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R1 LYON-PARILLY [L-H]

**C1 - FESTIVAL YGGDRASIL - PRIX DU CERCLE DE L'UNION - 2000m
(a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 4 Claiming Handicap - Flat - EUR € 12,500**

1. LEPARD - Ran 2nd in a Claimer over 2000m at Nancy on 26 April. He was well beaten but he is in good form and is the top rated runner in the field

2. MUNGASHA - Finished 8th in a Claimer over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux on 2 May. Not always the most reliable runner but he should manage the softer ground

3. MORSAN - A moderate 7th in a Handicap over this course and distance on 29 April. Will do better dropping in class

4. WHAT DO YOU SAY - A poor 13th in a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 30 December. Form has been poor and he is best overlooked

5. BLANCHE SACREE - Finished 7th in a Handicap over 2600m at Marseille Vivaux on 16 December. Another returning from a break and could need the run

6. LA SAUZEE - A decent 3rd in a Conditions race over 2200m at Fontainebleau on 11 April. She ran on strongly and looks well weighted

7. OLYA - Disappointed when 7th in a Claimer over 2100m at ParisLongchamp on 30 April. She may not have enjoyed the good ground but is better than that run

8. CLAIR DE LUNE - A poor 9th in a Claimer over 2500m at Deauville on 7 November. Coming back from a layoff and might benefit from the drop in trip racing fresh

Summary: LEPARD (1) has established a good record at this level and is currently in good form. Despite having to concede weight all round he should be good enough to win. LA SAUZEE (6) is also running well and should be competitive again, especially with Marie Velon up as the pair have established a good rapport. The last run of OLYA (7) should be overlooked and she will prefer the softer conditions. MUNGASHA (2) has ability but is not always reliable.

SELECTIONS

LEPARD (1) - LA SAUZEE (6) - OLYA (7) - MUNGASHA (2)

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C2 - VIVRE AUX ECLATS - PRIX GABRIEL GIRAUD - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 19,200

- 1. NARIMAN** - Ran 5th in a Gr3 over 1700m at Krefeld in Germany on 15 November. Tries further and it will be interesting to see how he performs in this
- 2. PORTAL** - Finished 5th in a Maiden over 1900m at Deauville on 5 November. Has been given time to develop and should come back stronger over the longer trip
- 3. TRIPLE SEPT** - A moderate 9th in a Conditions race over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 29 March. Never in that race on debut but he could improve trying the longer trip
- 4. KILLWINING** - A solid 5th in a Conditions race over 2100m at ParisLongchamp on 5 April. He was not beaten far in that debut run and must be taken seriously
- 5. LEDESMA** - A fast-finishing 3rd in a Maiden over this course and distance on 13 April. That was top run on debut and will benefit from Marie Velon's weight allowance
- 6. BOGLIASCO** - A poor 11th in a Maiden over 2400m at Saint-Cloud on 24 March. All four of his starts have been mediocre and he looks unlikely to threaten
- 7. TARDAR** - Finished 9th of 9 runners in a Conditions race over 2100m at ParisLongchamp on 5 April. That was a poor debut and he is best overlooked
- 8. NIGHTJAR** - A promising 3rd in a Conditions race over 2300m at Le Mans on 21 April. She fought on well on debut and should go close

Summary: LEDESMA (5) showed up well on debut when putting in a strong finish and should progress enough to win this. He will be aided by a weight allowance. NIGHTJAR (8) is another who showed up well when making her first appearance and should provide the selection with a strong challenge. KILLWINING (4) looked good in his debut run and was not far off the placed runners. PORTAL (2) showed little in his first two starts last year but should improve over this longer distance.

SELECTIONS

LEDESMA (5) - NIGHTJAR (8) - KILLWINING (4) - PORTAL (2)

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C3 - PRIX HUBERT BAGUENAUT DE PUCHESSE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 2 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 50,900

