R1 Longchamp [R-H]

C1 - PRIX DE LA MICHODIERE - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Newcomers Race - Flat - EUR € 27,000

- **1. VELIKAYA -** Newcomer by Frankel, the dam won 2 races and was 2nd in a Group 2 and 2nd in the Poule D'Essai Des Pouliches Gr.1. Bold show can be expected on her debut
- **2. HOSAKA -** Newcomer by Lord Kanaloa, the dam won 2 races and was Listed and Group 3, and Group 1 placed. One to watch in the betting for clues
- **3. MAJOLIQUE -** Newcomer by Tigron, the dam won over fences. From a stable not renowned for having many winners on debut. Any market support could be a positive
- **4. MIA MODENA -** Unraced filly by Zelzal, the dam was placed once from only three runs. Looks good on paper and any market support should be noted
- **5. LA BANEZA -** Unraced by Lope De Vega, the dam never ran. From a leading stable who will have this filly well tuned. She can have a say at the finish
- **6. RIGEL -** Filly by Goken, the dam won 1 race. Likely to need this run for experience. Watch the betting patterns
- **7. SPANGLED STAR -** Unraced by Starspangledbanner, the dam never ran. Stable runners warrant respect on debut. Any market support should be noted

Summary: VELIKAYA (1) looks like the standout on paper. Being by Frankel and out of a classy mare who was second in the Poule d'Essai des Pouliches (Gr.1), she has the pedigree and connections to make an impact. Expect a strong showing. LA BANEZA (5) also boasts smart breeding and hails from a top yard — market confidence would be a telling indicator of readiness. SPANGLED STAR (7) comes from a shrewd stable and is likely to be tuned up for her first run. MIA MODENA (4) shouldn't be overlooked either.

SELECTIONS

VELIKAYA (1) - LA BANEZA (5) - SPANGLED STAR (7) - MIA MODENA (4)

C2 - PRIX DES TERTRES - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Flat - EUR € 28,000

- **1. SHIRIBETSU -** Won on her debut at Saint-Cloud over 1600m on April 18th. Potentially a smart performer and has more improvement
- **2. MOTU PROPRIO -** 5th in a Listed race last time in early March at Chantilly, a win before that on February 8th at Deauville in a maiden race over 1300m. One to keep safe
- **3. HONEYFLOWER -** Got off the mark on her third run over 1350m at Lyon Parilly on April 23rd. Should keep on improving and be involved
- **4. YOGA MASTER -** 7th last time, 4th before that in a Class 1 race at Chantilly on March 24th over 1900m. Can get back on track
- **5. HAARLEM -** Got a win over 1350m at Senonnes on her last start on April 12th. More is required in a much stronger race
- **6. MISTY QUALITY -** Got a deserved win over 1600m at Nantes on April 9th last time in a maiden race. Can have say in proceedings
- **7. GRECIAN COMET -** 4th last time in a Class 2 race on March 25th at Saint-Cloud over 1600m. Might need a few to misfire
- **8. THE WASP -** Several unplaced runs, the latter over 1400m at Saint-Cloud in a conditions race on April 4th. Makes no appeal
- **9. KNUCKLE -** Won on her second run over 1650m in a maiden at Machecoul on April 21st. This will be more challenging
- **10. JOKLA -** Two good runs, 3rd on debut last September and won over 1600m at La Teste on March 22nd on her first run this year. Lightly raced and has more to come

Summary: Several with a chance of scoring in this Class 2 race. YOGA MASTER (4) was a good fourth in a Class 1 race two runs back and will find this race more to her liking. She can score from HONEYFLOWER (3), who broke her maiden last time at Lyon Parilly late last month. JOKLA (10) won nicely at La Teste in March and is one to look at each way. SHIRIBETSU (1) won on debut at Saint-Cloud in mid-April and has plenty more to come.

SELECTIONS

YOGA MASTER (4) - HONEYFLOWER (3) - JOKLA (10) - SHIRIBETSU (1)

C3 - PRIX DE PICPUS - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 28,000

