

DAX - 11 July

Race 1

1. **KATHALINA** - Good 3L fourth in an 1100m claimer at Salon-de-Provence last month. One to note.
2. **OURAIKA** - Runner-up when beaten 1.5L by a subsequent winner over 1200m at La Teste at the end of May. Top chance.
3. **EASY SKANKING** - Good 4L third over 1400m in a La Teste maiden just over three weeks ago. Notable runner.
4. **MARRANTE** - Fair 3.75L fifth over 1400m at Nantes last month. Claims on second over 1100m at Le Mans on debut prior.
5. **AMBROSELIA** - Held 6L seventh over 1400m in a La Teste claimer last month. More required.
6. **PAROVNA** - Down the field 16L eighth over 1400m at La Teste on debut last month. Best watched.
7. **ABELIE** - Fair 5L fifth over 1400m at La Teste 23 days ago. Others preferred.
8. **MARTINA FRANCA** - Faded when 10L fifth in a 1400m newcomers race at La Teste on debut just over three weeks ago. Improvement required.
9. **SPAIN SAGE** - Given a break since finishing 8L sixth over 1100m at Tarbes on debut at the start of May. Step up in trip is expected to suit.
10. **LOVELY DIAMOND** - Debuted with a 10L sixth over 1400m at La Teste last month. Improvement needed.
11. **BAGOKEN** - Unraced Goken filly. One to note.
12. **AUDE** - Unraced Shamalgan filly. Leading contender.
13. **SHALAWAY** - Unraced Galiway filly. Strong claims first up.

Summary

AUDE (12) is a filly by Shamalgan. May debut with a victory representing a good yard. OURAIKA (2) can play a role in the finish following a 1.5L second over 1200m at La Teste first up. That form has been boosted since. SHALAWAY (13) is a newcomer by Galiway. Can be considered on her first start. EASY SKANKING (3) looks well placed to build on a promising 4L third attempting 1400m at La Teste.

Selections

AUDE (12) - OURAIKA (2) - SHALAWAY (13) - EASY SKANKING (3)

Race 2

1. **TOY ROOM** - Held 8L tenth over 1000m at La Teste in April. More needed.
2. **HOT SPOT** - Couple of good places prior to a 5.25L fifth over 1600m at La Teste last month. Needs to put that effort behind him.
3. **PASTICHOP** - Inconsistent gelding following up a Carcassonne victory with a 13th over 1800m at La Teste. Has won here in the past.
4. **O'GOSHI** - Good 2L second over 1400m at Le Lion-d'Angers just over two weeks ago. Bold show expected.
5. **INNERVISIONS** - Completed a double when winning by 1L over course and distance last month. Leading contender.
6. **LE BEQUET** - Fair 3.5L fifth in an 1800m handicap at La Teste last month. Claims on earlier efforts.
7. **TAWHIRI** - Placed third over this course and distance just over two weeks ago. Claims if replicating that effort.
8. **TORANCIA** - Front-runner finished 1.5L third over 1500m at Tarbes in early April. Notable contender.
9. **SALSA DOLOISE** - Good 1.25L third over this trip at La Teste just over a month ago. Of note in this race.
10. **BECQUAMIS** - Runner-up when beaten 0.75L over 1200m at Chantilly eight days ago. Performed well when fourth over this distance at La Teste prior.
11. **FLY D'ASPE** - Returning from a break when 2.75L seventh over 1600m at La Teste just over three weeks ago. Improvement likely.
12. **PLAYA PARADISO** - Fair 3.25L sixth over this trip at La Teste last month. More required.
13. **HONG KONG STAR** - Down the field 14th over this distance at La Teste 32 days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
14. **MISTY CAT** - Midfield finish when beaten 6.5L into eighth over 1400m at La Teste last month. Others preferred.

Summary

INNERVISIONS (5) bids for a hat-trick having scored by 1L over track and trip. O'GOSHI (4) can play a role in the finish on the back of a 2L second attempting this distance at Le Lion-d'Angers. TORANCIA (8) enters calculations following a 1.5L third in a 1500m contest at Tarbes. BECQUAMIS (10) finished runner-up when beaten 0.75L in a 1200m handicap at Chantilly and is another to consider.

Selections

INNERVISIONS (5) - O'GOSHI (4) - TORANCIA (8) - BECQUAMIS (10)

Race 3

1. **THE DIG** - Good 2L third over 1100m at La Teste when debuting just over a month ago. Top chance.
2. **LE HOULME** - Improved effort when beaten a nose into second over 1200m at Toulouse at the end of May. Notable runner.
3. **SPEED BALL** - Held 7.5L fifth over 1400m at La Teste on debut. Others preferred.
4. **VAROSHKINE** - Below par 18L eighth over 1400m at La Teste on debut. Best watched.
5. **PRECIOUS ROCK** - Fair 3.75L fifth over 1400m at La Teste 23 days ago. Vulnerable to less exposed rivals.
6. **MASSA CHOP** - Good 0.75L second over 1400m in a La Teste maiden 23 days ago. Bold show expected.
7. **START IN FRONT** - Sixth when beaten 8L over 1400m at La Teste on debut last month. More required.
8. **GEORGE AFLEET** - Unraced George Vancouver colt. Likely to improve for the experience.
9. **EL OJANCANO** - Unraced Recorder colt. One to note.
10. **SHAAMY** - Unraced Invincible Spirit. Strong claims.

