Fair Grounds

Race 3 — 11/26/2026

Class: Allowance N1X (LA-bred)

Distance: 1 Mile

Surface: Dirt

Purse: $53,000

Starters: 7

Post Time: 1:00 CT

ALLOWANCE. Purse $53,000 FOR ACCREDITED LA BRED THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NEVER WON A RACE OTHER THAN MAIDEN, CLAIMING, OR STARTER OR WHICH HAVE NEVER WON TWO RACES. Three Year Olds, 121 lbs.; Older, 124 lbs. Non-winners Of A Race At A Mile Or Over Since October 26 Allowed 3 lbs.

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Fair Grounds R3
Thursday, November 26, 2026 | 1 Mile Dirt | LA-bred 3YO & Up | Allowance N1X | Purse: $53,000

Field note: Layoffs: Brodymeister off 161 days (one start, 6/18); Hear Thunder off 103 days; Musical Band and Who Is Chief off 98 days; Island Cabana off 71 days. **Blinkers OFF:** Musical Band (the report said blinkers on). **First route:** Brodymeister. **Class rise:** Runforjustice from a $7,500 claimer. **Shared barn (not coupled):** Shane Wilson trains Musical Band and Hear Thunder. **Same races:** Evangeline 8/20—Who Is Chief 5th, Musical Band 6th, Runforjustice 7th; Evangeline 7/9—Who Is Chief 3rd, Musical Band 6th; Evangeline 4/11—Who Is Chief 2nd, Island Cabana 6th; Fair Grounds 2/23—Who Is Chief won, Hear Thunder 6th. No also-eligibles.

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Island Cabana (Post 2) — 2nd early, then won on 9/7; led throughout to win on 12/12/25. **Musical Band** (Post 3) — Pressed in 2nd early on 8/20 and in his maiden win. **Runforjustice** (Post 7) — 2nd early in his 6/19 win.

Stalkers / Pressers

Brodymeister (Post 5) — 5th early, then rallied to win his debut. **McZ** (Post 6) — 4th to 5th early. **Who Is Chief** (Post 1) — 4th to 5th early.

Closers

Hear Thunder (Post 4) — 5th to 12th early.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **SOFT** early pace—projected :23 1/5 opening quarter, :47 4/5 half-mile (the report's garbled half reads as 4/5). At 1 mile on dirt a :47 4/5 half falls in the SOFT band (the report called it MODERATE). **Island Cabana** and **Musical Band** should control the pace; closers are at a disadvantage.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Who Is Chief	6-1	11%	14.3%	-3.3%
2	Island Cabana	7-2	18%	22.2%	-4.2%
3	Musical Band	4-1	15%	20.0%	-5.0%
4	Hear Thunder	12-1	11%	7.7%	**+3.3%**
5	Brodymeister	7-5	25%	41.7%	-16.7%





Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
6	McZ	8-1	13%	11.1%	**+1.9%**
7	Runforjustice	12-1	7%	7.7%	-0.7%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**124.7%**	

Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion (the report's column was scaled; it showed 7-5 as 33.4%). **FADE: Brodymeister, the 7-5 favorite**—41.7% implied vs 25% model, –**16.7%** (not –8.4%). Overlays: Hear Thunder **+3.3%** (not +4.8%) and McZ +1.9% (not +4.1%). Island Cabana is –4.2% (not +0.2%).

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★)

Brodymeister (Post 5) — Model Win %: 25% — **FADE**

PTW Profile: **The 7-5 favorite.** A 3-year-old gelding, 1 for 1. Won a 7-furlong maiden special weight at Evangeline on 6/18 by 3 1/4 as the 8-5 favorite after rallying from 5th. Joseph Felks trains; Mario Pedroza Jr. rides.

Concerns: **Off 161 days** (the report did not mention it); first try around two turns; first start against winners. At 7-5 (41.7% implied), –**16.7%**. He is still the model's top horse, so he stays the Win Bet at a fair-odds floor.

Island Cabana (Post 2) — Model Win %: 18%

PTW Profile: A 5-year-old gelding, 6 for 32. **Won a 1 1/16-mile $12,500 claimer at Louisiana Downs on 9/7** by 1 1/2 after pressing (the report said he had no wins in his last eight). 6th of 9 on turf on 9/16. Won three $5,000 claimers here last winter. Justin Jeansonne trains; Jareth Loveberry rides.

Concerns: Off 71 days; up from claiming. At 7-2 (22.2% implied), –4.2%.

Musical Band (Post 3) — Model Win %: 15%

PTW Profile: A 4-year-old gelding, 1 for 14. Won a 1-mile maiden special weight on a sloppy track at Evangeline on 6/4 by 3 1/2 (not an April route win). 6th in this condition at Evangeline on 7/9 and 8/20. **Blinkers OFF** (not on). Shane Wilson trains.

