

AIX-LES-BAINS [R-H] - 05 July

Race 1 - PRIX PAUL VALERIEEN PERRIN - 3800m HCP HDLE. Purse EUR €25,000.

1. **JOLY AND BACH** - First-up after 16 months off. Previous first-up placegetter. Look for market support.
2. **TOINE DE LENZAC** - Was unable to repeat the first-up victory when he finished second in a steeplechase at Toulouse last time out. Will take some beating.
3. **BLEKOVA** - Last win was well over a year ago but placed when beaten 5L in a hurdle at this track. Rates highly in this field and expected to go close.
4. **HABIT DU ROI** - Seven start maiden who was eighth at Fontainebleau. Needs to show more.
5. **BANKIERE** - Winner last start by 0.8L in a hurdle at this track. In winning form and on unbeaten record at this course looks a definite chance again.
6. **AMBRE DE NUIT** - Resumed after a 314-day spell last start with a modest fourth in a hurdle at this track. Has ability and strips fitter.

Summary: TOINE DE LENZAC (2) ran 2.5L second in a 4200m handicap chase at Toulouse. Looks up to going one better. BANKIERE (5) rates a danger on the back of a 0.75L victory in a 3800m handicap hurdle here. JOLY AND BACH (1) fell tackling a 4100m chase at Lyon-Parilly in April last year. Consider resuming after an absence. BLEKOVA (3) holds claims having finished 4.75L third at this venue in a 3800m handicap hurdle.

Selections

TOINE DE LENZAC (2) - BANKIERE (5) - JOLY AND BACH (1) - BLEKOVA (3)

Race 2 - PRIX DU MONT REVARD - 2500m CL3. Purse EUR €15,000.

1. **MAKI MAKI** - Winner over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly on June 21. Rates highly and expected to go well again.
2. **MARCAN** - Ran a better race last start to finish fifth over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly. In the mix.
3. **GET THE POWER** - Last appeared when he finished third over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux on June 11. Only has a small field to contend with and looks hard to beat.
4. **EUSTACHE** - Not doing a lot this campaign including a last start sixth at Lyon-Parilly. Has ability and has some claims.
5. **WOOT CITY** - Has not raced since 2L fifth over 2000m at Salon-de-Provence on April 8. New trainer and to be respected.

Summary: MAKI MAKI (1) won by 1.25L a 2400m handicap at Lyon-Parilly. Selected to follow up. WOOT CITY (5) performed well managing 1.75L fifth in a 2000m handicap at Salon-de-Provence. Rates a big threat debuting for a new trainer. GET THE POWER (3) warrants close consideration having finished 3.5L third in a 2000m conditions race at Pont-de-Vivaux. EUSTACHE (4) is capable of better than he showed when 12L sixth in a 3150m handicap at Lyon-Parilly.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MAKI MAKI (1) - WOOT CITY (5) - GET THE POWER (3) - EUSTACHE (4)</p>

Race 3 - PRIX DAUPHINE LIBERE - PRIX DE BELLEDONNE - 3600m STPLE CL3. Purse EUR €22,000.

1. **ICAQUE DE L'ISLE** - Last start steeplechase winner at this track. Right in the mix on current form.
2. **GALOP DE NUIT** - Filled a minor placing over 3600m in a steeplechase at this track last start beaten 6L. Should be thereabouts once more.
3. **FOU DU ROI** - Was disappointing first up last start in a steeplechase at this track on June 24. Expect improvement.
4. **I RUN** - Still a maiden after 10 starts and although in the money was comfortably held last time out in a 3600m steeplechase at this track.
5. **SHENTA** - Unplaced two starts ago in a hurdle at Vichy then produced a better result last time when fifth at Lyon-Parilly in a 4100m steeplechase. Hard to have on recent efforts.
6. **AZIYADE** - Winner of both starts this time in scoring in a Toulouse hurdle last time by a head. Leading stable and can win again.

