LONGCHAMP [R-H] - 13 October

Race 1 - PRIX CARRUS - 1950m HCP CL2. Purse EUR €50,000.

- 1. **NOTTINGHAM** She has had mixed results winning two of her last four starts. Her most recent win was by 2 lengths at this track over 1850m. Not a bad effort last time and is open to improvement.
- 2. **PRINCE DE MONTFORT** Has been thereabouts at both runs this campaign. Good effort last start to finish second over 2400m at Vichy two-and-a-half weeks ago. Ready to peak at the third run in. Big chance.
- 3. **KABIR** Poor effort last time when well beaten in tenth, 8 lengths from the winner, over 2000m at this track. Capable of much better and deserves another chance.
- 4. PICNIC ROYAL Genuine type who deserved the win last time over 2000m at this track. In the mix.
- 5. **DUKE OF CONKER** Resumed from a spell last start with a win by one length over 2000m at Vichy. Harder here and holds place claims.
- 6. **BOBYDARGENT** Has been struggling to find form including last start when 6 lengths from the winner in eighth over 2000m at this track. Must improve sharply.
- 7. **EQUUS VINCIT** Four-year-old gelding with multiple wins at this journey. Good effort but found one better last time out, beaten a nose, over 2000m at this track. Sure to be thereabouts.
- 8. **PINK INTELLECTUAL** Finished just 2.5 lengths away in eighth last start over 1850m at this track. May place.
- 9. FAYONA Last start ran seventh beaten 2 lengths over 1850m at this track. Place likely best.
- 10. **HOMO DEUS** Returned to winning form second up last start, scoring by a nose over 2200m at Lyon-Parilly. Fitter for recent racing. Needs to go to another level to match these.
- 11. **QUELLO** Last appeared ten weeks ago when he finished 4.5 lengths from the winner in ninth over 1800m at Dieppe. Needs more.
- 12. **BROK** Yet to fill a placing in two runs since resuming from a spell, the latest effort a 16th over 2000m at this track four weeks ago. Others appeal more.
- 13. **KENDY TIME** Returned from a spell and was easily accounted for when 14th over 2000m at this track. Fitter but others are better placed.
- 14. **LONDON ROYAL** Hasn't won in 16 months but was only beaten 1.5 lengths last start when second over 2000m at this track. Strong run latest and among the chances again.
- 15. **VILARO** Has been below his best for a long time and is now without a win in 581 days. Safely held last time out when fifth over 2000m at this track four weeks ago. Not keen.
- 16. **QUEEN LADY** Was below her best two back at Clairefontaine then ran a much better race last start when third over 1850m at this track. Worth including.

Summary: EQUUS VINCIT (7) is taken to go one place better than when a nose second over 2000m at this venue. Leading contender. PICNIC ROYAL (4) is expected to challenge for the win having completed a double when winning by 1.5L over 2000m here. PRINCE DE MONTFORT (2) rates a big threat on the back of a 3.5L second in a 2400m conditions event at Vichy. LONDON ROYAL (14) recorded a 1.5L second tackling 2000m at this venue. Shortlisted. Top weight NOTTINGHAM (1) is another with claims following a 1.5L sixth attempting 1850m at this circuit. One to note.

Selections

EQUUS VINCIT (7) - PICNIC ROYAL (4) - PRINCE DE MONTFORT (2) - LONDON ROYAL (14) - NOTTINGHAM (1)

Race 2 - PRIX DES MELEZES - 1600m CL2. Purse EUR €34,000.