Summary

THE DIG (1) can deliver a victory following a 2L third over 1100m at La Teste on debut. Top chance with progress expected. MASSA CHOP (6) makes the shortlist following a 0.75L second tackling this trip at the same venue. SHAAMY (10) is a yet to race Invincible Spirit colt. Can be considered. LE HOULME (2) warrants thought after missing by a nose when runner-up in a 1200m maiden at Toulouse.

Selections

THE DIG (1) - MASSA CHOP (6) - SHAAMY (10) - LE HOULME (2)

Race 4

1. **BEYOND MY DREAMS** - Fair 5.5L fifth over 1700m in a Pompadour claimer last month. One to note.
2. **OCAMONTE** - Good 2.75L third over this track and trip sixteen days ago. Notable contender.
3. **JAVEA** - Down the field 15th over 1600m at Chantilly three weeks ago. Claims on victory at Tarbes prior.
4. **ARROW CHOP** - Held 24L eighth over 1700m at La Roche-Posay two weeks ago. Improvement required.
5. **CIRCLE OF HANDS** - Blinkers worn for the first time when 6.25L sixth over this track and trip sixteen days ago are dispensed with for this contest. Well handicapped on old form.
6. **VITOR** - Fair 4.25L sixth over 2400m at Toulouse in May. Step forward needed dropping markedly in distance.
7. **KANTALUNA** - Down the field 20L 12th over 1600m at La Teste last month. Best watched.
8. **BASSIM** - Seventeen race maiden delivered a midfield finish when 11L eighth over this course and distance last month.
9. **MA PETITE TOSCANE** - Good 2.75L fourth over this course and distance sixteen days ago. Bold show expected.
10. **JONH FOR ALWAYS** - Last of 17 over 1600m at La Teste just over three weeks ago. Needs to put that effort behind him.
11. **AZORIN** - Nine race maiden has shown little of late including when 10L 15th over 1900m at La Teste at the end of May. Best watched.
12. **SUGAR BAY** - Struggled 11L 12th over 1400m at Le Lion-d'Angers fifteen days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
13. **DANTZIG CHOP** - Good 0.75L second over this course and distance sixteen days ago. Top chance.

Summary

DANTZIG CHOP (13) may register a second course success following a 0.75L second over track and trip. MA PETITE TOSCANE (9) enters calculations on the back of a 2.75L fourth in the aforementioned event. OCAMONTE (2) came home 2.75L third that day. Shortlist. BEYOND MY DREAMS (1) is another to consider having been beaten 5.5L fifth in a 1700m contest at Pompadour.

Selections

DANTZIG CHOP (13) - MA PETITE TOSCANE (9) - OCAMONTE (2) - BEYOND MY DREAMS (1)

Race 5

1. **HAVIASSOR** - Good 2.5L fifth in the Listed 165Eme Derby du Midi over 1900m at Bordeaux just over six weeks ago. Top chance.
2. **AL HAWRA** - Runner-up when beaten 3.5L over 2400m at Nantes in May. Strong claims in first-time cheekpieces.
3. **FAYONA** - Fourth when beaten 3L over 1950m at Le Mans in May. Notable contender.
4. **WIND OF LIGHT** - Caught the eye when 2.5L second over 1800m in a La Teste handicap last month. Not ruled out.
5. **GAGNESIRY** - Broke his maiden by 0.75L in a 2100m event at Tarbes just over four weeks ago. Bold show expected.
6. **PIDOYNE** - Completed a double when winning by a head in a 2300m handicap at Tarbes 29 days ago. Of note upped in grade.
7. **HOLYMPICA** - Off the mark at the second attempt when winning by a neck in a 1900m maiden at La Teste just over six weeks ago. One to note.
8. **KEN** - Debuted with a nose victory in an 1800m maiden at Langon-Lilbourne in May. Stepping up in grade.

Summary

HAVIASSOR (1) can deliver a victory down in grade following a 2.5L fifth in the 1900m Listed 165Eme Derby du Midi at Bordeaux. AL HAWRA (2) may play a role in the finish having managed a 3.5L second over 2400m at Nantes. GAGNESIRY (5) finds a suitable opportunity on the back of a 0.75L success in a 2100m maiden at Tarbes. PIDOYNE (6) is another to consider after a head success over this trip latest.

