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R2 ANGERS [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX UCELLO II - 3400m (a2 1/8m) - TURF - Condition Race - Hurdles
- EUR € 23.000**

1. KINGPARK - Fair 2nd in a Class 4 hurdle race last time over 3600m on November 19th. Can make the top three

2. DON LOOK COCO - Two solid efforts so far with the latest being a 2nd over 3400m in a Class 3 race in early November at Angers. Key chance

3. DENHAM BLACK - 2nd over 3500m last time at Nantes in a Class 3 race. More needed to get the win but he can not be discounted

4. NUAGE BLEU - A promising debut run when 2nd over 3700m in a Class 3 hurdle race in late November. Can progress and be involved

5. KHUM DU LARGE - Newcomer by Pastorius, likely to need this racecourse experience. Best watched for now

6. A NOS CHOEURS - Newcomer by Choeur Du Nord, bred to make a jumper. From a shrewd stable who will have this gelding well tuned. Market can be the best guide

7. KINNDAR - Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 3600m in October at Argentan. Makes limited appeal

8. KONSTRICTOR - Two unplaced runs over hurdles so far, the latter over 3600m in November. Can be avoided

9. KIFFEUR - 4th on the flat on the sole run to date in November over 2900m at Durtal. Hurdle debut and can be in the shake-up

10. KODENAME MACALO - Newcomer by Karaktar, from a respected trainer who will have this gelding well schooled. Watch the betting for clues

11. BEAUTYSTARS - Unraced gelding by Storm The Stars, might need this opening run. Monitor the betting for clues

12. KAMARAD DE SIVOLA - 4th on the latest run on the flat over 2350m in early November in a Class 3 race. Makes his hurdling debut and ought to be thereabouts

13. PLUME DU NORD - Unraced gelding by Choeur Du Nord, improvement can be gained from this run. Market support should be noted

14. TOUZ THE STARS - Three runs so far on the level. 4th over 1200m in July two runs back. The trip is an unknown and others make more sense

Summary : DON LOOK COCO (2) has run well on both of his runs over hurdles. His latest effort was a pleasing second at Angers in early November over 3400m. This looks like a good chance for him to get off the mark. The main threat could be NUAGE BLEU (4) who was a promising second in a Class 3 hurdle race in late November on his racecourse debut. He can only improve from that run. KINGPARK (1) is an each-way must. DENHAM BLACK (3) also merits consideration.

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SELECTIONS

DON LOOK COCO (2) - NUAGE BLEU (4) - KINGPARK (1) - DENHAM BLACK (3)

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C2 - PRIX HERVE ROBERT (PX OTEUIL SF) - STEEPLE-CHASE DES 3 ANS - 3700m (a2 5/16m) - TURF - Condition Race - Steeple Chase - EUR € 26.000

1. KASH BAIE - Fair effort when 2nd on his chase debut last time over 3500m in October. A winner before over hurdles in August. Key player

2. KING DE LA BRUNIE - Nice 3rd on chase debut last time, a winner over hurdles in September over 3200m in a Class 5 race. Looks the type to get better with experience

3. KEEP CALM DARIYAN - Won over hurdles in October at Auteuil in a claiming race. Highly tried in Listed races over hurdles since that win. Chase debut and others preferred

4. MINA TANENBAUM - 5th last time and a winner before that over 3500m in a Class 4 chase in early October. In the mix

5. MANATEE DE LA MARE - 4th on his chase debut over 3800m in a Class 3 race at Angers 13 days ago. Will be fit and warrants respect

6. KING D'ANJOU - Unplaced on the only run so far on the flat in March over 2300m. Chase debut and is best watched for now

7. NAIROBI D'OROUX - Two runs one on the flat and a spin over hurdles 12 days ago. Quickly back out for her chase debut. Needs a few to falter

Summary : This looks like it will be a battle between the likely favourite KING DE LA BRUNIE (2) and KASH BAIE (1) with both of them running promising chasing debuts recently. The former is slightly favoured as it looked like a better race that he was third in, although KASH BAIE (1) did very little wrong when he was second on his chasing bow as well. MINA TANENBAUM (4) is also one to consider and ought to be on the premises. MANATEE DE LA MARE (5) makes up the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

KING DE LA BRUNIE (2) - KASH BAIE (1) - MINA TANENBAUM (4) - MANATEE DE LA MARE (5)

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C3 - PRIX DES GASTINES - 3400m (a2 1/8m) - TURF - Condition Race - Hurdles - EUR € 23.000

