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Race 1

1. **KAP ETOILE** - 11L fifth in a 3600m hurdle at Agen (good) when debuting in October. Improvement needed.

2. **FIRA** - Victorious by 6L in a 2300m conditions race at Tarbes (soft) six weeks ago. Bold show expected on hurdling debut.

3. AURKA - Unraced Kap Rock filly. Interesting.

4. **LINE DE VERDUN** - Decent efforts both starts to date including 10L fourth in a 3600m hurdle at Agen (good) in October. Notable runner.

5. **MORGOSE DE LARACHI** - Victorious by 3L in a 3600m hurdle at Agen (good) three weeks ago. Leading contender.

6. **HEGOAK DU PILLET** - 6L third in a 2300m conditions race at Tarbes (soft) in October. One to note.

7. **LIGEIA** - Improved on debut effort when 3L second in a 3600m hurdle at Agen (good) last month. Strong claims.

Summary

FIRA (2) impressed scoring by 6L a 2300m conditions race at Tarbes. May play a leading role on initial jumps outing. MORGOSE DE LARACHI (5) secures top jockey having won by 3L on hurdling debut at Agen. In the mix. LIGEIA (7) enters equations having placed 3L second in that Agen good ground hurdle contest. LINE DE VERDUN (4) came home 10L fourth at Agen. Each-way claims.

Selections

FIRA (2) - MORGOSE DE LARACHI (5) - LIGEIA (7) - LINE DE VERDUN (4)

1. **SOL BLADE** - Five time winner including in a 3000m Flat race at Toulouse (soft) last month. Strong claims.

2. **HABIBI LINN** - Good 2L third in a heavy ground 3600m hurdle at Compiegne (heavy) start of last month. Leading contender.

3. **ZOFFANY BAY** - Winner of two of his last three starts including a claiming hurdle by 6L over 3550m at Fontainebleau (soft) end of October. Interesting.

4. **AJAS** - Head second in the G2 4900m Grand Steeple-Chase de Compiegne at Compiegne (heavy) five weeks ago. Hard to beat.

5. **OTCHOA ROUGE** - Returning from over 11 months off when 26L sixth in a 4100m hurdle at Moulins (soft) five weeks ago. Improvement required.

6. **TEXARD** - Successful by 2L in a 3850m chase at Fontainebleau (soft) start of last month. Notable runner.

7. **FONTANNES** - 6L fourth in a 3800m hurdle at Fontainebleau (soft) last month. Interesting.

8. **WIN ON SUNDAY** - Held 17L fifth in the Listed Prix Bernard de Dufau chase over 4600m on soft ground here at the start of January. Likely to improve for the run.

Summary

AJAS (4) demonstrated good form when a head second in the G2 4900m Grand Steeple-Chase de Compienge on heavy going at Compiegne. May prove hard to beat returning to hurdles. SOL BLADE (1) won his last six starts including by 1L in a 3000m flat race at Toulouse. Include. HABIBI LINN (2) is considered following a 2L third in a 3600m hurdle at Compiegne. ZOFFANY BAY (3) is another of interest having won by 6L among claiming company over 3550m hurdle at Fontainebleau.

Selections

AJAS (4) - SOL BLADE (1) - HABIBI LINN (2) - ZOFFANY BAY (3)

1. **EL TAKTIKO** - Held 18L fifth in a 3400m hurdle at Nancy (soft) three weeks ago. Likely capable of better.

2. **HETRE ROUGE** - Pulled up in a 3500m hurdle at Auteuil (soft-to-heavy) in October. Others preferred.

3. **HORSE MAHA** - Victorious by 2L in a 3500m hurdle at Toulouse (soft-to-heavy) penultimate start. Of interest despite 27L ninth over 3400m at Clairefontaine subsequently.

4. **HARDEQARDE** - 23L sixth in a 2200m conditions race at Angers (soft) in June. Others hold more obvious claims.

5. **HYALIN DE KERZA** - DQ in a 3400m hurdle at Nancy last month. Interesting.

6. **MIX ANGEL** - Faded having raced prominently when 20L seventh in a 3400m hurdle at Compiegne (heavy) last month. Others preferred.

7. **FIERE DE TOI** - Victorious at Moulins in September and ran well 9L fourth over 3400m at Compiegne (heavy) on subsequent start. Strong claims.

8. **GAMPARK** - 43L eighth in a 2500m maiden at Agen (good) last month. Others hold more obvious claims.

9. **HARMONIE DE COTTE** - Placed at Moulins on debut in June but 15L fifth over 3100m at Nantes (heavy) last month on since. Interesting.

10. **LADY HANWELL** - Returning from a break when 51L fifth in a 3400m hurdle at Compiegne (soft-to-heavy) end of September. Best watched.

Summary

FIERE DE TOI (7) came home 9L fourth in a 3400m hurdle at Compiegne. Could have a hand in the finish. HORSE MAHA (3) is noted after winning a 3500m hurdle at Toulouse on penultimate outing. In the mix. HARMONIE DE COTTE (9) placed making debut at Moulins. Consider despite a below par 15L fifth over 3100m hurdle at Nantes since. EL TAKTIKO (1) holds each-way claim on the back of 18L fifth in a 3400m hurdle at Nancy.

