### **R5 PORNICHET [L-H]**

# C1 - PRIX DES RENNES - 2100m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16,300

- **1. RIO** Last time 3rd in a Conditions race over 2150m at Landivisiau on 21 September. Returns from a short break but has won on the surface
- **2. SHARK SAMURAI -** Ran 4th in a Qualifying Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 25 November. Well rated, likes the surface and finished well in his last race
- **3. KEAHENGE BERE -** A poor 7th in a Hurdle Claimer over 3900m at Vitre on 12 October. Still a miaden in both Flat and Hurdle races and that looks unlikely to change in this race
- **4. JARRY LORD -** Disappointing 13th in a Handicap over 1900m at Chantilly on 10 November. That was not a great performance but hopefully blinkers fitted for the first time will evoke some improvement
- **5. KIEVSKY -** Was 5th in a Qualfiying Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 25 November. He is a consistent performer who should be fighting out the finish
- **6. SOGYNT -** Finished 5th in a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 2 December. Not far behind TENDER THOUGHTS (10) last time but will have to deal with a wide draw
- **7. ASTRA DREAM** Finished 8th in a Handicap ovr 1600m at Nantes on 1 November. Has form on the surface but is questionable over the distance
- **8. NICE RULER -** Finished 2nd in a Claimer over 2100m at Senonnes on 2 August. Returns from a break but he is well drawn and has won on the course
- **9. LUNATICOS -** Ran 3rd in a Handicap over 3100m at this course on 29 November. Course suited but faces stronger this time and drops in trip
- **10. TENDER THOUGHTS -** A strong 3rd in Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 2 December. This is her first run at the track but she is in good form and likes the surface
- **11. L'ETOILE DE FRANCE -** Ran 3rd in a Handicap over 2000m at ParisLongchamp on 10 July. Has some form at this course but comes back from a five-month layoff
- **12. LADY ANGELINA -** A well-beaten 7th in a Conditions race over 1950m at Le Mans on 17 November. Her recent form is poor so is best left alone
- **13. GWENN HA DU -** A promising 4th in a Handicap over this course and distance on 22 November. Was beaten by SOGYNT (6) in that race but will need to up his game
- **14. PISORNO -** A moderate 9th in a Handicap over 1600m at Lignieres on 1 November. Tries further and takes on stronger
- **15. GOLDEN RIVER -** Ran 10th in a Handicap over 2400m at this course on 5 December. If she gets some luck in running she should put up a strong performance
- **16. DRIP -** A quality 2nd in a Handicap over 2400m at this course on 5 December. That was a decent effort, especially as he was forced to race wide

**Summary:** TENDER THOUGHTS (10) has a lot going for her in this race. She is returning to her best form and has a good record on the surface so looks the one to beat. SHARK SAMURAI (2) is another in good nick and off his lower rating should be competitive. JARRY LORD (4) ran poorly last time but will be fitted with blinkers and that should help him keep his mind on the job. KIEVSKY (5) is rarely far off the leading group and should be competitive once again.

#### **SELECTIONS**

TENDER THOUGHTS (10) - SHARK SAMURAI (2) - JARRY LORD (4) - KIEVSKY (5)

# C2 - PRIX OUTIL EN MAIN DE LA COTE D'AMOUR (PRIX DES LUTINS) - 2100m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 14,400

