R1 SAINT-CLOUD [L-H]

C1 - PRIX DE LA MARCHE - 900m (a4f1/2) - TURF - Claiming - Flat - EUR € 24,000

- **1. YOUNG AND PROUD -** Finished a length behind SPANISH ROSE (10) when 5th on debut over 1000m at Marseille-Borély on 20 March. Not taken lightly
- **2. FISFUL OF LOVE -** Sommerabend debutante owned and trained by Mathieu Boutin, who has engaged Frida Valle Skar to ride
- **3. LA MOSCA -** Caught the eye when staying on well after a slow start to finish 4th on debut over this course and distance on 21 March. Keep safe
- **4. TWILLY LIGHT -** David Windrif-trained City Light to be ridden on debut by Eddy Hardouin. Not one to be underestimated
- **5. PAMPELONNE -** Giovanni Sias rides this City Light debutante from the stable of Alessandro & Giuseppe Botti. Watch for now
- **6. POFIGISTE -** Sommerabend debutante owned and trained by Mathieu Boutin who has engaged Sophie Chuette to ride
- **7. OCEANE PEARL -** Clément Guitraud rides this Attendu debutante owned and trained by Xavier Richard. Best watched for now
- **8. LES MARQUISES -** Finished an encouraging 3rd on debut over this distance at Lyon-Parilly on 17 March. Ought to play a leading role with improvement expected
- **9. DANDY GALAXY -** Davide Satalia-trained Dandy Man filly to be ridden by Axelle Nicco with the benefit of a 1,5kg allowance
- **10. SPANISH ROSE -** Showed a willing attitude when finishing 4th on debut over 1000m at Marseille-Borély on 20 March. Would've benefited from that experience
- **11. LINESKY -** Adrian Murray-trained Inns Of Court debutante worth keeping an eye on with Tony Piccone engaged to ride
- **12. CHARISMATIC CHICK -** Florian Guyader-trained Inns Of Court debutante from a stable renowned for doing well with young horses. Will benefit from Marie Vélon's 1,5kg allowance
- **13. TREVI -** Made no impression when finishing 8th of 8 on debut over 900m at Lyon-Parilly on 17 March. Watch for now

Summary: A two-year-old claiming race to begin the meeting. LES MARQUISES (8), who finished 3rd in a newcomers' race over this distance at Lyon-Parilly last month, and SPANISH ROSE (10), who was 4th over 1000m on her introduction, are likely improvers capable of fighting for victory in this opening event. LA MOSCA (3) recovered from a slow start to finish 4th over track and trip on her debut and needn't improve a great deal to join that fight. YOUNG AND PROUD (1), with Maxime Guyon engaged, has a bit to find on the form of his introduction behind SPANISH ROSE (10) but cannot be underestimated either.

SELECTIONS

LES MARQUISES (8) - SPANISH ROSE (10) - LA MOSCA (3) - YOUNG AND PROUD (1)

C2 - PRIX CARACALLA - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Flat - EUR € 28,000

- **1. PURPLE MOOD -** Won consecutive starts (unbeaten) on the PSF at Deauville last year and was supplemented for this race after finishing 2nd on heavy ground over 2000m on this course o his reappearance on 7 March
- **2. MISTER GATZ -** Improving last-start scorer. Opened his account with a winning reappearance over 2200m on heavy ground at Fontainebleau on 2 March
- **3. KINGSCLUB -** Debut winner on very heavy ground at Nancy over 2000m in October and has maintained consistency in both subsequent outings. Finished 3rd on his reappearance over 2100m on heavy ground at Toulouse on 4 March
- **4. ROADSHOW -** Impressive winner on debut over 1500m on this course last year (30 October). Has Group I entries in both the Prix du Jockey Club and Grand Prix de Paris
- **5. MAIA STAR -** Overcame a tardy start on debut to run out a wide-margin winner over 2350m at Machecoul on 25 February. Ought to confirm that promise by playing a leading role here

Summary: Well-bred Galileo colt ROADSHOW (4), out of Group II winner and Group I runner-up Acapulco, was impressive when winning on debut on this course over 1500m in October. He ought to have strengthened/improved since and is an exciting prospect on his eagerly anticipated return over this distance, so it could pay to follow his progress. MAIA STAR (5) made a winning introduction at Machecoul over 2350m and is likely to pose a threat in receipt of 1,5kg from that rival. PURPLE MOOD (1), supplemented to run in this race after an encouraging comeback 2nd over 2000m on this course, also has the means to play a leading role in the finish.

