NANCY [L-H] - 09 October

Race 1 - PRIX DE TOMBLAINE - 1400m MDN. Purse EUR €18,000.

- 1. **SPELLCHOPE** Well beaten in a Lyon Parilly maiden recently. Had shown some form prior to this but needs to bounce back.
- 2. **LADY VALOU** Beaten a distance in a Pompadour (AW) maiden in August. Hard to consider.
- 3. **TIGRESS DARGENT** Fifth beaten 5L at Strasbourg in a maiden over 1400m. Consistent and still unexposed. Good chance to break her maiden.
- 4. **BEFORE DAWN** French debut. Showed form in the UK including a second at Kempton Park (AW) in a novices' stakes two starts back. Interesting.
- 5. **SECRET GLORY** Has shown no sign of ability in two outings to date at Strasbourg. Needs first time blinkers to bring dramatic improvement.
- 6. **LAGOONE CHOPE** Tried to make all to win at Strasbourg in a maiden over 1400m beaten 4L. Will be tough to pass if finding the lead.
- 7. **GALA MARCEAU** Good debut when eighth at Compiegne beaten 2.5L over 1400m in a maiden. More than entitled to improve.
- 8. **DARTINGLY** Eighth beaten 4.5L at Craon in a maiden over 1650m. The third has since won and not ruled out.
- 9. **TRES ROCK WOMEN** Two-year-old filly first-starter by Australia out of Tres Rock Glory. Market check.

Summary: BEFORE DAWN (4) finished runner-up beaten a neck at Kempton Park (AW) over 1400m in a novices stakes. Makes French debut and could put her head in front. TIGRESS DARGENT (3) ran 5L fifth at Strasbourg in a 1400m maiden. Still unexposed and may go close. LAGOONE CHOPE (6) was fourth in a 1400m Strasbourg maidejn after making all beaten 4L. Previously a winner of two claimers. GALA MARCEAU (7) managed an eighth beaten 2.5L at Compiegne in a maiden over 1400m. More than entitled to improve second up.

Selections

BEFORE DAWN (4) - TIGRESS DARGENT (3) - LAGOONE CHOPE (6) - GALA MARCEAU (7)

Race 2 - PRIX DU TECHNOPOLE DE BRABOIS - 1400m HCP. Purse EUR €18,000.

- 1. GALOP CHOP Tenth at Deauville (AW) in a claimer beaten 6.25L. Makes handicap debut.
- 2. **TRULY GLORIOUS** Third beaten 7.5L at Vichy in a claimer over 1850m. Back down in trip will suit and now handicapping.
- 3. **DAFNA** Fifth beaten 1.25L at Vichy in a Class 3 over 1000m. Going up in distance for handicap debut.
- 4. DOS DE MAYO Struggled on last two outings and the 1kg drop doesn't look enough.
- 5. **FOX HUNTER** Eighth after a break at Vichy in a maiden over 1600m beaten 11L. Makes handicap debut and should be fitter second up.
- 6. **SWEET DAMIANA** Third beaten 1.75L at Vichy in a handicap over 1400m. Consistent and can go well once more.
- 7. **DIVINE EMOTION** Ninth beaten 7.75L at Strasbourg in a claimer over 1400m. Back to a handicap off a 1kg lower mark. More needed.
- 8. **POMELLATA** Sixth beaten 7L at Dieppe in a claimer over 1800m. First time blinkers for handicap debut.
- 9. **DIAMOND SAPPHIRE** No form in three starts to date. Debut for a new yard and first time in a handicap.
- 10. **DAMON CHOP** Fourth beaten 2.75L at La Teste four starts back. No form since but is now off a 1.5kg lower mark.

Summary: TRULY GLORIOUS (2) ran third beaten 7.5L at Vichy in a claimer over 1850m. Going well and interesting on handicap debut. DAFNA (3) was 1.25L fifth at Vichy in a Class 3. Making only fourth outing and more than entitled to improve delivering initial handicap attempt. FOX HUNTER (5) finished well beaten after a spell. Interesting on handicap debut second up. SWEET DAMIANA (6) managed third beaten 1.75L at Vichy in a 1400m handicap. Going well and might feature once more.