- 1. **VALCAVA** Was safely held on debut last start when seventh and beaten 3.5 lengths over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly. Has place claims with the benefit of that run.
- 2. **MICHELANGELO** Pushed forward on debut last start and fought on well to open his account by 2 lengths over 1400m at Saint-Cloud. Can measure up again.
- 3. **MANIATIC** Made a pleasing start to his career last time out, scoring by a head over 1600m at Chantilly. Can go right on with the job now. Top chance.
- 4. **KOVANOF** Wasn't far from the winner on debut last time out, finishing fourth over 1600m at Chantilly. Likely improver with top-three prospects.
- 5. **SALAZAR** Continued his solid form last time out when second over 1200m at Chantilly, 1.3 lengths from the winner. Going well and expected to be competitive again.
- 6. KALEOBAYANE Offered little last start over 1500m at Saint-Cloud. Hard to enthuse.

Summary: MANIATIC (3) debuted with a head victory in a 1600m newcomers race at Chantilly. Taken to maintain his unbeaten record. MICHELANGELO (2) looks a big danger following a 2L triumph in a 1400m maiden at Saint-Cloud. Include. SALAZAR (5) came home 1.25L second tackling a 1200m handicap at Chantilly. Danger to all. KOVANOF (4) is another to consider on the back of a 1L fourth over 1600m in the previously mentioned Chantilly newcomers contest.

Selections

MANIATIC (3) - MICHELANGELO (2) - SALAZAR (5) - KOVANOF (4)

- 1. **L'ANTHARIS** Genuine type who finished third at his latest appearance over 2200m at Chantilly. Nicely placed and is sure to measure up.
- 2. **JOHEN** Unplaced at all three runs this prep, the latest when fourth over 1600m at Vichy two-and-a-half weeks ago. Could place.
- 3. **WOOZLE** Promising colt who last start finished 6 lengths away in fourth over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly. This might be too rich.
- 4. **WENNEMAR** Promising type who is unbeaten after two runs, the latest win over 2800m at Compiegne. Big chance again.
- 5. **VALIABAD** Stepping down in trip after finishing fourth over 2400m at Saint-Cloud last time out. Finds a nice race this time and looks hard to beat.
- 6. **GAUCHER** Promising colt who last start finished 5 lengths away in seventh over 1950m at this track. One of the chances.
- 7. **GUADALEST** Stepping out at this circuit for the first time. Last appeared when she finished fourth over 1900m at Cholet on September 17. Needs more.

Summary: WENNEMAR (4) maintain his unbeaten record with a victory in a 2800m conditions event at Compiegne. Selected to register a third consecutive success. VALIABAD (5) came home 2.25L fourth in the 2400m Listed Prix Turenne at Saint-Cloud. Dangerous in this field. L'ANTHARIS (1) enters calculations on the back of a 1.5L third over 2200m at Chantilly. GAUCHER (6) is another with claims following a 4.75L seventh tackling 1950m at this circuit.

Selections

WENNEMAR (4) - VALIABAD (5) - L'ANTHARIS (1) - GAUCHER (6)

- 1. **DUC DE KENT** Placed once in two career runs. Good effort last time when 4 lengths from the winner in fourth over 1800m at Chantilly. Has plenty of upside and is ready to break through.
- 2. **JELIEL** Finished 6 lengths from the winner in ninth last start over 1400m at Compiegne, his second unplaced effort in two career runs. Could improve.
- 3. **TOP DAAY** Building up to a maiden win. In the placings for the first time last start when second over 1800m at Fontainebleau. Ready to open her account this time.
- 4. **MISS KENT** Out of the placings lately including a last start eighth over 1800m at Fontainebleau. Having first start at the journey today and is worth including in the multiples if finds best.
- 5. **EL CAZADOR** Unraced colt by Recoletos out of Lady Nouf. Was a EUR 38,000 (Arqana 2021 October Yearling Sale) purchase. Happy to risk this time.
- 6. **PERFETTO** Reliable Man filly who was purchased for EUR 20,000 (Arqana 2021 October Yearling Sale) and makes her debut. Interesting.
- 7. **ALBANIA** Filly by Al Wukair from Alhania on debut. Purchased for EUR 12,000 (Arqana 2021 October Yearling Sale). Holds claims.
- 8. LAKRANEUSE Unraced filly by Attendu out of Queen Winner. Looks set to run well.

