Fair Grounds

Race 3 — 11/21/2026

Class: Allowance Optional Claiming ($80,000)

Distance: 1 1/16 Miles (8.5f)

Surface: Turf (rail at 7 feet)

Purse: $55,000

Claiming Price: $80,000

Starters: 6

Post Time: 1:55 CT

ALLOWANCE OPTIONAL CLAIMING. Purse $55,000 (include $4,000 Other Sources and plus $4,000 ALBSS-Accredited LA Bred Slot Supplement) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON $20,000 THREE TIMES OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, WAIVER CLAIMING, STARTER, OR STATE BRED or Which Have Never Won Four Races or Which Have Not Won A Race On The Turf Since May 21, 2026 or Claiming Price $80,000. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. (If deemed inadvisable to run this race over the turf course, it will be run on the main track at One Mile and One Sixteenth.)

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Fair Grounds R3
Saturday, November 21, 2026 | 1 1/16 Miles Turf | 3YO+ | Allowance Optional Claiming $80,000

Field note: Five of the six are coming off layoffs: **Montador 203 days** (not mentioned in the report), **Point Proven 140**, **Wadsworth 133**, **Sabi 86** and **Theismann 75** (first start since being claimed by Michael Maker). Joe Loveberry is listed on both Point Proven and Sabi. **Off-turf caveat:** if the race comes off the turf, it goes at 1 1/16 miles on the dirt and this analysis no longer applies.

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Theismann (Post 5) — Led early in each of his last five starts and faded in four of them, most recently 8th, beaten 11, at Kentucky Downs on 9/7.

Stalkers / Pressers

For Love and Honor (Post 2) — Stalked in 3rd in the Tom Benson Memorial here on 3/21. **Sabi** (Post 6) — Usually 2nd to 4th early (not a closer). **Montador** (Post 4) — 3rd to 7th early.

Closers

Wadsworth (Post 3) — 8th early, late bid for 3rd on 7/11. **Point Proven** (Post 1) — Rallied from 8th to win at Lone Star on 5/30.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **HOT** early pace—projected :23 2/5 opening quarter, :47 4/5 half-mile (garbled fraction defaults to 4/5), inside the HOT band for a 1 1/16-mile turf route (the report labeled it MODERATE). Theismann is the lone speed, so the label follows the fractions rather than a contested lead.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Point Proven	5-1	9%	16.7%	-7.7%
2	For Love and Honor	10-1	16%	9.1%	**+6.9%**
3	Wadsworth	9-5	24%	35.7%	-11.7%
4	Montador	8-5	31%	38.5%	-7.5%
5	Theismann	7-2	11%	22.2%	-11.2%
6	Sabi	6-1	9%	14.3%	-5.3%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**136.5%**	





Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion (the report's column was scaled). **No fade:** the 8-5 favorite, Montador, is –7.5%. Two others are overbet at –10% or worse: **Wadsworth** –**11.7%** and **Theismann** –**11.2%**. Only overlay: **For Love and Honor +6.9%**. Montador is an underlay, not +2.8%.

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★)

Montador (Post 4) — Model Win %: 31%

PTW Profile: **The 8-5 favorite and the model's top horse.** A 4-year-old colt, 3 wins in 10. His last win was the Woodchopper Stakes here by 4 3/4 on 12/27/25 (not a 2025 maiden win); he also won a Churchill allowance (not a graded stakes) on 11/2/25. 2nd, beaten 2 3/4, in the Fair Grounds Stakes (G3) on 2/14 after traffic (he did not lead); 5th in the Muniz (G2); 4th, beaten 7 1/4, in the Fort Marcy (G3) on 5/2 after losing his footing at the start. **Off 203 days.** Michael Stidham is 43 for 272 this year; Paco Lopez rides.

Concerns: Long layoff. At 8-5 (38.5% implied), –7.5%.

