

# LONGCHAMP - 13 May

## Race 1

1. **CELTIC GLORY** - 2.25L third in class four handicap over this trip at Bordeaux when wearing blinkers for the first time two runs back. Each way claims.
2. **EL VISO** - 29 race maiden. More needed on recent form.
3. **CHARLES LEGEND** - Scored in a lower grade handicap on reappearance but well held the last twice. Best watched.
4. **SWING GLAZ** - 1.5L runner up in a Le Lion-D'angers class four handicap over this trip before a below par run upped in journey. One to note back at this preferred distance.
5. **PREMIER AVRIL** - Held the last twice in class four handicaps and not usually seen over a trip this far. Others preferred.
6. **ERMINA** - Safely accounted for in a trio of Marseille Borely class four handicaps this campaign. Progress required.
7. **AHMED PRIDE** - 2L class three handicap success over 3100m at Saint-Cloud prior to a solid third in the same grade at Fontainebleau. Key player eased in trip.
8. **FOR ME DAVIS** - Good 1.5L fourth in a 2700m class three handicap at Chantilly AW two runs back. One to note with Maxime Guyon a positive booking.
9. **STUNNING PEARL** - Well held on recent form and remains a maiden after 20 career outings. Best watched.
10. **COMPULSORY** - Safely accounted for in this class of late. Others hold stronger claims.
11. **HUANG HO** - Well beaten in three starts since resuming but holds each way claims on best form.
12. **SEEKING REVENGE** - Safely held on recent form and revival needed to feature.
13. **VADROUILLEUR** - One placing in fifteen career starts and was well held 137 days ago. More needed on stable debut.
14. **HEAVEN'S DOOR** - Beaten out of sight on reappearance four weeks back. Best watched.
15. **ALFORROCHO** - Well beaten at Strasbourg 221 days ago but would have each way claims on prior third. Returns after a gelding operation.
16. **LEE DRAGON** - 5L third in a 2500m class four handicap at Evreux twelve days ago. Not discounted.
17. **WALDENON** - Well beaten in both starts since resuming but would be dangerous to dismiss if finding last summers form.

## Summary

AHMED PRIDE (7) scored by 2L in a class three 3100m handicap at Saint-Cloud prior to a solid third in the same grade at Fontainebleau. Key contender eased in trip tackling a suitable level. SWING GLAZ (4) finished 1.5L second in a class four handicap at this distance before a below par run upped in journey. Warrants thought back to this preferred journey. FOR ME DAVIS (8) is not to be discounted. Booking of Maxime Guyon catches the eye. CELTIC GLORY (1) completes the shortlist.

## Selections

**AHMED PRIDE (7) - SWING GLAZ (4) - FOR ME DAVIS (8) - CELTIC GLORY (1)**

## Race 2

1. **MEJAEN** - Led for a long way when 2.75L fourth in a 2400m similar level Lyon-Parilly class three four days ago (good). In the mix.
2. **DARK DREAM** - 5.25L seventh in this company at Chantilly AW 30 days ago. Not ruled out with a unbeaten record over this track and trip.
3. **KING NONANTAIS** - 4.5L fifth in a similar grade Nancy handicap over 2950m (good to soft) at the start of this month. Could improve dropped in journey and weight.
4. **NICE STROKE** - Infrequent winner who has finished in the placings in his previous three outings including twice at this level. Frame option.
5. **PUFF DAKOTA** - Travelled well before finding little over 3000m in this class eight days ago. Others have achieved more but has previous form in this grade.
6. **AMANDA** - Down the field in a Lyon-Parilly class three handicap nineteen days ago over 2000m (good to soft). Could fare better raised in journey.
7. **BODUON** - Two runner-up spots since resuming at a lower level. Contender with a notable jockey booking.
8. **A FINE ROMANCE** - Edging towards a win after a fine second at Fontainebleau over 2600m (good to soft) at this level. Firmly in the mix.
9. **FAMOUS LINE** - Never nearer ninth in this class 24 days ago at Saint-Cloud over 2100m. Place claims up in trip.
10. **BAIRA** - Unplaced in all fourteen starts to date. Hard to enthuse first up.
11. **RUUDJE** - 6.75L tenth in this company over 3000m (soft) at Fontainebleau. Others make more appeal but has been supplemented.
12. **COMBAT DES TRENTÉ** - Successful in this class on reappearance at Chantilly AW over 2700m prior to a fair fourth last month. Consider.
13. **CORAL BOY** - Reached the placings in two previous efforts in this grade over 2100m. Could gain a first victory raised in distance.
14. **BRIGHT CRESCENT** - Down the field in this class on reappearance at Chantilly AW a month ago. Others preferred.
15. **CROCY** - Improved 1.5L second in a weaker grade Morlaix handicap eighteen days ago. Step forward required in this standard.
16. **LINARDO** - 3L third in a weaker class Evreux handicap over 2500m (soft) twelve days ago. Others preferred.
17. **LINDA'S CAP** - Improved runner up position in a similar level Saint-Cloud handicap over 2100m (good) on reappearance 24 days back. Key player.

