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R1 Longchamp [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE LA SEINE - 2200m (a1 3/8m) - TURF - Condition Race -
Listed - Flat - EUR € 55.000**

1. KHAHIRA - Consistent for the most part but is more effective at a lower level and has it all to do here. Others preferred

2. LOUVE STORY - Improving last-start winner who could prove up to the task of this steep rise in class. Should have more to offer stretching out over this trip, so has claims

3. A MINARDIERE - Improved with blinkers on to win over 2200m last time but will need to eke out more to be competitive here. Outsider

4. IZNIK - Progressive filly with solid form credentials. Beaten for the first time this season when 4th at Group III level last month and can get back to winning ways here

5. ENGALIWE - Has made smart progress on the PSF this term, winning consecutive handicap starts on that surface recently. Must confirm back on the turf

6. ADELIADÉ - Finished well to take 3rd on her reappearance at Saint-Cloud and is likely to be even better going up in trip. Has a role to play

7. PRECIOUS SEA - Shone at this level last year as a juvenile and is open to improvement this term. Must not be discounted on her reappearance

Summary : A competitive Listed race to get things started. IZNIK (4) tasted defeat for the first time in three starts this year when 4th in a Group III last month but can recapture the winning thread here given this slight ease in grade. Improving last-start winner LOUVE STORY (2) jumps in class but could pose a threat with further progress, which can also be said of ADELIADÉ (6) after an encouraging comeback outing. PRECIOUS SEA (7) makes her belated reappearance but cannot be discounted either. Good race!

SELECTIONS

IZNIK (4) - LOUVE STORY (2) - ADELIADÉ (6) - PRECIOUS SEA (7)

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C2 - PRIX D'HEDOUVILLE - 2400m (a1 1/2m) - TURF - Group 3 - Group - Flat - EUR € 80.000

1. HAYA ZARK - Continues to blow hot and cold but is proven at this level and has the form to be involved. On the shortlist

2. MUTABAHI - Runner-up on the PSF in his only start this year but has been absent that January outing, so has a few questions to answer

3. GALASHIELS - Finished 5th in a Listed race over this course and distance on his reappearance. Would've tightened up since so should have more to offer

4. OR GRIS - Reassuring 4th in a Listed race over this track and trip last time. Will need to confirm that improvement to have a say here

5. KERTEZ - Consistent performer who has finished a pleasing 3rd in both comeback outings this year. Will play a leading role

6. KNOW THYSELF - Progressive last-start winner over this trip. Gets weight from her male rivals so could give them something to fear

Summary : A small but quality field engaged in this Group III contest from which consistent KERTEZ (5) could emerge victorious at the expense of HAYA ZARK (1) and GALASHIELS (3) who are likely to be right in the fight. The only filly in the race KNOW THYSELF (6) is on the up and is capable of making her presence felt too after a winning reappearance over this trip last month. Good race!

SELECTIONS

KERTEZ (5) - HAYA ZARK (1) - GALASHIELS (3) - KNOW THYSELF (6)

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C3 - BIG 5 - PRIX DES EPINETTES - 2100m (a1 5/16m) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Flat - EUR € 55.000

- 1. KOVANOF** - Well-bred, progressive colt who opened his account in a handicap over course and distance in his last start. More to come
- 2. GOGUEN SPAISE** - Consistent colt with solid form references on the fibresand. Is probably better on that surface but not incapable of staking a claim back on the turf
- 3. HAPTICS** - At the top of his game at present and was last seen when finishing 2nd in a good Class 1 race. Unexposed in handicaps, so could spring a suprise
- 4. SWISS MONEY** - Not disgraced in his first start on the turf when 6th in good company and has the profile to play a role on his handicap debut. No forlorn hope
- 5. MAGELLAN** - Has turned the corner this year, winning consecutive handicap races recently after finishing 2nd on his reappearance. Up 8kg as a result, so has more of a place chance than a winning one
- 6. MOWGLI** - Capable colt who has finished on the podium in both starts this year after joining Laura Vanska and could do so again here. Not taken lightly
- 7. KLIFF BERE** - Consistent for the most part and did finish 3rd in one of the reference races leading up to this. Would need very soft ground to be seen at his full potential
- 8. BLAS** - Made a very good start to life in the handicaps when 2nd at Marseille-Borely last time. Takes on a lot stronger here so will need to raise his game
- 9. SPLENDINO** - Improving last-start winner who could well prove better than rated. Makes his first start in a handicap and on turf but is best kept safe
- 10. AZKA** - Consistent with blinkers fitted, has caught the eye in 2 comeback starts and could be leniently treated at the weights on handicap debut. Has claims
- 11. GRECIAN BONANZA** - Useful colt with a good turn of foot, which he produced to finish 4th over course and distance last time. Can get into the picture here
- 12. HIALEAH** - Made a very good impression when winning a handicap on the turf last time, so much so that she could defy a 4kg penalty and wide draw to win again. Include
- 13. ATTO DI FEDE** - Absent since winning on the PSF at Pornichet in February and looks up it against here on his handicap debut back on the turf. Watch for now
- 14. MONTGAUDRY** - Showed encouraging signs of improvement at Evreux last time and with further progress could get a look in here. Place chance
- 15. L'IBANETA** - Gelded during the off-season, has returned to finish 2nd in both comeback runs this year. Will enjoy a soft track so could have a say
- 16. COLADA FIRST** -

