MARSEILLE VIVAUX [L-H] - 10 December

Race 1 - PRIX DE GREASQUE - 1500m MDN. Purse EUR €18,000.

- 1. ALABAMA Good 1L second over 2000m here on debut in October. Leading contender.
- 2. **MONDANGO** Improved on debut effort when 4.75L fifth in a 1300m maiden at Longchamp. Stepping up in distance.
- 3. **SPACE FORCE** Head second over this track and trip in a maiden race eleven days ago. Bold show expected.
- 4. **TWO DOOR SALOON** Fifth when beaten 1L over course and distance on French debut last month. Notable contender.
- 5. **VANILLE BLEUE** Held 4.25L seventh over 1200m at Nimes just under three weeks ago. More required.
- 6. **COIMBRA** Followed up a 1600m claiming race win at Marseille-Borely with a 3.75L fifth over 1800m at the same venue. One to note.
- 7. VILLA BORGIA Held 9L seventh over 1600m at Marseille-Borely 26 days ago. Best watched.
- 8. MAMMALINA Good 1L second in a 1300m maiden at Deauville AW five weeks ago. Top chance.
- 9. **WINTER WARMTH** Midfield finish when 2.5L sixth over this course and distance eleven days ago. Step forward needed.
- 10. **PIZZETTA** Failed to shine when 4.75L sixth over 2000m at Salon-de-Provence last month. Drop in trip looks likely to suit.
- 11. **SLEEPY SUZY** 3.75L sixth over 1300m in a claimer at Deauville AW 23 days ago. Likely more needed on first start for a new trainer.

Summary: MAMMALINA (8) can go one better than when 1L second in a 1300m maiden at Deauville AW. Top chance with progress possible. ALABAMA (1) can play a hand in the finish following a 1L second over 2000m having tried to make all here on debut. SPACE FORCE (3) finds a suitable event on the back of a head second over this track and trip. Fifth beaten 1L that day was TWO DOOR SALOON (4) who can go well on his second start for his current yard.

Selections

MAMMALINA (8) - ALABAMA (1) - SPACE FORCE (3) - TWO DOOR SALOON (4)

Race 2 - PRIX LUDOVIC MICHELON - 2000m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €20,000.

- 1. **AZACHOP** Faded late on when 3.5L fifth in an 1800m claimer at Salon-de-Provence last month. Capable of better.
- 2. **SA TUNA** Victorious by 1L over 1800m in a Salon-de-Provence claimer seventeen days ago. Bold show expected.
- 3. **DRAGONET** Delivered a number of good efforts in defeat of late including when 1.25L fifth over 1900m at Deauville AW early last month. Strong claims debuting for a new trainer.
- 4. **MAIDOMO** Placed third when beaten 1.5L over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence last month. One to note.
- 5. **L'INDOMPTABLE** Held 5.25L seventh in an 1800m claimer at Salon-de-Provence seventeen days ago. Improvement required.
- 6. KANDERAS Fair 5.75L fourth over this track and trip last month. Step forward needed here however.
- 7. **ISIDRO** 3.5L fourth over 1800m in claiming company at Salon-de-Provence last month. Failed to shine when sixth over 2600m here in October.
- 8. **STAR DRACK** Course winner scored by 2L when contesting a 1900m Class Four conditions race at Nimes just under three weeks ago. Claims in what looks a more competitive affair.
- 9. MEDHA Good 1.75L third over 2600m at this venue at the end of last month. Top chance.
- 10. **LE KAKOU** Fair 2.5L fifth over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence seventeen days ago. Looking for a first AW victory.
- 11. **ASTRACHEM** Held 9.5L eighth over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence last month. Others preferred.

Summary: The consistent MEDHA (9) can register a third course win having finished 1.75L third over 2600m here. Strong chance eased in trip. SA TUNA (2) may play a role revisiting a handicap. Won a Salon-de-Provence claimer by 1L. DRAGONET (3) could go well. Caught the eye when 1.25L fifth in a 1900m handicap at Deauville AW. MAIDOMO (4) is another to consider following a 1.5L third tackling 1800m at Salon-de-Provence.