1. **FARAH** - Nice debut 4th in a Listed hurdle race in September over 3600m. Capable of making an impact
2. **KACHA** - 4th over hurdles last time after a win on the flat on her debut in late October. Leading chance
3. **IL Y A** - 3rd over hurdles last time in a Class 4 race in mid-November. Looks like a progressive type and can feature
4. **LITOTE DU LANNIER** - 3rd on her hurdle race debut at Nantes 12 days ago over 3500m. Might find a few of these too smart
5. **PISTACHE VERTE** - Nice run on debut when 3rd over 3600m at Argentan in a Class 4 race. Can progress and take beating
6. **KLELIA** - Unraced filly by American Devil, can come forward for this debut run. Any market support should be noted
7. **ROSE MELIMELO** - One run when unplaced at Auteuil in a Class 2 hurdle race in October over 3500m. Can step forward from that and make the top four
8. **KIVA SECRET** - Newcomer by Secret Singer, stable runners warrant respect. Watch the betting for any support
9. **SISSI DE MONMIRAIL** - Ran well when 6th on the debut run on November 19th over 3600m. Can not be ruled out
10. **IT'S JOSEPHINE** - Unraced filly by It's Gino, can be a lot wiser for this debut run. Monitor the betting for clues
11. **ROSEFILLY HAS** - Newcomer by Doctor Dino, a nice profile and she will be well-schooled for this debut run. Watch the betting
12. **COVENT GARDEN** - Three unplaced runs on the flat so far. Bred to jump so improvement can be expected
13. **KLONG DAO** - Once raced so far when failing to complete the course at Auteuil in November. Others make more appeal
14. **ATHENA TOP** - Unplaced on the sole run over hurdles on November 19th over 3600m. Best watched for now
15. **APPLE'S CARAT** - Newcomer by Pastorius, should be better for this opening run. The betting market can be the best guide
16. **VALAMBRAY** - Unplaced on the sole run over hurdles in November over 3550m. One to steer clear of

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Summary : PISTACHE VERTE (5) can improve from a nice debut run when a promising third at Argentan on November 19th. She is preferred to KACHA (2) who won on the flat and then performed well on her debut over hurdles when fourth at Fontainebleau. She can be on the premises. FARAH (1) can put a below-par run behind her last time and ought to be involved in this. IL Y A (3) is worth considering after a nice run last time when she was third at Fontainebleau last month.

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PISTACHE VERTE (5) - KACHA (2) - FARAH (1) - IL Y A (3)

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C4 - PRIX D'ECHARBOT - 3800m (a2 3/8m) - TURF - A RECLAMER - Hurdles - EUR € 20.000

1. **JOJO MOME** - Won a claiming hurdle last time at Machecoul in November over 3500m by 5.5L. Can score again
2. **JAGUAR LAGRANGE** - 5th last time in a chase and was a decent 2nd three runs ago over hurdles in October in a claiming race. Can not be discounted
3. **BARTIMEUS** - Has had four runs so far, 4th on debut over hurdles in February over 3500m. Has been disappointing since that run
4. **FONTAINE VA LOIN** - Four recent unplaced runs all over hurdles over various trips. Looks out of form and best avoided
5. **JUSTE ROYALE JEYL** - Unplaced on the sole run so far on the flat over 2350m in November. Hurdle race debut and others make more appeal
6. **TARTE AUX PRUNES** - 4th over fences last time at Durtal in early November over 4000m. Respect on the switch back to hurdles
7. **TYPHOON WILMA** - Useful in claiming races, fair effort when 3rd at Fontainebleau in late October when last seen. Player
8. **IN THE MOON** - Newcomer by Sri Putra, will likely need this experience. Any market support can be informative
9. **JOY SMART** - One run when well beaten over hurdles in March over 3600m. Best watched for now
10. **MOJO** - 3rd four runs ago over hurdles in a claiming race. Can be more suited to this race than the recent runs in competitive handicap hurdles
11. **CELESTE DE BAUNE** - Promise on the only run when 4th in a Class 4 hurdle race in November over 3800m. Merits consideration
12. **JAVOTTE DUQUARTIER** - Four unplaced runs over hurdles and fences over different trips. Seems of limited ability and others make more sense
13. **JOXANA** - Fair 4th last time and 2nd before that over 3800m in claiming hurdles. Ought to be thereabouts

Summary : JOJO MOME (1) was a cosy winner of a claiming hurdle last time by 5.5L at Machecoul on November 11th. He will be hard to beat again today. TYPHOON WILMA (7) will likely give the selection the most to do. She won two runs ago and faired well last time when third at Fontainebleau in late October. CELESTE DE BAUNE (11) and JOXANA (13) could be the each-way options in a race that will not take too much winning.