- **1. MELLOW YELLOW -** Placed on the last three runs, 3rd on the latter over 1300m at this track in a handicap on April 24th. Among the leading chances
- **2. BLUE HUNT -** Won last time over 1200m in a Class 3 race at Evreux on April 15th. More is needed up in grade
- **3. WESTI CHOPE** Two unplaced runs since a 4th over 1400m at Chantilly on March 4th in a Class 2 race. Last run at this track was poor
- **4. BOBROVKHA -** Fair 2nd last time at Lyon Parilly in a maiden race on April 23rd over 1350m. Capable of having a say
- **5. HEMATITE -** Ran well to be 2nd last time over 1600m in a claimer at this track on April 30th. Merits consideration
- **6. LA PAMPA -** Got off the mark at Chantilly on April 28th in a handicap on her last start over 1300m. Each way angle
- **7. NARGIZ -** Fair 4th in a maiden at Saint-Cloud on May 1st on her latest start. Can get off the mark in this handicap
- **8. ESSEX -** Three unplaced runs this year, she won before that at Saint-Cloud in a maiden on November 15th over 2000m. Down in trip which might be a negative
- **9. YELLOW HAWK -** Better effort when 3rd at Lyon Parilly on April 23rd in a handicap over 1600m last time. Can be competitive
- **10. COPAN -** 5th last time, 2nd before that over 1400m in a claimer at Chantilly on March 31st. Place contender
- **11. KEY TO VICTORY -** 7th last time, 4th before that over 1200m in a claimer at Fontainebleau on April 21st. Others make more appeal
- **12. KALINAGO -** 7th last time, she won before that over 1600m in a Class 3 race at Fontainebleau on March 18th. Unlikely to threaten
- **13. ZYA D'AUMONT -** Five unplaced runs of late, the latter over 1300m at Chantilly in a handicap on April 28th. Showed ability and can make the frame
- **14. PAINT CHOP -** 6th last time, 3rd before that over 1600m in a Class 3 race at Fontainebleau on March 18th. Place chance at nice odds

Summary: NARGIZ (7) ran well when fourth in a maiden at Saint-Cloud last time out and can get off the mark in her first handicap. YELLOW HAWK (9) shaped well to be third at Lyon Parilly late last month and can have a say in proceedings. LA PAMPA (6) got off the mark at Chantilly late last month and looks like the logical each-way option. MELLOW YELLOW (1) has been placed on the last three runs and looks best of the others.

SELECTIONS

NARGIZ (7) - YELLOW HAWK (9) - LA PAMPA (6) - MELLOW YELLOW (1)

C4 - PRIX DU PASSAGE DES PRINCES - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 21,000

- **1. HIGH VIOLET -** 7th last time, 3rd before that over 1400m at Nancy in a Class 4 race on April 5th. Ought to be thereabouts
- **2. MEISHO VELITE -** Several unplaced efforts of late, the latter over 1500m at Deauville on January 23rd in a Class 3 handicap. One to avoid
- **3. SUPER TIE BREAK -** 4th last time, he won before that over 1600m at La Teste on April 2nd in a Class 4 handicap. Can make the top four
- **4. GRIGNETTE -** 7th last time over 1600m at Chantilly on April 3rd in a Class 3 handicap when not beaten far. Can get her first win on the turf
- **5. HINAT -** Unplaced last time, 2nd before that over 1300m in a Class 4 race at Argentan on April 9th. Warrants respect
- **6. DRACO -** Two unplaced runs since a 4th over 1400m in a Class 4 handicap at Mont-De-Marsan on April 12th. Each way angle
- **7. GO WITH THE ROSES -** 6th last time over 1650m on April 27th in a Class 4 race at Sable-Sur-Sarthe. Needs to be more reliable
- **8. INTUITION -** Four unplaced runs of late, the most recent over 1200m at Saint-Cloud on May 9th in a Class 4 handicap. Has not won from 27 attempts
- 9. GRAND MACHO 6th last time over 1400m in a Class 3 handicap at this track on May 4th. One to pay attention to
- **10. PLACEHOLDER -** 2nd last time over 1650m at Machecoul on April 21st in a Class 4 race. Makes limited appeal
- **11. PROXIMA CENTAURI -** Four unplaced runs of late, the latter over 2000m in a Class 4 race at Le Lion D'Angers on April 21st. Others preferred
- **12. TEMPO -** 5th last time, 2nd before that at Vannes over 1500m in a Class 4 race on April 13th. Looks vulnerable

Summary: In a racing lacking depth, it may pay to side with GRIGNETTE (4), who was not beaten far when she was seventh on the PSF at Chantilly early last month. GRAND MACHO (9) could be the one that gives the selection the most to think about. HIGH VIOLET (1) was a decent third two runs back at Nancy in early April and merits consideration. DRACO (6) is not the most reliable, but he can make the top four.