Selections

MEDHA (9) - SA TUNA (2) - DRAGONET (3) - MAIDOMO (4)

- 1. **ANOTHER YOUNI** Runner-up on all three previous starts including when beaten a head over 2000m at Salon-de-Provence last month. Leading contender with cheekpieces worn for the first time.
- 2. **JOHNNY LOVE** Fair 5.5L sixth over 2000m at Salon-de-Provence seventeen days ago. More required.
- 3. WROCLAW Fair 3L fifth over 2000m at Salon-de-Provence last month. Step forward needed.
- 4. **DUX** Dual claiming race winner finished 2L third in a track and trip handicap last month. Bold show expected.
- 5. **ESPRIT JOYEUX** Runner-up on both previous starts including when beaten 1.5L over this track and trip in a similar race just under five weeks ago. Strong claims.
- 6. **PSYCHEDELIC** Held 14L sixth over 1500m in a Class Two at Deauville AW on debut. Improvement required.
- 7. **PERDRIOLLE** Struggled both previous starts including when beaten 17L eighth over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly last month. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 8. **SHAMROCK GIRL** Fair 4.5L fourth over this trip at Salon-de-Provence seventeen days ago. Of note in this race.
- 9. **ENOLA** Unraced Recorder filly. Likely to improve for the experience.

Summary: ANOTHER YOUNI (1) can deliver a victory having finished a head second attempting 2000m at Salon-de-Provence. Leading chance to break the maiden tag in first-time cheekpieces. ESPRIT JOYEUX (5) may register another big effort following a 1.5L second tackling track and trip. DUX (4) is a dual winner among claiming company. Makes the shortlist after a 2L third over course and distance in a handicap. Wearing cheekpieces for the first time is SHAMROCK GIRL (8) who is another to consider. Solid 4.5L fourth in a 2000m Salon-de-Provence maiden.

Selections

ANOTHER YOUNI (1) - ESPRIT JOYEUX (5) - DUX (4) - SHAMROCK GIRL (8)

Race 4 - PRIX MARCEL RECORDIER - 2000m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €16,000.

- 1. DILALA Down the field thirteenth over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence last month. Best watched.
- 2. **DEER BERE** Failed to shine when 12L eleventh over 2600m here eleven days ago. Blinkers tried for the first time.
- 3. **PERFECT ROSE** Last of twelve on rain-softened going in a 2000m handicap at Saint-Cloud 24 days ago. More required.
- 4. **ZAAMAR** Good 1.75L third over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence seventeen days ago. Top chance debuting for a new trainer.
- 5. RIP Held 8.75L tenth over 2600m here last month. Wears blinkers for the first time.
- 6. TCHUCKY CHOP Fair 3.5L sixth in a track and trip handicap eleven days ago. Capable of better.
- 7. **VERTI CHOP** Below par 9.5L ninth over this course and distance 25 days ago. Has run well off this mark over track and trip in the past.
- 8. **LES ALDUDES** Victorious by 1.5L in an 1800m handicap at Salon-de-Provence last month. Notable contender despite a 2.5kg rise in the weights.
- 9. **JASPERS FLAG** Good 2L fourth over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence last month. Bold show expected.
- 10. **DANDY RIVER** Good 1.75L fourth in a 2600m handicap at Fontainebleau in September last year. Likely to improve for the race.
- 11. **MAFALDA STORY** Faller in a course and distance handicap at the end of last month. Third over the same track and trip prior gives her chance.

Summary: ZAAMAR (4) can deliver a victory having finished 1.75L third over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence. Leading claims on stable debut. JASPERS FLAG (9) ran 2L fourth in the same contest. One to consider in this suitable event. LES ALDUDES (8) enters calculations on the back of a 1.5L victory in the previously mentioned Salon-de-Provence race. VERTI CHOP (7) can put a below par effort tackling track and trip behind him. Provided good form in defeat prior.

Selections

ZAAMAR (4) - JASPERS FLAG (9) - LES ALDUDES (8) - VERTI CHOP (7)

Race 5 - PRIX DE SAIGNON - 1500m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €12,000.

- 1. **MISTER JINGLE** Victorious by a head over this course and distance last month. Bold show expected.
- 2. **LAWRENCE** Good 1L fourth in a 1400m handicap at Fontainebleau last month. Switch to the AW is no issue.
- 3. **VIPIN** Winner of two of his last three starts including by a head over 1400m at Toulouse twelve days ago. Looking for a first AW victory at the 26th time of asking.
- 4. RIBOT DREAM Good 1.25L third over 1600m at Chantilly AW three days ago. Notable contender.
- 5. **CLOUD EIGHT** Short-head third to Mister Jingle in a track and trip handicap 25 days ago. Strong claims.
- 6. **MAKHZEN** Supplemented for this race following a 6L seventh over 1400m at Toulouse twelve days ago. Step forward needed.
- 7. **GRISDELUX** Out of form in recent times including when 12L tenth over this track and trip four days ago. Best watched.
- 8. KING HAPPY Failed to shine when 10L ninth over 2000m here eleven days ago. Minor role likely.

