

NANTES [L-H] - 05 October

Race 1 - PRIX PLACE ROYALE - 1400m MDN. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **SPEEDY CHARM** - Good 2L second over 1600m at this circuit two weeks ago. Bold show expected.
2. **SHOWMAN** - Faded 14L eighth over 1200m at Chantilly when debuting 24 days ago. Step forward required.
3. **BOJAK** - Placed third when beaten 3L on debut in a 1400m maiden at Compiegne three weeks back. One to note.
4. **MAQUIGNON** - Failed to shine when 9.5L sixth in a 1600m newcomers race at Bordeaux last month. Improvement expected.
5. **ABAAD** - Unraced Olympic Glory colt. Strong claims on debut.
6. **JAH WORK** - Unraced Goken gelding. Wears cheekpieces on first career start.

Summary: SPEEDY CHARM (1) can go one place better than when 2L second in a 1600m event here. Leading contender. ABAAD (5) is an Olympic Glory colt. May play a role in the finish first up. BOJAK (3) makes the shortlist. Ran 3L third at Compiegne delivering initial attempt. MAQUIGNON (4) could improve having managed a 9.5L sixth over 1600m at Bordeaux on debut.

Selections

SPEEDY CHARM (1) - ABAAD (5) - BOJAK (3) - MAQUIGNON (4)

Race 2 - PRIX DE NORT-SUR-ERDRE - 1400m MDN. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **DUBROVNIK** - Good 4L fifth in an 1100m maiden here at the start of May. Form of that race has worked out well. Notable contender.
2. **EVERQUEEN** - Fair 6.5L fourth over 1700m in a La Roche-Posay maiden three weeks ago. Likely more needed in this contest.
3. **MISS BENNET** - Last of fifteen over 1300m at Chantilly AW on handicap debut eleven days back. Capable of better.
4. **PULCHERIA** - Disappointing 10L ninth in a 1223m maiden at Nottingham (UK) in August. Making her first start for a new trainer.
5. **WINEHOUSE** - Midfield finish when 4L seventh over 1650m at Craon on debut a month ago. Improvement required.
6. **SPANISH CARA** - Below par 11L seventh over 1200m in a newcomers race at Chantilly 24 days ago. Others preferred.
7. **JISKAYA** - Fair 3.5L fifth over 1650m in a Craon maiden on debut a month ago. Of note.
8. **ONARIA** - Good 1.5L second over 1700m in a La Roche-Posay maiden 23 days ago. Leading contender.
9. **JANUARY MOON** - Held 5L sixth over 1800m in a Morlaix maiden nine days ago. Vulnerable to less exposed rivals.
10. **MOREA** - Unraced Rosendhal filly. Others make more appeal.
11. **DROVKA** - Unraced Pedro The Great filly. Likely to improve for the experience.
12. **MENTHANOWE** - Unraced Ivanhowe filly. Minor role likely.

Summary: ONARIA (8) can take this having finished 1.5L second over 1700m in a La Roche-Posay maiden first up. Progress is likely. Shortlisted. PULCHERIA (4) may play a role debuting for a new trainer following a 10L ninth in a 1223m maiden at Nottingham (UK). DUBROVNIK (1) enters calculations. Ran 4L fifth tackling 1100m here on racecourse debut. JISKAYA (7) is another to consider. Beaten 3.5L fifth in a 1650m contest at Craon on her first outing.

Selections

ONARIA (8) - PULCHERIA (4) - DUBROVNIK (1) - JISKAYA (7)

Race 3 - PRIX COURANT D'AIR - 2400m . Purse EUR €15,000.