- 1. DIVIDE AND RULE** - A disappointing 12th in Handicap over 2000m at Saint-Cloud on 19 March. Winner of this race last year, she has not disappointed over this track and trip. At her rating she could battle to defend her title but won't go down without a fight
- 2. THOR LIGHTNING** - A runaway 4-length winner of a Conditions race over 1350m at this course on 23 April. The runner-up has gone on to win a Quinté+ and he will be suited to the soft track conditions
- 3. TASHANKA** - Finished 6th in a Handicap over 1600m at Toulouse on 19 April. His two wins this year sees him racing off a 41 rating and that could make life tough for him
- 4. RIASSOU** - Finished 7th in a Listed race over 1400m at ParisLongchamp on 23 April. She won her two previous races over this course and distance. Will need to prove herself at her current rating but cannot be ignored
- 5. CREW DRAGON** - An encouraging 6th in a Quinté+ over 1600m at Bordeaux Le Bouscat on 27 April. Was not beaten far in his first run in blinkers. Will battle off a wide draw but cannot be written off
- 6. EVERSTAR** - A mediocre 7th in a Handicap over 1600m at ParisLongchamp on 16 April. His best form is on sand but has run well on a soft turf track. Jumps from No 1 draw but will need to up his game to feature
- 7. HAZA** - Ran 4th in a Handicap over 1600m at Fontainebleau on 11 April. Has been running well recently but does take a jump in class. On a good day could place
- 8. ZIGGY STAR** - Was 7th in a Handicap over 2000m at Saint-Cloud on 29 March. He is at his best over this distance and has won at the course. Should contest the finish
- 9. ACTO** - A disappointing 13th in a Conditions race over 1800m at Compiègne on 25 April. He does not have much room to maneuver but will be suited to the track conditions and could provide some longshot value
- 10. SIR CRATER** - An unlucky 12th over 1600m at Bordeaux Le Bouscat on 27 April. Was caught up in an incident on the turn last time but did win his two previous starts. Has more to do but should be suited to track conditions
- 11. AQUITAIN** - Gutsy winner of a Handicap over 1600m at Fontainebleau on 11 April. Has placed in all of his races over the distance and can overcome the 2kg penalty for his last win
- 12. JOH SPIRIT** - A moderate 8th in a Conditions race over 2000m at Lyon Parilly on 29 April. She is a two-time Quinté+ winner and is now dropping in the weights but will need to improve markedly to feature
- 13. PASSINGSHOT** - A poor 12th in a Handicap over 1500m at Marseille Vivaux on 22 March. His form this season has been poor and looks unlikely to feature.
- 14. NOFIX** - Ran 7th in a Handicap over 1600m at Lyon Parilly on 13 April. Form this year has been moderate and he will need to improve to have any say in this race
- 15. WAPI** - A 1-length second in a Handicap over 1600m at ParisLongchamp on 16 April. He comes in with a light weight and should be competitive

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16. ZACAPO - A close-up 2nd in a Claimer over 1900m at Chantilly on 22 April. Looks highly competitive at his current rating and although he might prefer further, with a light weight and a decent enough draw he should contest the finish

Summary: This race has the potential to produce a thrilling finish but THOR LIGHTNING (2) could strike with a second successive win. He was most impressive in his last race and the runner-up has gone on to frank the form. RIASSOU (4) loves this track and trip and looks the main threat. ZIGGY STAR (8) will appreciate the drop in distance and has won at this course. AQUITAIN (11) has not finished outside the top four in all his starts over the distance. ZACAPO (16) should run well off a light weight.

SELECTIONS

THOR LIGHTNING (2) - RIASSOU (4) - ZIGGY STAR (8) - AQUITAIN (11)

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C4 - FORD BYMYCAR LYON - PRIX PIMPIN - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 19,200

