Fair Grounds

Race 1 — 11/19/2026

Class: OC10k/SAL5k (Starter Optional Claiming)

Distance: 1 1/16 Miles (8.5f)

Surface: Turf

Purse: $18,000

Claiming Price: $10,000 (LA-bred $15,000)

Starters: 12 + 2 also-eligibles + 2 main-track-only

Post Time: 12:55 CT

STARTER OPTIONAL CLAIMING. Purse $18,000 (include $4,000 Other Sources and plus $3,000 ALBSS-Accredited LA Bred Slot Supplement) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR A CLAIMING PRICE OF $5,000 OR LESS IN 2025 - 2026 OR ACCREDITED LOUISIANA BREDS WHICH HAVE STARTED FOR $12,500 OR LESS IN 2025-2026 OR CLAIMING PRICE $10,000. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of Two Races At A Mile Or Over On The Turf Since September 19 Allowed 2 lbs. Such A Race Since Then Allowed 4 lbs. Claiming Price $10,000. Louisiana Bred Claiming Price $15,000. (If deemed inadvisable by management to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at One Mile and One Sixteenth.) (Rail at 7 feet).

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Fair Grounds R1
Thursday, November 19, 2026 | 1 1/16 Miles Turf | 3YO+ | Starter Optional Claiming $10,000

Field note: #13 Bons Temps Roule and #14 Even the Wind are **also-eligibles**—they run only if horses in the main body scratch. #15 Company You Keep and #16 Oliverio are **entered for main track only**—they run only if the race comes off the turf. Publicity is also entered here on 11/21 (R1); Even the Wind on 11/20 (R6).

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Publius (Post 4) — Won wire-to-wire at Louisiana Downs on 9/7 and led at the first call on 9/30. **Rock N Roll Bolt** (Post 9) — A front-runner/presser, not a closer: led or pressed in his recent wins at Belterra. **Sponge Bath** (Post 8) — Set the pace and held on 10/17 at Fairmount. **Publicity** (Post 7) and **Hutchinson** (Post 12) — Led early in recent starts.

Stalkers / Pressers

Optimus Kat (Post 1) — Sat 4th–6th and drove clear to win on 9/30. **Lammas** (Post 11) — Stalks 4th–5th; won with a rail bid on 9/4 (he was not a wire-to-wire winner, and he has never raced at Fair Grounds). **Tambourine Star** (Post 5).

Closers

Bons Temps Roule (#13, AE) — A closer, not early speed: 7th early in his 8/31 stakes win. **Even the Wind** (#14, AE), **Sendero** (Post 10), **Maasai Warrior** (Post 3), **Gasoline** (Post 2), **Z Z's Prince** (Post 6).

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **HOT** early pace (relabeled from "HONEST," which is not a valid label)—projected :23 2/5 opening quarter, :47 1/5 half-mile, inside the 8.5f turf HOT band. Publius, Rock N Roll Bolt, Sponge Bath and others contest it; the setup favors Lammas and Bons Temps Roule.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Optimus Kat	7-2	6%	22.2%	-16.2%
2	Gasoline	12-1	2%	7.7%	-5.7%
3	Maasai Warrior	10-1	3%	9.1%	-6.1%
4	Publius	5-1	8%	16.7%	-8.7%
5	Tambourine Star	12-1	2%	7.7%	-5.7%





Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
6	Z Z's Prince	20-1	1%	4.8%	-3.8%
7	Publicity	20-1	1%	4.8%	-3.8%
8	Sponge Bath	30-1	1%	3.2%	-2.2%
9	Rock N Roll Bolt	6-1	10%	14.3%	-4.3%
10	Sendero	20-1	2%	4.8%	-2.8%
11	Lammas	5-2	22%	28.6%	-6.6%
12	Hutchinson	12-1	2%	7.7%	-5.7%
13	Bons Temps Roule (AE)	3-1	23%	25.0%	-2.0%
14	Even the Wind (AE)	20-1	1%	4.8%	-3.8%
15	Company You Keep (MTO)	4-1	5%	20.0%	-15.0%
16	Oliverio (MTO)	4-1	11%	20.0%	-9.0%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**201.4%**	

Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion (the report's column was scaled). **No horse is an overlay. Lammas is the 5-2 favorite** at 28.6% implied and –6.6%—not enough to fade. Below –10%: **Optimus Kat** –**16.2%** and **Company You Keep** –**15.0%** (MTO). The table's model % governs: the report text used 26% for Bons Temps Roule, 24% for Lammas, 12% for Oliverio and 11% for Rock N Roll Bolt.

