COMPIEGNE [L-H] - 15 October

Race 1 - PRIX MICHELINE LEURSON - 2000m CLM CL3 HCP. Purse EUR €15,000.

- 1. **GLOCKENSPIEL** Narrow success in a Class Four claiming handicap over 2400m at Pornichet AW. One to note on stable debut.
- 2. **MARADAN** Beaten out of sight following a short-break but capable on form he showed in the summer. Market check.
- 3. **KASAMAN** Inconsistent type who finished well behind Glockenspiel at Pornichet three weeks ago. Often happiest when making the running and could be dangerous if getting an easy lead.
- 4. **BONFIRE HEART** Scored in a Class Four claiming handicap at Le Croise-Laroche prior to a fair sixth in this grade over 2400m at Chantilly. Claims having been supplemented.
- 5. **JECK YEAH** Scored by 0.5L in a 2400m Class Four handicap at Lyon Parilly just over a month ago. Respected if replicating.
- 6. **URBAN ROCK** Finished third on his sole start at this venue four back. Not dismissed in first-time cheekpieces.
- 7. **MDRACAFEU** 4.75L eighth in a Class Three handicap over 3000m at Strasbourg in June. Interesting dropping in trip and grade having been supplemented.

Summary: Supplemented runner BONFIRE HEART (4) scored in a Class Four claiming handicap at Le Croise-Laroche prior to a fair sixth in this grade over 2400m at Chantilly. Notable runner in this suitable event. GLOCKENSPIEL (1) produced a narrow success in a Class Four claiming handicap over 2400m at Pornichet AW. Thereabouts on stable debut. KASAMAN (3) is inconsistent but would be dangerous to rule out if given an easy lead. MDRACAFEU (7) drops in trip and grade following a break and could be involved if attracting market support.

Selections

BONFIRE HEART (4) - GLOCKENSPIEL (1) - KASAMAN (3) - MDRACAFEU (7)

Race 2 - PRIX DE VERBERIE - 1800m CL2. Purse EUR €34,000.

- 1. **BLACK LIVES MATTER** Highly-tried since promising early form. Interesting upped in trip and back down in grade.
- 2. **ZANNDABAD** Made all for a comfortable 6.5L success in a maiden over this trip at Le Croise-Laroche 38 days ago. Open to progress. Leading player.
- 3. DAY OFF 14L fifth in a Class Two conditions race over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on debut. More needed.
- 4. **LUCELLUM** Promising 0.5L runner up in a 1600m maiden at Saint-Cloud on debut. Improvement expected for a leading yard. Strong contender.
- 5. **BEAUTE CACHEE** Shed the maiden tag when scoring by 2.5L over 1950m at Le Mans a fortnight ago. Back up in standard.
- 6. **LORENZO DE MEDICI** 2.25L third in a 1600m maiden at Fontainebleau fifteen days ago. Each way claims upped in trip.
- 7. **JANUARY MOON** Frustrating fourteen race maiden who could find the frame on best figures but hard to trust

Summary: LUCELLUM (4) shaped well when a 0.5L runner up in a 1600m maiden at Saint-Cloud on debut. Improvement expected for a leading yard. Strong claims for top connections. ZANNDABAD (2) made all for a comfortable 6.5L success in a maiden over this trip at Le Croise-Laroche. Open to progress. Notable runner especially if receiving an easy lead. BLACK LIVES MATTER (1) has been highly tried since promising early form. Could be involved upped in trip and back down in grade. LORENZO DE MEDICI (6) looks an each way player.

Selections

LUCELLUM (4) - ZANNDABAD (2) - BLACK LIVES MATTER (1) - LORENZO DE MEDICI (6)

Race 3 - PRIX DE MELICOCQ - 2800m CLM. Purse EUR €19,000.

