

BORDEAUX [R-H] - 12 November

Race 1 - PRIX FERNAND SOUBAGNE - 1400m CL2. Purse EUR €27,000.

1. **ABAAD** - Narrowly denied on debut prior to going one place better in a 1600m maiden at Angers. Claims.
2. **MORRIS BONAS** - Debut winner who finished a fair 5L fourth in a Class Two conditions race over 1600m at Toulouse. Not dismissed.
3. **SLUZEWIEC** - Three solid efforts prior to getting off the mark in a 1700m maiden at Castera-Verduzan 47 days ago. Open to progress for a top yard.
4. **CATAPUM** - Front-runner on his last two starts including when fading for a 2.5L third in a Class Two conditions race over 1900m here. Interesting dropped sharply in trip.
5. **KESARIYA** - Made all in a 1200m maiden at La Teste prior to a fair sixth in a Class Two conditions race over the same trip at Toulouse. Frame chance.
6. **LOUREIRA BLANC** - Made all in a newcomers race on debut but safely accounted for in this grade at Toulouse second-time out. May need more.
7. **OXIANA** - 2L success in a 1700m maiden on the AW at Pornichet on debut. Faces a different task now but open to progress.
8. **VALINA** - Faded badly when 12L eighth in the 1600m Listed Prix Isonomy at Deauville 23 days ago. Drops in journey.
9. **BAILEYS ARTISTE** - Unraced gelding by Morandi. Best watched unless the market suggests otherwise.

Summary: A tricky conditions race with many coming from maiden company. It could be worth chancing SLUZEWIEC (3) who produced three solid efforts prior to getting off the mark in a 1700m maiden at Castera-Verduzan. Open to progress for a top stable. Notable runner. ABAAD (1) was narrowly denied on debut prior to going one place better in a 1600m maiden at Angers. Firmly involved with further improvement expected. CATAPUM (4) raced from the front when a 2.5L third in a Class Two conditions race over 1900m here. Interesting dropped sharply in distance. Debut winner OXIANA (7) completes the shortlist despite facing a very different task.

Selections

SLUZEWIEC (3) - ABAAD (1) - CATAPUM (4) - OXIANA (7)

Race 2 - PRIX DE VERDELAIS - 1400m CLM. Purse EUR €15,000.

1. **AZULENE** - 1.5L sixth in a 1600m handicap here after a short-break. One to note dropped to a claimer.
2. **IDAHO JAMES** - Held on both starts since resuming but is capable at this level. Needs to bounce back in first-time cheekpieces.
3. **RAPIDO PRESTO** - Needs to make the running as was the case when scoring narrowly in a handicap over this trip at Deauville two runs back. Claims if finding the lead.
4. **MISSY CHOPE** - Goes well over this trip and scored in a 1400m handicap at Le Mans eleven days ago. Respected.
5. **PINK GOLD** - 4L fifth in a handicap over this trip at Le Mans (behind Missy Chope). Frame chance.
6. **RECUERDAME** - More needed on what she has produced on her last two starts.
7. **BABOOSHKA** - Promising start to her career but held on last two outings. Remains early days and could have a say if bouncing back.
8. **WERSEILLER** - Unraced colt by Power. Market check needed.
9. **VIRIMOON ETOILE** - 0.75L second in a maiden over this trip at Dax but was held on handicap debut at Longchamp 57 days ago.
10. **TORTOLA** - 0.75L success in a claimer over this trip at Le Mans four weeks ago. In the mix.
11. **PRIVILEGE** - Well beaten on last two outings. More required.
12. **SHARSTED** - Glimpses of form shown in the UK but will need a bit more than when 8.25L fourth in a 1600m maiden at Angers on French debut. First-time blinkers.

Summary: RAPIDO PRESTO (3) needs to make the running as was the case when scoring narrowly in a handicap over this journey at Deauville two starts back. Leading chance if finding the lead. MISSY CHOPE (4) goes well over this trip. Arrives after scoring in a handicap at Le Mans recently. Notable runner at this suitable standard. TORTOLA (10) won by 0.75L in a claimer tackling this distance at Le Mans. Thereabouts in current form. AZULENE (1) is interesting dropped to a claimer for a good stable.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RAPIDO PRESTO (3) - MISSY CHOPE (4) - TORTOLA (10) - AZULENE (1)</p>

Race 3 - PRIX CHAPEAU ROUGE - 1400m CL2. Purse EUR €24,000.