Selections

TRULY GLORIOUS (2) - DAFNA (3) - FOX HUNTER (5) - SWEET DAMIANA (6)

- 1. **ON THE SEA** Fifth beaten 3.25L at Vichy in a Class 3 over 1600m. Only beaten 1L off this mark in a handicap the time before. Not the best record over 1400m.
- 2. **SHAMS BRAZILERO** Won by a neck at Cagnes Sur Mer (AW) in February over 1300m in a handicap. Resuming after a break but not ruled out.
- 3. **CHARNOCK RICHARD** Second beaten 3.5L at Chantilly (AW) ten days ago in a claimer over 1300m. Struggled in a claimer the time before.
- 4. **PETERHOF** Won by 1L at Strasbourg in a handicap over 1400m. Raised 3.5kg for that effort but can be considered again.
- 5. **BAYLAGAN** Handicap winner at Compiegne three starts back. No form since and still off a 2.5kg higher mark.
- 6. **MAKENO** Made all to win at Clairefontaine in a handicap over 1600m by 1.5L. Struggled on only outing since off revised mark.
- 7. **METALLICA STAR** Second beaten 1L at Strasbourg in a handicap over 1400m. Same mark and now 2.5kg better off with the winner Peterhof.
- 8. **HUR CAT** Third beaten 2L behind Peterhof and Metallica Star in a Strasbourg handicap. Should go well once more.
- 9. **EN DANSANT** Fifth beaten 5.75L at Chantilly (AW) in a claimer over 1300m. Not an obvious winner back to a handicap.
- 10. **RIVERWING** Sixth beaten 2.75L at Lyon Parilly over 1600m in a handicap. The winner has won since to boost the form. Drop in trip not an issue.
- 11. **MOJO BOY** Well beaten in last four outings. Has been dropped 4.5kg time but would like to see him show form.
- 12. MOASA Ninth beaten 8L behind a number of these at Strasbourg. Best watched.
- 13. POLDINA Well beaten here over 2000m in a Class 3. More needed in a handicap.

Summary: This race appears to evolve around a handicap at Strasbourg over 1400m. METALLICA STAR (7) and HUR CAT (8) were second and third behind PETERHOF (4) reespectively. Peterhof is raised 3.5kg so the aforementioned pair are expected to reverse the form. SHAMS BRAZILERO (2) won by a neck at Cagnes Sur Mer tackling a handicap in February. More than capable if ready after the break.

Selections

METALLICA STAR (7) - HUR CAT (8) - PETERHOF (4) - SHAMS BRAZILERO (2)

Race 4 - PRIX DE VILLERS LES NANCY - 3800m HDLE QUALIF HCP. Purse EUR €21,000.

- 1. **BARON GUEULATIS** Fell at Nimes in a handicap hurdle over 3900m. Well beaten the time before and may need more.
- 2. **DILL DES FRESNES** Well beaten in a lower class conditions hurdle. First time blinkers need to work.
- 3. **STONY STREAM** Second beaten 4L at Le Touquet in a lower class hurdle. This isn't the strongest and can go well.
- 4. **FLYING MONDAS** Third beaten 1L at Strasbourg in a conditions hurdle. Pulled up since in a much higher class at Compiegne. Interesting dropping in class dramatically.
- 5. **ELLIOT DE BALME** Fell in a handicap hurdle here when in a market. Worth another try.
- 6. **SPIROU DE LUNE** Resuming after a 332 day break. Has show form at this level in the past. Market check.
- 7. **STARMAN** Resuming after a 272 day break. Seventh at Cagnes Sur Mer in a handicap hurdle beaten 12L. Taking a significant class drop for return.
- 8. VOLUNTEERS No form in four career outings. Hard to have.
- 9. ONE CALL AWAY Fourth beeaten 9L at Strasbourg in a conditions hurdles. Interesting.
- 10. **MAGIC LEG'S** Second beaten 1L at Strasbourg in a conditions hurdle over 3800m after making all. Top chance.

Summary: MAGIC LEG'S (10) tried to make all at Strasbourg in a conditions hurdle when beaten 1L second. Looks the one to beat. ONE CALL AWAY (9) produced a solid effort behind Magic Leg's when fourth. Could be thereabouts. FLYING MONDAS (4) pulled up in a much stronger contest and is worth another try taking a big class drop. STARMAN (7) resumes after a break in a much lower level. Market check needed.

Selections

MAGIC LEG'S (10) - ONE CALL AWAY (9) - FLYING MONDAS (4) - STARMAN (7)

Race 5 - PRIX PEUGEOT CAR AVENUE NANCY - 2000m HCP. Purse EUR €15,000.

