Del Mar

Race 8 — 11/28/2026

Class: Allowance Optional Claiming $50,000 N1X

Distance: 6 1/2 Furlongs

Surface: Dirt

Purse: $67,000

Starters: 9

Post Time: 7:05 ET (4:05 PT)

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING. Purse $67,000 (plus $20,100 CBOIF - California Bred Owner Fund) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON $21,000 ONCE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OR STARTER OR STATE BRED OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES OR CLAIMING PRICE $50,000. Three Year Olds, 122 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race Other Than Maiden, Claiming, Or Starter Allowed 2 lbs. Claiming Price $50,000 (Non-Starters For A Claiming Price Of $25,000 Or Less In The Last 2 Starts Preferred).

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Del Mar R8
Saturday, November 28, 2026 | 6 1/2 Furlongs Dirt | 3-Year-Olds & Up | Optional Claiming $50,000 N1X | Purse: $67,000

Field note: The report left off the day; it is Saturday. No also-eligibles. **Key prep the report missed:** five of these ran in the same N1X optional claimer at Santa Anita on 10/24—Style Cat 2nd by a head, Practical Jack 3rd, Howie's Law 4th, Captain Shreve 6th, Duke Silver 7th. **Also:** Santa Anita 9/26—Duke Silver 2nd, Captain Shreve 4th. **Layoffs:** Running With Chaos, off since 1/18; Santarena, off since 8/22.

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Howie's Law (Post 6) — Led early on 10/24 and won wire to wire on 8/30. **Practical Jack** (Post 9) — Won wire to wire on 10/9. **Running With Chaos** (Post 3) — Won his maiden on the lead. **Duntov** (Post 7) — Pressed 2nd and took over in his debut.

Stalkers / Pressers

Duke Silver (Post 4), **Captain Shreve** (Post 5), **Santarena** (Post 2), **Jerry's Spirit** (Post 1).

Closers

Style Cat (Post 8) — Rallied from 7th to miss by a head on 10/24.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **MODERATE** early pace—projected :22 1/5 opening quarter, :45 2/5 half-mile (the report said HOT; :45 2/5 at 6 1/2 furlongs is MODERATE). **Howie's Law**, **Practical Jack** and **Duntov** should be up front.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Jerry's Spirit	20-1	2%	4.8%	-2.8%
2	Santarena	8-1	10%	11.1%	-1.1%
3	Running With Chaos	12-1	6%	7.7%	-1.7%
4	Duke Silver	4-1	14%	20.0%	-6.0%
5	Captain Shreve	12-1	5%	7.7%	-2.7%
6	Howie's Law	7-2	16%	22.2%	-6.2%
7	Duntov	3-1	27%	25.0%	**+2.0%**





Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
8	Style Cat	6-1	12%	14.3%	-2.3%
9	Practical Jack	6-1	8%	14.3%	-6.3%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**127.1%**	

Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion (the report's table column was scaled). **No fade:** the 3-1 favorite **Duntov** is +2.0% (not +7.3%), the only overlay. Santarena is –1.1% (not +1.3%); Style Cat –2.3% (not +0.8%). Practical Jack (–6.3%), Howie's Law (–6.2%) and Duke Silver (–6.0%) are the biggest underlays.

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★)

Duntov (Post 7) — Model Win %: 27%

PTW Profile: A 3-year-old colt, 1 for 1. Won a 6 1/2-furlong maiden here by 2 1/2 on 11/7 after pressing 2nd early. Bob Baffert trains.

Concerns: One start; first time against winners. At 3-1 (25.0% implied), +2.0%.

Howie's Law (Post 6) — Model Win %: 16%

PTW Profile: A 3-year-old colt, 2 for 5. Won a 7-furlong state-bred optional claimer here wire to wire by 6 1/4 on 8/30 (not a stakes). Doug O'Neill trains.

Concerns: The report missed his last start: led and was 4th by 3 at this level at Santa Anita on 10/24 (35 days ago, not a 3-month layoff). Has never run a route. At 7-2 (22.2% implied), –6.2%.