Selections

HAVIASSOR (1) - AL HAWRA (2) - GAGNESIRY (5) - PIDOYNE (6)

Race 6

1. **SIRBA** - Faded when 20L fifth in a 4000m chase at Durtal in May. Capable of better.
2. **HOLLY LIGHT** - Good 3L second in a 3700m hurdle at Bordeaux in April. Bold show expected.
3. **SEVENTY** - Held 65L seventh in a 3800m handicap hurdle at Lyon-Parilly at the start of last month. Claims on earlier form.
4. **NIGHT DEL RAIS** - Fair 23L fifth in a 3400m hurdle at Limoges last month. Hood tried for the first time.
5. **ROSANDE** - Faller at the last when contesting a 3900m hurdle at La Teste just over three weeks ago. One to note.
6. **LA GATTA** - Fifth when beaten 24L in a 3600m hurdle at Compiegne just under three weeks ago. Strong claims in what looks an easier contest.
7. **GOLDEN DAWN** - Pulled up in a 3400m chase at Pau in December. Claims on her victory over the same trip at Nimes prior.
8. **DRAGEES AUX POIVRE** - Good 4.5L second in a 3500m hurdle here in May. Notable contender.
9. **CAPARICA** - Sixth when beaten 19L over 3700m at Bordeaux in April. Needs to put that effort behind her.
10. **PROUN** - Held 20L sixth in a 3600m hurdle at La Teste last month. Improvement required.
11. **KAP MY LOVE** - Pulled up in a 3400m chase at Nimes in November. Represents a top stable.

Summary

HOLLY LIGHT (2) may go one better than when 3L second over 3700m at Bordeaux. LA GATTA (6) is considered following a 24L fifth in a stronger event tackling 3400m at Compiegne. DRAGEES AUX POIVRE (8) enters calculations having finished 4.5L second in a track and trip contest on debut. GOLDEN DAWN (7) warrants thought. Won at Nimes prior to pulling up at Pau.

Selections

HOLLY LIGHT (2) - LA GATTA (6) - DRAGEES AUX POIVRE (8) - GOLDEN DAWN (7)

Race 7

1. **CALLIOPE** - Held 8.75L eighth over 2100m in a Saint-Cloud claimer last month. More required.
2. **AL IMPACT** - Good 6L third in a 2400m maiden at Toulouse seventeen days ago. Of note on handicap debut.
3. **DAKINI** - Head second in a 2300m contest on handicap debut at Tarbes just over four weeks ago. Top chance.
4. **YAMINA** - Sixth when beaten 2L over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly last month. One to note.
5. **IALLA DE BOZOULS** - Victorious by 4.5L in a 2250m maiden at Montauban three weeks ago. Strong claims on handicap debut.
6. **KATCHI** - Held 13L eighth over 2300m at Tarbes last month. Others hold more obvious claims.
7. **AGAMEMNON** - Delivered a 2.5L victory in a 2250m claimer at Montauban three weeks ago. Held off a lower mark at Tarbes on his most recent handicap start.
8. **JERY SMAIH** - Out of form of late including when 19L tenth in a 2100m claimer here sixteen days ago. Supplemented for this race.
9. **ALMERIAC** - Good 1.5L third in a 2300m contest at Tarbes on handicap debut. Bold show expected.
10. **HOME MOOR** - Held 17L sixth in a maiden over 2400m at Toulouse early last month. Others hold more obvious claims.

Summary

DAKINI (3) may go one better than when a head second in a 2300m event at Tarbes on her first handicap start. ALMERIAC (9) can deliver another big effort having finished 1.5L third in the aforementioned contest. IALLA DE BOZOULS (5) won by 4.5L in a 2250m maiden at Montauban. Could go well on handicap debut. AL IMPACT (2) is another to consider having been beaten 6L third over 2400m in a Toulouse maiden. Should have more to offer on first handicap outing.

Selections

DAKINI (3) - ALMERIAC (9) - IALLA DE BOZOULS (5) - AL IMPACT (2)

Race 8

1. **EASTER SUNDAY** - Nose second in a 3200m hurdle at Saint-Malo a week ago. Bold show expected.
2. **INVITE D'HONNEUR** - Fourth when beaten 35L in a 3500m newcomers hurdle here on debut in May. Improvement required.
3. **MORINGA** - Flat winner finished 28L sixth in a 3400m hurdle at La Teste just over three weeks ago. More needed.
4. **AMERICAN STORM** - Held 31L fifth in a hurdle over 3100m at Castera-Verduzan a week ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
5. **AURORE VERTE** - Good 6.5L sixth in a 3200m hurdle at Compiegne in early May. Leading contender.
6. **ILLUSION DU LARGE** - Third when beaten 8L in a 3700m hurdle at Sable-sur-Sarthe just under five weeks ago. Strong claims.

Summary

AURORE VERTE (5) may register a victory having finished 6.5L sixth in a 3200m hurdle at Compiegne. Stablemate ILLUSION DU LARGE (6) was beaten 8L third over 3700m at Sable-sur-Sarthe on debut. Open to progress and considered in this suitable event. EASTER SUNDAY (1) was denied a nose when second in a 3200m event at Saint-Malo. Shortlist. INVITE D'HONNEUR (2) might be capable of better than he showed when 35L fourth in a course and distance hurdle on his first start.

Selections

AURORE VERTE (5) - ILLUSION DU LARGE (6) - EASTER SUNDAY (1) - INVITE D'HONNEUR (2)