Summary: AZIYADE (6) completed a double winning by a head a 3500m hurdle at Toulouse. Taken to make a winning debut over fences. Expected to prove hard to beat. ICAQUE DE L'ISLE (1) showed good form delivering a 6L success attempting a 3600m handicap chase at this venue. I RUN (4) finished 8L third in a 3600m handicap chase here. Dangerous. FOU DU ROI (3) completes the shortlist on the back of a 19L fifth in that course handicap chase.

Selections

AZIYADE (6) - ICAQUE DE L'ISLE (1) - I RUN (4) - FOU DU ROI (3)
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Race 4 - PRIX DES AMARANTES - 1200m MDN. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **SO GOLD** - Two career starts to date have been quite plain and more than happy to risk at this stage.
2. **BOUNTEOUS** - Debut fifth at Chantilly over 1100. Can make his presence felt in easier race and from experience.
3. **BAILEYS ECLAIR** - Sent out when well in the market on debut and wasn't disgraced when a 1.3 lengths sixth over 1000m at Vichy. Not far away on debut and rates highly here.
4. **ODIN** - Sixth on debut over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly after racing prominently. Could progress. Give thought.
5. **BRAGGIN RIGHTS** - Battled last start to finish fifth over 1200m at Chantilly adding to a sequence of mid-field finishes. Place.
6. **IZASTEP** - Finished 7 lengths from the winner in fifth last start over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly. Has some upside. Each way.
7. **KALEOBAYANE** - Moderate tenth on debut over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly a month ago. Might improve.
8. **COSMIC GODDESS** - Had to contend with a wide alley at her latest run and finished seventh over 1400m at Saint Cloud. Fares better at the draw this time and this is easier. Can be prominent.
9. **ANTONINAS** - Two-start maiden who ran an improved race last time when beaten 5.5 lengths into fifth over 1200m at Chantilly. Include
10. **SODAPOPOP** - Last appeared when she finished sixth over 1200m at Chantilly on June 23. Capable of more and worth another chance.
11. **MISS ETOILE** - Has done nothing in three runs to date the latest when beaten 7L into seventh over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly. Happy enough to avoid.

Summary: BAILEYS ECLAIR (3) ran 1.2L sixth in a 1000m Vichy claimer on debut. Taken to deliver a victory second up. IZASTEP (6) makes the shortlist following a 7.5L fifth over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly. ODIN (4) came home 8L sixth having raced prominently attempting 1350m at Lyon-Parilly. Consider for the win. ANTONINAS (9) is another with claims having finished 5.5L fifth in a small field 1200m maiden at Chantilly.

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<p style="text-align: center;">BAILEYS ECLAIR (3) - IZASTEP (6) - ODIN (4) - ANTONINAS (9)</p>

Race 5 - PRIX PANTHERA SECURITE ET INNOVATION -PRIX DES HARAS NATIONAUX - 2500m HCP. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **DIAMAND DE VINDECY** - Last appeared when he finished ninth over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly on June 26. More needed.
2. **LILIE BELLE** - Well held last time when fifth over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly. Consistent. Has upside and can be included.
3. **DREAM BAHAMA** - Was below her best last time when eighth over 2100m at Angers. Fills an occasional place.
4. **WUKOLINA** - Still a maiden after 10 runs but looks close to a win with last start second over 2400m at Salon-de-Provence. Thereabouts last time and rates an each way hope.
5. **FIELD OF GLORY** - Fifth over 2200m at Cavaillon on May 21. Yet to fill a place.
6. **DAY OFF** - Has not been racing well with the latest 11th over 2300m at Senonnes-Pouance. Prepared to risk.
7. **LADY BEAUCHAMP** - Last appeared when she finished fifth over 2400m at Salon-de-Provence on June 6. Winner five starts ago. Include.
8. **BABY KEY** - Finished midfield last start at this track over 1800m 6L from the winner. Steps up in distance today. Placed three consecutive times. Each way.
9. **SANDERLING** - Finished third over 2400m at Salon-De-Provence on June 22 in a claimer. Heading in the right direction. Chance.