Selections
FIERE DE TOI (7) - HORSE MAHA (3) - HARMONIE DE COTTE (9) - EL TAKTIKO
(1)

1. **UNIKETAT** - Three time winner over 4100m here earlier this year. Notable runner on first start since 39L fourth in a 3800m hurdle at this track in October.

2. **DENSOVENT** - Good 1L second in a 3500m cross-country event at Saumur (soft) in October. Interesting contender.

3. **BOMARI** - Victorious by 4L in the Listed Prix Super U Craon over 6000m at Craon (soft) in September. Notable runner on first start at this venue.

4. **BLASON D'OR** - Faller in a 4600m cross-country race on yielding going at Montde-Marsan in March. Bold show expected on return.

5. **ELEGANT STAR** - Winner of five of her last six starts including over course and distance on heavy ground in January. Hard to beat.

6. **NET LADY** - Good 6L third in the Listed Grand Cross de Pau Reverdy over 6300m on soft ground here in February. Interesting contender.

7. **DUNQUIN** - Successful by 2L in a 4200m cross-country race on good ground at Agen last month. This looks tougher.

8. **DEAUSEILLE** - Given a break since a 4L second in the Listed Prix Super U Craon over 6000m at Craon (soft) in early September. One to note.

9. **DYAMS D'ANJOU** - 10L second in a 4100m cross-country race on soft-to-heavy ground here in February. Looks up against it.

Summary

ELEGANT STAR (5) completed a hat-trick by 6L in a 4600m contest on heavy going. May prove hard to beat on reappearance. BLASON D'OR (4) fell at Mont-de-Marsan over 4600m in March. Could have a hand in the finish returning from a break. NET LADY (6) is a regular at this circuit. Ran 6L third in the 6300m Listed Grand Cross de Pau Reverdy on soft ground here in February. Shortlist. UNIKETAT (1) also enters equations back in his preferred discipline following 39L fourth in a 3800m hurdle at this venue.

Selections

ELEGANT STAR (5) - BLASON D'OR (4) - NET LADY (6) - UNIKETAT (1)

1. **CAROUBIER** - Put a below par effort behind when 11L second in a 3800m chase at Nantes (soft) in October. Top chance.

2. **GARFIELD** - Below par 37L sixth in the Listed Prix James Hennessy (soft) at Compiegne in June. Strong claims on return.

3. **GINO DES DUNES** - Victorious by 7L in a 3200m conditions Flat race at Saumur (soft) four weeks ago. Interesting on return to fences.

4. **GYALCO** - Decent effort 2L second in a 4250m chase at Argentan (soft) last month. This looks tougher.

5. **TIGRETTE** - Winner of her last three completed starts including by 7L in a 3900m hurdle at Nantes (soft) last month. Interesting.

6. **TARA STORM** - Held 32L sixth in a 4400m chase at Auteuil (soft-to-heavy) two weeks ago. Best watched.

7. **GAIA DE SARTI** - Faller on two of her last three starts including in a 3800m chase at Mont-de-Marsan (good) 27 days ago. Minor role likely.

8. **PERPETUEL MOVMENT** - Off the track since winning by a neck in a 3500m hurdle on soft ground here in January. One to note.

Summary

CAROUBIER (1) put a below par effort behind when 11L second in a 3800m chase at Nantes. May play a part in the finish. GINO DES DUNES (3) impressed when winning by 7L over 3200m flat race at Saumur. Shortlist back over fences. GARFIELD (2) warrants consideration down in grade on return following 37L sixth in the Listed 3800m Prix James Hennessy at Compiegne. PERPETUEL MOVMENT (8) is another of interest having won by a neck in a 3500m hurdle on soft ground here in January.

Selections

CAROUBIER (1) - GINO DES DUNES (3) - GARFIELD (2) - PERPETUEL MOVMENT (8)

1. **SUMMERTIME BREEZE** - 45L last of 13 in a 2300m handicap at Dax (yielding) end of August. Minor role likely on hurdling debut.

2. **OEUVRE DU MAITRE** - Unraced Fuisse filly. Interesting.

3. **DONNEMOI DES AILES** - Unraced Gentlewave filly. Represents a leading stable on debut.

4. HONEY WOLF - Unraced Pether's Moon filly. Strong claims.

5. **HOHICE** - Held 15L eighth in a 2400m conditions race at Paray-le-Monial (yielding) six weeks ago. Others preferred.

6. **JOLY HERITIERE** - Unraced Network filly. One to note.

7. GARDE KAP - Unraced Kapgarde filly. Bold show expected for a top yard.

8. HOLLA CONTI - No Risk At All filly on first outing. Notable runner.

9. HIMALAYAS - Unraced Kamsin filly. Likely to improve for the experience.

10. **AERIENNE** - Held 12L ninth in a 2500m maiden at Agen (soft) when debuting two months ago. Others preferred.