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★★)

Bons Temps Roule (#13, also-eligible) — Model Win %: 23%

PTW Profile: The model's top horse, but **he needs a scratch to run**. 5-year-old Louisiana-bred gelding, 5 wins in 21, 4 for 10 on turf. Won the $100,000 Au Revoir Stakes at Evangeline on 8/31 from 7th early; 3rd in a $75,000 LA-bred stakes at Louisiana Downs on 9/19. His 8/22 race was a 2nd, not a win. Drops out of stakes company.

Strengths: Strong late kick suits a HOT pace. Juan Larrosa is 19% in routes.

Concerns: Also-eligible. Larrosa is 9% on turf. At 3-1 (25.0% implied), –2.0%.

Trip Projection: Settles back, rallies three-wide.

Lammas (GB) (Post 11) — Model Win %: 22%

PTW Profile: **The 5-2 favorite. 9-year-old** gelding, 14 wins in 43, 4 for 16 on turf. Won a starter allowance at Evangeline on 9/4 with a rail bid. Has never raced at Fair Grounds—the "11/22/2024 FG wire-to-wire win" did not happen. Stakes winner (Bull Dog Stakes, 2024); ran in the Del Mar Mile (G2). Claimed for $80,000 in





2025; now runs for a $10,000 tag.

Strengths: Class; Jonathan Wong is 27% on turf and in routes. Stalker in a HOT pace.

Concerns: Off 76 days. Big drop in claiming price. At 5-2 (28.6% implied), –6.6%.

Trip Projection: Stalks 4th–5th, bids on the turn.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★★)

Oliverio (#16, main track only) — Model Win %: 11%

PTW Profile: **Runs only if the race comes off the turf** (0 turf starts). 4-year-old gelding, 5 wins in 19. Won an allowance at Thistledown on 8/12; 2nd there on 9/16 (not a win). Speed horse. At 4-1 (20.0% implied), –9.0%.

Rock N Roll Bolt (Post 9) — Model Win %: 10%

PTW Profile: 5-year-old gelding, 9 wins in 37; **7 wins in his last 10**, mostly $10,000–$12,000 optional claimers at Belterra. He is a **front-runner/presser**, not a closer. 2 for 15 on turf. 3rd in a 5f sprint at Belterra on 10/6.

Strengths: Sharp form. Jose Camejo is 28% in routes and 19% on turf.

Concerns: Speed in a HOT pace. At 6-1 (14.3% implied), –4.3%.

Publius (Post 4) — Model Win %: 8%

PTW Profile: 5-year-old gelding, 6 for 17 on turf. Won a $10,000 claimer wire-to-wire at Louisiana Downs on 9/7, beating Optimus Kat; 2nd on 9/30. Juan Cano is 22% on turf. At 5-1 (16.7% implied), –8.7%.

Optimus Kat (Post 1) — Model Win %: 6%

PTW Profile: 8-year-old gelding, 7 wins in 50, 5 for 37 on turf; **4 for 11 on the Fair Grounds turf**. **Won his last start** on 9/30 at Louisiana Downs—not "declining." First start for Joe Sharp (from Robertino Diodoro). At 7-2 (22.2% implied), –**16.2%**.

Company You Keep (#15, main track only) — Model Win %: 5%

PTW Profile: Runs only if the race comes off the turf. 5 wins in 24; 2 wins in his last 10 (not 3). First start for Sharp off a $16,000 claim on 10/18. At 4-1 (20.0% implied), –15.0%.