- **1. ILLUSTRE BERE -** Was 9th in a Handicap over 2500m at Deauville on 25 November. Moderate recent form and will need to up his game
- **2. TWIN BOY -** Ran 8th in a Handicap over 1700m at this track on 29 November. Will have more to do this time but should prefer the longer trip
- **3. DARIYANGEL -** Finished 9th in a Handicap over 2400m at this course on 5 December. Will be having his third run after a layoff and will be helped by a weight allowance
- **4. CAROLINE BAY -** Ran 9th in a Claimer over 1900m at Argentan on 26 June. Returns from a rest and will probably need the run
- **5. GREAT CHARLIE -** Ran 2nd in a in a Handicap over this course and distance on 22 November. That run puts him in contention but his is drawn widest of all
- **6. DSCHINGIS GALI** 11th in a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 3 December. Held by others in this field on that run
- **7. NIGHT ACTION -** Ran 13th in a Handicap over this course and distance on 22 November. Looks held by others on that run
- **8. ESKANDANI** A decent 6th in a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 3 December. His rating has dropped significantly and he should be competitive in this company
- **9. TORTOLA -** A promising 7th in a Handicap over 1700m at this track on 29 November. That was her first run back from a break and will be fitter and better suited to the distance this time
- **10. SHAHZADI -** Finished 11th in a Conditions race over this track and trip on 22 November. Has only raced three times but needs to improve markedly
- **11. TWENTY SEVEN JET -** Was a well-beaten 3rd in a Handicap over this course and distance on 22 November. Has a good record at the track but has landed a wide draw
- **12. HARMATTAN -** An unlucky 5th in a Handicap over this course and distance on 22 November. He suffered some interference in that race and could have better luck this time
- **13. LEGENDE D OSVIN -** Last run was in a Handicap over 2100m at Le Touquest on 1 July 2024. Comes back from a lengthy layoff and will need to prove herself
- **14. SPINNING MIST -** Won a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 3 December. She got up in the shadow of the post to win but will need to deal with her higher rating
- **15. TRUST ON ME -** Was 9th in a Handicap over 2100m at Argentan on 8 October. Will need to find more to be competitive
- **16. NEW TOWN -** Ran 5th in a Handicap over 1700m at this track on 29 November. She was touched off for 4th last time but could place in this line-up

**Summary:** TORTOLA (9) had a promising comeback in her first run since August in a race over shorter and should be ready to challenge for victory in a race of this nature. ESKANDANI (8) can benefit from a lower rating but needs to overcome a wide draw as do TWENTY SEVEN JET (11) and GREAT CHARLIE (5) who both placed in their last respective races and should show up well over this track and trip.

#### **SELECTIONS**

TORTOLA (9) - ESKANDANI (8) - TWENTY SEVEN JET (11) - GREAT CHARLIE (5)

#### C3 - PRIX DE L'HIVER - 2100m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 13,000

- **1. PERFECTO -** Ran 14th in a Claimer over 1700m at this course on 5 December. That was his first run back in a year and hopefully there might be some level of improvement
- **2. SEMEUR -** Ran 2nd in a Handicap over 2400m at this track on 5 December. He was beaten 6 lengths in that race but it showed a return to form and he should be right there
- **3. JUBBAH -** Finished 5th in a Handicap over 1600m at Pau on 13 November. She improved in blinkers and should benefit from the extra 500m this time
- **4. MEARAS STYLE -** A weak 11th in a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 3 December. Recent form is poor and she cannot be considered.
- **5. PEYTON PLACE -** Won a Handicap over 1700m at this course on 29 November. Finished well to get the upperhand and will appreciate the extra ground reunited with jockey Maximilien Justum
- **6. LILITH -** A mediocre 11th in a Handicap over 1700m at this course on 29 November. She might be better over slightly shorter based on earlier form
- **7. PRINCESSE VERA -** Was 3rd in a Handicap over 2000m at Lignieres on 29 November. Does not appear to have had much experience on this surface
- **8. BELLA CIAO** Was 3rd in a Handicap over 2400m at this track on 5 December. She finished behind SEMEUR (2) but she is in good form, is well drawn and should be right there.
- **9. CASH RULER -** Third in a Handicap over this course and distance on 22 November. A solid place getter but fails to get his nose down where it matters. Should be thereabouts
- **10. RIVER DAVEN -** A poor 13th in a Handicap over 2400m at this course on 5 December. She is held by a number of others on that last race
- **11. ROCK OF SPIRIT -** Ran 5th in a Handicap over 2400m at this course 5 December. Finished behind the top two selections but should enjoy the shorter trip
- **12. ECLAIR DE VATI -** Ran 3rd in a Handicap over 3100m at this course on 29 November. Might not be suited by the drop in distance
- **13. BOKRA FIL MISHMISH -** A moderate 9th in a Handicap over this course and distance on 22 November. She's held by many others on that run
- **14. VENT DU REVE -** A decent 4th in a Handicap over this course and distance on 22 November. Should be competitive based on that run where he finished close to some of the other contenders, despite a wide draw
- **15. SHAMSOUN -** Ran 8th in a Claimer over 2000m at Auch on 5 October. His form on this course is poor and he is best overlooked

**Summary:** Despite almost 11 years old SEMEUR (2) demonstrated he has lost none of his zest for racing and could notch up another win. He finished ahead of BELLA CIAO (8) in that race and she could go close to picking up her first win. PEYTON PLACE (5) comes off a victory over 1700m at this track and could do well trying the extra distance this time. CASH RULER (9) will try to finally get it right and shed his maiden tag.

