CLAIREFONTAINE [R-H] - 13 August

Race 1 - PRIX SENSATIONS DU JEU (PRIX THE WONDER) - 1800m MDN. Purse EUR €22,000.

- 1. IT'S MAGIC Good 4.5L second in a 2000m newcomers race at Compiegne in early June. Top chance.
- 2. **ANGEL** Runner-up when beaten 1.5L in an 1800m newcomers race at Dieppe eighteen days ago. Bold show expected.
- 3. ROQUE FORT BAILEYS Fair 6.5L fifth over 1800m at Complegne in June. Step forward required.
- 4. **COOL MAN** Improved on debut effort when 7.5L sixth over 2200m at Dieppe just under four weeks go. Further improvement required.
- 5. WOFF Good 3.25L third over 1600m in a Compiegne newcomers race six weeks ago. Strong claims.
- 6. PRINCELY GIFT Unraced Rock Of Gibraltar colt. Likely to improve for the experience.

Summary: IT'S MAGIC (1) can take this following a 4.5L second over 2000m at Compiegne on debut. ANGEL (2) may play a role in the finish having been beaten 1.5L when runner-up in an 1800m contest at Dieppe. WOFF (5) looks well placed. Finished 3.25L third in a 1600m newcomers contest at Compiegne. COOL MAN (4) may show improvement after a 7.5L sixth tackling 2200m at Dieppe.

Selections

IT'S MAGIC (1) - **ANGEL** (2) - **WOFF** (5) - **COOL MAN** (4)

Race 2 - PRIX EQUIPE DU CASINO DE VILLERS-SUR-MER (PRIX DE LA CHANCE) - 1800m CLM. Purse EUR €27,000.

- 1. NOT SO SILLY Faded when 7.5L sixth over 2100m at Chantilly last month. Strong claims down in grade.
- 2. **BOOMERANG** Held 5.75L eighth over 1900m in a handicap at Chantilly AW last month. Claims on earlier form.
- 3. **DELICE** Fourth when beaten 3.5L over 1800m at Dieppe eighteen days ago. Notable contender.
- 4. **ABOUT MIDNIGHT** Short-head second over 1900m in a La Teste handicap just under three weeks ago. One to note.
- 5. BAKHCHISARAY Last of 16 in a 2400m handicap at Vichy 23 days ago. Best watched.
- 6. **SPACE KID** Given a break and changed stable since finishing 24L fourth in a 3263m hurdle at Hexham in early June. Others make more appeal.

Summary: NOT SO SILLY (1) finds a winning opportunity having faded when 7.5L sixth over 2100m at Chantilly. DELICE (3) makes the shortlist after a 3.5L fourth tackling 1800m at Dieppe. ABOUT MIDNIGHT (4) can be considered after going down by a short-head when runner-up in a 1900m handicap at La Teste. BOOMERANG (2) warrants thought representing a top yard. Beaten 5.75L eighth attempting 1900m at Chantilly AW.

Selections

NOT SO SILLY (1) - DELICE (3) - ABOUT MIDNIGHT (4) - BOOMERANG (2)

Race 3 - PRIX RESTAURANT DU CASINO (PRIX HIGHEST HONOR) - 1800m MDN. Purse EUR €22,000.

- 1. **VRIGNY** Good 1.75L fourth in the 2100m Listed Prix Melisande at Longchamp in June. Hard to beat dropped to maiden company.
- 2. **TAN TAMASHA** Held 8L tenth in a 1600m newcomers race at Saint-Cloud in April. Changed trainer since that effort.
- 3. BESIBERRI Held 4.75L eighth over 2000m in a Vichy maiden last month. Best watched.
- 4. **AER TURAS** Faded when 10L sixth over 1800m in a Dieppe newcomers race eighteen days ago. Minor role likely.
- 5. CHIRI TSUBAKI Good 2.75L third in a 1400m maiden at Chantilly in July last year. Strong claims.
- 6. **BONARDA** Improved effort 0.75L third in a 2000m event at Mulheim (Germany) just over a month ago. One to note.
- 7. **PLACE COLETTE** Placed on three of her last four starts including when 2L third in an 1800m handicap at Aix-les-Bains just over five weeks ago. Of note in this race.
- 8. MOONY Fair 5L fourth in a 1600m maiden here nine days ago. Step forward needed.
- 9. **ADLONNE** Unraced Siyouni filly. Likely to improve for the experience.