- 1. **MARIE** Third beaten 3.5L at Strasbourg in a handicap over 2350m. Consistent and has to be considered.
- 2. **HELLOMYFRIEND** Won at Le Touquet in a claimer over 2100m by a long neck. Failed badly since and now into a handicap.
- 3. **MURRAYFIELD** Won by 1.5L at Cluny in a maiden over 1900m. Placed in a handicap off this mark two starts back.
- 4. **WINDJANA** Won by a long neck at Divonnes in a claimer. Beaten 6L off a this mark in a handicap four starts back.
- 5. **FEARLESS** Fifth beaten 4.25L at Strasbourg in a claimer over 2000m. Handicap debut and first time blinkers. Interesting.
- 6. **LOST CONTROL** Sixth beaten 8L at Lyon Parilly over 2200m in a claimer. Lightly raced now handicapping.
- 7. PLACE COLETTE No form in last three and best watched switching back to a handicap.
- 8. **GALLARDISE** Fourth beaten 7.5L at a country track in a claimer. Beaten 9.25L in a handicap at Chantilly three starts back off a 4.5kg higher mark.
- 9. MONSIEUR EMILE No form in last three and appears to need more help from the handicapper.
- 10. **LUCI DEL FARO** Struggled in a Longchamp handicap in September. Dropped 2kg but may need more.
- 11. PRETTY PLAYER No form in claimers of late and easily ruled out.

Summary: FEARLESS (5) ran fifth beaten 4.25L at Strasbourg in a claimer over 2000m. Makes handicap debut wearing first time blinkers. Expected to go well. MURRAYFIELD (3) won a 1900m country track maiden in September. Back to a handicap and going well off this mark. LOST CONTROL (6) is having fourth start and making handicap debut. Needs a market check. MARIE (1) finished third beaten 3.5L at Strasbourg off this mark recently. Looks more than capable in this contest.

Selections

FEARLESS (5) - MURRAYFIELD (3) - LOST CONTROL (6) - MARIE (1)

- 1. **ZITA DES ECHANAULT** Fourth beaten 7.75L at Hyeres in a Class 4. Struggled off a lower mark in the past.
- 2. **BEB'S** No form in last three and not an obvious winner.
- 3. **CORK** Fifth beaten 4.5L at Strasbourg in a handicap over 2100m. Well beaten since but could bounce back.
- 4. **ARCHITECT** Third beaten 2.5L at Strasbourg two starts back. Struggled on heavy ground here since but could refind form.
- 5. **KADNIKOV** Eighth beaten 7.25L at Vichy in a handicap over 2000m. This is a lower level and the 0.5kg helps.
- 6. **JOYEUX MALPIC** Ninth beaten 3.75L at Deauville (AW) over 1500m in a handicap. Now 1.5kg better off and unexposed up in trip.
- 7. **HACKLE SETTER** Third beaten a long neck over 2100m in a handicap which was a return to form. One to consider.
- 8. **BERLIN CALLING** Tenth beaten 5L at Chantilly (AW) over 1800m in a handicap. This is easier and can go close.
- 9. **COMETIC STAR** Midfield on recent outings and could find the placings.
- 10. **SANDY DREAM** Third beaten 0.75L at Divonnes in a claimer over 1700m. Back to a handicap and placed off this mark two starts back.
- 11. **SIMFAUST** Ninth beaten 7.5L at Vichy in a handicap over 2000m. Down 0.5kg and might not be too far away.
- 12. RAYODOR Beaten a distance in a Class 3 here. Passed over.
- 13. **DAUPHINE DE FRANCE** Fifth beaten 3L at a country track. Down the field off a 0.5kg higher mark the time before.
- 14. **LA FIBROSSI** Sixth beaten 5.5L at Vichy in a handicap over 2000m. Has been dropped 1.5kg for that effort which seems lenient.

Summary: LA FIBROSSI (14) produced a solid effort two weeks ago when sixth beaten 5.5L at Vichy in a handicap. Drops 1.5kg which assists and may go close. JOYEUX MALPIC (6) managed a good effort at Deauville (AW) over 1500m in a handicap beaten 3.75L. Drops 1.5kg tackling this lesser contest. BERLIN CALLING (8) was a winner two starts back in an Evreux handicap. Beaten 5L at Chantilly in an 1800m handicap subsequently. Now in a more moderate affair. SANDY DREAM (10) is going well off late. Placed off this mark two starts back.

Selections

LA FIBROSSI (14) - JOYEUX MALPIC (6) - BERLIN CALLING (8) - SANDY DREAM (10)