### Summary

LINDA'S CAP (17) showed improvement on seasonal reappearance with a second in a similar level Saint-Cloud 2100m handicap. Leading hope eased 0.5kg in the weights. CORAL BOY (13) caught the eye in this grade tackling 2100m. A first victory is not far away raised in distance. Contender. PUFF DAKOTA (5) finished downfield the past couple of handicaps though holds form in this standard. Keep on side. NICE STROKE (4) arrives in top handicap condition and is another firmly in the mix with a good jockey booked. A FINE ROMANCE (8) can be included after a solid runner-up effort at Fontainebleau.

### Selections

**LINDA'S CAP (17) - CORAL BOY (13) - PUFF DAKOTA (5) - NICE STROKE (4) - A FINE ROMANCE (8)**

### Race 3

1. **VAUCELLES** - Ended three-year-old campaign with a good 0.75L victory in the G2 Prix de Mallere here over 2400m (good to soft). Key player if sharp enough on return.
2. **CRESSIDA** - Class two handicap success at Chantilly over 2400m (soft) last month. Needs to raise her game at this level.
3. **L'ABSOLUE** - Off the mark by 0.5L in a Fontainebleau 2600m class three event 27 days ago. Respected up in grade and distance for top connections.
4. **NOBLE MUSIC** - Fair 1.25L third in the Listed Prix Zarkava over 2100m (soft) here last month. Each way claims.
5. **BIG TAMAYA** - Second up winner by 2L in a Salon-de-Provence class three contest over 2400m (good to soft) last month. Place chance.
6. **FRANKEL'S MAGIC** - 6L eighth in the Listed Prix Zarkava 32 days ago at this track (soft) over 2100m. Could improve raised in journey.
7. **PONTILLE** - Fair 7.5L fifth in the G3 Prix Exbury on seasonal reappearance at Saint-Cloud over 2000m (heavy) in March. Contender eased in class.
8. **SEACHANGE** - 0.5L third in a class three 2600m event at Fontainebleau on reappearance four weeks ago. Expected to improve second up.

#### Summary

VAUCELLES (1) ended her three-year-old campaign with a good 0.75L victory in the G2 Prix de Mallere here over 2400m. Key player if sharp enough on return. PONTILLE (7) can deliver a strong challenge if able to build on a fair fifth making reappearance in the G3 Prix Exbury. Strong chance with fitness on side. L'ABSOLUE (3) takes a leap in grade after scoring a Fontainebleau class three contest on second career outing. Respected for top connections. NOBLE MUSIC (4) offers each way claims after a solid 1.25L third in the Listed Prix Zarkava.