- 1. **BRAS DE FER** 6L runner up behind a subsequent winner over 2400m at Salon-de-Provence 20 days ago. In the mix under a top jockey.
- 2. NIZAMI 4.75L third in a 2400m claimer at this venue last week. Claims back up in trip on stable debut.
- 3. SUDDEN DEATH Placed on his last three starts at claiming level. Frame chance.
- 4. **GREY SUNDAY** Unplaced in five career starts but finished a fair 9.75L fourth over 2850m at Sable-sur-Sarthe on claiming debut recently. Outside place claims.
- 5. **SEVILLANA** Scored on her sole start over this trip at Argentan three back and run fairly in both outings since. Key player back over this distance.
- 6. **CAZALLA** Plenty of strong handicap form that would see her be a force at this level. Leading chance on first claiming start.
- 7. LIGHT OF POWER Tailed off on debut. Impossible to recommend.

Summary: CAZALLA (6) bring plenty of strong handicap form that would see her be a force at this level. Fair 7.25L sixth in a Class Three conditions race over 2400m at this venue last time. Leading chance on first claiming start with first-time cheekpieces applied. NIZAMI (2) shaped well when 4.75L third in a 2400m claimer at this venue last week. Firmly involved back up in trip on stable debut. SEVILLANA (5) won on her sole start over this trip at Argentan three back and run fairly in both outings since. Respected back over this distance. BRAS DE FER (1) cannot be ruled out under a top jockey.

Selections

CAZALLA (6) - NIZAMI (2) - SEVILLANA (5) - BRAS DE FER (1)

- 1. **SOHO VICKY** 5.25L ninth in a Class Three handicap over 1600m at Fontainebleau eleven days ago. Frame chance dropped 1kg back up in trip.
- 2. **LA WOOD** 1L winner when beating a handful of re-opposing rivals in a 2000m Class Two handicap at Saint-Cloud eight days ago. Leading claims.
- 3. **DUKE OF ARABIA** Held in four career starts to date. Progress required.
- 4. **AYGUEMORTE** Experienced performer more than capable of going well at this level. Sliding down to a good mark and could find the frame with a solid course record.
- 5. **BLUE LINK** 5.25L fifth in a Class Four handicap over 2500m at Nancy nineteen days ago. One from one at this venue. Frame claims.
- 6. RIQUET Third behind La Wood at Saint-Cloud prior to a fair fourth at Amiens on Monday. Thereabouts.
- 7. **MOTORSPORT** 2.75L fourth in a 2100m Class Four handicap at Strasbourg twelve days ago. Poor winning record but could find the placings.
- 8. **MISTER MARIO** Below par in his last four starts but could bounce back returned to this venue under a top jockey.
- 9. **RUE DAUPHINE** Runner up to La Wood in a 2000m Class Two handicap eight days ago. Remains a maiden after 32 starts and not entirely guaranteed to replicate.

Summary: LA WOOD (2) had RUE DAUPHINE (9) back in second with RIQUET (6) in third when winning a Class Two handicap by 1L at Saint-Cloud eight days ago. The former may be capable of upholding the form with a similar run with the latter the most likely to provide the main danger given his more consistent profile. Experienced performer AYGUEMORTE (4) is capable of going well at this level. Sliding down to a good mark and could be thereabouts with a solid course record.

Selections

LA WOOD (2) - RUE DAUPHINE (9) - RIQUET (6) - AYGUEMORTE (4)