Summary: VRIGNY (1) can take this having performed well at a higher level including when 1.75L fourth in the 2100m Listed Prix Melisande at Longchamp. CHIRI TSUBAKI (5) may play a role in the finish. Returns from an absence having finished 2.75L third tackling 1400m at Chantilly in July last year. BONARDA (6) enters calculations after a 0.75L third attempting 2000m at Mulheim. PLACE COLETTE (7) is considered following a 2L third in an 1800m handicap at Aix-les-Bains.

Selections

VRIGNY (1) - CHIRI TSUBAKI (5) - BONARDA (6) - PLACE COLETTE (7)

Race 4 - PRIX CASINO ET COURSES (PRIX TIP MOSS) - 2900m CL2. Purse EUR €28,000.

- 1. **MAX LA FRIPOUILLE** Victorious by 1L in a 2800m conditions race at Compiegne last month. Bold show expected.
- 2. ALBIR Returning from a break when 6.25L sixth over 2400m at Dieppe earlier this month. One to note.
- 3. **MANX** Making a return to the Flat when 3.75L fifth in a 2400m conditions race at Dieppe eleven days ago. Claims if building on that effort.
- 4. **MONT STEELE** Down the field 12L 12th in a 2400m handicap at Chantilly in early June. Best form has come on the AW.
- 5. **MISTER NINO** Given a break since finishing 10L seventh over 2800m at Saint-Cloud in May. Strong claims if producing his best form.
- 6. PALUS ARGENTEUS Midfield finish when 4L eighth over 3000m at Vichy last month. Of note in this race.
- 7. **L'IMPROVISTE** Fourth when beaten 6.5L in a 3000m handicap at Saint-Cloud in early November. Notable contender.

Summary: MISTER NINO (5) can deliver a victory here following a 10L seventh over 2800m at Saint-Cloud. Leading player on best form. MAX LA FRIPOUILLE (1) warrants thought bidding to complete a double after securing victory in a 2800m conditions race at Compiegne. L'IMPROVISTE (7) is another to consider having ended last year with a 6.5L fourth tackling 3000m at Saint-Cloud. ALBIR (2) can take a step forward after a 6.25L sixth attempting 2400m at Dieppe.

Selections

MISTER NINO (5) - MAX LA FRIPOUILLE (1) - L'IMPROVISTE (7) - ALBIR (2)

Race 5 - PRIX VILLERS-SUR-MER (PRIX DE LA VESPIERE) - 2900m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €21,000.

- 1. AMIATA Down the field 8.5L 12th over 2400m here twelve days ago. Capable of better.
- 2. **FOLLY FOOT** Below par in two starts since returning to the Flat including when 10L ninth over 2700m at Les Sables-d'Olonne seventeen days ago. Others preferred.
- 3. NUUK Failed to shine when 13L 16th over 2400m at this track nine days ago. More needed.
- 4. **SRIDEDGREEN** Good 0.75L second in a 2400m contest at Lignieres last month. Of note on handicap debut.
- 5. **VASY SAKHEE** Third when beaten 1.25L in a 2500m contest at Argentan sixteen days ago. Bold show expected.
- 6. **PERFECT ROSE** Placed third when beaten 3L in a 2400m handicap at Diveonne thirteen days ago. One to note debuting for a new trainer.
- 7. AUEN ADVENTURE Victorious by 0.75L in a 3000m handicap at Vichy 24 days ago. Strong claims.
- 8. **ZOE LA GRIBOUILLE** Returning from a break when 5L fourth over 2700m at Le Touquet two weeks ago. Notable contender.
- 9. **HINOU DES HAZARDS** Fourth when beaten 5L over 2700m at Le Touquet at the end of last month. Noted in this race.
- 10. **PROELIA** Held 10L seventh over 2700m at Les Sables-d'Olonne seventeen days ago. Others make more appeal.
- 11. **NORWEGIAN LORD** Dropping in trip following an 8.75L fifth over 3400m at Deauville AW last weekend. Improvement required.
- 12. YOUCA Struggled when 14L tenth over 2400m here last week. Minor role likely.

Summary: VASY SAKHEE (5) may register a victory after finishing 1.25L third in a 2500m event at Argentan. AUEN ADVENTURE (7) is respected following a 0.75L victory over 3000m at Vichy. ZOE LA GRIBOUILLE (8) enters calculations after a 5L fourth tackling 2700m at Le Touquet first up. PERFECT ROSE (6) is also noted debuting for a new trainer having been beaten 3L third in a 2400m race at Divonne.