#### Selections

**VAUCELLES (1) - PONTILLE (7) - L'ABSOLUE (3) - NOBLE MUSIC (4)**

## Race 4

1. **OZAN** - 3.5L maiden success prior to a solid 2.5L fifth in a class two conditions race over this trip at Chantilly AW. Considered with more to come on handicap debut.
2. **MOUNTAINS BLUES** - Racked up a hat-trick of victories at Chantilly AW before a below par effort. Dangerous to dismiss if translating good form to turf but not guaranteed.
3. **MADOUSS** - Plenty of solid form including when 3.25L sixth in the Listed Prix Montenica over this trip at Chantilly AW two runs back. Respected into a handicap.
4. **EVERESTE** - Unexposed filly who finished 1L fourth in a 1600m handicap at Chantilly seventeen days ago. Key player for an in-form top trainer and jockey.
5. **BRAZIL BOY** - Held on both recent starts but retains potential for a good yard. Not entirely dismissed.
6. **WIND OF CHANGE** - 3.5L winner of a 1400m Chantilly AW handicap two runs back. Yet to show that form on turf but dangerous to dismiss if doing so.
7. **ROOSTER** - Back-to-back 2L seconds over 1200m the latest at Chantilly three weeks ago. Key contender at this trip.
8. **ROUVRAY** - 3.25L third in a 1400m handicap at Saint-Cloud 29 days ago. One to note over this suitable journey.
9. **OUTLAW PETE** - Narrow margin winner of a handicap over this trip at Deauville AW last October prior to a fair sixth in a class two conditions race. Each way claims following a break.
10. **PISORNO** - 2L third behind Rooster in a 1200m handicap at Chantilly three weeks back. Unexposed in handicaps. Consider.
11. **MAPLE BISQUIT** - Two sixth placed finishes in 1600m handicaps since resuming. May have more to offer eased in journey.
12. **PENNY WHISTLE** - 3.75L fifth behind some of these rivals in a 1200m Chantilly handicap. Place claims.
13. **SHERSHAB** - 1L runner up in a handicap over 1500m at Marseille-Vivaux AW in March. Respected if translating that form to turf (one previous outing).
14. **EVE** - Held on both starts since resuming but would hold each way claims on last years two-year-old form.
15. **QUINDIANO** - 0.5L winner of a handicap over 1400m at Le Lion d'Angers 24 days ago. Shortlisted with more to come from a good yard.
16. **KAMA CHOPE** - Five placings from eight career starts including back-to-back maiden seconds earlier this season. Key player tackling this trip for the first time on handicap debut.

## Summary

ROOSTER (7) produced back-to-back 2L seconds tackling 1200m with the latest coming at Chantilly. Leading player tackling this trip while Maxime Guyon retains the ride. OZAN (1) ran out a comfortable 3.5L winner of a maiden prior to a solid 2.5L fifth in a class two conditions race over this journey at Chantilly AW. Respected with progress likely on handicap debut. MADOUSS (3) maintains solid form including 3.25L sixth in the Listed Prix Montenica at Chantilly AW two runs back. One to note. KAMA CHOPE (16) is not ruled out on handicap debut under Mickael Barzalona. The unexposed EVERESTE (4) cannot be dismissed for a top trainer and jockey.

## Selections

**ROOSTER (7) - OZAN (1) - MADOUSS (3) - KAMA CHOPE (16) - EVERESTE (4)**

## Race 5

1. **IN SWOOP** - 2020 G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe runner up finished 0.75L second on reappearance behind Sublimis in the Listed Prix Lord Seymour at this track and trip last month. Key player with a 1.5kg weight reversal.
2. **SUBLIMIS** - Displayed a smart turn of foot to land the Listed Prix Lord Seymour second up here by 0.75L. Notable runner for top connections.
3. **LORD ACHILLES** - 2.25L fourth in the Listed Prix Lord Seymour on third start since resuming. Place claims.
4. **THE GOOD MAN** - Chasing a hat-trick after a pair of class two successes since resuming including at this track and trip. More on plate raised in standard but holds place hope.
5. **INFLUX** - 2.5L fifth second up in Listed Prix Lord Seymour here. Work to do to reverse form with the three in front of him that day.
6. **NAGANO GOLD** - Ended the previous campaign with a 6L fifth in the G2 Prix du Conseil de Paris over 2200m here (heavy). May need this after a break.
7. **HOME SWEET HOME** - Good handicapper who finished 2.75L fifth in a Nantes class two 2400m event on reappearance. Flying too high in this standard.