Tier 3 — Longshots (★)

Maasai Warrior (10-1) — 7-year-old, 4 wins in 44 (not lightly raced). –6.1%. **Tambourine Star** (12-1) — LA-bred, 0 for 4 on turf. –5.7%. **Gasoline** (12-1) — 2nd behind Optimus Kat on turf 9/30; 0 for 2 on turf. –5.7%. **Hutchinson** (12-1) — 3-year-old, **first turf start**; won for $7,500 on 10/2, then claimed by Keith Desormeaux (from J. K. Sweezey). –5.7%. **Sendero** (20-1) — 3 wins in 32. –2.8%. **Z Z's Prince** (20-1) — Winless since 2024. –3.8%. **Publicity** (20-1) — 0 for 10 on turf. –3.8%. **Even the Wind** (20-1, AE) — 3 wins in 32. –3.8%. **Sponge Bath** (30-1) — Won a mile race on dirt at Fairmount on 10/17 (not a sprint); 9/19 was a 5th, not a win. –2.2%. Several dates in the report (Rock N Roll Bolt 6/8/2024, Sendero 8/30/2024, Z Z's





Prince 8/4/2024, Even the Wind 7/13/2025) do not appear in the PPs and were removed.

Report Section 4: MPH Analysis + Sustained Speed Ratings

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings

Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Bons Temps Roule (AE)	VULNERABLE	ELITE	Low — late surge
Lammas	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — rail bid
Rock N Roll Bolt	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — presses, holds
Publius	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — wire win 9/7
Optimus Kat	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — drove clear 9/30
Oliverio (MTO)	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — dirt only
Sponge Bath	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — speed fades
Hutchinson	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — first turf
Company You Keep (MTO)	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — dirt only
Gasoline	VULNERABLE	STRONG	Moderate — late gain

Others: Publicity ELITE/VULNERABLE; Tambourine Star STRONG/VULNERABLE; Maasai Warrior, Even the Wind VULNERABLE/STRONG; Z Z's Prince, Sendero VULNERABLE/VULNERABLE. ("MODERATE" is not a valid rating and was replaced.)

Critical MPH Insight

Rock N Roll Bolt is a speed horse, not an ELITE closer (sustained changed to STRONG). **Bons Temps Roule** is the field's best finisher (changed to ELITE sustained, VULNERABLE opening). A HOT pace favors him and Lammas.

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

Bons Temps Roule — Drops out of stakes; closer in a HOT pace.

Optimus Kat — Won last out; 4 for 11 on this turf; first for Sharp.

Lammas — Big class drop; Wong 32% after a win.

Bounce / Regression Risks

Rock N Roll Bolt — Speed in a HOT pace; wins came at Belterra.

Publius — Will be pressured early.





Hutchinson — First turf start; barn 5% first time on turf.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

WIN BET: BONS TEMPS ROULE (#13, ALSO-ELIGIBLE) — Confidence 3/10 — Target odds: 7-2 or better

Model projects 23% win probability, the highest in the field. At 3-1 (25.0% implied), –2.0%: NO VALUE at the morning line. **He runs only if a horse in the main body scratches.**

SECOND PLAY: LAMMAS — Confidence 3/10 — Target odds: 4-1 or better

Model projects 22% at 5-2 (28.6% implied): –6.6%. Only a play if he drifts to 4-1 or higher.

VALUE PLAY / LONGSHOT PLAY: None. No horse is an overlay. (The report's Rock N Roll Bolt longshot is 6-1 and –4.3%.)

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

A: Bons Temps Roule (AE) — 23%
B: Lammas — 22%
C: Rock N Roll Bolt — 10%

Oliverio (11%) is main track only, so Rock N Roll Bolt, next by model %, is C while the race stays on turf. If it comes off the turf, use Oliverio.

Combined Projected Probability: 55%

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★★ (2 of 5 stars)

No overlays, and the top horse, **Bons Temps Roule**, is an also-eligible. A HOT pace sets up him and **Lammas**. The favorite is underlaid at –6.6% but not enough to fade; **Optimus Kat** (–16.2%) is the most overbet.

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