Summary: DUC DE KENT (1) registered a 3.75L fourth over 1800m at Chantilly. Selected to get off the mark at the third attempt. Reliable Man newcomer PERFETTO (6) warrants close consideration on racecourse debut. TOP DAAY (3) registered a 0.5L second tackling 1800m at Fontainebleau. Dangerous in this field. Unraced Al Wukair filly ALBANIA (7) is another with claims.

Selections

DUC DE KENT (1) - PERFETTO (6) - TOP DAAY (3) - ALBANIA (7)

- 1. **ANIMA LIBERA** Lightly raced filly who was beaten 4 lengths into third last start over 2400m at Vichy. Solid top-three hope.
- 2. **APSARAYA** Drops in trip from the latest effort when second over 2800m at this track, finishing 2.5 lengths off the winner. Strong top-three chance.
- 3. **POWERKISS D'OROUX** Solid effort last start, beaten half a length into second over 2400m at Chantilly. Worth including.
- 4. **MARCELINE DESJY** Struggling to find consistency. In the money two runs ago then last time was beaten 11 lengths into eighth over 1950m at Le Mans. Prepared to risk.
- 5. **SOLIANKHA** Six-start maiden who finished fourth over 2400m at Divonne-les-Bains last time. This looks a suitable assignment.
- 6. **SIRNODIN** Broke his maiden status a week-and-a-half ago at Agen over 2500m, getting home by half a length. This looks far tougher.
- 7. **FINITO PIPO** Couldn't back up at the second run of the campaign last start over 2600m at Landivisiau after winning two back at Saint-Jean-de-Monts. Place likely best.
- 8. **QUEEN MOON** Well beaten at each of her starts to date. Was not a factor last start at Vichy when fifth over 2400m. Not on that form.
- 9. **KING JOHANN** Stepping out at this track for the first time. Last appeared when he finished tenth over 2400m at Vichy on September 26.
- 10. **DUCHESS** In the money two starts back at Brehal but couldn't back that up when unplaced over 2400m at Compiegne last time. May need more.
- 11. **NORQUI DES ROSES** Stepping out at this circuit for the first time. Last appeared when he finished second over 2400m at Craon on September 25. In the mix.
- 12. RINGO STAR Comfortably held last start when fifth over 3000m at Angers. Happy to risk.
- 13. MORNING SPIRIT Went close last time when second over 2400m at Bordeaux. Could go close.
- 14. **PEDROCHEC** Hasn't won in 15 months but was only beaten 2 lengths last start when fifth over 2850m at Sable-sur-Sarthe. Consider if at best.
- 15. **WAY WAY** Inconsistent type who didn't inspire last start finishing eighth. Dropping back in trip. Can't have.
- 16. **DIHASTI** Ran a better race last start to finish fourth over 1900m at Cholet. Among the place chances.
- 17. **MARS ATTACK** Yet to finish in the placings from three career runs, the latest effort a fifth over 2600m at Landivisiau. May improve.
- 18. **SUMMIT** Could only manage 11th over 2000m at Saint-Cloud last start to continue a run of ordinary form. Needs progress.

Summary: NORQUI DES ROSES (11) placed second when beaten 2.5L over 2400m at Craon. Taken to go one place better. Top chance. MORNING SPIRIT (13) is a big threat following a neck second tackling 2400m at Bordeaux. ANIMA LIBERA (1) enters calculations on the back of a 4L third in a 2400m handicap at Vichy. In the mix. APSARAYA (2) gets a chance to shine having finished 2.5L second attempting 2800m here. Holds claims.