1. **IDEFIXE DU MOULIN** - Victorious by 2.5L over 2450m at Cluny last month. Notable contender.
2. **ISSAM** - Pulled up in a 3000m hurdle at Auteuil in early June. Claims on his first flat start since winning over 2400m at Moulins in April.
3. **INFATIGABLE** - Good 3L third over 2400m at Granville in August. One to note.
4. **INTIMATE** - Unraced Montmartre gelding. Top chance.
5. **IDEFIX DU CELAND** - Held 15L fifth over 2500m at Argentan in August. Minor role likely.
6. **IMPERIAL CROSS** - Unraced Crossharbour gelding. Likely to improve for the experience.
7. **ILLICO** - Placed third when beaten 3L over 2400m at Moulins in April. Leading contender.
8. **IPRIKA D'ANJOU** - Unraced Honolulu gelding. Wears cheekpieces on debut.
9. **IRANCY** - Unraced Saddex gelding. Of note on first career start.
10. **ISSAR D'AIRY** - Unraced Sinndar gelding. Supplemented for this event.
11. **IDEE D'ETAT** - Successful by 0.5L in a 2400m flat race at Rochefort-sur-Loire when debuting in July. Bold show expected.
12. **ILLUSION DE GRIS** - Held 11L sixth over 2300m at Ploermel last month. Claims on her second on debut at Le Lion-d'Angers prior.
13. **INTERVIEW FLOO** - 11L ninth in a 2600m flat race at Fontainebleau fifteen days ago. Others preferred.

Summary: Yet to race Montmartre gelding **INTIMATE** (4) can debut with a victory for a yard who do well in these races. **ILLICO** (7) may play a role in the finish following a 3L third in a 2400m contest at Moulins. **IDEE D'ETAT** (11) makes the shortlist. Secured a 0.5L victory over 2400m at Rochefort-sur-Loire. **IDEFIXE DU MOULIN** (1) is another to consider on the back of a 2.5L triumph tackling 2450m at Cluny.

Selections

INTIMATE (4) - ILLICO (7) - IDEE D'ETAT (11) - IDEFIXE DU MOULIN (1)

Race 4 - PRIX TIGERTAIL - 2400m CL2. Purse EUR €21,000.

1. **KIROZ** - Fair 8.5L fourth over 3000m in a Craon handicap nine days ago. Something to find on ratings.
2. **GENTIANA BELLA** - 16L tenth in the 2400m Listed Prix Dirickx at Craon just over four weeks ago. More required.
3. **AFTERGLOW** - Fair 6.5L fifth in a 2100m handicap at Saint-Cloud just under a fortnight ago. Bold show expected with the step up in distance a positive.
4. **SALOCIN** - Held 10L eleventh over 2400m at Longchamp nineteen days ago. Others make more appeal.
5. **AIR COMMODORE** - Given a break since winning the Listed Prix General de Rougemont handicap hurdle over 3600m at Auteuil in April. Notable runner on flat debut.
6. **MEISTERSTUCK** - Completed a double when winning by 2.5L over 2400m at La Roche-Posay first up 23 days ago. One to note.
7. **AGNES** - Failed to shine in two starts since returning from a lengthy absence including when beaten 36L in the 2400m Listed Prix des Tourelles at Saint-Cloud three weeks ago.
8. **HOME SWEET HOME** - Held 6.5L seventh over 2500m at Saint-Cloud first up two weeks back. Of note with improvement likely.

Summary: AFTERGLOW (3) can register a victory following a 6.5L fifth tackling a 2100m Saint-Cloud handicap. Serious player. HOME SWEET HOME (8) makes the shortlist having been beaten 6.5L seventh over 2500m at the same venue on her return from a break. MEISTERSTUCK (6) completed a double winning by 2.5L in a 2400m contest at La Roche-Posay. Won here on his penultimate start. Holds claims. AIR COMMODORE (5) is considered on flat debut. Showed plenty of ability when hurdling. Not dismissed.

Selections

AFTERGLOW (3) - HOME SWEET HOME (8) - MEISTERSTUCK (6) - AIR COMMODORE (5)

Race 5 - PRIX DU BOIS JOLI - 2400m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €12,000.

