

THURSDAY, 01/02/24

R3 CAGNES-SUR-MER [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE FUVEAU - 1500m (a7f 1/2) - TURF - Maiden - Flat - EUR €
23,000**

1. SERQUIGNY - Narrowly beaten when 2nd at Cagnes-Sur-Mer over 1500m on January 17th when last seen. Sets the standard

2. MY OWN WAY - Was 3L back in 3rd in the same race as SERQUIGNY (1) a couple of weeks ago over 1500m and looks like the main threat today

3. MIRADERO - 4th behind two of today's rivals a couple of weeks ago over 1500m at Cagnes-Sur-Mer. Can have a say

4. MAITRE DU JEU - 4th 11 days ago over 1500m at this track on the sole run to date. Can improve but others are preferred

5. CAMBACERES - 5th last time over 1500m was at Deauville on December 5th when last racing. Hard to rule out of the frame

6. NADO TREZY - 5th on the last run over 1500m on the PSF on January 4th in a maiden. Opposable

7. FAST TRACKER - Unplaced on the only start so far over 1500m on the track on the 21st of January. Needs to improve quickly to trouble some of these

Summary: SERQUIGNY (1) is improving with race experience and was only just pipped when second over 1500m a couple of weeks ago in a maiden. He can get the job done under the excellent Christophe Soumillon. The biggest rivals look likely to be MY OWN WAY (2) and MIRADERO (3) who were third and fourth respectively in the race SERQUIGNY (1) was second in a couple of weeks ago at this track. CAMBACERES (5) makes up the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

SERQUIGNY (1) - MY OWN WAY (2) - MIRADERO (3) - CAMBACERES (5)

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C2 - PRIX DE MENTON - 2000m (a1m 1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 23,000

1. INDIAN ALLIANCE - Unplaced on the sole run over 1400m on November 29th at Dundalk (IRL). French debut and is best watched

2. KING ZARAK - 5th last time of 12 runners at Lyon La Soie in early January in a maiden race. Might find this difficult

3. EDOARDO - Nice debut 2nd at Pau in mid-December on the sole run so far over 2000m. Can progress for that outing and make an impact

4. HAGLER - Improved run when 2nd over 1800m on January 11th in a maiden last time. Form pick

5. FASHION GREY - Faired well when 2nd at this track over 2000m on January 20th in a handicap. Ought to be thereabouts

6. MQSE DE POMPADOUR - 4th over 1600m at this track 9 days ago in a maiden on her second start. Needs a few of these to falter

7. NATURAL GIFT - Newcomer by Frankel, from a top stable and owner. A bold show can be expected on her debut

Summary: HAGLER (4) was only just denied when second at Lyon La Soie in early January when last seen over 1800m. He will improve again for that and looks like the best option. EDOARDO (3) can be a lot fitter and wiser for a pleasing debut at Pau when second in mid-December on the only run so far. He can make life difficult for the selection. NATURAL GIFT (7) and FASHION GREY (5) are others to pay attention too.

SELECTIONS

HAGLER (4) - EDOARDO (3) - NATURAL GIFT (7) - FASHION GREY (5)

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C3 - PRIX DE PUYRICARD - 1500m (a7f 1/2) - TURF - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 23,000

1. ROXANA OF CECCA - 15th of 16 runners on the sole run to date over 1500m 11 days ago at this venue. Hard to fancy

2. SILAHAI GIRL - Two unplaced runs so far the latter over 1500m on January 17th at this track. Makes limited appeal

3. HERA - Good 3rd over 1500m at this track on January 21st on her debut. Will be wiser for that run and can score

4. BAILEYS JAZZ - 5th on the only run over 1500m in early November at Saint-Cloud. Outside place chance

5. FEVER - 6th over 1500m at Cagnes-Sur-Mer on the sole run so far in mid-January. Needs a few to falter

6. ROMANCE MARINE - 5th last time over this track in mid-January over 1500m in a maiden race. Unlikely to trouble the principles but can have a say

7. AMORCITA - 3rd over 1500m at this track on January 17th on the latest run in a maiden. One to consider

8. MAY - 2nd over 1500m on January 17th at this track on her French debut. Placed form in 2023 in the UK. Live chance

Summary: HERA (3) caught the eye when making her debut at this track 11 days ago when finishing a promising third. She can step forward for that experience and looks like the one to beat. MAY (8) showed ability in the UK when placed last year and was second on her first run on French soil in mid-January over 1500m. She can pose the most problems for the selection. AMORCITA (7) looks the best each-way option. ROMANCE MARINE (6) makes up the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

HERA (3) - MAY (8) - AMORCITA (7) - ROMANCE MARINE (6)

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C4 - PRIX LORD DU SUD - 2500m (a1m 1/2) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 25,000

1. TOP OF MIND - Won at this track last time on January 18th in a Class 3 handicap over 2500m. Can follow up

2. MONACO RULES - Has solid form of late, 2nd last time over 1900m and a winner at Toulouse before that on November 2nd over 2100m. Outside place chance