1. **DAR ES SALAAM** - A promising 3rd in a Maiden over this course and distance on 15 March. He continues to improve and is now proven at this course
2. **SOURDEVAL** - A disappointing 7th in a Maiden over 1600m at Le Mans of 20 March. Was reported to be striding short by his jockey and that run is best ignored. Did well on debut earlier
3. **STRATOVULCANO** - Not beaten far when 6th in a Maiden over 2000m at Fontainebleau on 20 April. There should be room for improvement so keep safe
4. **MAGNUS** - A promising 2nd in a Maiden over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 17 April. Has finished runner-up in his last two starts against strong opposition so has high expectations
5. **HELLO ZAIN** - A well-beaten 8th in a Maiden over 1800m at Fontainebleau on 11 April. That was his first run and he could progress from that
6. **GRIBALINO** - A poor 9th in a Maiden over 2200m at Lyon Parilly on 29 March. Finished at the back of the field and cannot be followed
7. **AQUA ALLEGORIA** - A decent 4th in a Maiden over 2000m at Chatillon on 27 April. That was not a bad debut but is dropping in distance and has more to do this time
8. **CHAKILYAH** - A poor 11th in a Maiden over 1700m at Marseille Borely on 3 April. Jockey reported that she did not respond to his urgings but hopefully she will improve for the experience
9. **MADAME FAYETTE** - Finished 5th in a race over 1600m at Prague on 3 April. Makes her debut in France so will face a stern test
10. **BI BOISY** - Well beaten when 6th in a Conditions race over 1800m at Salon Provence on 16 April. Did not show much and looks unlikely to feature
11. **MOON BE STILL** - A moderate 8th in a Conditions race over 1400m at Lion D'Angers on 18 July. Comes back from a lengthy layoff and will need to prove herself
12. **MADAME MAGIC** - A promising 3rd in a Maiden over 1400m at Nancy on 26 April. Placed in a Listed race in Germany two runs earlier and should be competitive
13. **HADITOUNI** - Unraced 3yo gelding by Stunning Spirit out of Alamnzor mare Dressed To Kill trained by Patrice Cottier. Well-bred gelding whose granddam run 3rd in the Gr1 Diyakalanie Prix de Diane at Chantilly
14. **TABATA** - Unraced 3yo gelding by Toronado out of Soldier Hollow mare Pemina trained by Stefan Richter. Related to two Listed-placed runners
15. **ESPARTINAS** - Unraced 3yo filly by City Light out of Kingsalsa mare Real Maestranza trained by Flavie Bresson. Related to Listed winner Palpitator

Summary: Finished runner-up to Group 3-placed Lord Clover on debut, and although beaten 6.5 lengths MAGNUS (4) did run a good second in his next start and a win should not be far off. While disappointing in his second start, SOURDEVAL ran well enough on debut to have a winning chance. MADAME MAGIC (12) returned from a decent Listed 3rd place in Germany to run well at Nancy. STRATOVULCANO (3) was not beaten too far last time and could have more to come.

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SELECTIONS

MAGNUS (4) - SOURDEVAL (2) - MADAME MAGIC (12) - STRATOVULCANO (3)

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C5 - MUSTANG THERAPY - PRIX LAURENT DESCOURS - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Claiming - Flat - EUR € 11,500

- 1. LE DOC** - Finished second over 1500m at Marseille Pont de Vivaux in Claimer on 2 May. Is in a good space and merits healthy respect
- 2. ALINKA** - Finished fifth over 1400m at Nancy in Claimer on 26 April. Is inconsistent and chance on best form shown
- 3. VIDEO GAMES** - Finished sixth over 1400m at Nancy in Claimer on 26 April. Needs to produce best form to have a say
- 4. BARISTO** - Finished seventh over 1900m at La Teste-Bassin Arcachon in Class 2 Conditional on 1 April. First run in a claiming race and has a winning chance
- 5. EXTRAVAGANZA** - Finished seventh over 1600m at Lignieres in Conditional Maiden on 29 November 2025. Returns from a break and may need the outing
- 6. SHATIVA** - Finished behind LE DOC (1) when third over 1600m on this course in Claimer on 13 April. She may have to settle for the same result
- 7. HEAVEN'S STARKY** - Finished fourth over 1850m at Hyeres in Claimer on 25 April. Others have a stronger winning chance
- 8. MICHEL** - Finished unplaced over 1600m at Saint-Cloud in Handicap on 24 March. He has plenty of scope and can improve
- 9. CIELA** - Unraced daughter of City Light out of the Oasis Dream mare, Ciacona. The betting market will be the best guide with regards to her chances
- 10. MISS BEAR** - Finished sixth over 1400m at Chantilly in Claimer on 30 March. Is progressive but more is needed to win this
- 11. PULP FICTION** - Finished sixth over 2700m at Chatillon in Claimer on 27 April. Look elsewhere
- 12. LADY IN RED** - Finished fifth over 2125m at Wissembourg in Claimer on 12 April. She has scope but others are preferred

Summary: BARISTO (4) is making his claiming debut. He has fair form since his maiden win last September. Cristian Demuro rides from pole position, and he may be the one to beat. LE DOC (1) is in good form and will be wearing blinkers for the first time. He is a threat. SHATIVA (6) finished behind LE DOC (1) last time and may have to settle for the same result. ALINKA (2) is better than her recent form suggests. She won on this course last year and would not be a surprise winner.