1. **RUBIS QUEEN** - Fair 6.75L fourth over 2850m at Sable-sur-Sarthe last month. Capable of better.
2. **STROMBOLI** - Good 1.75L fourth in a 2400m handicap here two weeks ago. Bold show expected.
3. **FLIGHT DE JUILLEY** - Placed third when beaten 1L in a 2400m handicap at this venue a fortnight ago. Top chance.
4. **JACK'S SON** - Runner-up beaten 5L in a 2150m conditions race at Landivisiau sixteen days ago. Supplemented for this race.
5. **HERMINE DU ROC** - Put a below par effort behind her when 1.25L third in a 2400m event at La Roche-sur-Yon nine days ago. More needed back in a handicap.
6. **IGGY CHOP** - Victorious by 2.5L in a 2600m handicap on the AW at Pont-de-Vivieux in January. Likely to improve for his first start for a new trainer.
7. **REBEL QUEEN** - Runner-up on three of her last four starts including when beaten 0.5L over this track and trip two weeks ago. Top chance.
8. **MERCI CAPUCINE** - Held 7.75L ninth over this trip at Chantilly last month. Others hold more obvious claims.
9. **GUAPA HUNTER** - Completed a double when winning by 2L tackling 2850m at Sable-sur-Sarthe just over two weeks ago. Strong claims.
10. **HEART BRAKER** - Held 13L eighth over 2400m at Le Lion-d'Angers 26 days ago. Best watched.
11. **TREGUISS** - Midfield finish when 5.25L seventh over 2700m at Les Sables-d'Olonne ten days ago. Others preferred.
12. **YOUCA** - Out of form of late including when 59L eleventh over 2400m at La Roche-sur-Yon nine days ago. Minor role likely.

Summary: REBEL QUEEN (7) can register a victory having finished 0.5L second tackling this track and trip. Leading contender. FLIGHT DE JUILLEY (3) came home 1L third that day. May play a role and build on that effort. Main danger. STROMBOLI (2) enters calculations on the back of a 1.75L fourth in the previously mentioned race. Holds claims. GUAPA HUNTER (9) is another to note. Won by 2L over 2850m at Sable-sur-Sarthe. Not out of this.

Selections

REBEL QUEEN (7) - FLIGHT DE JUILLEY (3) - STROMBOLI (2) - GUAPA HUNTER (9)

Race 6 - GRANDE COURSE DE HAIES DE L'OUEST - 3500m HDLE. Purse EUR €25,000.

1. **MONACOVILLE** - Completed a double when winning by 0.5L over 3100m at this venue in May. Leading contender.
2. **PARTICULIERE DREAM** - Good 4.5L second in a hurdle over 3500m at Le Lion-d'Angers just under four weeks ago. Bold show expected.
3. **MATERA** - Runner-up two most recent stats including when beaten 6L in a 3500m chase at Dieppe in August. Strong claims.
4. **SAINT SIRE** - Faded 14L fourth in a 3400m hurdle at La Teste in June. More needed.
5. **HUNION DELABLAIRIE** - Placed third twice at Compiegne in the spring but pulled up at the same venue in a 3200m hurdle in April. Notable runner.
6. **JUST A GAME** - Successful by 2.5L in a 3100m hurdle at this venue in May. Claims.
7. **FLAMELCO** - Runner-up in a 3500m hurdle here last month. Of note.
8. **HOPPEFULL HAS** - Good 3.25L fourth in a 3300m newcomers race at Bordeaux last month. Open to improvement.
9. **TO BE FIX** - Fourth beaten 34L in a 3000m hurdle at Auteuil in April. Looks the stable pick on jockey bookings. Consider.
10. **IRIS DE GRUGY** - Unraced Masterstroke filly. Noted on first start.

Summary: MONACOVILLE (1) can maintain his unbeaten record having won by 0.5L over 3100m at this track in May. Top chance. MATERA (3) makes the shortlist. Beaten 6L runner-up in a 3500m chase at Dieppe. PARTICULIERE DREAM (2) enters calculations on the back of a 4.5L second in a 3500m Le Lion-d'Angers contest. TO BE FIX (9) is another to consider. Indicated ability when 34L fourth in a 3000m hurdle at Auteuil on debut.

Selections
MONACOVILLE (1) - MATERA (3) - PARTICULIERE DREAM (2) - TO BE FIX (9)

Race 7 - PRIX DE LA VENDEE - 3500m HDLE. Purse EUR €22,000.