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Summary : HIALEAH (12) made a winning handicap debut in her first start on the turf at Chantilly last time and is good value to follow up here despite a 4kg penalty and her wide No 16 draw. KOVANOF (1) will have his followers too after winning a course-and-distance handicap recently and a 3,5kg penalty is unlikely to prevent him from playing a leading role once more. Improving SPLENDINO (9) is another last-start scorer with solid claims here and makes the trip to the South-East with legitimate ambitions. AZKA (10) has the form and experience to warrant inclusion, as does GRECIAN BONANZA (11) who could enjoy the run of the race from a favourable inside gate. MOWGLI (6), L'IBANETA (15) and GOGUEN SPAISE (2) are worth a mention and capable of having a say.

SELECTIONS

HIALEAH (12) - KOVANOF (1) - SPLENDINO (9) - AZKA (10)

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C4 - BIG 5 - PRIX GOLD RIVER - FONDS EUROPEEN DE L'ELEVAGE - 2800m (a1 3/4m) - TURF - Condition Race - Listed - Flat - EUR € 48.000

- 1. MELO MELO** - Progressive filly who was supplemented for this engagement. Has claims back against her own sex
- 2. LASTOTCHKA** - Won a Listed race at Deauville over this trip last year. Undoubtedly capable but has fitness concerns following a lengthy absence
- 3. FLYINGBEAUTY** - Finished a reassuring 2nd last time in her second run back this year but will need to raise her game to get a look in here
- 4. SEA THE SKY** - Open to improvement after a much-needed comeback run but will need to do so to get into the picture here
- 5. AUDE** - Unreliable sort but is not incapable of staking a claim in a race of this nature. Dark horse
- 6. URBAN ARTIST** - Not disgraced on her reappearance in a strong race at Goodwood. Can make her presence felt
- 7. CALLIEPIE** - Without a win after 5 starts and unlikely to open her account in this grade. Place chance at best
- 8. GALIFA** - Made a winning reappearance over 2500m at Evreux and could improve to play a role over this trip. Outside chance
- 9. LA MEHANA** - Made a promising comeback over a shorter trip and will have more to offer over this distance. Leading player

Summary : After an encouraging comeback run over an inadequate trip, it could pay to follow the progress of LA MEHANA (9) who should have more to offer over this longer distance and with improved fitness on her side. LASTOTCHKA (2) has fitness concerns on her return after a 7-month absence but boasts solid form references and may have also improved over the winter, so could be up for the fight. UK raider URBAN ARTIST (6) and progressive MELO MELO (1) appeal most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

LA MEHANA (9) - LASTOTCHKA (2) - URBAN ARTIST (6) - MELO MELO (1)

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C5 - BIG 5 - PRIX DE L'ATHENEE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Condition Race - Class 2 - Flat - EUR € 27.000

- 1. WE RIDE THE WORLD** - A consistent and versatile veteran who is capable of staking a claim under a 1,5kg claimer. Dark horse
- 2. AXDAVALI** - Consistent performer with solid form references and race fitness on his side. Will be competitive
- 3. MY FANCY** - Holding his form well and is likely to appreciate cutting back in distance. Can get involved
- 4. PEACE WARRIOR** - German colt who finished 2nd over 1600m in his first start on French soil back in May last year. One to note
- 5. EARLY LIGHT** - Consistent for the most part but is probably more effective on the PSF at a lower level. Others preferred
- 6. AMEDRAS** - Did not go unnoticed when finishing 3rd at Fontainebleau last time. Can get into the picture
- 7. CELESTIN** - Unreliable but is quite capable of playing a role in a race of this nature. Respect
- 8. NOW WE KNOW** - Ended 2022 with back-to-back wins and is open to any amount of improvement after the winter break. Respected on his reappearance
- 9. TOPGEAR** - Preserved his unbeaten record when winning on his reappearance over 1400m. Could have more to offer going a mile
- 10. RESHABAR** - Undeniably capable and open to improvement after a comeback outing on the PSF. Could surprise
- 11. LIKE MAGIC** - Has nothing noteworthy to his name and can be ruled out. Hard to make a case for