Summary: MISTER JINGLE (1) can complete a double following a head victory tackling track and trip. Key contender. CLOUD EIGHT (5) came home a short-head when third that day. Shortlist. RIBOT DREAM (4) is considered having finished 1.25L third over 1600m at Chantilly AW. Thereabouts in this suitable event. LAWRENCE (2) enters calculations on the back of a 1L fourth attempting 1400m at Fontainebleau.

Selections

MISTER JINGLE (1) - CLOUD EIGHT (5) - RIBOT DREAM (4) - LAWRENCE (2)

Race 6 - PRIX CHATEAU DE L'EMPERI - 2600m CLM. Purse EUR €12,000.

- 1. **DIANA** Completed a double when winning by 1L in a 2400m handicap at Salon-de-Provence last month. Top chance.
- 2. **ORAN** Successful by 2L in a similar race to this over course and distance eleven days ago. Leading contender.
- 3. **RAJCOUN** Given a break since finishing 30L last of twelve in a 2500m maiden at Aix-les-Bains in July. Claims on earlier form.
- 4. **LET THERE BE ROCK** Held 6.75L sixth over course and distance in a claimer last month. Supplemented for this race.
- 5. **WIEBKE** Blinkers tried for the first time following a 20L last of ten over 2400m in a Salon-de-Provence handicap.
- 6. **ATROMOS** Wears blinkers for the first time having been beaten 9.75L eighth over 2000m here four days ago. Improvement required.
- 7. A LA FOLIE Held 6.5L ninth over 2000m at this venue four days ago. Of note switched to a claimer.
- 8. **SAINTE RITA** Fair 8.25L fifth over 2150m at Lyon-la-Soie just over two weeks go. Minor role likely over this trip.

Summary: DIANA (1) bids for a hat-trick following a 1L victory over 2400m at Salon-de-Provence. Top claims in current form. ORAN (2) may challenge for the win. Found success in a similar race to this tackling track and trip by 2L. RAJCOUN (3) can be considered after a 3L fourth in a course and distance maiden on his penultimate start. A LA FOLIE (7) is also noted down in grade.

Selections

DIANA (1) - **ORAN** (2) - **RAJCOUN** (3) - **A LA FOLIE** (7)

Race 7 - PRIX DOMINIQUE GRISONI - 2000m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €12,000.

- 1. **ROBIN DES PLAGES** 27 race maiden finished fifth when beaten 2L over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie five days ago. Strong claims on this occasion.
- 2. MON JULES A MOI Held 6.25L ninth over 2600m here eleven days ago. Others preferred.
- 3. **ALHSEEMAH** Fifth when beaten 2L over this course and distance last month. Of note having won here twice in the past.
- 4. **HONEYQUEEN** Nineteen race maiden failed to shine when 9L twelfth over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence last month.
- 5. RIVIERA DQ in a track and trip handicap at the end of last month. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 6. **PEDRO DEL RIO** Good 2.5L fifth over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence last month. Has run well at this venue in the past.
- 7. MIAMI BEET Held 11L seventh over 2400m at Toulouse last month. Supplemented for this race.
- 8. **LEAPING** Fifth when beaten 10L in a 2500m handicap at Hyeres 27 days ago. Better expected in this contest.
- 9. **HOPES OF FREEDOM** Held 4.75L ninth over 1800m at Salon-de-Provence seventeen days ago. Looking for a first victory at the 26th time of asking.
- 10. **JACKSON EN BOIS** Held 8L ninth over 1500m here four days ago. Stepping up markedly in distance.
- 11. **SUPRANA** Faller in a course and distance handicap at the end of last month. Likely to find a few too good.

Summary: A weak event where ROBIN DES PLAGES (1) could break his maiden at the twenty eighth attempt following a 2L fifth over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie. Key chance. PEDRO DEL RIO (6) might go well having finished 2.5L fifth tackling 1800m at Salon-de-Provence. ALHSEEMAH (3) is considered on the back of a 2L fifth in a track and trip contest. LEAPING (8) enters calculations. Provided good form here in the past.

Selections

ROBIN DES PLAGES (1) - PEDRO DEL RIO (6) - ALHSEEMAH (3) - LEAPING (8)