#### SELECTIONS

SEMEUR (2) - BELLA CIAO (8) - PEYTON PLACE (5) - CASH RULER (9)

#### C4 - PRIX FRANCE SIRE (PRIX DE NOEL) - 1700m (a1m1/8) - ALL WEATHER - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16,300

- **1. GOLDEN ALQA -** A solid second in a Handicap over 1400m at Chantilly on 21 November. She carries top weight but consistently runs well on the sand
- **2. BOBROVKHA** Finished 7th in a Handicap over 1800m at Croise-Laroche on 15 November. Has experience on the surface which will be in her favour
- **3. KEREMET -** A decent 9th in a Handicap over 1200m at Fontainebleau on 13 November. That was a promising effort over a shorter trip and he did win on this track earlier in March. Should run well
- **4. ELFENN** Finished 5th in a Handicap over 1950m at Le Mans on 6 October. She is proven at this level but will be tested on the sand in Australian blinkers this time
- **5. FIREMAN -** Was 8th in Handicap over 1400m at Chantilly on 21 November. Runs on the sand have not been inspiring
- **6. SURBOUM -** Won a Claimer over 1600m at Cagnes-Sur-Mer on 19 February. Has abaility but comes back from a lengthy layoff
- **7. PUNICA** Was 5th in a Handicap over 1600m at Clairefontaine on 24 October. She will be making her sand debut and should appreciate the quicker surface
- **8. TOOGOODTOBEROOD** A moderate 12th in a Handicap over 1400m at Chantilly on 21 November. Did win his maiden over this track and trip but has done little since
- **9. DAVALLIA -** Ran 3rd in a Claimer over 1600m at Chantilly on 18 November. That was quite a strong race and she did well enough to be considered in this event
- **10. MISS DAVIER -** Finished 10th in a Handicap over 1400m at Le Mans on 29 October. Recent form does not give any confidence
- **11. BEST SELLER -** A mediocre 8th in a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 28 November. That was his first race on sand and he wll need to show more
- **12. GRECIAN RULER -** Was 7th in a Conditions race over 2000m at Pau on 13 November. Might be better over a shorter trip
- **13. NIPPE DE STAR -** Finished 3rd in a Conditions race over 1400mn at Haras Du Pln on 26 October. Still looking for his first win
- **14. SENECHALE -** A postitive 3rd in a Handicap over 2100m at ths course on 29 November. That was an improved run but she now drops in trip
- **15. LOVELY DREAM -** A promising 3rd in a Handicap over this course and distance on 22 November. She should improve on that effort and has winning claims
- **16. EL MADAR** A weak 13th in a qualifying Handicap over 1400m at Deauville on 7 November. Poor run on the sand and cannot be considered

**Summary:** The last seven runs of GOLDEN ALQA (1) have resulted in five seconds and two fifth places. She has solid form on the sand and should be there at the finish. ELFENN (4) has the ability to win a race at this level but is an unknown entity on the sand. PUNICA (7) gives the impression she will be suited to the surface and should be in the firing line. LOVELY DREAM (15) is proven over the track and trip and cannot be ignored.