Selections

VASY SAKHEE (5) - AUEN ADVENTURE (7) - ZOE LA GRIBOUILLE (8) - PERFECT ROSE (6)

Race 6 - PRIX FLASH DU CASINO (PRIX DU TREFLE) - 2200m CL3. Purse EUR €23,000.

- 1. NORTON Good 3.5L second over 2400m at Compiegne six weeks ago. Bold show expected.
- 2. **BLUE HORIZON** Held 6.25L eighth over 2200m at Hamburg (Germany) early last month. Likely to find a few too good.
- 3. **DARBAMA** Built on a string of placed efforts when winning a conditions race by 7.5L at Vitteaux just under six weeks ago. Top chance.
- 4. HOLYMPICA Fourth when beaten 5L at Dax just over a month ago. Open to improvement.
- 5. CLOUD MAN Held 8.25L ninth over 1800m at Longchamp last month. Step forward likely second up.
- 6. LOUP ROYANS Fair 4.75L fifth in a 2000m maiden at Vichy last month. More needed.
- 7. IRISH CLASS Good 3L fourth over 2400m in a Compiegne maiden last month. Notable runner.
- 8. CAZALLA Fair 2.75L seventh in a 2100m conditions race five weeks ago. Step up in trip no issue.
- 9. RIHAMA Good 1.75L third in a track and trip handicap twelve days ago. Of note in this race.
- 10. **MAJORETTE** Fair 6L third in a 2200m maiden at Dieppe just under four weeks ago. This looks a tougher affair.
- 11. MARCIE Held 5.25L fifth in a 2400m claimer here nine days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.

Summary: DARBAMA (3) can register a victory here having impressed scoring by 7.5L over 2000m at Vitteaux. NORTON (1) may play a role in the finish on the back of a 3.5L second attempting 2400m at Compiegne. IRISH CLASS (7) makes the shortlist after a 3L fourth in a 2400m Compiegne maiden. CAZALLA (8) is another to consider with blinkers tried for the first time following a 2.75L seventh tackling 2100m at Saint-Cloud.

Selections

DARBAMA (3) - NORTON (1) - IRISH CLASS (7) - CAZALLA (8)

Race 7 - PRIX CASINO TRANCHANT DE VILLERS-SUR-MER (PRIX DES PEUPLIERS) - 3700m STPLE. Purse EUR €31,000.

- 1. **SAMBANA DU BERLAIS** Victorious by 20L in a 3800m hurdle at Dieppe last month. Top chance on return to chasing.
- 2. **GEMOHIO** Fair 6.75L seventh in a 3600m handicap hurdle here fifteen days ago. Claims on second at Dieppe prior.
- 3. **TABALLERA** Returning from a break when a head second in a 3700m claiming chase here fifteen days ago. One to note.
- 4. **HOGWARTS** Good 11L second in a 3700m chase at this track last month. Notable contender.
- 5. **HUILE DE COUDE** Faded when 20L sixth in a 4000m handicap chase at Le Lion-d'Angers a month ago. Needs to put that effort behind her.
- 6. **JOUMANA DE RETZ** Last of five when beaten 14L in a 3350m chase at Compiegne in September last year. Likely capable of better.
- 7. **COEURQUIVALSE** Successful by 3L in a 3450m claiming hurdle at Les Sables-d'Olonne just under five weeks ago. Making her first start for a new trainer.

Summary: SAMBANA DU BERLAIS (1) can complete a double having won by 20L in a 3800m hurdle at Dieppe. HOGWARTS (4) secures a suitable opportunity after a 11L second in a course and distance event. COEURQUIVALSE (7) may deliver a big effort after managing a 3L success in a 3450m claiming hurdle at Les Sables-d'Olonne. TABALLERA (3) is another to consider. Finished a head second in a track and trip claiming chase.

Selections

SAMBANA DU BERLAIS (1) - HOGWARTS (4) - COEURQUIVALSE (7) - TABALLERA (3)