SELECTIONS

GRIGNETTE (4) - GRAND MACHO (9) - HIGH VIOLET (1) - DRACO (6)

C5 - PRIX DU PASSAGE SAINT-ANNE - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 23,000

- **1. GENTLEMAN BEAUTY -** Won last time over 1400m at Chantilly on April 10th in a Class 3 handicap. Ought to be in the shake-up
- **2. PAINTELLO -** Decent 2nd over 1400m at Compiegne on April 25th in a Class 3 handicap on the last outing. Can go one better
- **3. STORMYGO -** 6th last time, 2nd before that over 1600m at Le Mans on March 21st in a Class 3 handicap. Capable of playing a lead role
- **4. VEGA -** Four unplaced runs of late, the latter over 1200m at Chantilly on May 6th. Needs to bounce back to form
- **5. SESTO ELEMENTO -** Well beaten last time over 1400m at Compiegne on April 25th in a Class 3 handicap. Won a claimer last May over 1600m. More needed to score here
- **6. THUNDERHEART -** Two unplaced runs since a 3rd over 1300m at Chantilly on February 20th in a Class 3 handicap. Makes limited appeal
- **7. MASTER PAT -** Placed on his last two runs, 3rd on the latter over 1400m at Compiegne on April 25th in a Class 3 handicap. One to take seriously
- **8. IBERIA -** Got off the mark last time over 1800m in a conditions race at Langon-Libourne on April 21st. Ought to be thereabouts
- **9. BAILEYS ILLUSION -** Fair 4th over 1500m on the PSF in a conditions race on April 4th.She has placed form on turf. Each way claims
- **10. THE CAT'S -** 5th on the latest start over 1400m in a Class 3 handicap on April 25th. Others look better handicapped
- **11. HATFAVILLE -** Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 1400m at Le Mans on March 10th in a Class 4 race. One to consider each way
- **12. EN PLEIN AIR -** 7th last time, 2nd before that over 1400m at Chantilly on April 10th in a Class 3 handicap. One to pay attention to with Demuro booked to ride

Summary: PAINTELLO (2) ran a solid race at Compiegne when second late last month in a Class 3 handicap. He can go one place better this time. EN PLEIN AIR (12) is capable of making the selection work hard for success. He has a top rider booked in Cristian Demuro and races off a good racing weight. MASTER PAT (7) has been placed on the last two runs and is one to be with each way. STORMYGO (3) makes up the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

PAINTELLO (2) - EN PLEIN AIR (12) - MASTER PAT (7) - STORMYGO (3)

C6 - PRIX DE PONTARME - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Listed Race - Flat - EUR € 55,000

- **1. LIBYAN PHAROAH -** 6th last time in a Listed race over 1400m at this track behind some of today's rivals on April 24th. Looks safely held
- **2. AFOGADO -** Two wins of late, the latter two runs back over 1400m at Chantilly on March 17th, a 2nd on the latest start over 1400m in a Listed race at this track on April 24th. Live chance
- **3. SCANDALO -** 6th last time in a Class 2 race on May 4th over 1400m at this track, 2nd previously over 1400m in a Listed race at Chantilly on October 12th. One to consider
- **4. DIEGO VENTURA -** Has decent form in the UK of late, 3rd at Newmarket over 1400m in a Listed race last time on May 2nd. Can be effective
- **5. EPSON BLUE CEN -** Fair 3rd in a Listed race at this track over 1400m on April 24th last time. Ought to be in the shake-up

Summary: DIEGO VENTURA (4) makes the journey over from the UK and could edge this after a solid effort when third in a well-contested Listed race at Newmarket 13 days ago. He is marginally preferred over AFOGADO (2), who missed out on a hat-trick of wins last time, when second over course and distance in a Listed race on April 24th. EPSON BLUE CEN (5) was back in third in the same race and is worth considering.

SELECTIONS

DIEGO VENTURA (4) - AFOGADO (2) - EPSON BLUE CEN (5) - SCANDALO (3)

C7 - PRIX DU BEL AIR - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 55,000

- **1. SWEET CHOP -** Unplaced last time, 3rd before that over 1300m in a handicap at Parislongchamp on April 24th. He has top weight and looks like the each-way option
- **2. SMILE FOR ME -** Unplaced last time out, 4th previously over 1500m at Marseille Pont De Vivaux in a handicap on March 22nd. Opposable
- **3. PRINCE AUBOIS -** Recent win over 1300m at this track on April 24th in a maiden race. More can be expected on handicap debut
- **4. PRECIOSO -** Two decent runs this year, a win at Toulouse on March 19th in a handicap over 1600m and a 2nd over 1200m mid-April in a Class 2 race at Fontainebleau. In the mix
- **5. BEAU GARS -** 5th on the one run this year over 1500m at Deauville on January 24th in a Class 2 race. Tries a handicap and others rate higher
- **6. NOFIX -** Fair 2nd over 1400m at Le Lion D'Angers on April 21st in a Class 2 race last time out. Can make the top four
- **7. MEDUSA MERGER -** 7th last time, 3rd before that over 1600m in a Class 2 race at Saint-Cloud on March 25th. Consider
- **8. TXIRIMIRI -** Got off the mark over 1400m in a handicap at Chantilly on March 17th on the last run. This looks more difficult
- **9. MISTER CHANG -** Creditable 2nd over 1300m in a handicap at this track on April 24th. Can place at attractive odds
- **10. AVENTINO -** Placed on both runs this year, 3rd on the most recent over 1300m in a handicap at this track on April 24th. Live contender
- **11. CITY TOWN -** Two unplaced efforts this year, the latter over 1400m at Chantilly in a handicap on March 17th. Has work to do
- **12. PREMIUM PASS -** 6th last time, 3rd before that over 1600m in a Class 2 race at Cagnes-Sur-Mer on February 16th. Might find a few of these too smart
- **13. OCEAN TREATY -** Two unplaced efforts this year, the latter over 1200m at Chantilly on April 3rd in a handicap. One to pass over
- **14. TYWIN -** Ran well to be 2nd over 1300m at this track in a handicap on April 24th. Looks like he can keep progressing and be involved
- **15. STORIA DI ROMA -** Shaped well to be 3rd last time over 1400m at Saint-Cloud on May 1st. One to look at each way
- **16. PRINCESSE MANDEL -** Two unplaced runs this year, the latter over 1300m at this track on April 24th in a handicap. Promise last year and warrants respect