1. **GO ATHLETICO** - Below par in the 1200m G3 Prix de Seine-Et-Oise but was a good 0.75L second in the Listed Prix Matchem over this trip at Saint-Cloud prior. Leading chance down in standard.
2. **CREEDMOOR** - Scored by 1L in a Class Two conditions race at Mont-de-Marsan prior to finishing a close-up third in a Class One over 1600m at La Teste. Strong claims.
3. **CODE OF SILENCE** - In good form earlier in the year but upped in grade after a 146 day break. Market check needed.
4. **LA JONCTION** - Sixth in the 2020 G1 Prix Marcel Boussac - Criterium des Pouliches. Shaped well enough when 1.75L fourth in a Class Two conditions race over course and distance. Claims.
5. **TRANSCENDENTAL** - 2.75L fourth in a 1200m Class Two at Fontainebleau last month. Interesting back over the trip of her sole victory.
6. **MISS JINGLES** - 1.5L third behind Becho in a Class Two course and distance event on French debut just under four weeks ago. Open to progress.
7. **AZUR AS WELL** - Head second after making the running in a 1200m Class Three at Agen 40 days ago. Upped in standard.
8. **BECHO** - Four wins from nine starts and progressing nicely. Solid nose second in a course and distance Class Two latest. Key chance.

Summary: An interesting conditions race where it looks worth excusing GO ATHLETICO (1) a below par run in the 1200m G3 Prix de Seine-Et-Oise. Excellent 0.75L second in the Listed Prix Matchem over this trip at Saint-Cloud prior. Leading player down in standard. The progressive BECHO (8) holds four wins from nine starts. Nose runner-up in a course and distance Class Two last time. Key contender. 2020 G1 Qatar Prix Marcel Boussac - Criterium des Pouliches sixth LA JONCTION (4) shaped well enough when 1.75L fourth behind Becho. Firmly involved. CREEDMOOR (2) has the form to be seriously considered at this level.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GO ATHLETICO (1) - BECHO (8) - LA JONCTION (4) - CREEDMOOR (2)</p>

Race 4 - PRIX BELLUS MAREILHAC - 2400m CL3. Purse EUR €16,000.

1. **NATIONAL FLOWER** - Solid start to her career and was denied a head second in a Class Three over this trip at Toulouse eighteen days ago. Leading player.
2. **PENCLAUDJEANGREEN** - Found the frame on four of his six career starts but stepping out of maiden company for the first time. This is tougher but could place.
3. **IDEE FIXE** - Narrowly denied second in a 2300m Class Two at Angers a fortnight ago. Respected.
4. **DUCHESSE TANGO** - Held in handicaps on her last two outings. Progress required.
5. **YOKOHAMA** - Unplaced in four maiden outings. Major improvement needed on stable debut.
6. **LUKO DU BEARN** - Unraced son of Lucayan. Market can guide.
7. **TANGO** - Unplaced in seven career outings. Fair 1.5L fourth in a 2100m maiden at Toulouse nine days ago but likely more required.

Summary: NATIONAL FLOWER (1) sets a clear standard following a head second in a Class Three over this trip at Toulouse eighteen days ago. Could prove tough to beat with more to come. IDEE FIXE (3) was narrowly denied in a 2300m Class Two at Angers a fortnight ago. Notable runner with an unexposed profile. PENCLAUDJEANGREEN (2) steps out of maiden company for the first time but has placed in four of his six starts. Each way player. Newcomer LUKO DU BEARN (6) could fill the frame if strong in the market.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p>NATIONAL FLOWER (1) - IDEE FIXE (3) - PENCLAUDJEANGREEN (2) - LUKO DU BEARN (6)</p>
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Race 5 - PRIX DE LA GIRONDE - 2400m . Purse EUR €16,000.

1. **MAGIC DE LA RUE** - Won by a neck at Tarbes in a lower class contest beating Hasawar (3rd). Up in grade but hard to fault recent winning form.
2. **HARMONIE DE BERSAC** - Fourth beaten 6.75L at Prunelli Di Fiumorbo in a lower class contest over 2400m. Consistent but may need more.
3. **GOOD D OC** - Well beaten at Tarbes behind a number of these and needs significant improvement.
4. **LOULOU DE VERGNE** - Sixth beaten 6.25L at Tarbes in a higher class. This looks weaker and can feature.
5. **HASAWAR** - Lightly raced and put in a solid effort when third behind Magic de La Rue beaten 0.5L. More than entitled to progress.
6. **FEIJOA DU PECOS** - Well beaten at Agen over 2500m in October and best watched.
7. **HEIDI DE POMPADOUR** - Fifth beaten 6.25L at Tarbes in a higher class. Down a level and placed in this grade two starts back.
8. **HALINA DE BERSAC** - No form in last three outings and easily ruled out.
9. **FUSILLEE** - Bidding for a hat-trick after a course and distance win in this class by 0.75L. Looks the one to beat.
10. **PRIMO AREDIEN** - Fourth behind Magic de La Rue in a lower class at Tarbes. Still unexposed and could place.
11. **GIGA SUPER** - Fourth beaten 3L at Agen in this class after racing on the pace in first time blinkers. Going well and of interest.

