision (GB)	MODERATE	VULNERABLE	High
Kiddo Light	MODERATE	VULNERABLE	High

Critical MPH Insight

Bazooka Charlie is downgraded from ELITE sustained: his form shows no late kick. Hankering is a presser (STRONG opening), and the real early speed is **Victoria's Rocket** and **Amador**. **Battle School** has the most reliable finish of the contenders.

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

Hankering — First start off the claim, with the meet's leading rider.

Danzing Wild Cat — Big class drop; blinkers off.

Bounce / Regression Risks

Bazooka Charlie — Badly beaten in three straight.

Crucible — Still a maiden.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

WIN BET: HANKERING — Confidence 4/10 — Target odds: 4-1 or better





Model projects 20% win probability, the highest in the field. At 5-2 (28.6% implied), –8.6%. Fair price is 4-1.

Value Assessment: **UNDERLAY** at 5-2; play only at 4-1 or better.

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

Model projects 19% at 15-1 (6.3% implied): +12.7%. A price play; his recent form does not support the 19%.

LONGSHOT PLAY: None beyond Bazooka Charlie.

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

A: Hankering — 20%
B: Bazooka Charlie — 19%
C: Battle School — 15%

Combined Projected Probability: 54%

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★★ (2 of 5 stars)

Cheap N2L claimer with no reliable form. **Hankering** is the top pick but an underlay. No favorite to fade. Bazooka Charlie at 15-1 is the only overlay, on numbers rather than form.

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