SELECTIONS

ROADSHOW (4) - MAIA STAR (5) - PURPLE MOOD (1) - MISTER GATZ (2)

C3 - PRIX DU LANGUEDOC - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 2 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 53,000

- 1. TRABUCO Impeccable in three starts this year, built on the promise of his comeback 2nd with consecutive Quinte+ race wins on the PSF at Deauville and over track and trip on 7 March. Penalised another 5kg but has claims again
- **2. MOONWALK STEP -** Consistent handicapper with sound references at this level and on heavy ground, including a last-start 3rd on this course in a 3000m QUinte+ on 26 March. Dark horse
- **3. MONACO RULES -** Progressive colt with three wins from his last four starts, including a last-start success over this distance on his handicap debut on heavy ground over 2000m at Toulouse. Up 2,5kg for that win but can stake a claim
- **4. MORPHEWAN -** Finished 3rd in a 2150m Quinté+ in his first outing for Patrice Cottier and won a 2500m handicap at Cagnes in February. Could only finish 7th in a 2400m QUinte+ on this course under a penalty on 16 March
- 5. CORTEZ BANK Consistent handicapper who made an encouraging start for Elias Mikhalides by finishing 4th in Quinté+ over this distance on very ground at Marseille-Borely on 27 February. Place chance
- **6. NASOMO -** Won on debut in Germany in 2022 and finished 5th in a two-year-old Group II later that year. Missed his entire 2023 campaign but didn't go unnoticed in two comeback appearances on the PSF finished 8th over 1800m at Chantilly on 29 February
- **7. CHIAREGGIO -** Proved his competitiveness several times in Quinté+ events last year and is comfortable on heavy ground. Finished 15th in a similar event over track and trip on his reappearance on 7 March ought to improve
- **8. PICNIC ROYAL -** Retruned from a 10-month absence to finish 11th on heavy ground in a handicap over 2000m at Toulouse. Won an AFASEC race subsequently so ought to give a more competitive account of himself here
- **9. MORSAN -** Consistent veteran handicapper with sound references at this level and on heavy ground. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 9th in an 1800m Quinte+ at Compiègne on 199 March dark horse
- **10. LADY CHAPEL -** Consistent and lightly raced filly with sound references/form credentials, including a PSF handicap victory at Lyon-La Soie before finishing 4th under a penalty in a 1600m handicap on heavy ground at Fontainebleau on 2 March
- **11. KARAKORUM -** Won a course-and-distance handicap on very heavy ground on 7 March and proved his competitiveness under a 2,5kg penalty when finishing 2nd in a 2300m handicap at Senonnes-Pouancé on 23 March
- **12. YQUELON -** Showed early promise but was disappointing in handicaps late last year. Finished an encouraging 6th on his reappearance in a 2000m handicap on heavy ground at Toulouse on 4 March
- **13. EL MANIFICO -** Well-performed veteran handicapper with sound references at this level (4 wins and 12 places), including a last-start 6th in a Quinte+ over track and trip on very heavy ground on 7 March

- **14. RIDWAAN -** Finished 3rd in a course-and-distance Quinte+ on 7 March but failed to confirm that form/improvement when only 9th over 2400m on this course on 16 March. Can do better reverting to this distance
- **15. KINGDOM** Inconsistent in PSF handicaps recently at Cagnes and made no impression in his only appearance at this level over track and trip in 2022. Best watched for now after finishing 8th in a 2000m PSF handicap on 12 February

16. WAITARA -

Summary: NASOMO (6), who finished 5th in a two-year-old Group II, has run two pleasing comeback races at Deauville and Chantilly. For his first handicap, with "Monsieur Quinté+" Stéphane Pasquier engaged, he could represent the value here. After consecutive wins at this level, hat-trick seeking TRABUCO (1) has to concede weight to all but ought to remain competitive and is likely to fight for victory. MONACO RULES (3), who made a winning reappearance, fits a similar profile. EL MANIFICO (13) and MORSAN (9) have the means to make their presence felt too. The shortlist is completed by MORPHEWAN (4), with Mickaël Barzalona in the irons, and LADY CHAPEL (10).