- 1. **GO FAST TRAOU LAND** Three wins from eight career starts including when making all by 0.5L in a Class Two conditions event at Vichy. Claims on stable and handicap debut.
- 2. **FLYING EASY** Made a winning handicap debut when beating Wildwood by 1.75L over 2200m at Fontainebleau 25 days ago. Leading claims with more to come upped 3kg.
- 3. **WILDWOOD** Runner up on her last two outings including when behind Flying Easy 25 days back. Firmly in the mix.
- 4. **MYUNCLECHARLIE** Narrow success over this trip in a maiden at Lyon-Parilly just over three weeks ago. Open to progress on handicap debut.
- 5. **GALACTICA** Scored by 1L when beating a handful of subsequent winners in a 2400m maiden at Clairefontaine towards the beginning of August. Claims now tackling a handicap.
- 6. **GIRL ON THE MOON** Solid start to her career but held off 1kg higher when tenth over 1800m at Chantilly on handicap debut recently.
- 7. **FAYONA** 0.75L claiming success at Saint-Cloud prior to a good 0.5L third in a 1800m handicap at Chantilly sixteen days ago. Likely pace angle.
- 8. **GALAWAY** 10L ninth in the course and distance Listed Race Prix Charles Laffitte last week. Frame chance back in a handicap having been supplemented.
- 9. **BLACKJAC DU HOULEY** Held eighth behind two re-opposing rivals at Fontainebleau last start. More needed.

Summary: The progressive FLYING EASY (2) beat WILDWOOD (3) by 1.75L over 2200m at Fontainebleau 25 days ago. The former represents a top yard and holds leading claims with more to come upped 3kg. The latter is better off at the weights and should be firmly in the mix in this suitable event. Top-weight GO FAST TRAOU LAND (1) has three wins from eight career starts including when making all by 0.5L in a Class Two conditions event at Vichy. Claims with progress possible on stable and handicap debut. The unexposed GALACTICA (5) completes the shortlist.

Selections

FLYING EASY (2) - WILDWOOD (3) - GO FAST TRAOU LAND (1) - GALACTICA (5)

Race 6 - PRIX DE LONGUEIL ANNEL - 2000m CLM. Purse EUR €19,000.

- 1. **BLACK HAWK** 1.5L success in a 1800m claimer at Dieppe prior to finishing 0.75L runner up in the same grade at Lyon-Parilly. Top claims back down in trip.
- 2. **STEPASIDE BELL** Four wins in eleven career starts and was narrowly denied in a 2200m claimer at Craon eighteen days ago. One from one over this distance. Claims.
- 3. SIM CARD Held in a 1600m claimer at Fontainebleau eleven days ago. Must bounce back.
- 4. **SARDASHT** Shed maiden tag when winning a 1950m claimer by 5L at Le Mans a fortnight ago. In the mix if replicating on stable debut.
- 5. **LEDNIKOV** 0.75L third in a claimer over this trip at Strasbourg 26 days ago. Open to progress.
- 6. MITRYEVA Little form in seven career outings. Opposed.
- 7. **LE GARDOLOT** 2L runner up in a 1800m claimer at this venue in June. Market can guide following a break.
- 8. RUE D'AUMALE One placings from 21 career starts. Impossible to recommend.
- 9. **INTERSTELLA** 1.25L success in a handicap over this trip at Munich (GER) eighteen days ago. Thereabouts.

Summary: BLACK HAWK (1) produced a 1.5L success in a 1800m claimer at Dieppe prior to finishing 0.75L runner up in the same grade at Lyon-Parilly. Top chance back down in distance. STEPASIDE BELL (2) has four wins in eleven career starts and was narrowly denied in a 2200m claimer at Craon recently. One from one over this trip. Notable runner in current form. SARDASHT (4) got off the mark when winning a 1950m claimer by 5L at Le Mans a fortnight ago. Respected if replicating on stable debut. INTERSTELLA (9) cannot be ruled out following a Munich (GER) success over this distance.

Selections

BLACK HAWK (1) - STEPASIDE BELL (2) - SARDASHT (4) - INTERSTELLA (9)