3. CATCH THE STARS - Unplaced last time, won before that over 2700m at Chantilly in a Claiming race on December 9th. Others more likely

4. SIGRUNE - Nice 2nd over 2150m when last seen on December 11th at Lyon La Soie in a handicap. In the mix

5. KING OF MEADOWS - Two unplaced runs of late, won before that on the PSF on December 9th over 2000m in a claiming race. Might find a few of these too smart

6. DREAM WUKAIR - 5th behind TOP OF MIND (1) at this track on January 18th when last racing over 2500m. Can make thing interesting

7. BREIZH WOOD - Unplaced last time, 2nd before that on November 24th in a handicap over 2400m. Each-way angle

Summary: TOP OF MIND (1) seemed to like this track when scoring by 2.5L when last seen on January 18th. She can follow up despite having top-weight. DREAM WUKAIR (6) was fifth in the same race as the selection last time and should make things interesting on better weight terms. SIGRUNE (4) is also one to consider after a good second last time and should be involved again as should BREIZH WOOD (7) who should be involved in the shake-up.

SELECTIONS

TOP OF MIND (1) - DREAM WUKAIR (6) - SIGRUNE (4) - BREIZH WOOD (7)

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C5 - PRIX DES CAMPANULES - 1500m (a7f 1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Claiming Handicap - Flat - EUR € 13,000

1. BOOMERANG - Unreliable and was disappointing when 8th in a Handicap at this course over 1500m on 20 January. Best on the PSF but is not out of it

2. TRUE ROMANCE - In good form and was runner-up in a Claimer at Deauville over 2300m last time out on 5 January. Can win if repeating that performance on the turf this time

3. RED TORCH - Disappointing last run when well beaten in a Handicap at this course over 1500m on 20 January. Unreliable but is capable of contesting the finish

4. TENRAI - Showed some improvement when 6th in a Handicap at this course over 1600m on 17 January. Unreliable but could play a minor role

5. ODIN - Struggling of late and was well beaten in a Handicap at this course over 1600m on 17 January. Others are preferred

6. WHAT ELSE CHOP - Well beaten last time out in a Handicap at this course over 1500m on 20 January. Others are preferred

7. LIMONCELLA - Modest form of late and was 5th in a Claimer at Sablé-sur-Sarthe over 1650m on 22 October. More needed to win this race

8. HY DREAM - Not disgraced when 4th in a Handicap at this course over 1300m on 18 January. Has leading claims on that performance

Summary: TRUE ROMANCE (2) has been good in Claimers of late on the PSF. If carrying that level of form back on the grass he will be the one to beat. HY DREAM (8) showed improvement when fourth in a Handicap last time out and can go close in this division. BOOMERANG (1) and RED TORCH (3) are probably both better on the PSF but deserve respect in this line-up.

SELECTIONS

TRUE ROMANCE (2) - HY DREAM (8) - BOOMERANG (1) - RED TORCH (3)

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C6 - PRIX DES BLEUETS - 2000m (a1m 1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Claiming - Flat - EUR € 16,000

1. **EPIC** - Has not shown much in his three starts including at Marseille Vivaux over 2000m on 9 January. Can improve
2. **ZARINA** - Showed good improvement when 4th in a Claimer at Chantilly over 2100m on 13 January. Not out of it
3. **MIDDLE KICK** - Runner-up in last three Claimers including at this course over 2150m last time out on 18 January. Be right there at the finish once again
4. **POMELEO** - A bit disappointing of late and was 5th in this division at this course over 1600m on 18 January. More needed to win but can contest the finish
5. **DABASIR** - Disappointing last run when well beaten in a Handicap at this course over 2000m on 20 January. Has a good record in this division and is the one to be with
6. **YOUNG GENTLEMAN** - Oroibably needed the run when 5th in this division at this course over 2150m on 18 January. Can do better this time
7. **FINE ANYWAY** - Showed some improvement when 4th in a Claimer at Cholet in October but could need this run returning from a break
8. **SARALUCA** - Fair form in three starts and was 4th at Pise over 2000m on 4 January but may need to do more against these rivals
9. **LA PERRALIERE** - Did not show much on debut when qwill beaten over 1500m at this course in a Conditions race on 21 January. Can improve this longer trip trying a Claimer
10. **ZHANNA** - Yet to show much and was only 6th in a Claimer at this course over 1600m on 18 January. Can improve this distance but others are preferred

Summary: A competitive claimer but DABASIR (5) seems to have the best form in this division and can bounce back to score. MIDDLE KICK (3) deserves a win and is knocking at the door. He will be right there at the finish once again. POMELEO (4) is probably better this distance so can improve on the recent fifth. ZARINA (2) is improving and can also get involved with the finish.

