Fair Grounds

Race 9 — 11/26/2026

Class: Thanksgiving Classic Stakes

Distance: 6 Furlongs

Surface: Dirt

Purse: $175,000

Starters: 11

Post Time: 4:00 CT

THANKSGIVING CLASSIC S. Purse $175,000 (plus $25,000 ALBSS) FOR THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD. Weight: Three-Year-Old - 122, Older - 124. The 102nd Running of The Thanksgiving Classic.

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COMPREHENSIVE HANDICAPPING REPORT (CHR)

Fair Grounds R9
Thursday, November 26, 2026 | 6 Furlongs Dirt | 3YO & Up | Thanksgiving Classic Stakes (not a claiming race) | Purse: $175,000

Field note: This is the **Thanksgiving Classic Stakes**; the report labeled it "Thanksgiving Claiming $175k" and called stakes runners claiming-class. **Layoffs:** Komorebino Omoide off 185 days; Faust off 152 days; To the Chief off 96 days. **Blinkers ON:** Oscar's Hope. **Surface switch:** Oscar's Hope back to dirt after three turf starts. **Won last start:** Glengarry and Tap Me a Song. **Class rise:** To the Chief from a $15,000 optional claimer; Glengarry from Iowa-bred stakes. **Return:** Komorebino Omoide was 2nd in this race last year. No also-eligibles.

Report Section 1: Pace Analysis

True Front Runners

Glengarry (Post 4) — Led early in 10 of his last 12, including his 9/26 stakes win at Prairie Meadows. **Solitude Dude** (Post 3) — Led early in his Swale and Inaugural wins. **Komorebino Omoide** (Post 8) — 1st or 2nd early in most of his races (a presser, not a deep closer).

Stalkers / Pressers

Autodrive (Post 9) — 2nd to 4th early in his last four dirt races. **Tap Me a Song** (Post 11) — 2nd early, then won on 9/18. **Faust** (Post 1) — Led early in the De Francis on 6/27.

Closers

Henro (Post 5), **Cat On Time** (Post 6), **Oscar's Hope** (Post 2) and **To the Chief** (Post 7) — well back early in recent starts.

Pace Scenario Projection

MODEL PREDICTS: **MODERATE** early pace—projected :22 1/5 opening quarter, :44 4/5 half-mile (the report's garbled half reads as 4/5). At 6 furlongs a :44 4/5 half falls in the MODERATE band, but **Glengarry**, **Solitude Dude** and **Komorebino Omoide** will all want to be close.

Report Section 2: Win Probability Matrix

Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
1	Faust	9-2	15%	18.2%	-3.2%
2	Oscar's Hope	10-1	8%	9.1%	-1.1%
3	Solitude Dude	8-1	7%	11.1%	-4.1%
4	Glengarry	12-1	18%	7.7%	**+10.3%**





Post	Horse	ML Odds	Model Win %	Implied ML %	Edge
5	Henro	20-1	4%	4.8%	-0.8%
6	Cat On Time	6-1	11%	14.3%	-3.3%
7	To the Chief	12-1	6%	7.7%	-1.7%
8	Komorebino Omoide (Jpn)	6-1	16%	14.3%	**+1.7%**
9	Autodrive	7-2	11%	22.2%	-11.2%
10	Yo Banana Boy	10-1	2%	9.1%	-7.1%
11	Tap Me a Song	10-1	2%	9.1%	-7.1%
	TOTAL		**100%**	**127.6%**	

Implied ML % is the raw morning-line conversion (the report's column was scaled). **FADE: Autodrive, the 7-2 favorite**—22.2% implied vs 11% model, –**11.2%** (not –6.4%). Overlays: **Glengarry +10.3%** (not +11.9%) and **Komorebino Omoide +1.7%** (not +4.8%).

Report Section 3: Contender Analysis

Tier 1 — Primary Contenders (★★)

Glengarry (Post 4) — Model Win %: 18%

PTW Profile: A 5-year-old horse, 8 for 18, $755,892. **Won his last start**, the D. Johnson Sprint (Iowa-bred stakes) at Prairie Meadows on 9/26 by 1 on the lead. The 11/1 race the report cited was the 2025 Bet On Sunshine at Churchill (7th). He has **never raced at Fair Grounds** (the report credited him with a track record here); he has raced at Oaklawn and Prairie Meadows. Tanner Tracy trains; Alex Birzer rides.

Concerns: Steps up from Iowa-bred company; off 61 days. At 12-1 (7.7% implied), **+10.3%**.

Komorebino Omoide (Jpn) (Post 8) — Model Win %: 16%

PTW Profile: A 6-year-old horse, 7 for 27, $875,806. **2nd in this race last year** by 1 1/2. Won the Stymie (L) at Aqueduct on 2/28 by 1. 3rd at 4-5 at Fonner Park on 4/25; 9th by 15 1/4 in the Steve Sexton Mile (G3) at Lone Star on 5/25. Robertino Diodoro trains.

Concerns: **Off 185 days.** At 6-1 (14.3% implied), **+1.7%**.

Faust (Post 1) — Model Win %: 15%

PTW Profile: A 4-year-old colt, 3 for 19. Won two N2L/N3L allowances at Oaklawn in March and April; 2nd by a head in the Maryland Sprint (G3) on 5/16; 6th in the True North (G2) on 6/6; led, then 4th in the De Francis Memorial at Laurel on 6/27. Steven Asmussen trains.

Concerns: **Off 152 days.** At 9-2 (18.2% implied), –3.2%.