11. KOLINA HAS - Unraced Saint des Saints filly. Represents a top stable.

12. BABY QUEEN - Unraced Masked Marvel filly. Interesting.

13. **STORMICAYA** - By Alex The Winner. Three year old filly on debut. Others make more appeal.

Summary

Pether's Moon filly HONEY WOLF (4) looks the pick of her leading trainers runners based on jockey bookings. Set to make a winning debut. GARDE KAP (7) is a Kapgarde filly. Makes appeal on her first start for a top stable. Include. Yet to race No Risk At All filly HOLLA CONTI (8) is considered for the win. KOLINA HAS (11) is another to hail from a leading stable. Claims on making her first racecourse appearance a winning one.

Selections

HONEY WOLF (4) - GARDE KAP (7) - HOLLA CONTI (8) - KOLINA HAS (11)

1. **TOURMALET** - Nose second in a 3500m hurdle at Strasbourg (soft) in October last year. Notable runner.

2. **JOLY AND BACH** - Completed a double when winning by 2L in a 3500m hurdle at Strasbourg (soft) last month. Interesting contender.

3. **SUPER FLAM** - Faded when 9L sixth in a 3900m handicap hurdle at Auteuil (soft-to-heavy) 20 days ago. Others preferred.

4. **SLOW BLUES** - Toulouse winner in October but pulled up in a 3600m hurdle at Compiegne (heavy) five weeks ago. Needs to leave that latest effort behind.

5. **DELAVO** - Good 4L third in a 4000m chase at Paray-le-Monial (soft) start of March. Interesting.

6. **LADY PIRATE** - Pulled up in a 3500m hurdle at Auteuil (soft-to-heavy) two weeks ago. More needed.

7. **DOM PRESTIGE** - Unseated rider in a 3600m hurdle at Compiegne (heavy) last month. Step forward required.

8. **CAPODIMONTE** - Unseated rider early on in a 3700m hurdle at Le Lion-d'Angers (soft) in June. Others preferred.

9. **RELIABLE SON** - Strong claims on hurdling debut following 14L fourth in the Listed Grand Prix de Nantes over 2400m at Nantes (soft) six weeks ago.

10. JAAYIZ - 3L fifth in a 1650m claimer at Amiens (soft) in October. Others preferred.

11. **NEW SANTA** - Unraced Saint des Saints filly. Notable runner for a leading stable.

Summary

RELIABLE SON (9) showed good flat form when 14L fourth in the Listed Grand Prix de Nantes over 2400m at Nantes. May play a hand in the finish on hurdle debut. Saint des Saints filly NEW SANTA (11) hails from a top stable. Shortlist first outing. JOLY AND BACH (2) enters equations as he seeks a hat-trick after taking a 3500m hurdle at Strasbourg by 2L. TOURMALET (1) started odds-on when beaten a nose in a 3500m hurdle at Strasbourg in October last year. Consider making reappearance.

Selections

RELIABLE SON (9) - NEW SANTA (11) - JOLY AND BACH (2) - TOURMALET (1)

1. **DEFI MAJEUR** - Faller in the Listed Prix Wild Risk over 3800m at Compiegne (soft) in June. Interesting.

2. **LAFAYETTE** - Neck second in a 3600m chase at Fontainebleau (soft) end of October. Bold show expected.

3. **TELENOMIE** - Veteran campaigner beaten 19L fifth in a 4200m handicap chase at Toulouse (yielding) a month ago. More needed.

4. **DINO DES ONGRAIS** - Decent effort 13L second in a 3800 chase at Mont-de-Marsan (good) last month. One to note.

5. **BAZILLE** - 8L fourth in a 3900m hurdle at Nimes (good) just under two weeks ago. Others preferred.

6. **EMIR DES PLACES** - Returning from over 15 months off when falling in a 3800m chase at Mont-de-Marsan (good) last month. Strong claims.

7. **EL MARTEL** - Successful by 2L in a 4200m chase at Saint-Brieuc (heavy) last month. Notable runner.

8. **SKYLIMIT DEHOUELLE** - Held 30L third in a 3900m hurdle at Pompadour (good) in August. Others make more appeal.

9. **DANSILI PRINCE** - Successful by 8L in a 4000m chase at Durtal (heavy) start of last month. Interesting contender.

10. **DEO GRATIAS** - Improved effort 6L second in a 4200m handicap chase at Toulouse (yielding) early last month. Interesting receiving weight from her rivals.

Summary

LAFAYETTE (2) may play a leading role on first start here having been beaten a neck when runner-up in a 3600m chase at Fontainebleau. EL MARTEL (7) is another to consider having won by 2L over 4200m chase at Saint-Brieuc. EMIR DES PLACES (6) fell in a 3800m chase at Mont-de-Marsan. Shortlist with better expected second up. DEO GRATIAS (10) is another to consider after 6L second to a subsequent listed winner over 4200m handicap chase at Toulouse.

Selections

LAFAYETTE (2) - EL MARTEL (7) - EMIR DES PLACES (6) - DEO GRATIAS (10)