Summary: WUKOLINA (4) came home 1L second in a 2400m handicap at Salon-de-Provence. Looks capable of finishing one place better. LILIE BELLE (2) was 4L fifth in a 2400m handicap at Lyon-Parilly. Rates a big threat against this field. SANDERLING (9) warrants close consideration having finished 3.5L third in a 2400m claimer at Salon-de-Provence. LADY BEAUCHAMP (7) recorded a 2L fifth in a 2400m handicap at Salon-de-Provence. Noted in this race.

Selections

WUKOLINA (4) - LILIE BELLE (2) - SANDERLING (9) - LADY BEAUCHAMP (7)

Race 6 - PRIX CREDIT AGRICOLE - PRIX DES THERMES - 1800m CLM. Purse EUR €12,000.

1. **INSTANTANE** - Safely held at his last couple of starts the latest when ninth over 1600m at Chantilly. Don't underestimate. Could improve.
2. **LILOU CHOPE** - Last appeared when she scored over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux on June 25. Impressive win last start and is in the mix again.
3. **SEA HOLLY** - Back from a break of three-and-a-half months. Only raced twice last prep and was unplaced on both occasion. Doubt she will have much to offer first up.
4. **MISS ALIX** - Going well at the moment most recently finishing second over 1800m at this track. Doesn't need to improve a great deal to take this out.
5. **LASSCA** - Unraced filly by Aclaim out of Miss Giler. Others appeal more.
6. **AFFAIRE CONCLUE** - Was well fancied last time but ran below par finishing eighth and beaten 5.5L over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly. Has ability and could improve.
7. **LIBRE JOSH** - He has been easily accounted for at each of his five career outings. No threat when seventh over 2000m at Marseille Borely last time out. Not on that form.
8. **MARRANTE** - Battled last start to finish seventh over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux adding to a sequence of plain results.
9. **DULSIE BRIDGE** - Has a poor strike and failed to improve on it last start when she finished seventh over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly.
10. **SHIPI** - Hasn't shown anything positive in seven starts. Last time out finished sixth over 2600m at Chatillon-Chalaronne. Not likely to play a role.
11. **AUCTAVIA FIRST** - Well in the market last but disappointed when 10L sixth over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux. Better than the last effort suggests and can bounce back. Place.
12. **LA MATHILDE** - Last appeared when third over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux in a claimer on June 25. Comes in with a chance and has decent weight claim.

Summary: MISS ALIX (4) delivered a 2.5L second here attempting a claimer over 1800m. Expected to finish one place better. LILOU CHOPE (2) warrants consideration following a 6L victory in a 2000m claimer at Pont-de-Vivaux. LA MATHILDE (12) catches the eye on the back of a 6L third in that Pont-de-Vivaux claiming race. INSTANTANE (1) registered a 4.75L ninth in a 1600m handicap at Chantilly. Can recapture form switching to a claimer.