SELECTIONS

NASOMO (6) - TRABUCO (1) - MONACO RULES (3) - EL MANIFICO (13)

C4 - PRIX BASSE POINTE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR € 27.000

- **1. ROXANA OF CECCA -** Soundly beaten (15th) on debut at Cagnes and could only finish 8th at that venue over 1500m on 1 February. Others preferred
- **2. ABISOLA** Has made two pleasing appearances on the PSF, including over 1600m at Chantilly on her reappearance last month (5 March). Not taken lightly in her first start on turf
- **3. STARLIGHT** Finished 6th on debut at Chantilly over 1400m and failed to improve when only 10th over 1500m on this track when last seen on 10 November
- **4. MIELA -** Runner-up on debut over 1400m in October at Cologne in Germany but only 7th in both November outings on PSF on French soil. Absent since the latest of those at Deauville on 28 November
- **5. MONBE -** Was more than 4 lengths adrift of CHIVERE (7) when finishing 5th on debut over this course and distance. Can only improve
- **6. BUBBLE GUM -** Entered in the Group I Prix de Diane and didn't go unnoticed when finishing 5th on debut at ParisLongchamp over 1800m on 15 October. One to note on her reappearance
- **7. CHIVERE** Finished 3rd on debut over track and trip behind a runaway winner. Would've gained plenty with the benefit of that experience
- **8. JIJI MY LOVE -** Soundly beaten in both outings to date, on turf at Cagnes on debut (16th) in January and on PSF at Chantilly last time (12th) on 5 March. Hard to recommend

Summary: CHIVERE (7) finished 3rd on debut over course and distance behind a runaway winner so, with improvement expected given the benefit of that experience, will aim for victory, especially with the aid of her rider Ambre Molins' 1,5kg allowance. Group I Prix de Diance entry BUBBLE GUM (6) would have come on appreciably from the experience of her ParisLongchamp debut (5th) so could pose a threat. So, too, could MONBE (5) who finished 5th on debut behind the slecetion. ABISOLA (2) showed enough in 2 starts on the PSF to warrant respect/consideration in her first start on the turf.

SELECTIONS

CHIVERE (7) - BUBBLE GUM (6) - MONBE (5) - ABISOLA (2)

C5 - PRIX BRULEUR - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR € 27,000

- **1. SERQUIGNY -** Runner-up in two of his five starts but only finished 6th in the other three, including his latest outing on PSF at Chantilly over 1600m on 5 March. Improvement needed
- 2. OZAT Well played on this course during his debut, he took a promising second place.
- **3. E BASTA LA -** Finished a well-beaten 4th of 5 runners on debut over this course and distance on 12 March. Others preferred
- **4. GOLDEN ROCK -** Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 4th on debut behind OZAT (2) and NAXOS (5) over course and distance on 7 March. Keep safe
- **5. NAXOS -** Showed a willing and determined attitude when staying on under pressure to finish 3rd on debut over course and distance behind OZAT (2) on 7 March
- **6. NOBLEMAN -** Runner-up on debut over 1900m on the PSF at Chantilly, having led for much of the way on 15 February. Will appreciate this shorter distance
- **7. EN PLEIN AIR -** Consistent for the most part on PSF and his experience should stand him in good stead, though ran his worst race in his only outing on turf (debut in 2023). Finished 5th over 1300m on PSF at Chantilly on 14 March

Summary: OZAT (2) failed to justify favoritism on debut but finished a promising 2nd nonetheless and needn't improve a great deal to open his account here with the benefit of that experience. NAXOS (5) finished a length adrift of that rival over this course and distance on his introduction and is likely to pose a threat with improvement expected. Supplemented NOBLEMAN (6), runner-up on PSF over 1900m at Chantilly on debut, and GOLDEN ROCK (4), who finished behind the top two when 4th over course and distance on debut, ought to acquit themselves competitively too.