- 1. FURIMIX Fair 16L second in a 3400m claiming hurdle at Dieppe last month. Strong claims.
- 2. **PROJECT FEAR** Given a break and changed stable since pulling up in a 3600m hurdle at Auteuil in May. Of note down in grade.
- 3. **LAST FINAL JACK** Faded when 15L fourth over 3900m at Saint-Malo last month. Looking for a first victory at the 12th time of asking.
- 4. **CANFORD WINE** Failed to shine when 31L last of nine in a 3800m handicap hurdle at Aix-les-Bains last month. Best watched.
- 5. RANI DE BILSAC Unseated rider in a 3500m claiming hurdle at Auteuil in May. Minor role likely.
- 6. **LIVE YOUR DREAM** Below par 43L fifth in a 3550m claiming hurdle at Chateaubriant just under three weeks ago. More needed.
- 7. **JOLIE MARQUISE** Returning from a break when 20L fourth in a 3400m claiming hurdle at Dieppe last month. Notable contender.
- 8. **MISTER BINT** 21 race maiden finished a fair 16L fifth in a 3800m handicap hurdle at Aix-les-Bains last month.
- 9. BATHY LOVE Early faller in a 3700m claiming chase here first up. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 10. **CQUILEPATRON** Placed in three consecutive starts prior to a 15L fifth in a 3900m handicap hurdle at Saint-Malo sixteen days ago. Bold show expected.
- 11. **FURY ROAD** Held 30L eighth in a 3900m handicap hurdle at Saint-Malo last month. Others make more appeal.
- 12. RIAL Good 6.75L third in a 3900m claiming hurdle at Saint-Malo last week. Of note in this race.
- 13. **ADEI BASC** Changed trainer since finishing 31L ninth in a 3100m hurdle at Castera-Verduzan in July last year. Best watched.
- 14. **QUILAURA** Held 17L seventh in a 3800m handicap hurdle at Aix-les-Bains on last months seasonal debut. Step forward required.

Summary: FURIMIX (1) may go one better than when 16L second in a 3400m claiming hurdle at Dieppe. CQUILEPATRON (10) makes the shortlist. Finished 15L fifth over 3900m in a Saint-Malo handicap hurdle. JOLIE MARQUISE (7) can build on a 20L fourth in a 3400m claiming hurdle at Dieppe first up. PROJECT FEAR (2) enters calculations down in grade on debut for a new stable.

Selections

FURIMIX (1) - CQUILEPATRON (10) - JOLIE MARQUISE (7) - PROJECT FEAR (2)

Race 9 - PRIX GROUPE TRANCHANT (PRIX DES FUSAINS) - 3400m HDLE. Purse EUR €31,000.

- 1. PLACENET Good 4.25L third in a 3700m hurdle at Bordeaux in February. Strong claims.
- 2. **WINCHESTER** Fifth when beaten 5.75L In a 3500m newcomers hurdle at Pau in December last year. Open to improvement.
- 3. L'ASTALARA Fair 20L third in a 3800m hurdle at Nancy just under four weeks ago. More required.
- 4. **RAFFLES QUATTRO** Fourth when beaten 18L in a 3400m hurdle at Dieppe just over six weeks ago. Improvement needed.
- 5. **DINOZAURE** Struggled 32L seventh over 3400m in a hurdle at Dieppe last month. Minor role likely.
- 6. **VAUB CHOP** Making his hurdles and stable debut on his first start since finishing 8.5L eighth over 1400m in a Dax maiden in June 2019.
- 7. **COMANN** Unraced Kapgarde gelding. Top jockey up.
- 8. **MYSTICAL** Held 38L fifth in a 3500m newcomers chase at Auteuil in September last year. Step forward required.
- 9. **SALT ROCK** Debuting over hurdles when pulled up in a 3400m contest at Dieppe last month. Cheekpieces tried for the first time.
- 10. **MADO** Pulled up in a 3300m hurdle at Cagnes-sur-Mer in December. Claims on her fourth over the same track and trip prior.
- 11. **LIVE A PARIS** Pulled up in a 3800m hurdle at Nancy on jumping debut last month. Others make more appeal.
- 12. **MISS BUBBLE** Faller three out in a 3800m hurdle at Lyon-Parilly in early April. Likely capable of better on debut for a new trainer.
- 13. **DIAMANT AMERICAN** Unraced American Devil filly. Likely to improve for the experience.

Summary: PLACENET (1) can take this having finished 4.25L third in a 3700m hurdle at Bordeaux. WINCHESTER (2) finds a winning opportunity following a 5.75L third in a 3500m hurdle at Pau. MADO (10) holds claims based on a 6.75L fourth in a 3300m hurdle at Cagnes-sur-Mer on her penultimate start. MISS BUBBLE (12) might improve debuting for a new stable having finished 9.75L sixth in a 3400m hurdle at Lyon-Parilly prior to falling at the same circuit.

Selections

PLACENET (1) - WINCHESTER (2) - MADO (10) - MISS BUBBLE (12)