Summary : Unbeaten TOPGEAR (9) has been impressive in winning 4 starts from 1200m to 1400m and it could pay to follow his progress as he could have more to offer going a mile. He may, however, need to do so as AXDAVALI (2) and MY FANCY (3) are likely to mount a serious winning challenge. The returning NOW WE KNOW (8) is of particular interest too and cannot be underestimated.

SELECTIONS

TOPGEAR (9) - AXDAVALI (2) - MY FANCY (3) - NOW WE KNOW (8)

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C6 - BIG 5 - PRIX DE LA GRANGE BATELIERE - 2400m (a1 1/2m) - TURF - Handicap - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 30.000

- 1. NEED YOU TONIGHT** - Consistent filly, claimed by these connections after finishing 4th in a claiming race last time. Outside chance now in a handicap
- 2. ANAMANDA** - Improved to open her account at Chantilly last time and could defy the penalty with further progress. Can follow up
- 3. OLYMPIC DREAM** - Has rediscovered her form lately and ought to give another competitive account with hr rider taking 1,5kg off the back
- 4. GEORGIA** - Honest mare, consistent for the most part but at a lower level where she is most effective. Faces a tough task here
- 5. STORMY NIGHT** - Unreliable but capable mare who could get into the picture in a race like this. Dark horse
- 6. FULL FLOW** - Unreliable but undeniably capable mare who seldom finishes far off the mark. Could surprise
- 7. JANNINA** - Has improved with every outing and could play a minor role here with further progress. Place chance
- 8. JOLYMPA** - Capable but inconsistent filly who pops up on occasion but cannot be backed with any confidence. For lovers of outsiders
- 9. PRINCESS ANNE** - In-form mare who finished 2nd last time after making a winning start to the year. Should have a role to play
- 10. KILIA** - Consistent filly who is closely matched with the selection on the form of a recent meeting. Will be competitive on these terms

Summary : ANAMANDA (2) got the better of KILIA (10) at Chantilly recently and should confirm her superiority. PRINCESS ANNE (9) is capable of posing a bigger threat. OLYMPIC DREAM (3) caught the eye last time and could get in on the action with a repeat of that performance. Entrusted to Maxime Guyon for the first time, STORMY NIGHT (5) could show signs of improvement to play a minor role.

SELECTIONS

ANAMANDA (2) - PRINCESS ANNE (9) - KILIA (10) - OLYMPIC DREAM (3)

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C7 - PRIX DES BATIGNOLLES - 2100m (a1 5/16m) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Flat - EUR € 28.000

- 1. FIRST NIGHT** - Improved effort when 3rd in his first start on the turf last time. Could have more to give on his handicap debut
- 2. DSCHINGIS VOYAGE** - Finished 4th in a handicap over this track and trip recently. Should have a role to play here on that form
- 3. KING OF MEADOWS** - Finished 3rd in his last 3 starts, including a handicap on the PSF last time, and could confirm back on the turf. Dark horse
- 4. HOLLY COLOUR** - Won a handicap on the PSF recently but is most effective on that surface and unlikely to follow up here. Outsider
- 5. WHITE GLORY** - Has shown signs of improvement recently in 2 starts on the turf over 2400m. Could surprise in a handicap for the first time
- 6. ZILRAK** - Has shown encouraging signs of improvement in recent starts and ought to get have a say here with further progress. Chance
- 7. DE QUEVEDO** - Caught the eye at Evreux last time and was subsequently supplemented to participate in his first handicap. Warrants respect
- 8. BRAMESHOT** - Seldom far off the mark but remains winless and is unlikely to change his ways here. Not for now
- 9. MORHIB** - Blows hot and cold but is more than capable of making his presence felt in a race of this nature. Keep safe
- 10. BANDASTAR** - Has nothing noteworthy to his name so can be ruled out here. Hard to make a case for

Summary : DSCHINGIS VOYAGE (2) showed, when 4th in a handicap over this course and distance recently, that he has what it takes to win a race of this nature. He gets the nod ahead of DE QUEVEDO (7), who runs for new connections in a handicap for the first time, and MORHIB (9) who could have more to offer after a pleasing first start on turf. Of the remainder, ZILRAK (6) appeals most and could be a fun bet.