### Summary

A small but select field for this G3 prize. Last season's G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe runner-up IN SWOOP (1) finished a creditable second on seasonal reappearance in the Listed Prix Lord Seymour over this track and trip last month. Finished behind Sublimis that day and can overturn form with a 1.5kg weight reversal. SUBLIMIS (2) showed a smart turn of foot to win the aforementioned Listed event. Key contender for this improving performer representing notable connections. LORD ACHILLES (3) and INFLUX (5) were both behind the main selections but have place claims with fitness on side.

### Selections

**IN SWOOP (1) - SUBLIMIS (2) - LORD ACHILLES (3) - INFLUX (5)**

## Race 6

1. **HARD HEADED WOMEN** - 7L eighth on handicap debut over 1200m at Chantilly (good) 23 days ago. More needed.
2. **MUCH STYLE** - 1.5L success on handicap debut prior to a held seventh from this weight at Chantilly. Place claims.
3. **SPORT COUPE** - Down the field in a Chantilly 1600m handicap (good) seventeen days ago. Hard to enthuse.
4. **GENETIQUE** - 4L fourth in a Strasbourg 1400m maiden second up. Not discounted in a handicap for an in-form trainer down in the weights.
5. **LADY DANGER** - Dual AW scorer who returns after a small break. Something to prove returning to turf.
6. **LIGHT UP MY DREAM** - Nose second on fourth maiden outing at Le Croise-Laroche. Respected on handicap debut raised in distance.
7. **WHITE PLATIN** - Unplaced in twelve starts thus far including 3L sixth in a Le Lion d'Angers 1400m handicap three weeks ago. Drop in trip could help.
8. **THE PREACHER** - 2L fifth in first handicap at Chantilly over 1200m (good to soft) last month. Leading hope.
9. **LE CHAT BOTTE** - Breakthrough victory in a 1200m Chantilly handicap (good to soft) last month. Could go close from a higher weight.
10. **BELLERA** - Beaten a long way in previous two handicap starts. Impossible to recommend.

### Summary

LE CHAT BOTTE (9) scored for the first time from a career low weight at Chantilly over 1200m. May follow up with confidence rising. THE PREACHER (8) was behind the aforementioned making handicap debut. Open to progress as an unexposed contender. Go close. LIGHT UP MY DREAM (6) is a genuine chance after a nose second on fourth maiden outing. Respected tackling a first handicap. MUCH STYLE (2) delivered a 1.5L win on handicap debut delivering penultimate start. Frame option if bouncing back after a seventh since.

### Selections

**LE CHAT BOTTE (9) - THE PREACHER (8) - LIGHT UP MY DREAM (6) - MUCH STYLE (2)**

## Race 7

1. **FRENCH CONTE** - Four wins from nine starts and 3L fourth in a Hannover 1400m handicap (good) second up. Needs to take a step forward after previous eighth in this class.
2. **NINARIO** - 0.75L third in the Hannover 1300m Listed Waldpfad - Cup second up. Infrequent winner but has each way claims for a good trainer.
3. **MUTTRAH FORT** - Down the field in a pair of class two handicaps on heavy ground at the end of previous campaign. Could fare better freshened up on better going.
4. **ROCK BLANC** - Progressive handicapper who bids for a hat-trick after a pair of class two victories over this journey. Firmly in the mix.
5. **TANTPISPOUREUX** - 3.25L eighth in a course and distance class one handicap (good to soft) eleven days ago. Place claims.
6. **SINILGA** - Three-time winner on the AW. Others have achieved more on turf and unlikely to feature at this level.

### Summary

ROCK BLANC (4) arrives on a steep upward curve following back to back class two victories over this trip since resuming. Progressing nicely and could take this class rise in his stride under suitable ground conditions. NINARIO (2) delivered a 0.75L third in the Listed Waldpfad Cup at Hannover over 1300m second up. Infrequent winner but could fare well for a good trainer. TANTPISPOUREUX (5) produced a 3.25L course and distance eighth in a class one event eleven days ago. Place claims if there is a strong pace. MUTTRAH FORT (3) is not ruled out returning to quicker ground.

### Selections

**ROCK BLANC (4) - NINARIO (2) - TANTPISPOUREUX (5) - MUTTRAH FORT (3)**