SELECTIONS

BARISTO (4) - LE DOC (1) - SHATIVA (6) - ALINKA (2)

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C6 - FETE DE PRINTEMPS - PRIX FREDERIC DUGOUJON - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 25,900

1. **ROYAL SHAKE** - Finished unplaced over 1400m at Parislongchamp in Class 2 Handicap on 5 April. He will strip fitter and can improve
2. **CHIRIMIRI** - Is better than latest when unplaced over 1600m at Deauville in Class 3 Handicap on 8 April. Will enjoy the softer ground and chance on best form
3. **ROOFTOP** - Finished fifth over 1600m on this track in Class 3 Handicap on 13 April. Chance with luck in running
4. **LAURENT** - Finished unplaced over 1600m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 8 April. Is better than that effort and can feature on best form shown
5. **GLORY WOOD** - Finished eighth over 1600m at Deauville in Class 3 Handicap on 8 April. Needs to produce best form
6. **ZASYMOKA** - Victorious over 1600m at Chantilly in Class 3 Handicap on 2 April. She is in a good space and can follow up
7. **SPORT COUPE** - Two poor efforts this year. Finished unplaced over 2000m at Salon de Provence in Class 3 Handicap on 16 April. Others are preferred
8. **ROUGEGARDE** - Finished fourth over 1600m at Saint-Cloud in Class 4 Handicap on 24 April. Is a threat if confirming recent improvement
9. **DORIANELLO** - Winner of last two starts, the latest of which was over 1600m at Saint-Cloud in Class 4 Handicap on 24 April. Hat-trick chance
10. **CROWDFUNDING** - Fair recent form. Finished fifth over 1600m at Bordeaux le Bouscat in Class 3 Handicap on 27 April. He can finish on the podium
11. **NOVA HOPE** - Finished sixth over 1400m at Parislongchamp in Class 2 Handicap on 5 April. Nicely drawn and can go close
12. **SEVENDAY** - Finished sixth over 2000m at Marseille Borely in Class 4 Handicap on 18 March. Others have a stronger winning chance
13. **NOBLE AMBER** - Finished unplaced over 1800m at Prunelli in Class 4 Handicap on 6 April. Needs to find form of penultimate run when fourth over this course and distance
14. **ARNAGA** - First outing this year. Finished eighth over 1500m at Deauville in Conditional Maiden on 29 December 2025. Overlook
15. **MANDOKI** - Poor recent form. Finished seventh over 1700m at Marseille Borely in Class 4 Handicap on 27 April. More needed to win
16. **FORZA BELLA** - Poor form. Finished unplaced over 1300m at Deauville in Class 3 Claimer on 30 December 2025. Look elsewhere

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Summary: ZASYMOKA (6) won a good race over this distance at Chantilly on 2 April. She was penalized for that victory but can follow up with luck in running. ROUGEGARDE (8) showed signs of a form return at Saint-Cloud last time. He has dropped in the ratings and can feature. NOVA HOPE (11) should have finished closer to the winner last time. She is ideally drawn in Barrier Two and cannot be discounted. CHIRIMIRI (2) will enjoy racing on this softer ground. On best form shown, he should have a say.

SELECTIONS

ZASYMOKA (6) - ROUGEGARDE (8) - NOVA HOPE (11) - CHIRIMIRI (2)

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C7 - CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE - PRIX TORNIBUSH - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 19,200

- 1. NABAB ' K** - Victorious over 2200m on this course in Handicap on 13 April. He should pose a massive threat
- 2. REVEUR** - Finished fourth over 1700m at Pornichet in Handicap on 25 March. Cristian Demuro rides and he cannot be discounted
- 3. FAITH IN YOU** - Consistent form. Finished fourth over 1700m at Marseille Borely in Conditional Maiden on 27 April. She steps up in distance and can win
- 4. GREAT SPIRIT** - Finished fifth over 2000m at Strasbourg in Conditional Maiden on 18 April. Can feature of form of penultimate run
- 5. ARTOA** - Finished fourth over 2000m at Le Lion D'Angers in Handicap on 20 April. She is a filly with scope and can feature
- 6. I AM MAELIA** - Fair form this year. Finished fifth over 2000m on this course in Conditional Maiden on 13 April. Can finish on the podium
- 7. GOLDEN FRIEND** - Finished ninth over 2000m at Deauville in Handicap on 8 April. Chance if finding form of penultimate effort
- 8. PERCEVAL** - Finished seventh over 2200m on this course in Handicap on 13 April. Needs to produce previous form to have a say
- 9. MERCI CHERI** - Finished sixth over 2200m at Fontainebleau in Conditional Maiden on 11 April. More is needed to win this
- 10. JIVEDA** - Finished fifth over 2200m on this course in Handicap on 13 April. Others have a stronger winning chance