- 1. **POMPOGNE** Narrow handicap success over 1300m on the AW at Chantilly but held on both starts off a higher mark since. May need further weight relief.
- 2. INSEO Mixed form in recent grades but does go well over this trip. Not entirely dismissed.
- 3. **TREMONT** Shaped better than the bare result when 3.25L ninth in a 1600m Class Two handicap at Saint-Cloud 27 days ago. Unexposed over this trip and well-handicapped.
- 4. **WOOTTON GREY** Eight placings from eighteen career starts but likely to need to run following a mammoth absence.
- 5. SAMWELL Held when last seen 122 days ago and market can guide on reappearance.
- 6. **VULCANUS** Fifteen race maiden who finished 2L second in a Class Three handicap over 1600m at Chantilly in June. Notable jockey booking.
- 7. **MA PETITE TOSCANE** Narrow success in a Class Four handicap over 1600m at Toulouse recently. Poor record over this trip.
- 8. **VEGA DREAM** 31 race maiden who finished 2L fifth over this trip in a Class Three handicap at Saint-Cloud a fortnight ago. Each way player.
- 9. **CROQUEMBOUCHE** Held in four outings since resuming. Continues to slide down to weights but best watched.
- 10. **BELLADONE SPIRIT** Capable of going well in this grade but inconsistent and hard to predict.
- 11. **HIGH FLYING BIRD** Well beaten in recent starts. Opposed.
- 12. **MAKHZEN** Shaped with some promise when 1.75L fourth in a Class Four handicap over 135om at Lyon-Parilly following a short break. Frame chance.
- 13. **KILLING ZOE** 0.75L second in a 1650m Class Four handicap at Sable-sur-Sarthe 26 days ago. Each way player back up in grade.
- 14. **MEDITERRANEENNE** Capable of running well from this mark but held on her last two outings. Must bounce back.
- 15. LILLY BIRD 1.75L fourth in a Class Three handicap over this trip at Saint-Cloud a fortnight ago. Claims.
- 16. GANOUV Tailed off at La Roche-Posay just over a month ago. Opposed.

Summary: The well-handicapped LILLY BIRD (15) shaped nicely when 1.75L fourth in a Class Three handicap over this trip at Saint-Cloud a fortnight ago. Notable runner in this suitable event racing off the same mark. TREMONT (3) showed up better than the bare result when 3.25L ninth in a 1600m Class Two handicap at Saint-Cloud. Should have more to offer over this trip and well-handicapped on peak form. VULCANUS (6) is one to note under a top jockey. MAKHZEN (12) holds each way claims.

Selections

LILLY BIRD (15) - TREMONT (3) - VULCANUS (6) - MAKHZEN (12)

- 1. **ON THE SEA** Fair runs in Class Three handicaps on his last four starts including when runner up at Deauville (AW). One to note.
- 2. **BLACK CESS** Narrow success in a Class Three handicap over 1600m at Angers thirteen days ago. Considered upped 2kg.
- 3. BARDO Narrowly denied over course and distance between two below par efforts. May bounce back.
- 4. **JEAN RACINE** 1.5L success in a Class Three handicap over this trip at Le Lion-d'Angers prior to a solid 1L fourth in the same grade at Longchamp. Claims under a top jockey.
- 5. **CHAMBONAS** Running well in this grade before two disappointing efforts. Must bounce back but could do well dropped 1kg.
- 6. **REPONSE EXACTE** Shaped better than the bare result when 3.75L eighth in a 1600m Class Three handicap at Fontainebleau recently. Two from two at this venue. Include.
- 7. **DREAM FOR ALL** Solid form in AW handicaps over the winter but market can guide following a 272 day absence.
- 8. **LA REINE CATHERINE** 3.75L tenth in a Class Three handicap over this trip at Longchamp just over a month ago. Each way player.
- 9. **GUANACASTE** Market can guide following a mammoth 921 days off the track.
- 10. **EXPLORAR** Solid form in similar handicaps of late including when scoring over 2000m at Vichy earlier in the year. Claims under a leading jockey.
- 11. **GENERALIFE** Made all for a 1.25L success over this trip at Dax prior to being narrowly denied in third over 1600m at Toulouse. Respected in current form.
- 12. WAILEA NIGHTS Well beaten on reappearance. Opposed.
- 13. **ON THE EDGE** 1L success in a Class Three course and distance handicap a month ago. Contender upped 2kg.
- 14. **ASTRACHEM** 0.5L third in a Class Four handicap over 1600m at Toulouse eleven days ago. One to note dropped in trip for a top rider.
- 15. **KOOL AND THE GANG** 5L seventh in a handicap over 1200m at Praha (CZH) just over a month ago. Frame chance.
- 16. **HANDCHOP** Arrives in good form following a 0.5L victory in a Class Four handicap over 1600m at Fontainebleau. Considered from the foot of the weights.