SELECTIONS

JOJO MOME (1) - TYPHOON WILMA (7) - CELESTE DE BAUNE (11) - JOXANA (13)

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C5 - PRIX ROGER DE TERVES-GD ST-CHASE DES 4 ANS - 3800m (a2 3/8m) - TURF - Condition Race - Steeple Chase - EUR € 30.000

1. JAZZ FESTIVAL - Consistent sort that is never too far off the action and ran a pleasing race last time out when finishing 4th. Place chance

2. MELGARRY - Comes into this event in good form and could be one to outrun his odds with a clean round of jumping. Each way chance

3. MANDINKO - Stepped up on his maiden success with a pleasing win last time out but will have more to do against this lot. Others preferred

4. JAZZY CONTI - He is on the up and seems to be taking the rise in grade in his stride as he looks to reel off a hat-trick. Big winning chance

5. SINIAN ENKI - Finished 5th last time out and doesn't bring in the most appealing form so would need to do more. Others make more appeal

6. KAP LORD - Arrives here in some fair form having finished 3rd in a couple starts along with a 5th which could see him earn. Place chance at best

7. L'ARRABIATO - Arrives with moderate form against weaker and would need to up his game to be competitive. Easy to look elsewhere

8. JET BOY CONTI - This gelding has finished 4th and 3rd in his last two appearances but has been well held and would need to show more to feature. One to pass by

9. GOOD SAULAIE - Finished 4th last time out over 3600m and he will need to take a significant step forward on that to pose a threat. Hard to fancy

10. NOMADE - Last start in a hurdles race is best ignored and he goes chasing for the first time which could unlock a new side of him. Include in the play

11. SOUTH LODGE - Tested at feature race level at her last two and last time out faced a tough task in Group one company. Back into calmer waters will suit. Should get involved

12. JINGLE BALD - There isn't much to write home about with this individuals form and she is likely to struggle here. Hard to recommend

Summary : JAZZY CONTI (4) was super impressive last time out and looks to be a fair sort in the making. He could take some stopping. SOUTH LODGE (11) has faced tougher opposition in her last two and will appreciate meeting this grade. JAZZ FESTIVAL (1) is always about the action and shouldn't be far off once again. NOMADE (10) could be anything in his debut start as a chaser.

SELECTIONS

JAZZY CONTI (4) - SOUTH LODGE (11) - JAZZ FESTIVAL (1) - NOMADE (10)

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C6 - PRIX COLONEL GRANEL - 3800m (a2 3/8m) - TURF - Handicap - Hurdles - EUR € 28.000

1. IGOR - Started off his career over hurdles before switching over to chasing where he has done most of his racing but back to this discipline could see him show something. Place chance

2. HOKUSAI VALLIS - Arrives in poor form and a lot more is desired in order to be competitive in this event. One to pass by

3. ANONG - Put in a solid display when finishing 3rd at her most recent start and she could be one to include for the minor spot. Place chance

4. CHORAIL DEBELAIR - Finished 4th last time out behind a couple of reopposing opponents and he would need to make good improvement to turn the form around. Others preferred

5. PRINCE EXPRESS - Four wins from ten starts is a very good record but he has been given a long break which could find him wanting here. One to keep an eye on

6. HENRI GIL - Returns off a lengthy layoff and could need a few runs to tighten up before showing something positive. One to pass by

7. BATTLE WISH - Finished 4th at this track last time out over slightly further and could prefer the drop in trip. Winning claims

8. ILUMINE PRECIEUSE - Finished 5th at her most recent start and was far from disgraced in a race where the winner was simply too good. Should be competitive.

9. LORDDELOUEST - Eleven starts this year without a win but he has run some good races which could see him potentially earning. Place chance at best

10. GILOU JAGUEN - Put in a solid effort last time out when finishing 3rd and he could have more to offer over this shorter trip. Each way chance

11. GINO DES DUNES - He has been sparingly raced throughout his career and returns off a long break so he is likely to be a bit ring rusty. Others preferred

12. TILIN TALAN - Arrives here on the back of a rather underwhelming performance but he was a winner two starts back and he could show that form here. Include in the play

13. QUICK DADDY - Showed good improvement last time when finishing 2nd over 3900m but he will need to confirm that. Outside place chance

14. GO FAST DU GRANVAL - Finished a well beaten 5th at his last start and more is needed if he is to be a threat. Unlikely winner

15. FRIPON DE BALLON - Not the most reliable sort around as he can let the side down if his mind isn't on the job at hand. Hard to assess

16. KENDALC'H KERBARH - Arrives in weak form and he will need a huge turnaround to even be competitive for the minor positions. Hard to fancy

Summary : BATTLE WISH (7) has his 3rd run after a rest and could be at peak fitness for this effort which could see him dominate. ILUMINE PRECIEUSE (8) ran her best race in sometime over hurdles last time out which could be a good indicator of things to come. TILIN TALAN (12) could be a real factor at his best. GILOU JAGUEN (10) has run some useful races and will be challenging.