Summary: AVENTINO (10) has a good racing weight and has been in solid form recently. He is given the vote following a strong effort at this track late last month, when third. PRINCE AUBOIS (3) poses a threat after breaking his maiden in a handicap from a wide draw over 1300m here on April 24th, though he is not ideally drawn in stall 16. PRECIOSO (4) produced a pleasing second in a Class 2 race at Fontainebleau last month and can be involved, as can SWEET CHOP (1), despite carrying top weight. TYWIN (14) is another worth considering.

SELECTIONS

AVENTINO (10) - PRINCE AUBOIS (3) - PRECIOSO (4) - SWEET CHOP (1)

C8 - PRIX DES DEESSES - HANDICAP CHALLENGE - 2600m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 18,000

- **1. SHAMSABAD -** Unplaced on the last run, 3rd previously over 2500m at Saint-Cloud in a Class 3 handicap on April 23rd. Not well handicapped at the moment
- **2. ALROMY -** 7th last time, she won before that over 2200m in a Class 4 race at Cavaillon on March 23rd. Has work to do
- **3. GOLD PALACE -** Unplaced last time, 3rd before that over 2400m at Compiegne on March 28th in a Class 3 handicap.
- **4. BALGEES TIME -** Won two runs back over 3000m at Mont-De-Marsan on April 13th in a Class 4 race. Enters calculations
- **5. LEXINGTON GOLD -** Four unplaced efforts of late, the latter over 2350m at Strasbourg in a Class 4 handicap on April 19th. Out of form and hard to fancy
- **6. CILANTRO -** Two unplaced runs since a 2nd over 2400m in a Class 4 race at Biguglia on October 6th. One to pass over
- **7. QATAR RIVER -** Several unplaced runs of late, the latter over 2500m at Saint-Cloud on April 23rd in a Class 3 handicap. Out of form and best watched
- **8. POWER GIRL -** Four unplaced runs, the latest over 2350m in a Class 4 handicap on April 19th at Strasbourg. Can be avoided
- **9. STELLA MARINA -** 5th last time over 1900m at Cluny in a Class 4 race on April 20th. She won last year at the same track over 2450m in October. Player
- **10. ILLUSTRE BERE -** 4th on the last run over 3200m at Fougeres on April 20th in a Class 4 race. Might need a few to misfire
- **11. FAL DARA -** 5th last time, a win before that over 2450m in a Class 4 race at Mont-De-Marsan on April 27th. Ought to play a lead role
- **12. PARABAK -** Two unplaced runs since a win over 2650m at Auch on April 13th in a Class 4 race. Outside place chance
- **13. MATGIWELL -** Better run when 3rd over 2400m in a Class 4 race at Limoges on May 4th. Capable of being competitive
- **14. SAMOA -** Three unplaced runs of late, 7th on the latest over 2600m in a Class 4 race at Savenay on May 4th. Looks unreliable
- **15. AIRA -** Two 2nd placed efforts of late, the latter over 2300m in a Class 4 race at Montlucon on April 20th. Hard to rule out of the frame
- **16. TENDER WINNER -** 6th last time, 2nd before that over 2400m at Moulins on April 5th in a Class 4 handicap. Low weight and warrants respect

Summary: MATGIWELL (13) could be the answer to this open handicap to end the card. She was a decent third at Limoges earlier this month and can be competitive. FAL DARA (11) could be the main danger, she scored two runs back at Mont-De-Marsan in late April. STELLA MARINA (9) won last year over 2450m and has placed form over 3000m last year, so will stay this trip and can make the frame. GOLD PALACE (3) looks best of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

MATGIWELL (13) - FAL DARA (11) - STELLA MARINA (9) - GOLD PALACE (3)