# Marseille-Borely [L-H] - 13 November

Race 1 - PRIX JEAN-CLAUDE NAPOLI - PRIX SEALIWAY - 2000m CL2. Purse EUR €27,000.

- 1. PACIFIC BOY Won here on debut before sixth over 1700m at this track. Top chance.
- 2. ETERNEL Scored by 2.5 lengths over 1500m at Marseille Vivaux. Thereabouts.
- 3. **HENRY THE LION** Slipped up last start at Longchamp. Scored by 2.5 lengths at this venue prior. Claims.
- 4. BIRCH MAN Tailed off 13th over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly latest. Happy to avoid.
- 5. **EAGLE SEA** Better effort last start to finish second over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux. Should be right in the mix again.
- 6. **KAPETANIOS** Opened his career in good style with four placings from six starts. Finished third over 1700m at this track latest. One of the chances.
- 7. ROI DE FLANDRE Unraced colt by Zelzal out of Cheeky Lady. Market check.

**Summary**: PACIFIC BOY (1) made a winning debut here over 1700m by 1L. Subsequently struggled in a Listed event but could take some stopping back down in class. HENRY THE LION (3) slipped up at Longchamp in a valuable sales race. Prior to that won a maiden here by 2.5L over 1700m. Should go close. EAGLE SEA (5) finished second at Marseille-Vivaux (AW) in a maiden over 2000m. One to note. KAPETANIOS (6) was third in 1700m handicap at this venue having made the running. Not ruled out.

### **Selections**

PACIFIC BOY (1) - HENRY THE LION (3) - EAGLE SEA (5) - KAPETANIOS (6)

### Race 2 - PRIX LOUIS ESPANET - PRIX RADIO STAR - 2000m CLM. Purse EUR €12,500.

- 1. **L'ENFANT TERRIBLE** Not at his best when seventh last start over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly. Sure to go close on prior course and distance second.
- 2. **COLOMBIANA** Stepping up in trip after finishing seventh over 1700m at this track last time out. Scored over 1700m here prior and cannot be ignored.
- 3. **DOCTEUR TOURNESOL** Held ninth over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux nine days ago. Likely to find this out of reach.
- 4. **SOSPIRIA** Last start finished one length away in second over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux. Sure to measure up.
- 5. CARMEN SANDIEGO Fair fourth over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux two-and-a-half weeks ago. Chance.
- 6. **BREIZH WOOD** Made his debut over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux when a well beaten seventh. More needed.
- 7. VICTORIA Held sixth over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux last outing. More required.
- 8. ONDINE Comfortably held last start over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux. Opposed.

**Summary**: L'ENFANT TERRIBLE (1) was not at his best latest but finished a good second in a course and distance maiden prior. Won last time he raced in a claimer and looks the one to beat at this level. COLOMBIANA (2) won a claimer here over 1700m two starts back. Solid effort since in a handicap and interesting back in this grade. SOSPIRIA (4) finished second at Marseille-Vivaux (AW) over 2000m in a claimer after making most of the running. More than capable in this class. CARMEN SANDIEGO (5) was fourth behind Sospiria last-time-out and looks best of the rest.

#### **Selections**

L'ENFANT TERRIBLE (1) - COLOMBIANA (2) - SOSPIRIA (4) - CARMEN SANDIEGO (5)

### Race 3 - PRIX HENRI CHAPELLE - PRIX SKALLETI - 1700m CL1. Purse EUR €30,000.

- 1. JOHEN Fair third over 1700m at this track last time. Place chance.
- 2. **CARAMELITO** Finished 6 lengths away in eighth over 2000m at Saint-Cloud. Claims back down in class.
- 3. YOOZUNA Fourth in the Listed Prix Millkom over 1600m at La Teste last outing. Major chance.
- 4. **BRAZILIAN SURPRISE** Last appeared when she scored over 1500m at Deauville All Weather on October 19. In the mix.
- 5. **KATOUCHA** Won two starts ago over 1600m at Vichy. Chance.
- 6. WILD SWEETHEART Scored over 2000m at Vichy three-and-a-half months ago. Claims.
- 7. **IN TIME** Seventh in the G2 Prix la Nonette over 2000m at Deauville on August 20. Expect a bold showing back down in class.

**Summary**: YOOZUNA (3) finished fourth when beaten 3.75L in the Listed Prix Millkom over 1600m after making the running at La Teste. Top contender. IN TIME (7) won by 3L after making all at Compiegne in a Class Two prior to finishing a sound 3.75L seventh in the G2 Prix la Nonette since. Obvious appeal. CARAMELITO (2) finished eighth in a Class One at Saint-Cloud. Previously won a Class Two and can go well back in this standard. WILD SWEETHEART (6) is proven at this level and must be respected.