Selections

- 1. **JOLYMPA** Narrowly beaten last time when second at Deauville AW, finishing just a long neck from the winner. Expected to be in the finish again.
- 2. **LILAS DE FRANCE** Finished third over 2000m at Deauville two back then missed the frame last time out over 2400m at Saint-Cloud. Will need to do a bit more.
- 3. **PINK BIRTHDAY** Stepping out at this course for the first time. Last appeared when she finished fourth over 2600m at Marseille Vivaux on September 5. Still likely to struggle after 1.5kg claim.
- 4. **GOLDEN HEART** Finished second over 2000m at Deauville two back then missed the frame last time out over 1800m at Fontainebleau. Prefer to see her back in form.
- 5. **TCHAKOVA** Racing well and although without a win has been in the money two times from four races. Finished third at her most recent appearance over 1950m at Le Mans. Right in the mix.
- 6. **KOURKOUM** Third-up after a couple of moderate runs since resuming. Finished tenth over 1800m at Clairefontaine most recently. Outclassed.
- 7. **AIR SEA** Returned from a layoff last start and was beaten 6 lengths into fifth over 1800m at Evreux. Needs more.
- 8. **MOREA** Scored when second-up at Vichy two runs ago then found a couple better last time at Lyon-Parilly over 2000m. Looks a strong top-three prospect.
- 9. **SHALAWAY** Hasn't done much in recent times, the latest effort a sixth over 2000m at Mont-de-Marsan. Hard to have in this tough line-up.
- 10. **LE QUEEN** Solid effort last start when second up from a spell, beaten just one length into second over 1600m at Cavaillon. Sure to be right there at the business end.
- 11. **SOUTHWEST HARBOR** Has looked good in her nine career starts, most recently scoring by 2 lengths over 2500m at Le Croise-Laroche. Solid top-three hope.
- 12. **CASLANA** Has not raced since finishing one length away in second over 1600m at Chantilly on July 2. Worth keeping in mind.
- 13. **AKHATIYI** Stepping out at this track for the first time. Last appeared when she scored over 2000m at Saint-Cloud on September 19. Rates highly.

Summary: JOLYMPA (1) is selected to defy top weight following a neck second over 1900m at Deauville AW. Serious player. TCHAKOVA (5) looks a big danger on the back of a 2L third in a 1950m contest at Le Mans on handicap debut. AKHATIYI (13) won by a neck in a 2000m handicap at Saint-Cloud. Shortlisted in first time blinkers. MOREA (8) holds claims following a third over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly. SOUTHWEST HARBOR (11) is another to consider having scored by 2L in a 2500m claimer at Le Croise-Laroche.

Selections

JOLYMPA (1) - TCHAKOVA (5) - AKHATIYI (13) - MOREA (8) - SOUTHWEST HARBOR (11)

- 1. **BALADOR** Has done nothing in three runs to date, the latest when beaten 15 lengths into sixth over 2100m at Le Touquet. Impossible to recommend.
- 2. **LILOU CHOPE** In the money at Saint-Cloud when resuming two runs back then could only manage eighth at Marseille-Borely over 2100m a week-and-a-half ago. Strong contender on best form.
- 3. **AMI SOLEDAD** Finished third over 2100m at Argentan two back then missed the frame last time out over 2000m at Saint-Cloud. Can atone.
- 4. **PUMP PUMP JUNIOR** Has ability and is racing well with three minor placings from six starts. Just missed last time out when second over 2000m at Saint-Cloud. Great chance to break through.
- 5. **JANISA BERE** Scored over 1900m at Cholet two back then found a couple better last time out over 2000m at Fontainebleau. One of the main contenders.
- 6. **NO MORE** Well beaten at each of his starts to date. Was not a factor last start at Evreux when seventh over 2500m. Making up the numbers.
- 7. **SHANGHAI SPIRIT** Resuming. Went for a spell after three unimpressive starts last campaign. Looks one of the outsiders in this affair. Pass.
- 8. **POLYPHONY** Form since resuming has been disappointing, last start finishing eighth over 2500m at Evreux.
- 9. **BAILEYS BLESSING** Good effort to finish third last time over 2000m at Saint-Cloud. Another bold showing is expected.
- 10. **FEELIN LUCKY** Has been in the money on four occasions in 16 starts but is still chasing her maiden win. Last appeared when fourth over 2000m at Saint-Cloud on September 19. Consider.
- 11. **ILES HEBRIDES** Has not raced since finishing 2.75 lengths away in sixth over 2100m at Saint-Cloud on June 24. Happy to risk.
- 12. CIVNYAN Sixth over 2000m at Saint-Cloud last time out. Can improve and is worth thought.