Duke Silver (Post 4) — Model Win %: 14%

PTW Profile: A 3-year-old colt, 1 for 7. 2nd by 5 1/2 at this level at Santa Anita on 9/26 after pressing 2nd; won a 6 1/2-furlong maiden there by 3 1/2 on 6/7 (the report called it a 2nd). Mark Glatt trains.

Concerns: 7th by 4 1/4 on 10/24. At 4-1 (20.0% implied), –6.0%.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★)

Style Cat (Post 8) — Model Win %: 12%

PTW Profile: A 4-year-old gelding, 3 for 19. 2nd by a head at this level on 10/24 after rallying from 7th (the report said he struggled in his last two). Won the state-bred Echo Eddie in April 2025. Peter Miller trains.

Concerns: No graded-stakes starts (the report said several). No win in 19 months. At 6-1 (14.3% implied), –2.3%.

Santarena (Post 2) — Model Win %: 10%

PTW Profile: A 5-year-old gelding, 1 for 15 with six 2nds. 4th by 2 1/2 at this level at this distance here on 8/1. Mark Glatt trains.





Concerns: Off since a 5th by 17 at a mile here on 8/22. Has run at this level all year (no class move). At 8-1 (11.1% implied), –1.1%.

Tier 3 — Pace Factors & Longshots (★)

Practical Jack (6-1) — 2 for 6; won a state-bred optional claimer wire to wire by 6 on 10/9, then 3rd by 2 1/4 on 10/24 (his last start; the report said 10/9). –6.3%. **Running With Chaos** (12-1) — 1 for 3; won a 6 1/2-furlong maiden on the lead on 1/18, off 10 months since. –1.7%. **Captain Shreve** (12-1) — 1 for 7; won a $62,500 maiden claimer (not $25,000) by 4 1/4 here on 8/21; 6th by 3 1/2 on 10/24. –2.7%. **Jerry's Spirit** (20-1) — 5 for 14; 5th by 8 1/2 in a $32,000 optional claimer (not $50,000) on 10/17. –2.8%.

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
Duntov	ELITE	ELITE	Low — pressed, won by 2 1/2 on 11/7
Howie's Law	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — led, 4th by 3 on 10/24
Practical Jack	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — 3rd by 2 1/4 on 10/24
Running With Chaos	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — led, won by 2 1/4 on 1/18
Duke Silver	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — 2nd by 5 1/2 on 9/26
Style Cat	VULNERABLE	STRONG	Moderate — rallied, 2nd by a head 10/24
Santarena	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — 5th by 17 on 8/22
Captain Shreve	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — 6th by 3 1/2 on 10/24
Jerry's Spirit	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — 5th by 8 1/2 on 10/17

Critical MPH Insight

Duntov keeps the ELITE/ELITE rating off one race. Style Cat changed from STRONG/VULNERABLE to VULNERABLE/STRONG (he rallied to lose by a head last out); Running With Chaos to ELITE early (won on the lead).

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

Duntov — Second career start after an easy debut win.

Style Cat — Missed by a head at this level last out.





Bounce / Regression Risks

Howie's Law — 7-2 after leading and fading to 4th on 10/24.

Running With Chaos — Off 10 months; first time against winners.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

WIN BET: DUNTOV — Confidence 3/10 — Target odds: 11-4 or better

Model projects 27% at 3-1 (25.0% implied): +2.0%. Top model horse and the only overlay; fair odds are 11-4.

VALUE PLAY: NONE — No other overlay (the report's Santarena is –1.1%).

LONGSHOT PLAY: NONE — No overlay at 10-1 or higher.

SECOND PLAY: HOWIE'S LAW — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 11-2 or better

Model projects 16% at 7-2 (22.2% implied): –6.2%. Next unused model horse.

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

A: Duntov — 27%
B: Howie's Law — 16%
C: Duke Silver — 14%

Combined Projected Probability: 57%

Favorite to fade: none. Duntov (3-1) is +2.0%.

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★★ (2 of 5 stars)

A sprint allowance built around the 10/24 Santa Anita race. **Duntov**, the 3-1 favorite off one win, is the top model horse and the only overlay; most of the 10/24 runners are underlays.

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Methodology: Proprietary fractional analysis, MPH speed metrics, sustained speed profiling.





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