Summary: FUSILLEE (9) won over course and distance by 0.75L recently in this class. Bidding for the hat-trick and looks the one to beat. MAGIC DE LA RUE (1) scored at Tarbes by a neck beating a number of re-opposing rivals. Well worth a try up in class. LOULOU DE VERGNE (4) finished sixth beaten 5.25L at Tarbes in a higher class in October. More than capable down in grade. HEIDI DE POMPADOUR (7) placed at this level two starts back and went with credit up in grade recently. In the mix.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p>FUSILLEE (9) - MAGIC DE LA RUE (1) - LOULOU DE VERGNE (4) - HEIDI DE POMPADOUR (7)</p>

Race 6 - PRIX GUY CHANCELIER - 2400m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **BAILEYS DIAMANT** - Second at Agen in a claimer beaten 5L over 2500m. Well beaten off a 0.5kg higher mark two starts back.
2. **NICE STROKE** - Fifth beaten 3L at Saint Cloud in a handicap over 2400m after going off favourite. Consistent and will go close again.
3. **FRENCH PLAISIR** - Won by 1L at Toulouse over 2400m in a handicap in October. That was a return to form and only raised 1kg.
4. **LE BASTAN** - Fifth beaten 1L at Toulouse in a handicap over 2400m. Finished strongly and should be thereabouts once more.
5. **KENNY** - Sixth beaten 6L at Pornichet in a claimer two starts back. Performed poorly since.
6. **TRES RUSH** - Sixth beaten 6L at Toulouse in a handicap over 2000m and was dropped 1kg subsequently. Won and placed in two outings over course and distance. Top claims.
7. **EVINERUDE** - Seventh beaten 9.5L at Toulouse in a handicap over 2400m. Needs a bit more off this mark.
8. **TY CHARLE** - No form in last four outings and hard to consider.
9. **FIRE GARI** - Down the field at Pau (AW) in a handicap and difficult to have.
10. **MAKOTOTONBOKIRI** - Fifth beaten 5.75L at La Teste in a claimer over 2400m. Hard to have back in a handicap but has been dropped 3.5kg in two outings.
11. **TAKEDOWN** - Twelfth over 1900m at this venue in a handicap. Up in trip and placed over this distance four starts back.
12. **LE MARAIS** - Sixth beaten 3.75L at Toulouse in a handicap over 2000m. Consistent and not ruled out.
13. **MISTER GABRIEL** - Fourth beaten 3L at Saint Cloud in a handicap over 2400m. Placed on sole outing over course and distance and is of interest.
14. **LAGON MERISOIS** - Fourth beaten 4.5L at Toulouse in a handicap over 2400m. Going well and not ruled out.
15. **QUILARO** - Returned to form after a short break when sixth beaten 2.5L at Toulouse in a handicap. Interesting if building on that.
16. **KENRISK** - 37 start maiden. Well beaten in a Class Four and hard to have now into a handicap.

Summary: NICE STROKE (2) finished fifth beaten 3L at Saint Cloud in a handicap when sent off favourite. This is weaker and is expected to go close. TRES RUSH (6) has a win and a placing from two course and distance outings. Solid sixth at Toulouse in a handicap over 2000m. Interesting. FRENCH PLAISIR (3) won by 1L at Toulouse in a handicap over 2400m when blinkers were reapplied. These are retained and can progress again off a 1kg higher mark. LE BASTAN (4) produced a 1L fifth at Toulouse in a handicap after finishing strongly. Holds a win and a placing from five track and trip starts.