Summary: PUMP PUMP JUNIOR (4) showed good form when a neck second over 2000m at Saint-Cloud. Selected to register a first victory. JANISA BERE (5) placed third when beaten 3.25L over 2000m in a Fontainebleau claimer. Rates a big threat in this field. AMI SOLEDAD (3) warrants close consideration following a 3L sixth tackling 2000m at Saint-Cloud. BAILEYS BLESSING (9) delivered a third in a 2000m Saint-Cloud handicap. Shortlisted.

Selections

PUMP PUMP JUNIOR (4) - JANISA BERE (5) - AMI SOLEDAD (3) - BAILEYS BLESSING (9)

- 1. **INDIAN PACIFIC** Has recorded wins at his last two starts, the latest over 1900m at Chantilly AW by 0.8 lengths. Rates highly and looks a solid top-three hope.
- 2. **ROLLEVILLE** Ran below par last time when ninth over 1800m at Fontainebleau and beaten 6 lengths. Has ability and is one of the chances if at best.
- 3. **LA PERRIERE** Bidding for a hat-trick of wins after scoring by 0.8 lengths over 1850m at this track on September 4. Rates highly and should run well again.
- 4. **YOUNG MAN** Was below par two back at Chantilly AW then bounced back with a win over 2000m at Saint-Cloud last time out. Sure to be in the mix.
- 5. **FALCON RUN** Yet to break through this campaign but hasn't been far away including a last start second over 1850m at Vichy. Don't underestimate.
- 6. **TORIANO** Had been thereabouts before struggling last time when sixth over 1600m at Chantilly. Has the ability but needs to do more.
- 7. **LIGHT WAKEUP** Has not raced since finishing third over 1600m at Compiegne on June 3. Interesting.
- 8. **MI C'INFILO** Brought up his fifth career win two starts back but missed the frame last time when fourth over 1600m at Chantilly. Hard to beat on his best form.
- 9. **NIGHTDANCE MAN** Hasn't won in more than a year. Must improve off a last-start fifth over 2100m at Chantilly AW to feature in the finish. Place hope.
- 10. **FIVE ICE CUBES** Last appeared three-and-a-half months ago when he finished 3.5 lengths from the winner in eighth over 1800m at Clairefontaine. Win would surprise.
- 11. **CRISALSA** Wasn't expected to do much when fresh from a spell last start at Dax over 2100m and wound up in fifth, beaten 14 lengths. May need more.
- 12. **PHILOSOPHY** Has not raced since finishing 4 lengths away in 11th over 2000m at Vichy on July 22. Worth noting he won first-up last prep. Hard to recommend.
- 13. **NEVER WITHOUT YOU** Veteran gelding who has been well held at the last couple starts, the latest when beaten 11 lengths into 14th over 2400m at Saint-Cloud. Struggling to make a case.

Summary: LA PERRIERE (3) won by 0.75L in an 1850m handicap at this venue. Selected to complete a hat-trick. INDIAN PACIFIC (1) looks a danger on the back of a 0.75L triumph over 1900m at Chantilly AW. MI C'INFILO (8) enters calculations following a 4L fourth tackling 1600m at Chantilly. YOUNG MAN (4) won attempting 2000m at Saint-Cloud and is another to consider. NIGHTDANCE MAN (9) came home 2.5L fifth over 2100m at Chantilly AW. May take a step forward.

Selections

LA PERRIERE (3) - INDIAN PACIFIC (1) - MI C'INFILO (8) - YOUNG MAN (4) - NIGHTDANCE MAN (9)