Summary: FAITH IN YOU (3) has finished fourth in her last two starts over shorter. She steps up to 2000m and if seeing out the extra distance on offer, she can win. NABAB ' K (1) won a good race over 2200m on this course on 13 April. The son of Cloth Of Stars looks capable of overcoming the penalty. ARTOA (5) is lightly raced with decent form to her name. She has scope and can fight out the finish. GOLDEN FRIEND (7) should have a say if finding the form of his penultimate outing. Theo Bachelot retains the ride.

SELECTIONS

FAITH IN YOU (3) - NABAB ' K (1) - ARTOA (5) - GOLDEN FRIEND (7)

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C8 - PRIX DE L'ANNIVERSAIRE - 3150m (a2m) - TURF - Class 4 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 13,400

- 1. DARLYVI** - Finished second over 3150m on this course in Class 4 Handicap on 13 April. Despite giving weight away, she should be competitive
- 2. STELLA MARINA** - Finished unplaced over 3000m at Parislongchamp in Class 3 Handicap on 23 April. Big chance if finding form of penultimate effort
- 3. BECQUATHUNDER** - Victorious over 3000m at Le Lion D'Angers in Class 4 Handicap on 20 April. He is in a good space and can follow up
- 4. VOILA POURQUOI** - Won over 2500m at Hyeres in Class 4 Handicap on 25 April. He can feature with luck in running
- 5. ONCHAO** - Unplaced over hurdles in Class 3 Conditional over 3800m at Nancy on 26 April. Back on the flat and others are preferred
- 6. HISTOIREDEMARS** - Finished behind BECQUATHUNDER (3) when seventh over 3000m at Le Lion D'Angers in Class 4 Handicap on 20 April. She may have to settle for the same result
- 7. MATGIWELL** - Finished ninth over 3000m at Le Lion D'Angers in Class 4 Handicap on 20 April. Can surprise on best form shown
- 8. MILORD DU LEMO** - Finished seventh over 2900m at Argentan in Class 4 Handicap on 9 April. Needs to produce best form to have a say
- 9. JUWEL** - Finished third over 3150m on this course in Class 4 Handicap on 15 April. Is looking for first-career victory
- 10. FIRSTCLASS** - Finished third in first outing this year over 3000m at Nancy in Class 4 Handicap on 4 April. He will strip much fitter and cannot be ignored
- 11. KARINATA** - Finished unplaced over 2000m on this course in Class 4 Handicap on 29 March. More is needed to win
- 12. ALWAYS DANCING** - Finished ninth over 3000m at Nancy in Class 4 Handicap on 4 April. Others have a stronger winning chance
- 13. REGINA LILLIE** - Poor form this year. Finished unplaced over 3000m at Strasbourg in Class 4 Handicap on 18 April. Overlook

Summary: BECQUATHUNDER (3) returned to winning ways at Le Lion D'Angers last time. He is in a good space and can follow up with another victory. DARLYVI (1) knows this track like the back of her hand. She does concede a lot of weight to the other runners but should produce an honest effort. STELLA MARINA (2) is better than her last start. On the form of her penultimate outing, she should have a say in the outcome of this contest. FIRSTCLASS (10) produced a good first effort this year and will strip fitter.

SELECTIONS

BECQUATHUNDER (3) - DARLYVI (1) - STELLA MARINA (2) - FIRSTCLASS (10)

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TODAY'S SELECTIONS

**Horse of the day
LEDESMA (205)**

**Outsider of the day
CIELA (509)**

**Reverse forecast
LEDESMA (205) - NIGHTJAR (208)**

**Three pick of the day
LEPARD (101) - LEDESMA (205) - FAITH IN YOU (703)**