SELECTIONS

OZAT (2) - NAXOS (5) - NOBLEMAN (6) - GOLDEN ROCK (4)

C6 - PRIX EDMOND BLANC - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Gr3 Race - Flat - EUR € 80,000

- **1. BREIZH SKY -** Ultra-consistent performer with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 3rd in a PSF Class 1 at Chantilly on 8 March. Keep safe
- **2. MARHABA YA SANAFI -** Last year's Group I Poule d'Essai des Poulains (French Guineas) winner. Proved he retains all his ability when winning over course and distance on his reappearance on 7 March. Candidate for success
- **3. GREY TORNADO -** A consistent, versatile performer with references on both the turf and PSF. Finished 5th over 1600m on PSF at Chantilly on his reappearance 8 March improvement needed
- **4. TRIBALIST -** A high-class performer with an impressive record on this course. Absent since his failure (14th) in the Group I Hong Kong Longines Mile at Sha Tin on 10 December
- **5. TOPGEAR -** Unbeaten in three starts in 2021 and missed the whole of 2022 but showed his class by performing well at this level last year. Showed his form/well-being when 2nd to MARHABA YA SANAFI (2) on this course on 7 March

Summary: Having never finished worse than 3rd in eight outings on this course, defending champion of this Group III event TRIBALIST (4) is good value to redeem himself after an unsuccessful trip to Hong Kong for the Group I Longines Mile. He will, however, have to be wary of Group I winner MARHABA YA SANAFI (2) who made an impressive winning comeback on this course recently. Runner-up that day TOPGEAR (5) proved his form and competitiveness to also stake a claim in a race like this. BREIZH SKY (1) isn't without a chance either.

SELECTIONS

TRIBALIST (4) - MARHABA YA SANAFI (2) - TOPGEAR (5) - BREIZH SKY (1)

C7 - PRIX PENELOPE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Gr3 Race - Flat - EUR € 80,000

- **1. SHEEMA'S ROSE -** Improving last-start winner who opened her account over 2200m at Fontainebleau on 2 March. More needed
- **2. JE ZOUS -** Well-bred filly runner-up in a 1600m two-year-old Listed race at Newmarket on 4 November. Warrants respect
- **3. FAMILY SILVER -** Runner-up on debut over 1500m on this course on 30 October and finished a reassuring 3rd over 1600m here on 12 March. More needed
- **4. MAKING DREAMS -** Talented filly with serious references and her experience should stand her in good stead. Last seen finishing 5th in the Group III Prix des Réservoirs on 18 October
- **5. ZUNA -** Highly rated Group I Prix de Diane entry who was a convincing winner on debut over 1900m at Chantilly (PSF) on 1 March. Exciting prospect open to any amount of improvement
- **6. NADELIA -** Debut winner over 1500m on the PSF at Deauville in December and has run well defeat in 2 starts at Meydan (5th in both) this year. Returns to French soil after her 5th in the Listed Jumeirah 1000 Guineas on 2 March

Summary: Group I Prix de Diane entry ZUNA (5) confirmed her lofty reputation with a debut success over 1900m on the PSF at Chantilly and could, even in this stronger test of her mettle, improve to remain undefeated. during her victorious debut but can win again. The danger comes from across the Channel for this well-bred filly with JE ZOUS (2), second in a Listed at Newmarket at the beginning of November, and MAKING DREAMS (4), very gifted and experienced. NADELIA (6) is one to watch after a winter spent in Dubai.

SELECTIONS

ZUNA (5) - JE ZOUS (2) - MAKING DREAMS (4) - NADELIA (6)