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Race 7 - PRIX BERTRAND DU VIVIER - 1900m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **EL INGRATO** - Sixth beaten 9.5L over course and distance in a Class Two. 1.25L fifth three starts back off a 4.5kg lower mark.
2. **VA S'Y MIX** - Fourth beaten 1.5L over course and distance in a Class Two. Made all to win a handicap prior. Top claims.
3. **SHEHIYR** - Fifth beaten 2.5L over course and distance in a Class Two behind a couple of these. Solid once more.
4. **ISHRAQ** - Made all to win by 20L at Cazaubon in a Class Four two starts back. Well beaten since in a Class Two. Handicap debut and hard to assess.
5. **RED ONION** - Fourth beaten 3L at Toulouse in a handicap over 2000m. Remains on the same mark and can be competitive.
6. **IRON ROCK** - Spanish raider who was well beaten at La Teste off a 3kg higher mark in July. Best watched.
7. **TALISMAN TOUCH** - Third beaten 2L at Machecoul in a Class Four over 2350m. Likely to find handicapping tough.
8. **QUEEN'S OF MARSHAL** - Third beaten 1.75L at Toulouse over 2000m in a handicap. Win and two placings from three starts over course and distance. Top chance.
9. **YOUAREMINE** - Last seen when winning at Mont de Marsan by 0.5L back in September 2020. Needs a market check after the break.
10. **VERT DIAMOND** - Eleventh beaten 4.75L over course and distance in a handicap behind Queen's of Marshal. Dropped 0.5kg and could place.
11. **AKINATHOR GAME** - Fourth beaten 2.25L over 2400m in a handicap here when last seen 538 days ago. Entitled to need this and expected to need further.
12. **STAR CHIEF** - Well beaten on last three outings and may need more than the 1.5kg drop in the weights.
13. **BAILEYS BALLE** - Only beat four home at Deauville in a handicap. Dropped a further 2kg but hard to consider.

Summary: VA S'Y MIX (2) finished fourth beaten 1.5L over course and distance in a Class Two. Made all to win a handicap two starts back and likely to go close again. QUEEN'S OF MARSHAL (8) was third beaten 1.75L at Toulouse in a handicap. One win and two placings over course and distance. Strong claims once more. SHEHIYR (3) produced a 2.5L fifth in a Class Two over 1900m here. Interesting back in a handicap. YOUAREMINE (9) won at Mont de Marsan back in September 2020. Market check needed after the break.

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<p style="text-align: center;">VA S'Y MIX (2) - QUEEN'S OF MARSHAL (8) - SHEHIYR (3) - YOUAREMINE (9)</p>
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Race 8 - PRIX AMEED DE CARAYON LATOUR - 1900m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **MR BOLD** - Eighth beaten 18L at Angers in a handicap over 2100m. First time blinkers need to bring improvement.
2. **ALIENOR** - Fourth beaten 4L at Pau (AW) over 2000m in a claimer. Struggled off a 4.5kg higher mark four starts back.
3. **CARDIEL** - Fifth beaten 2L over course and distance in a handicap. Solid once more.
4. **QUEEN LIBERTY** - Seventh beaten 3.75L at Toulouse in a handicap over 1600m. The winner has won again and not ruled out.
5. **JAVEA** - Well beaten at Clairefontaine in a handicap over 1400m. Needs to bounce back.
6. **AL RASSOUL** - Fifth beaten 4L at Deauville (AW) over 1900m in a handicap eight days ago. Going well and should not be far away.
7. **SIR BECQUAILLE** - Fourteenth beaten 14L over course and distance. Fifth prior and dropped a further 1.5kg. Can bounce back.
8. **SILVER POKER** - Well beaten at Toulouse nine days ago but was fourth beaten 4.5L in a handicap prior. Not entirely ruled out.
9. **GRISGRISES** - Seventh beaten 7L at Toulouse in a handicap over 1600m. Maiden after seventeen starts and unlikely to be changing that.
10. **LA FILLE DE BERLIN** - Fourth beaten 7.5L at Toulouse in a handicap over 1600m. Up in trip and needs to prove she is as effective.
11. **PREMIER AVRIL** - Second beaten a neck over course and distance in a handicap two starts back. Well beaten since. Could re-find form.
12. **YOUPIIE** - Eighth beaten 7.5L at Cholet in a handicap over 1900m. Unlikely
13. **MOCKLERSHILL** - Fifth beaten 3.25L at Angers in a handicap over 2100m. Consistent enough and could place.

Summary: CARDIEL (3) finished fifth beaten 2L over course and distance in a handicap. This looks weaker and is entitled to go close. QUEEN LIBERTY (4) was seventh beaten 3.75L at Toulouse in a handicap over 1600m. The winner has franked the form since. AL RASSOUL (6) produced a 4L fifth at Deauville (AW) in a stronger contest. Capable. SIR BECQUAILLE (7) was fifth in a handicap two starts back and could bounce back from a lacklustre effort since. Dropped 1.5kg in the weights.

Selections

CARDIEL (3) - QUEEN LIBERTY (4) - AL RASSOUL (6) - SIR BECQUAILLE (7)