Wadsworth (Post 3) — Model Win %: 24%

PTW Profile: A 6-year-old **gelding** (not a colt), 4 wins in 16, $694,437 earned. **Winless since August 2023** (0 for 10). 3rd, beaten 1, as the 2-1 favorite in a stakes at Indiana on 7/11 after being blocked. **Off 133 days.** Brad Cox is 251 for 987 this year; Martin Pedroza Jr. rides.

Concerns: Long win drought; layoff. At 9-5 (35.7% implied), –11.7%.

For Love and Honor (Post 2) — Model Win %: 16%

PTW Profile: A 5-year-old mare facing males. 3 wins in 19. Won an off-turf optional claimer here by 6 on 3/8; 4th, beaten 1, in the Tom Benson Memorial on 3/21 after stalking in 3rd. Her turf win here (2/6/25) was at 7 1/2 furlongs. 4th, beaten 4 1/2, at Kentucky Downs on 9/9; 4th, beaten 18 3/4, off the turf at Keeneland on 10/17. Joe Sharp is 166 for 890 this year; Declan Sheehy rides.

Concerns: Two flat starts; facing males. At 10-1 (9.1% implied), +6.9%.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★)

Theismann (7-2) — A 6-year-old gelding, 4 wins in 14 (0 for 5 this year). Claimed for $80,000 by Michael Maker (137 for 781) on 9/7, when he led and faltered to 8th, beaten 11. His 9/11/25 start was a win after stalking (not a fade). –11.2%. **Point Proven** (5-1) — A 6-year-old gelding, 6 wins in 24. 2nd, beaten a half-length, in this condition here on 3/20; won a Lone Star optional claimer as the favorite on 5/30; 6th, beaten 5 3/4, as the favorite in an off-turf stakes at **Evangeline** on 7/4 (not Fair Grounds). Off 140 days. David Terre is 16 for 71. –7.7%. **Sabi** (6-1) — A 5-year-old gelding, 7 wins in 26. Won at Evangeline by 6 3/4 as the 7-10 favorite on 8/27 and here by 3 3/4 on 1/17. Off 86 days. Emile Schwandt is 7 for 65. –5.3%.

Workout, ROI and final-time claims removed throughout.

Report Section 4: MPH Analysis + Sustained Speed Ratings





PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings

Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Montador	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — won Woodchopper 12/27
Wadsworth	VULNERABLE	STRONG	Moderate — late bid for 3rd 7/11
For Love and Honor	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — 4th by 1 in stakes 3/21
Theismann	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — led, faltered 9/7
Point Proven	VULNERABLE	STRONG	Moderate — rallied to win 5/30
Sabi	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — won by 6 3/4 on 8/27

Critical MPH Insight

Wadsworth is changed from ELITE sustained to STRONG (winless since 2023) and his opening to VULNERABLE (a late runner). **Point Proven** is a closer, not early speed (ratings reversed). **Sabi** won his last start by 6 3/4 (sustained changed to STRONG). **Theismann** is the only early speed.

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

For Love and Honor — Back on turf after an off-turf start.

Theismann — First start for a new barn.

Bounce / Regression Risks

Montador — Off 203 days.

Wadsworth — Off 133 days; winless since 2023.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

WIN BET: MONTADOR — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 9-4 or better

Model projects 31% win probability, the highest in the field. At 8-5 (38.5% implied), –7.5%: bet him only at 9-4 or more.

VALUE PLAY: None. No horse under 10-1 is an overlay.

SECOND PLAY: None. The second model horse, Wadsworth, is overbet at –11.7%.

LONGSHOT PLAY: FOR LOVE AND HONOR — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 11-2 or better

Model projects 16% at 10-1 (9.1% implied): +6.9%, the only overlay in the race.

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





A: Montador — 31%
B: Wadsworth — 24%
C: For Love and Honor — 16%

Combined Projected Probability: 71%

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★★ (2 of 5 stars)

No fade: the favorite, **Montador**, is an underlay but inside the line. The value is **For Love and Honor** at 10-1. Five of six starters return from layoffs, and an off-turf switch would change the race.

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