#### SELECTIONS

GOLDEN ALQA (1) - ELFENN (4) - PUNICA (7) - LOVELY DREAM (15)

# C5 - PRIX DES MARCHES DE NOEL - 1700m (a1m1/8) - ALL WEATHER - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 21,000

- **1. SAIF AL LEITH -** Has placed seven times from eight starts but did let the team down last time. Ignore that, then he will be a serious contender here
- **2. ASTOVE** Finished 5th of debut at this very track over 1700m on the 29th of November and with natural improvement, should be hard to beat
- **3. YARDBIRD -** Placed back in 6th on debut at Fontainebleau over 1800m and will need to improve to win but can do so and go closer
- **4. KOHAKOU -** Holding form well and finished 4th at Toulouse in a Handicap on the 23rd of November. Enters the equation
- **5. MARKOS -** Finished 4th on debut over 1600m at Bordeaux Le Bouscat and has any amount of progression to come. Must be shortlisted
- **6. BLACK SWAN -** Ran a superb race on debut finishing 2nd over 1600m at Lignieres on the 29th of last month and can go one better. Strong each way chance
- **7. FELINI -** Placed 6th on debut at Le Mans over 1600m on the 17th of last month and can improve. Others are however preferred today. Happy to ignore
- **8. CHARMEUR COOL -** Son of Charm Spirit out of a Rajsaman mare that will more than likely need the run. Watch the betting trends as race time looms
- **9. KARLITO** A son of Recoletos out of a Chief Marshal mare that should need racing experience before featuring and can be ignored from all bets for today
- **10. AREYOUONTHELIST** A son of Gris De Gris out of a mare called Victory Boom that will more than likely find this opposition a tad strong on debut. Watch the betting for more of an idea
- **11. FERDY** Is out of a mare called Pitty Pot whom was a one time winner. Watch the betting trends as race time looms but is the unlikely winner

**Summary:** ASTOVE (2) caught the eye when making an attractive debut just off the main action and with natural progression, can win. BLACK SWAN (6) was runner up on debut late last month and is another with solid aspirations. BKOHAKOU (4) has had a few starts and is holding form nicely. He has strong each way claims. MARKOS (5) has any amount of scope to build on the debut effort which was good enough to warrant serious claims here.

**SELECTIONS** 

ASTOVE (2) - BLACK SWAN (6) - KOHAKOU (4) - MARKOS (5)

# C6 - PRIX DES GUIRLANDES DE NOEL - 1700m (a1m1/8) - ALL WEATHER - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 21,000

- **1. VEGA MEMORIES** She caught the eye when finishing 4th at this course over 1700m on the 29th of last month and has huge scope to improve. Huge chance and a must for all bets
- 2. NAOS MOON Finished near the back of the field in 10th place last time and has very little overall form to talk about which makes it hard to make a case for this one. Would be a shock winner
- **3. BENOLY FAL** She showed improvement in the second run but will need to show plenty more to threaten here. Prefer others and can be ignored
- **4. STELA TREZY -** Only managed a 6th place run at Lignieres on debut over 1600m and will need to serve up plenty more than that to feature. Pass by
- **5. TEAM BREIZH -** Ran a fair race last time placing 4th at Angers over 2000m and should again be very competitive. Big danger to the top few
- **6. DIVA CHIQUITA -** Excellent effort last time despite facing a weak claiming field at Deauville over 1900m. Overall form is consistent and she has a strong chance here. Respect and include
- **7. NELLIEDONADO** She will need to build on debut run and can. Placed back in 9th place at Deauville over 1500m. Prefer others for today but could improve to earn some stakes
- **8. EAGLE SPEED -** She has raced nine times for nine non-inspiring efforts and is therefore difficult to make a case for. Happy to dismiss from all bets
- **9. TASTEFUL -** Finished 5th over 1300m last time out when racing over 1300m at Deauville while returning from a break. Knocking hard and has a bright winning chance
- **10. ZANINA** Finished 4th at Lyon Parilly over 2000m on the 7th of November in a competitive Handicap and is one to be taken seriously. Good chance
- **11. ROMA ANTICA -** A daughter of Hot Streak out of a Holy Roman Emperor mare that might be alright in time. Watch the betting trends as race time looms
- **12. LABELLEGNAC -** She is out of a mare that is lightly raced and never won a race. More than likely will need this debut run and others are chosen. Pass by

**Summary:** TASTEFUL (9) is a lightly raced filly that is coming along the right way and can be given serious consideration in this line-up. The rise in distance should play very much in her favor and she looks to have every chance. DIVA CHIQUITA (6) has placed four from four and should not be a maiden for much longer. TEAM BREIZH (5) finished a fair 4th at Angers last time and can be expected to get closer now. Strong place chance. VEGA MEMORIES (1) has a first four chance and is a natural inclusion for the quartet.