SELECTIONS

DABASIR (5) - MIDDLE KICK (3) - POMELEO (4) - ZARINA (2)

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C7 - PRIX DE LA MARJOLAINE - 2000m (a1m 1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Claiming - Flat - EUR € 16,000

1. **MAX VERST** - Won four times last year but was only 8th in a Handicap at this course over 1600m on 15 January. Capable of scoring in this division

2. **MANNE** - Much improved of late and is coming off a Handicap win over this course and distance on 27 January. Can follow up

3. **MUELHEIMER PERLE** - Unreliable but did not do badly when 5th in a Claimer over this course and distance on 18 January. Not out of it

4. **HOOTTON** - Does best in Claimers and was 10th in Handicap at this course over 2150m on 23 January. Place chance

5. **SHANAKILL** - A winner of a Claimer over 2000m at this course on 18 January. Can follow up if in the same mood

6. **DENIA** - Unreliable of late and was 11th in a Handicap at this course over 2150m on 23 January. Capable of earning some money when in the mood

7. **VIS LE REVE** - Won twice last year but was 8th in latest start in a Conditions race at Pornichet over 2400m on 10 December. Capable of an upset

8. **MANDLYX LOVE** - A four-year-old gelding by Manduro out of Madly in Love who is making his debut. Watch the betting

9. **WHITE WHISKY** - Struggling of late and was only 9th in a Claimer over this course and distance on 18 January. Others are preferred

10. **GANIBET** - Not disgraced when 4th in this division at Vichy on 16 August. Place chance if not needing this run

11. **ROYAL RIGHT** - Returned from a break to be 4th in this division at Saint Cloud on 10 November. Should do a lot better this time

12. **ALMOST UNREAL** - Has not shown much in two starts and was 7th in a Conditions race over 2150m at this course on 20 January. Could be the surprise package of the race

13. **ANNASHABA** - A four-year-old filly by Manduro out of Catushaba who is making her debut. Watch the betting

Summary: Winner twice on this track last winter, ROYAL RIGHT (11) had been absent since November but shone upon his return when fourth last time out. Recent winner at this level on this course, SHANAKILL (5) should be the biggest threat. MAX VERST (1) is also capable of scoring in this division and will prefer this distance to his last race 1600m. MUELHEIMER PERLE (3) did not run badly in his most recent race and could go even closer this time.

SELECTIONS

ROYAL RIGHT (11) - SHANAKILL (5) - MAX VERST (1) - MUELHEIMER PERLE (3)

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C8 - PRIX PECKINPAH'S SOUL - 2500m (a1m 1/2) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 21,000

1. **PATZESTEVE** - Rewarded for consistency with a last-start success over track and trip. Can repeat under a 2kg penalty
2. **WINELATO LAUJAC** - Still a maiden after 17 starts but finished 5th here over 2500m on 18 January and should have a role to play
3. **CELEB** - Finished 4th in consecutive outings last month, including once over 2500m at this venue last month. Chance
4. **ZEPHYR DE LA MARE** - Fought for success until narrowly denied at the post by PATZESTEVE (1) over track and trip. Good value to turn the tables on these terms
5. **WHATLINGTON** - Runner-up in consecutive outings on PSF recently, including at Chantilly last month. Has claims back on the turf
6. **REGINA LILLIE** - Ran on well to finish 2nd over 2400m at this venue last time on 20 January after a three-month break. Chance if confirming
7. **RHEBOK** - Seldom far off the mark and rarely goes unnoticed but hasn't been seen since finishing 5th in a claimer on 22 July. Outsider
8. **TREVOR SENORA** - Improved to finish a reassuring 4th on PSF at Chantilly over 1900m on 30 December. Must confirm that improvement to play a role
9. **KALEOBAYANE** - Battling long-time maiden who has placed just 4 times in 27 starts. Has no more than a place chance
10. **TORINOBELLO** - Has made no impression and has been well beaten in each of his last three outings, so is hard to make a case for
11. **FIND YOUR WINGS** - Unplaced in her six starts and has made no impression on each occasion, so is hard to make a case for
12. **GYMPY** - Unplaced in each of his five outings and was a well-beaten 16th over 1800m at Lyon-La Soie last time. Others preferred
13. **COCO LOVE** - Showed little in three starts on PSF, finishing 8th on each occasion, and finished 9th in his first start on turf last time. Can be ruled out
14. **PASIPHAE** - Has improved in recent outings on PSF over 2400m, finishing 3rd and 4th in her last two starts. Can get into the picture

Summary: ZEPHYR DE LA MARE (4) has a lot of staying power and he proved it again recently when never giving up until narrowly beaten by PATZESTEVE (1), who races under a 2kg penalty for that last-start success. WHATLINGTON (5) has just shown his form on the PSF recently and is capable of posing a threat, as is CELEB (3) and WINELATO LAUJAC (2) - the latter ran well in the benchmark race.

SELECTIONS

ZEPHYR DE LA MARE (4) - PATZESTEVE (1) - WHATLINGTON (5) - CELEB (3)