Summary: JEAN RACINE (4) scored by 1.5L in a Class Three handicap over this trip at Le Lion-d'Angers prior to a solid 1L fourth in the same standard at Longchamp. Key chance over a suitable distance under a top jockey. EXPLORAR (10) has produced solid form in similar handicaps of late including when winning over 2000m at Vichy earlier in the year. Claims under a leading jockey especially if getting a good pace to aim at. REPONSE EXACTE (6) is two from two at this course and must be respected. Top-weight ON THE SEA (1) arrives following some fair runs in Class Three handicaps. One to note. ON THE EDGE (13) completes the shortlist.

Selections

JEAN RACINE (4) - EXPLORAR (10) - REPONSE EXACTE (6) - ON THE SEA (1) - ON THE EDGE (13)

- 1. **TARAHUMARA QUEEN** Solid 1.5L fourth in a Class Three handicap over course and distance two back. Capable of bouncing back returned to these conditions under a top jockey.
- 2. LANTIN Well held when last seen 151 days ago. Best watched unless attracting significant market support.
- 3. VALENTO Safely accounted in four starts since resuming. Continues to tumble down the weights.
- 4. CAPTAIN DAVID More needed on what he has shown in three outings this campaign. Others preferred.
- 5. **FIFTY DAYS FIRE** Some promise on reappearance but took a backwards step since. Others hold stronger claims.
- 6. **ENJOY THE SILENCE** Running well in Class Three and Four handicaps of late. Key chance in this suitable contest.
- 7. **EXCLUSIVE BEAUTY** Faded when 6.5L tenth in a 2000m Class Three handicap at Saint-Cloud a month ago. Could be involved dropping in trip from a good draw.
- 8. **RIVERET** 4.75L fifth in a Class Three handicap over this distance at Longchamp 33 days ago. Each way player.
- 9. **ZAMBACHA ROSETGRI** Well beaten on her last two starts but could bounce back in first-time cheekpieces.
- 10. HEAVE HO Mixed form in Class Three handicaps of late. Frame chance on best figures.
- 11. **ASTERION** Supplemented following 5.5L tenth in a 1500m Class Four handicap at Marseille Vivaux AW thirteen days ago. Each way player.
- 12. **JAYADEEVA** Running well in Class Four handicaps of late placing in three of his four starts. Thereabouts.
- 13. **TAX EXILE** 0.5L second in a Class Three handicap over this trip at Saint-Cloud a fortnight ago. One to note if replicating from a wide draw.
- 14. IZAKAYA 32 race maiden but could find the placings on recent Class Four handicap form.
- 15. FERKING AUTRECHENE Step forward required following a 10L eighth at Strasbourg after a break.
- 16. **HEBE** Little form in fourteen career starts. Opposed.

Summary: ENJOY THE SILENCE (6) has been running well in Class Three and Four handicaps of late. Key player in this suitable contest. TARAHUMARA QUEEN (1) shaped nicely when a solid 1.5L fourth in a Class Three handicap over course and distance two back. Would rate highly if bouncing back returned to these conditions under a top jockey. EXCLUSIVE BEAUTY (7) faded when 6.5L tenth in a 2000m Class Three handicap at Saint-Cloud a month ago. One to note dropping in trip from a good draw. JAYADEEVA (12) is consistent and should be thereabouts.

Selections

ENJOY THE SILENCE (6) - TARAHUMARA QUEEN (1) - EXCLUSIVE BEAUTY (7) - JAYADEEVA (12)