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Race 7 - PRIX D'ANNECY - 2000m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **HONOR BERE** - Hasn't won in 16 months. Finished third beaten 1.4L over 3000m at Dax. Back in trip the query.
2. **BOWLING GREEN** - Last start finished fourth over 2600m at Marseille Vivaux. Back in trip. More needed.
3. **INNIS** - Underwhelming 11th over 2500m at Nancy beaten 10L. Needs to do more.
4. **GREY D'ARS** - Goes well at this trip with multiple top-three finishes. Good effort but found a couple better last time out beaten 6L over 2400m at Pompadour. Looks a strong top-three prospect.
5. **KARYNIA** - Finished sixth two runs ago at Saint Cloud but found form last time out when she scored by 1.5 lengths over 1800m at this track. Leading contender.
6. **THANIELLA** - Has been out of the money in recent runs including last time but only sixth over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly eight days ago beaten 1.3L. Place.
7. **PERISTERA** - Broke a long drought last time when she scored by 3L at Salon-de-Provence over 2000m. Racing well and can win again.
8. **PERFECT ROSE** - Has been about the money of late. Freshened up since finishing fourth at Lyon-Parilly over 2000m seven-and-a-half weeks ago. The one to beat.
9. **LA FIBRE** - Didn't inspire again last start beaten 4L over 1800m at this track. Struggling to make an impact and looks a place hope.
10. **SEHMARA** - Beaten 3 lengths into third at Moulins two starts ago then appeared at Longchamp last time and finished 2.25 lengths from the winner in sixth. Good chance.
11. **SIMFAUST** - Last start finished seventh over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence. Outside each way claims.
12. **SUPERIOR BADOLAT** - Below par in two runs since a win three back and last start finishing seventh over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly. Finds a suitable race and can turn things around.
13. **RONAZZA ONE** - Has been out of the money in recent runs including last time out when seventh over 2600m at Vitteaux a month ago. Needs to find form.

Summary: SEHMARA (10) finished 2.25L sixth in a 2000m handicap at Longchamp. Looks capable of recording a victory. PERISTERA (7) is expected to challenge for the win following a 3L success in a 2000m handicap at Salon-de-Provence. KARYNIA (5) has won two of her last three starts including by 1.5L over 1800m here. Danger to all. GREY D'ARS (4) holds claims on the back of a 6L third in a 2400m contest on sand at Pompadour.

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<p style="text-align: center;">SEHMARA (10) - PERISTERA (7) - KARYNIA (5) - GREY D'ARS (4)</p>

Race 8 - PRIX HENRI DE SEYSSEL - 2000m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **MYSAK MIKY** - Won at his final run last campaign at Deauville AW but was plain first up when 13th over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly. Requires significant improvement.
2. **LEJENDARIO** - Has been out of the money recently including last time out when seventh over 1850m at Longchamp a month ago beaten 5L. Chance on best form.
3. **MAD WHIP** - Has been out of the money in recent runs including last time out when fifth over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly a month ago beaten 3L. Each way.
4. **POET'S BLACK** - Last appeared when he finished 12th over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly on June 4. Won two starts ago.
5. **STORMY BABY** - In the money two starts back at Marseille Borely but couldn't back that up when unplaced over 2100m at Marseille Borely last time. Include.
6. **SA SAL** - Recent form has been below par. Last start finished 11L in seventh over 2000m at Baden Baden. Will struggle.
7. **ETHION** - Last appeared when he finished third over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly on June 4. Has claims.
8. **BOIS COMBRAY** - Handy stayer who has been plain of late including last start when well held over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly.
9. **CAIRNS** - Wasn't expected to do much when fresh from a spell last start at Marseille Vivaux over 2000m and wound up in fourth beaten 4.5L. Others preferred.
10. **LILY APPLE** - Last appeared when third over 2000m at Salon-de-Provence on June 22. Thereabouts last time out. Definite top-three prospect.
11. **KADNIKOV** - Won three times earlier on in his prep and most recently finished fourth beaten 1.75 lengths at this track over 1800m. Can run a better race this time.
12. **TURTLE CHOPE** - Last start finished third over 2000m at Salon-de-Provence. Close to a win.
13. **SEKKU** - Last appeared when he finished second over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly on June 4. Worth including.

Summary: LILY APPLE (10) placed third beaten 2.75L over 2000m at Salon-de-Provence. Can return to winning ways. SEKKU (13) is expected to go well on the back of a close second tackling 2000m at Lyon-Parilly. STORMY BABY (5) faded late at Marseille-Borely when 3.25L eighth attempting 2100m. Consider down slightly in distance. ETHION (7) finds a good opportunity having finished a short-head third in the previously mentioned Lyon-Parilly event.

Selections

LILY APPLE (10) - SEKKU (13) - STORMY BABY (5) - ETHION (7)
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