### **Selections**

YOOZUNA (3) - IN TIME (7) - CARAMELITO (2) - WILD SWEETHEART (6)

- 1. **ASPEN** Won by a head at this circuit last time out over 2100m maintaining an unbeaten record here. Finds the ideal scenario and is a leading playing again.
- 2. **GARENCIERES** Won her maiden two back at this track then was well held in tenth last start over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather. Can bounce back.
- 3. **HELLO CHARLY** Last start beaten 5.5 lengths into sixth over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux. Fitter but place looks best.
- 4. PIERRE LE GRAND Held in eighth over 1700m at this track three weeks ago. Place possibilities.
- 5. **O'MONERIE** Scored three runs back but has been disappointing in two subsequent efforts the latest when tenth over 1700m at this track. Dangerous if bouncing back.
- 6. **VELLMAR** Tailed seventh over 2600m at Marseille Vivaux. One of the chances on his Hyeres win prior.
- 7. **GRAND TATAKAN** Last start finished 9 lengths from the winner in seventh over 2000m at this track. Can feature in this suitable contest.
- 8. **GIAVA DREAM** Held of late including last start when fifth over 2600m at Marseille Vivaux. Best watched.

**Summary**: ASPEN (1) won by a head here over 2100m in a handicap after racing on the pace. Could be tough to pass down in class. GARENCIERES (2) struggled at Chantilly recently but is better judged on his narrow 2000m maiden win here. Expected to bounce back. GRAND TATAKAN (7) is dropping in grade after finishing seventh over 2000m at this venue. Better expected. VELLMAR (6) won a Class Three at Hyeres by 4L on the penultimate outing. Not dismissed.

**Selections** 

ASPEN (1) - GARENCIERES (2) - GRAND TATAKAN (7) - VELLMAR (6)

# Race 5 - GRAND PRIX DE MARSEILLE - 15EME ETAPE DU DEFI DU GALOP - 2000m OPEN. Purse EUR €60,000.

- 1. **EPIC POET** Runner-up to Blue Wings in a course and distance Listed event here last outing. Chance
- 2. BAKHCHISARAY Well beaten in a handicap here recently. Tough task ahead.
- 3. **ROYAL ROBBINS** Won a track and trip handicap by 1L last month. Trainer does well here and he looks interesting upped in grade.
- 4. **ROYAL FORCE** Fourth behind Blue Wings in a Listed event here when beaten 1.75L. Shouldn't be far away.
- 5. MANSOUR Down the field in a German G3 latest. More probably needed.
- 6. **BLUE WINGS** Had a number of these rivals behind when winning a Listed race here two starts back. Well beaten in the G3 Prix de Flore at Saint-Cloud since. Expected to bounce back.
- 7. **SUNDORO** Good 1.25L second in the G3 Prix Bertrand de Tarragon two starts back. Poor since but can bounce back in first-time blinkers down in grade.
- 8. **MAXIMUS** Won by 2.5L after a break in a Class One at Toulouse over 2100m. Second in the G3 Prix Noailles three starts back. The one to beat.

**Summary**: MAXIMUS (8) impressed on return when winning by 2.5L in a Class One at Toulouse. Lightly raced and could have too much class for his rivals. SUNDORO (7) finished a good 1.25L second in the G3 Prix Bertrand de Tarragon two starts back. Poor since but can bounce back in first-time blinkers down in grade. BLUE WINGS (6) and EPIC POET (1) were first and second in a Listed race here recently and both looks sure to go well once more.

**Selections** 

MAXIMUS (8) - SUNDORO (7) - BLUE WINGS (6) - EPIC POET (1)

- 1. **LA FLACA** Yet to miss the top three in two runs at this distance. Last time out finished third over 1700m at this track. Player.
- 2. **BEN DE DIANE** Broke his maiden status four weeks ago at Hyeres over 1850m when getting home by a head. Chance.
- 3. GINO Good second last outing over 1850m at Hyeres. Noted.
- 4. **LE QUEEN** Stepping up in trip after finishing fifth over 1500m at Marseille Vivaux last time out. Frame chance.
- 5. **SOAN** Held ninth over 1700m at this track latest. More needed.
- 6. **EMERALD** Fair sixth over 1700m at this track three weeks ago. Not ruled out.
- 7. CAPOBLANCO Held sixth over 1600m at Cavaillon two weeks ago. Looking to others.
- 8. **FEUERHERZ** Finished third on his most recent appearance over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie. Right in the mix.
- 9. GARDOL MOON Fair fourth over 1400m at Le Mans latest. Could place.
- 10. ROCK OF THE GLADE Finished sixth over 2000m at Nancy last outing. Each-way.
- 11. **MAPLE GIRL** Scored at Vichy two runs back before being easily accounted for 23 days back over 1400m at Clairefontaine. Must bounce back.
- 12. **BALAGAN** Won two starts back at Salon-de-Provence but couldn't back that up when unplaced over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux last time. Not written off.
- 13. VANILLE BLEUE Finished sixth over 1500m at Marseille Vivaux nine days ago. Others preferred.
- 14. **BASSETT HAS IT** Last appeared when successful by 0.8 lengths at Pompadour over 1200m on August 21. Worth consideration.