Concerns: Off 98 days. At 4-1 (20.0% implied), –5.0%.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★)

McZ (Post 6) — Model Win %: 13%

PTW Profile: A 4-year-old ridgling, 2 for 13. Won a 1-mile $12,500 claimer at Delta Downs on 2/13 by a nose; 2nd by 1 1/2 at 1 1/16 miles here on 3/8, when Gary Husak claimed him. 4th by 3 3/4 in an N3X allowance on 10/15; 8th by 15 3/4 in an allowance on 11/7, both at Delta Downs.

Concerns: Well beaten last out. At 8-1 (11.1% implied), +1.9%.

Hear Thunder (Post 4) — Model Win %: 11%





PTW Profile: A 3-year-old colt, 1 for 7. **Won** a 1 1/16-mile maiden special weight moved off the turf at Louisiana Downs on 6/2 by a head (not 2nd); 2nd by 1/2 on turf there on 5/5. 8th by 7 on turf at Evangeline on 8/15. Shane Wilson trains.

Concerns: Off 103 days; a closer in a SOFT-pace setup. At 12-1 (7.7% implied), **+3.3%**.

Who Is Chief (Post 1) — Model Win %: 11%

PTW Profile: A 5-year-old gelding, 1 for 24. His only win was a maiden special weight here on 2/23. **3rd by 1/2** in this condition at Evangeline on 7/9 (not a win); 2nd on 4/11; 5th by 10 on 8/20.

Concerns: Off 98 days. At 6-1 (14.3% implied), –3.3%.

Tier 3 — Pace Factors & Longshots (★)

Runforjustice (12-1) — 3-year-old gelding, 3 for 17 (not lightly raced). Won a 1-mile $5,000 claimer at Evangeline on 6/19 by a nose; 3rd by 5 in a $7,500 claimer at Delta Downs on 10/29. Steps up to allowance company. –0.7%.

Workout, trainer-ROI, trainer-percentage and jockey-percentage claims removed throughout.

Report Section 4: MPH Analysis + Sustained Speed Ratings

PTW Proprietary Speed Rankings

Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Brodymeister	STRONG	ELITE	Low — rallied, won by 3 1/4 on 6/18
Island Cabana	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — pressed, won 9/7
Musical Band	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — pressed, 6th by 10 1/2 8/20
McZ	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — 8th by 15 3/4 on 11/7
Hear Thunder	VULNERABLE	STRONG	Moderate — rallied, won 6/2
Who Is Chief	STRONG	VULNERABLE	High — 5th by 10 on 8/20
Runforjustice	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — 3rd by 5 on 10/29

Critical MPH Insight

Brodymeister rallied in his only start (opening changed from ELITE to STRONG). **Island Cabana** is the speed that benefits from a SOFT pace. **Hear Thunder**'s sustained rating changes from ELITE to STRONG—he closes, but the pace will not help him. Musical Band's sustained changes to VULNERABLE after two 6th-place finishes.

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates





Likely to Improve

Island Cabana — Won his last dirt route; SOFT pace suits him.

Musical Band — Blinkers OFF.

Bounce / Regression Risks

Brodymeister — Off 161 days, first route, first try against winners; overbet at 7-5.

McZ — Beaten 15 3/4 last out.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

WIN BET: BRODYMEISTER — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 3-1 or better

Model projects 25% at 7-5 (41.7% implied): –**16.7%**. The fade at 7-5, but still the model's top horse; bet only at 3-1 or better.

VALUE PLAY: MCZ — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 7-1 or better

Model projects 13% at 8-1 (11.1% implied): +1.9%, the only overlay under 10-1 (the report listed him as the Longshot).

LONGSHOT PLAY: HEAR THUNDER — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 9-1 or better

Model projects 11% at 12-1 (7.7% implied): **+3.3%**, the largest overlay at 10-1 or higher (the report listed him as the Value Play).

SECOND PLAY: ISLAND CABANA — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 5-1 or better

Model projects 18% at 7-2 (22.2% implied): –4.2%. Next unused model horse (left off the snapshot under the three-bet limit).

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

A: Brodymeister — 25% (top model horse, kept at A despite the fade)
B: Island Cabana — 18%
C: Musical Band — 15% (the report used Hear Thunder at 11%)

Combined Projected Probability: 58% (the report's 0.50% multiplied the three)

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★ (1 of 5 stars)

Brodymeister tops the model but is badly overbet at 7-5 off 161 days and stretching out. A SOFT pace favors **Island Cabana**. The overlays are small: McZ and Hear Thunder.





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