SELECTIONS

DSCHINGIS VOYAGE (2) - DE QUEVEDO (7) - MORHIB (9) - ZILRAK (6)

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C8 - BIG 5 - PRIX DU PETIT MONTROUGE - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 21.000

1. **HARIQ** - In good form and beat a stronger field when winning last time, so could follow up. One to beat
2. **GAMECHANGER** - Has proved his competitiveness at this value in the handicap and ought to be involved again. Include
3. **EQUILLY** - Caught the eye when a staying-on 3rd in her seasonal comeback. Should have more to offer
4. **DUX** - Seldom far off the mark and dangerous to ignore at this level in handicap/ratings. Dark horse
5. **POET'S BLACK** - Consistent for the most part but is probably more effective on the fibresand. Outside chance
6. **FREE BREATH** - Has won on both surfaces this year but at a slightly lower level. Unplaced in a handicap off this mark last time and likely to struggle again
7. **SOGYNT** - Consistent for the most part but more effective on the fibresand recently. Others preferred
8. **KALAMAZOO RIVER** - Inconsistent mare who continues to blow hot and cold. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
9. **WINGS OF FIRE** - Versatile and consistent sort who has been holding form at this level. Was 5th on his comeback and is open to improvement back n the turf
10. **BUSINESS PLAN** - Up in the weights after winning two of her last three starts. Will need to raise her game a little more
11. **FLIGHT DE JUILLEY** - Unreliable sort but is quite capable of staking a claim in a race of this nature. Could surprise
12. **MANX** - Struggled on his reappearance and while open to improvement is best watched for now. Others preferred
13. **LIBRE** - Undeniably capable but has gone off the boil in recent start on both surfaces. Must reaffirm
14. **CASHFORPASSOVER** - Not himself when finishing 8th last time but would have every chance here if bouncing back to his earlier form. Not written off just yet
15. **GRAZANO** - Unreliable sort but is quite capable of staking a claim in a race of this nature. Has a minor role

Summary : HARIQ (1) continues to improve and is taken to follow up here having dominated a decent field at La Teste last time. His main dangers are consistent stablemate GAMECHANGER (2) and the filly EQUILLY (3), who caught the eye when 3rd on her belated reappearance. CASHFORPASSOVER (14) will benefit from the services of Christophe Soumillon in the saddle so could bounce back to form and play a role in the finish.

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HARIQ (1) - GAMECHANGER (2) - EQUILLY (3) - CASHFORPASSOVER (14)

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C9 - PRIX DU PARC DE MONTSOURIS - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 19.000

- 1. SADARAK** - He is on a very long losing streak but is in good form at the moment and has a winning chance
- 2. SOTOUN** - Well beaten in his only run of 2023. Was poor in 2022 as well so others are much preferred
- 3. MAYDANA** - Fit and she was not disgraced when fourth last time out. Has scope for improvement and can upset
- 4. AIGLE TEEN** - He has struggled in all his runs since returning from a lengthy break and needs major improvement to win
- 5. APRIL STEP** - She was not disgraced last time out and could have more to offer over this longer distance. Respect
- 6. MON DOUDOU** - He probably needed his only start of this year and is also using this as preparation for a return to jumping. Others are preferred
- 7. HYSTERIQUE** - She has been mostly moderate of late and she needs to find a few lengths to win this race
- 8. LADY MAG** - Returned to form with a good win last time out. Carries a 2kg penalty for that win but can follow-up
- 9. MR POL** - He was well beaten in all his four starts of 2022 and is likely to need this run returning from a break
- 10. ANONYME** - He is probably better on the PSF but has been disappointing of late so could appreciate a run on the turf. Watch
- 11. AHMED PRIDE** - He has not won in some time now but did show improvement when third last time out and has a place chance
- 12. MINNEHAHA** - She has been struggling in these handicaps for some time now and needs to do more to win. Might place
- 13. ALMAZORA** - She has been on a very long losing streak but is in good form and can contest the finish once again
- 14. TENDER WINNER** - He has struggled in his three starts of this year and he does need major improvement to win this race
- 15. ROUGE A SANG** - Fit and has been running well off current mark so should have a winning chance in this line-up

Summary : A very weak race and many hold a winning hope. SADARAK (1) knows how to win but has not form some time now but is in good form and can win this. APRIL STEP (5) could be the vast improver over this distance. LADY MAG (8) carries a penalty for the last win but can follow-up if in the same mood. ALMAZORA (13) is in good form and cannot be dismissed away easily.

SELECTIONS

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SADARAK (1) - APRIL STEP (5) - LADY MAG (8) - ALMAZORA (13)