1. **HITADOR** - Runner-up beaten 5L in a 3700m hurdle at Le Lion-d'Angers in early April. One to note.
2. **HO LA LA FOREZ** - Pulled up in a 3700m chase at Moulins last month. Improvement required.
3. **HURRYUP DU GRANVAL** - Winner on the flat at Paray-le-Monial and finished fourth there in April when last in action. Notable contender on hurdling debut.
4. **HORS LA LOIE** - Good 2.5L second in a 2700m flat race at a country track last month. Making his first start over hurdles.
5. **HELLO BALL** - Disappointing when pulled up in a 3600m hurdle at Auteuil on jumps debut eighteen days ago. Step forward expected.
6. **HOURRA HOURRA** - Good 2.75L fourth in a 2600m flat race at a country venue just over six weeks ago. Top chance.
7. **HERSENT DU MEE** - Unraced Axxos gelding. Likely to improve for the experience.
8. **HEROS SACRE** - Held 23L sixth in a 2650m flat event at a country track in August. Others hold more obvious claims.
9. **HOLTER DE PRETOT** - Fourth beaten 5L in a 2950m flat claimer at Redon in August. Others preferred.
10. **HOURVARI SARAMOUR** - Runner-up on his two most recent starts including when beaten 4.5L tackling 2650m at Saint-Jean-de-Monts 44 days ago. Making his first start over jumps.
11. **HELOMIE** - Unseated the rider in a 3900m hurdle at Saint-Malo on hurdles debut in August. Stable had their first winner at this track recently.
12. **HALA MOME** - Held 8L fifth over 2700m at Les Sables-d'Olonne 37 days ago. Successful twice prior to that however. Noted on hurdling debut.
13. **HASSOUANNE** - Held in all three flat starts. Others make more appeal.

Summary: HOURRA HOURRA (6) can debut over jumps with a victory following a 2.75L fourth in a 2600m contest at Mauron. HURRYUP DU GRANVAL (3) makes the shortlist. Finished 4.5L fourth over 3000m at Paray-le-Monial. HITADOR (1) enters calculations having placed second when beaten 5L in a 3700m hurdle at Le Lion-d'Angers. HALA MOME (12) is another to consider. Registered two victories from four outings on the flat.

Selections

HOURRA HOURRA (6) - HURRYUP DU GRANVAL (3) - HITADOR (1) - HALA MOME (12)
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Race 8 - PRIX DE RICHEBOURG - 3900m HCP HDLE. Purse EUR €22,000.

1. **CHARMINO** - Good 2L third in a 4400m handicap chase at Auteuil four weeks ago. Races off a 4kg lower mark in this event.
2. **BRIC** - Pulled up in the Listed Prix Predicateur handicap hurdle over 3900m at Auteuil in March. Likely to improve for the run.
3. **GASTIBELZA** - Victorious by 1.5L in a 4100m chase at Lyon-Parilly just over three weeks ago. Strong claims.
4. **APOLLO CREED** - 61L eleventh in a 3900m handicap hurdle at Auteuil in May. Others make more appeal.
5. **ZAD TO SEA** - Held 16L fifth in a 3800m hurdle at Dax just under a month ago. Minor role likely.
6. **PROMESSE D'UN SOIR** - Fourth beaten 5L in a handicap chase over 3700m at Craon nine days ago. One to note.
7. **EDEN DE VEGUY** - Fair 18L fourth in a 4000m handicap chase at Le Lion-d'Angers in August. Looking for a first victory over hurdles.
8. **PLATE BANDE** - Held 53L seventh in a 3800m hurdle at Jarnac first up. Step forward needed.
9. **LA GIRL** - Faller in a 3400m hurdle at Craon ten days ago. Others preferred.
10. **LYON CLERMONT** - Returning from a break when 9.5L fourth in a 3900m handicap hurdle at Bordeaux sixteen days ago. Poor wins/runs record.
11. **ZAPOROGUE** - Fair 9.5L fourth over 3800m in a Compiegne handicap hurdle last week. Likely to find a few too good.

Summary: CHARMINO (1) is a multiple winner over fences. Can take advantage of his lower hurdle mark following a 2L third in a 4400m handicap chase at Auteuil. GASTIBELZA (3) won by 1.5L in a 4100m chase at Lyon-Parilly. May deliver another big effort. EDEN DE VEGUY (7) makes the shortlist having finished fourth in a 4000m handicap chase at Le Lion-d'Angers. PROMESSE D'UN SOIR (6) holds claims on the back of a 5L fourth in a 3700m handicap chase at Craon.

Selections

CHARMINO (1) - GASTIBELZA (3) - EDEN DE VEGUY (7) - PROMESSE D'UN SOIR (6)