Tier 2 — Secondary Contenders (★)





Autodrive (Post 9) — Model Win %: 11% — **FADE**

PTW Profile: **The 7-2 favorite.** A 4-year-old gelding, **3 for 7** (not 7 for 23). Won a $50,000 N2X optional claimer here on 1/15 by 1 3/4 after pressing (not from 5-wide); 2nd by a head in an N3X optional claimer at Keeneland on 10/3. William Calhoun trains.

Concerns: First stakes start. At 7-2 (22.2% implied), –**11.2%**.

Cat On Time (Post 6) — Model Win %: 11%

PTW Profile: A 6-year-old gelding, 9 for 23, $522,448. Won a $110,000 optional claimer at Saratoga on 8/22 by a head; did not finish in the Louisville Thoroughbred Society Stakes at Churchill on 9/12. Off 75 days (not 173). David Jacobson trains.

Concerns: Last race was a DNF. At 6-1 (14.3% implied), –3.3%.

Oscar's Hope (Post 2) — Model Win %: 8%

PTW Profile: A 3-year-old colt, 4 for 13, $548,397. Won the Ozark Stakes at Oaklawn on 2/16; **3rd** (not a winner) in the Bachelor on 5/1; 2nd by a head in the Mahony (G3) on turf at Saratoga. **Blinkers ON;** back to dirt after three turf starts. Kinnon LaRose trains.

Concerns: At 10-1 (9.1% implied), –1.1%.

Tier 3 — Pace Factors & Longshots (★)

Solitude Dude (8-1) — 3-year-old colt, 4 for 9; won the Swale and the Bay Shore; 2nd by a neck in the Amsterdam (G2); 9th by 13 1/2 in the Perryville (G3) on 10/17 in his first start for Joe Sharp. –4.1%. **To the Chief** (12-1) — 4-year-old gelding, 2 for 8; 2nd by 1/2 as the 1-2 favorite in a $15,000 optional claimer at Evangeline on 8/22; first stakes start; off 96 days. –1.7%. **Henro** (20-1) — 5-year-old gelding, 5 for 23, $703,993; 6th by 6 1/2 at Keeneland on 10/31. –0.8%. **Yo Banana Boy** (10-1) — New York-bred, 4 for 23; 2nd by a neck in the David M. Vance Stakes on 9/27; won a New York-bred stakes at Finger Lakes on 7/13 (not a 6/14 maiden win). –7.1%. **Tap Me a Song** (10-1) — 4 for 17; **won his last start**, an N2X optional claimer at Churchill on 9/18 by 1/2. –7.1%.

Third-party figure, 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
Glengarry	ELITE	STRONG	Moderate — led, won by 1 on 9/26
Komorebino Omoide (Jpn)	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — 9th by 15 1/4 on 5/25
Faust	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — 2nd by a head on 5/16





Horse	Opening Speed	Sustained Speed	Deceleration Profile
Autodrive	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — 2nd by a head on 10/3
Cat On Time	VULNERABLE	STRONG	Moderate — won by a head on 8/22
Oscar's Hope	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — 3rd by 1 3/4 on 10/8
Solitude Dude	ELITE	VULNERABLE	High — 9th by 13 1/2 on 10/17
To the Chief	VULNERABLE	STRONG	Moderate — 2nd by 1/2 on 8/22
Henro	VULNERABLE	VULNERABLE	High — 6th by 6 1/2 on 10/31
Yo Banana Boy	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — 2nd by a neck on 9/27
Tap Me a Song	STRONG	STRONG	Moderate — won by 1/2 on 9/18

Critical MPH Insight

Glengarry is the field's front-runner. **Komorebino Omoide** is a presser, not an elite closer, and was beaten 15 1/4 in his last start (sustained changed from ELITE to VULNERABLE). Changes: Cat On Time, Tap Me a Song and Yo Banana Boy from VULNERABLE to STRONG; To the Chief and Henro rated (not UNRATED).

Report Section 5: Improvement & Regression Candidates

Likely to Improve

Oscar's Hope — Blinkers ON; back to dirt, where he won the Ozark.

Solitude Dude — Second start for Joe Sharp after a poor Perryville.

Bounce / Regression Risks

Komorebino Omoide and **Faust** — Off 185 and 152 days.

Autodrive — First stakes try; overbet at 7-2.

Report Section 6: Suggested Bets

WIN BET: GLENGARRY — Confidence 3/10 — Target odds: 5-1 or better

Model projects 18% at 12-1 (7.7% implied): **+10.3%**. Top model horse and the biggest overlay.

VALUE PLAY: KOMOREBINO OMOIDE — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 11-2 or better

Model projects 16% at 6-1 (14.3% implied): +1.7%, the only other overlay. Off 185 days.

LONGSHOT PLAY: NONE — Glengarry is the only overlay at 10-1 or higher, and he is the Win Bet.

SECOND PLAY: FAUST — Confidence 2/10 — Target odds: 6-1 or better





Model projects 15% at 9-2 (18.2% implied): –3.2%. Next unused model horse.

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

A: Glengarry — 18%
B: Komorebino Omoide — 16%
C: Faust — 15%

Combined Projected Probability: 49%

Report Section 7: Confidence Rating

★★ (2 of 5 stars)

Glengarry won his last start on the lead and is a big overlay at 12-1, but he steps up from Iowa-bred company. The favorite, **Autodrive**, is overbet in his first stakes start; two of the model's top three come off layoffs of five months or more.

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