**Summary**: BEN DE DIANE (2) won a Hyeres maiden over 1850m last outing. Making handicap debut and remains unexposed over this shorter trip. Major appeal. LA FLACA (1) finished third in a course and distance handicap last start. Can be competitive at this level. EMERALD (6) produced a solid handicap debut when sixth beaten 4.25L over track and trip. One to note. FEUERHERZ (8) was a 2L third at Lyonla-Soie last outing. Continues to progress steadily and must enter calculations.

### **Selections**

BEN DE DIANE (2) - LA FLACA (1) - EMERALD (6) - FEUERHERZ (8)

# Race 7 - PRIX DE LA POINTE ROUGE - PRIX MARIANAFOOT - 1700m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

- 1. LILY APPLE Last start finished seventh over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly. Chance at this level.
- 2. **GOUVERNAIL** Last start was beaten 6 lengths when eighth over 1600m at Clairefontaine. Eachway.
- 3. IL VINCITORE Fifth last outing over 2000m at this track. Frame contender.
- 4. LE KAKOU Last start finished sixth over 1600m at Clairefontaine. Bit more needed.
- 5. THE MANAGER Finished fourth last start over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux. Could place.
- 6. **MOON FLOWER** Last time out finished eighth over 1400m at Compiegne. Others make much more appeal.
- 7. **MYSTICAL PRINCE** Stepping up in trip after finishing seventh over 1500m at Marseille Vivaux last time out. Place best.
- 8. PRINCESSE VERA Held 13th over 1600m at Toulouse. Place chance on prior second.
- 9. **ART PREMIER** Finished fourth over 1200m at Nimes a week-and-a-half ago when beaten 6 lengths. Each-way.
- 10. LOVELY DOLLY Last start finished fifth over 2200m at Cavaillon. Should strip fitter.
- 11. PRESS OFFICER Held eighth beaten 7 lengths over 1600m at Cavaillon. Looks safely held.
- 12. TOUTELUSIVE Held 11th last time out over 1200m at Deauville. Makes little appeal.
- 13. **CHANT D'AUTOMNE** Well beaten 11th over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux nine days ago. Best watched.
- 14. TO BE QUEEN Last start finished third at Cluny over 1900m. Worth plenty of thought.
- 15. **BLACK NIGHT** Nine-year-old gelding who was well held resuming last start over 2000m at Marseille Vivaux. Hard to make a case.

**Summary**: TO BE QUEEN (14) finished third when beaten 1.75L at Cluny in a Class Four qualifying handicap over 1900m. Placed off this mark in a handicap four starts back and this looks a moderate affair. Key player. LILY APPLE (1) finished midfield in a stronger race at Lyon-Parilly in September over 1600m. Dropped 1kg and could go well in what looks a weaker race. GOUVERNAIL (2) and IL VINCITORE (3) both have form at this level and could find the frame.

### **Selections**

TO BE QUEEN (14) - LILY APPLE (1) - GOUVERNAIL (2) - IL VINCITORE (3)

### Race 8 - PRIX PAUL GAUTIER - PRIX ROUGIR - 1700m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €18,000.

- 1. **ROCQUEMONT** Drops in trip from the latest effort when third over 2000m at this track. One of the leading chances.
- 2. MIRAGE REVE Held 16th at Dieppe three-and-a-half months ago. Will be better for this run.
- 3. **INDIAN PACIFIC** Scored three runs back but has been disappointing in two subsequent efforts the latest when seventh over 2000m at this track. Not written off.
- 4. **BENI KHIAR** Last start finished sixth over 2000m at this track three weeks ago when beaten 2.25 lengths. Noted.
- 5. **MAD WHIP** Made it two wins a row last start when he scored at Clairefontaine over 1600m. Leading hope.
- 6. SANTI DEL MARE Held seventh over 1200m at this track latest. Opposed.
- 7. INATTENDU Back in winning form last start over 1800m at Clairefontaine. Worth including.
- 8. BREIZH ANGEL Tailed off when seventh last start over 2400m at Vichy. Looking to others.
- 9. L'AMOUR CODE Finished sixth at Marseille Vivaux latest. Could sneak a place.
- 10. NOBLE AMBER Fair third over 1600m at Clairefontaine latest. Frame contender.
- 11. BLANC BLEU Won two starts back at Marseille Vivaux. Not ruled out if bouncing back.

**Summary**: ROCQUEMONT (1) finished a good 1L third in a Class Two handicap here over 2000m latest. Goes well at this venue with three wins and five placings from ten starts. Major appeal. MAD WHIP (5) won a Clairefontaine handicap over 1600m by 0.75L beating re-opposing rivals. Raised 2.5kg but can remain competitive. BENI KHIAR (4) and INDIAN PACIFIC (3) were sixth and seventh respectively when not far behind Rocquemont. Both look solid each-way options.

## Selections

ROCQUEMONT (1) - MAD WHIP (5) - BENI KHIAR (4) - INDIAN PACIFIC (3)