#### **SELECTIONS**

TASTEFUL (9) - DIVA CHIQUITA (6) - TEAM BREIZH (5) - VEGA MEMORIES (1)

# C7 - PRIX DU SAPIN DE NOEL - 2400m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Condition - Flat - EUR € 16,000

- **1. MAJOR** Caught the attention in all three starts thus far and will be a big runner here. Finished 4th at Saumur over 2700m on the 19th of October and can go close o, the back of this effort
- **2. MACHASSON -** Son of Choeur Du Nord out of a Le Balafre mare that will probably need a few runs to tighten up. Pass by on debut
- **3. MET LA GOMME** Placed 4th at Angers over 2300m on the 16th of November on return from a layoff and should be able to get much closer now and make his presence felt. Player
- **4. MENTION EXTRA -** A daughter of Storm The Stars out of a mare that won one race and will more than likely need a few runs to tighten up. Happy to ignore
- **5. MISS CLOVIS -** Placed 5th at Lignieres over 2400m on the 29th of last month and can build on that. Include in larger quartet perms as the value
- **6. MAGNOLIA FOREVER** Has run two diabolical races thus far and it is impossible to make a case for and to fancy. Would be a shock winner and is best to watch
- **7. MAHAURI SEA -** Has tons of scope to progress on debut run when 6th at Le Mans over 2300m on the 17th of last month. Good chance and could be the value for the places
- **8. MADRINHA ROSA -** Placed 3rd on debut at Nantes and then ran in a Group 1 at Fontainebleau finishing 6th. Takes a step back in class which could make her hard to beat

**Summary:** MADRINHA ROSA (8) ran 3rd at Nantes on debut then followed up with a serious effort in a Group 1 finishing 6th at Fontainebleau. She drops in class and could prove a hard horse to beat. MAJOR (1) has placed in all three of his starts to date and should be able to get it all right soon. He has strong each way claims. MAHAURI SEA (7) was not too far off the winner in mid November and has plenty scope to progress. She could be the place value. MET LA GOMME (3) finished 4th last time and should be included in all bets as further progression can be expected.

#### **SELECTIONS**

MADRINHA ROSA (8) - MAJOR (1) - MAHAURI SEA (7) - MET LA GOMME (3)

# C8 - PRIX DE LA CALECHE DU PERE NOEL - 2400m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 13,700

- **1. GOLDEN BELLE -** Solid form, placed 3rd at this course over 3100m on the 22nd of last month and should go very close to winning. Must be closely monitored
- **2. DEVIL IN THE SKY** Brings useful and consistent form into the race and was a winner at Durtal in penultimate run. Placed 4th at this track last time and could be hard to beat
- **3. NEPALAIS -** Last few starts have been a tad disappointing but can be expected to do way better now. Drop in grade and can do better in this league
- **4. YEMASKA -** Good last run when 2nd at this track over 3100m on the 22nd of November and should go very close on the back of this effort
- **5. COEUR DE ROUME -** Placed 3rd at Limoges over 2100m on the 29th of November and could represent some place value for the quartet. Others make more appeal
- **6. TEARDROP EXPLODES -** Finished near the back of the field last time when down the field at Chantilly and will need serious progression on that to feature here. Hard to fancy
- **7. LA TOUR EIFFEL** Has done absolutely nothing in three starts and would be a big surprise if placing. Can be ignored from everything

**Summary:** DEVIL IN THE SKY (2) brings solid, useful and consistent form into the race. He was 4th in his last run and a winner before that. He looks an intriguing contender in this tricky contest. GOLDEN BELLE (1) is a two time winner, placed 3rd at this track last time and is a definite shortlist candidate. NEPALAIS (3) has been running in some competitive and tricky Handicaps and can be expected to do way better than in his last few. Place chance. YEMASKA (4) has a first four chance.

#### **SELECTIONS**

DEVIL IN THE SKY (2) - GOLDEN BELLE (1) - NEPALAIS (3) - YEMASKA (4)