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BATTLE WISH (7) - ILUMINE PRECIEUSE (8) - TILIN TALAN (12) - GILOU JAGUEN (10)

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C7 - PRIX DES BENEVOLES - 3800m (a2 3/8m) - TURF - Handicap - Hurdles - EUR € 28.000

1. BE SURE - Arrives in cracking form having won his last two in two different disciplines and he sets a clear standard. One to beat

2. PTIGA DU MAINE - Romped home to victory last time out which came out of nowhere as his form was moderate and he will need to confirm that. Outside place chance

3. JAIPALETEMPS - Last two attempts over hurdles have been disappointing and he is hard to recommend. Would be a surprise winner

4. CORPS CELESTE - Shaped up rather encouragingly when finishing 2nd at his most recent start and another honest effort should be on the cards. Place chance

5. CAF'CONC - Facile winner of his maiden last time out and there could be more to come from him over a suitable trip. Warrants respect

6. HUSHUA DES OBEAUX - Comes into this with two 3rd placed finishes in her last two efforts over hurdles and she could find a minor spot. Place chance

7. NIL DE BALLON - Showed a lot of heart when winning last time out and he is open to quite a bit of improvement. Include in the play

8. JOKER DE LOUED - He has had three starts over hurdles and hasn't been able to hit the ground running so would need to do more. One to pass by

9. JIRAIS AU BALLE - Last two starts have been poor and he will face an uphill battle against a competitive field. Would be a surprise winner

10. JOKER CAUVELLIERE - Well beaten in 5th position last time out and he would need to make significant improvement to be a threat. Easy to pass by

11. KER CHALON - Remains a maiden after seven starts over hurdles and he isn't doing much at present to keep followers interested. Others preferred

Summary : BE SURE (1) is improving and continues to impress. He gets weight off the back which is a huge advantage and could be hard to stop. NIL DE BALLON (7) was up for the fight last time out and that would have helped his confidence a great deal so could be one to follow. CAF'CONC (5) won as he liked last time out and will be a threat. CORPS CELESTE (4) should be there or thereabouts once again.

SELECTIONS

BE SURE (1) - NIL DE BALLON (7) - CAF'CONC (5) - CORPS CELESTE (4)

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C8 - PRIX COLONEL PATRICE LAIR - 3800m (a2 3/8m) - TURF - Condition Race - Steeple Chase - EUR € 26.000

1. **IPHIS DE L'AUNAY** - His last two starts have been moderate and it has blemished his consistent record. Can get involved if back to best. Outside place chance
2. **BAT DRIM** - Finished 4th over 3850m last time out in a claiming event and that form isn't strong enough for him to be a threat. One to pass by
3. **ABERDEEN STREET** - Put his best foot forward when going chasing and he clearly has a liking for this discipline. Will be very competitive
4. **BIEN DIVIN** - Finished 4th last time out over 3800m and he will need to improve a bit to win but seems a genuine place contender. Place chance
5. **IDEE DU CHOEUR** - Won a very nice race on chasing debut and there is more to come from him in what is turning out to be a terrific year. One to beat
6. **EMERALD RIVER** - Won well two starts back in a claimer but failed to follow it up with anything positive which decreases her chances here. Others preferred
7. **ITCHELO DU MEE** - His form doesn't appeal much and he needs to start finding some consistency if he is to be a challenge. Hard to recommend
8. **RAFFLES PARK** - Has finished 3rd in his two appearances this year and he will be at peak fitness for this outing. Include in the play
9. **IMAKO** - Finished 3rd in his last two starts in claiming events and he will need to step up on that piece of form to be of any danger. One to pass by
10. **ODIAGO** - Goes chasing for the first time which could be a benefit to him as his current form in hurdles have been below par. Makes very little appeal
11. **GARDEVA** - Her only two starts to date have both come over hurdles and it isn't something to write home about. Would be a shock winner

Summary : IDEE DU CHOEUR (5) arrives in wonderful form and looks the part in this contest. ABERDEEN STREET (3) goes chasing again which is certainly his cup of tea and he needs to be respected. BIEN DIVIN (4) is one to include for the minor spots. RAFFLES PARK (8) will make his presence felt.

SELECTIONS

IDEE DU CHOEUR (5) - ABERDEEN STREET (3) - BIEN DIVIN (4) - RAFFLES PARK (8)