C8 - PRIX RIGHT ROYAL - 3000m (a2m) - TURF - Listed Race - Flat - EUR € 52,000

- **1. FALCON EIGHT -** Veteran Irish stayer with proven references, including a 5th in the 2019 Group I Prix du Cadran in his only start on French soil. Absent since winning a 3200m Group III at Curragh on 5 November
- **2. HOMO DEUS -** Undefeated in three 2024 appearances this year, the latest in a 2400m Listed race on this course on 21 March. Can win again
- **3. ALMACADO GREE -** Sparingly raced veteran with proven references at Group level. Absent since finishing 11th at Toulouse over 2400m on 26 November
- **4. SKAZINO -** Finished 3rd behind HOMO DEUS (2) over 2500m in January and has since made an unsuccessful trip to Saudi Arabia (unplaced over 3000m) on 24 February. Has the means to redeem himself
- **5. GALEGO STAR -** A creditable 6th off 11 finishers in the Group I Prix-Royal Oak before finishing 3rd in a 3000m Listed race at Fontainebleau on 7 November absent since
- **6. PALUS ARGENTEUS -** Well-performed veteran with sound references in handicaps and conditions races at a lower level, including a last-start success at Hyères over 2500m on 16 March. Has a lot more to do at this level
- **7. GOLDEN CALL -** Caught the eye with an encouraging 3rd over 3000m at Fontainebleau on his reappearance on 15 March. Can get into the picture
- **8. AMELIELYMPIQUE -** Finished 3rd behind HOMO DEUS (2) in a 2400m Listed race at Toulouse in November and an encouraging 4th on her reappearance at Cagnes on 15 January. Place chance
- **9. ANGEL GUIDANCE -** Lightly raced unexposed Mastercraftsman filly who has shown her limits at Listed and Group III level (finished 8th in both) the latest over 2800m on this course on 7 September

Summary: HOMO DEUS (2) has thrived in his preferred testing conditions recently, winning all 3 starts this term, and can take advantage of the ground by remaining undefeated in 2024, despite his lack of references over this marathon distance. SKAZINO (4), multiple Group winner, has won twice on this track and has no stamina doubts so is likely to fight for victory. Veteran ALMACADO GREE (3) was sparingly raced last year but warrants respect on his reappearance, while fellow veteran FALCON EIGHT (1) has claims too. Good race!

SELECTIONS

HOMO DEUS (2) - SKAZINO (4) - ALMACADO GREE (3) - FALCON EIGHT (1)

C9 - PRIX DU ROUSSILLON - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 27,000

- **1. MON RICIN -** Last-start winner of a 19000m handicap on heavy ground at Bordeaux on 16 March. Will remain competitive under a 3kg penalty
- **2. EXCITING -** Versatile and capable handicapper with sound references on both the turf and PSF. Absent since finishing 6th in a 1900m conditions race on the PSF at Deauville on 28 December
- **3. JOLI COUP -** Finished 2nd and 3rd in handicaps on heavy ground at this venue last year but has been unplaced in both comeback outings this year the latest (7th) over track and trip on 7 March
- **4. PANJAMAN -** Out of sorts after finishing unplaced in his last 10 outings, including his latest (9th) in a 2100m conditions race on the PSF at Chantilly on 5 March
- **5. MI C'INFILO -** Hard-knocking handicapper with sound references on heavy ground. Finished an encouraging 3rd in a turf handicap over 1800m at Compiegne on 19 March keep safe
- **6. CLEVER ACTRESS -** Won consecutive 2400m handicaps at Toulouse before struggling (10th) under a resultant penalty off her current mark in a course-and-distance handicap last time (7 March)
- **7. ZOOM CHOP -** Last-start winner of a 2100m Senonnes-Pouancé handicap on 23 March. Comfortable on heavy ground so can make his presence felt once more under a 2,5kg penalty
- **8. LIGHTS COME ON -** Consistent veteran mare with solid references in handicaps on heavy ground, including a last-start 2nd on this course over 2100m on 21 March. Not taken lightly
- **9. BREATH OF FIRE -** Finished 3rd in a handicap over track and trip on heavy ground last month (7 March) and has been eased in the weights/ratings after finishing 5th in a 2500m claimer at Le Croisé-Laroche on 22 March
- **10. USER KINDLY -** Runner-up in consecutive turf handicaps at Marseille-Borely on heavy ground before finishing 7th on the PSF over 2000m at Marseille-Vivaux on 14 March. Will appreciate reverting to the grass

Summary: Ideally placed under bottom weight and comfortable on heavy ground, it could pay to side with USER KINDLY (10) in this closing event. Top-weight MON RICIN (1) has regained momentum and confirmed as much with a last-start success at Bordeaux so could fight for victory. Consistent MI C'INFILO (5), after an encouraging (3rd) last start, and recent runner-up LIGHTS COME ON (8) ought to acquit themselves competitively too. EXCITING (2) completes the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

USER KINDLY (10) - MON RICIN (1) - MI C'INFILO (5) - LIGHTS COME ON (8)