

# THURSDAY, 16/04/26

## R3 SALON-DE-PROVENCE [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE LA SOCIETE DES COURSES DE SALON-DE-PROVENCE -  
1100m (a5f1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Claiming - Flat - EUR € 15,400**

**1. IMPITOYABLE** - Bounced back to form with a victory in this division at this track over 1000m on 2 April. Can double up and beat these rivals

**2. TANIS** - Consistent of late and was runner-up in a handicap at Marseille-Borély over 1200m on 3 April. Should be right there at the finish once again

**3. MEHMIST** - Not reliable and finished 9th in a handicap at Pau over 1400m on 13 January. Did run well in this division before that and can contest the finish

**4. CAPITANO** - Not disgraced when fourth in a claimer at Chantilly over 1100m on 27 October. Returns from a break and could earn some money

**5. BLU METAL JACKET** - Has some fair form and finished fifth at Pisa over 1200m on 22 March. Quite capable of winning a race of this nature

**6. KOUTSOUNAKOS** - Did not show his best when unplaced in a claimer at Chantilly over 1000m on 2 April. Fitter this time and could be the surprise package of the race

**7. RUMPLETEAZER** - Not reliable and finished tenth in a handicap at Marseille-Borély over 1200m on 3 April. Has a place chance on best form

**Summary:** A competitive-looking event. BLU METAL JACKET (5) has some fair form, and the addition of blinkers could have the desired effect. IMPITOYABLE (1) is in good form and is right at home in this division, so will not go down easily. MEHMIST (3) is not reliable but did do enough early on in his career to be a danger to these rivals. KOUTSOUNAKOS (6) did not show his best last time out, but this veteran is also capable of scoring.

### SELECTIONS

**BLU METAL JACKET (5) - IMPITOYABLE (1) - MEHMIST (3) - KOUTSOUNAKOS (6)**

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**C2 - PRIX DE LA COTE BLEUE - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Claiming - Flat -  
EUR € 14,400**

**1. AFFECTION** - Not reliable but was victorious in this division at Lyon-La Soie over 2150m on 11 March. Prefers the PSF but can follow up

**2. TOREBEK** - Has some fair form and was not disgraced when fifth in a Conditions race at Marseille-Borely over 2600m on 3 April. Can be a threat to these rivals

**3. CHILLIDA** - Showed some improvement and finished 5th in a Conditions race at Toulouse over 2000m on 6 April. Can do even better this longer distance

**4. TO NIGHT MOON** - Finished 6th in a Conditions race at Toulouse over 2000m on 6 April. Should fight out the finish back in a claimer

**5. PRINCESS ALICE** - Has only been modest so far and finished 6th in a Conditions race at Lignieres over 2000m on 7 April. Might play a minor role

**6. SIMPLYTHEBEST** - Yet to win a race but is threatening to do so and was runner-up in a claimer at Moulins over 2400m on 9 April. Can go one place better

**7. NEVER LOST** - Finished 8th on debut in a Conditions race at Marseille-Borely over 2000m on 18 March. Capable of improvement but others make more appeal

**Summary:** AFFECTION (1) has done best on the PSF but is well weighted for this race and can follow up on a solid last win in this division. SIMPLYTHEBEST (6) has yet to win a race but is very consistent and should be right there at the finish once again. TO NIGHT MOON (4) can be a threat back in this division over this longer distance. TOREBEK (2) has some fair recent form and is another that is capable of winning at this level.

## SELECTIONS

**AFFECTION (1) - SIMPLYTHEBEST (6) - TO NIGHT MOON (4) - TOREBEK (2)**

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## C3 - PRIX JEAN-JACQUES NAPOLI - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 14,400

- 1. ALROMY** - Finished 11th in a handicap at Lyon-La Soie over 2400m on 2 March. Unreliable and others are preferred
- 2. LA HAUTE ISLE** - Unreliable and finished 6th in a handicap at Marseille-Borély over 1700m on 3 April. Capable of better and is not out of it
- 3. ICETS** - Only modest of late and finished 6th in a Conditions race at Hyeres over 2500m on 6 April. More is needed to beat these rivals
- 4. DIYAA** - Showed some improvement when runner-up in a conditions at Montlucon over 2300m on 22 March. Might play a minor role
- 5. MOOR MALPIC** - Unreliable but was 3rd in a Conditions race at Biguglia over 2400m on 21 March. On a long losing streak and needs to do more to beat these rivals
- 6. PARVA SCURRA** - Showed some improvement when 4th in a Conditions race at Biguglia over 2400m on 21 March. More is needed to score
- 7. SOUPIR** - In good shape and was 5th in a handicap at Marseille-Vivaux over 2600m on 9 March. Has claims in an open looking race
- 8. JARDIN BLEU** - Holding form and finished 4th in a handicap at Moulins over 2400m on 9 April. Can contest the finish again
- 9. HASHTAG JOA** - Victorious in a Conditions race at Hyeres over 2500m on 6 April. In decent form and could follow up in a handicap this time
- 10. PRAY FOR HOPE** - In good shape and was runner-up in a Conditions race at Hyeres over 2500m on 6 April. Can be a threat to these rivals

**Summary:** A very open-looking race. SOUPIR (7) is in good shape and has won many times in this category, so gets the vote to score. JARDIN BLEU (8) has held his form well of late and should be right there at the finish once again. LA HAUTE ISLE (2) is not reliable, but this distance suits and she should be a lively danger in a race of this nature. HASHTAG JOA (9), fresh off a win at Hyères, is another that has to be considered a possible victor.

### SELECTIONS

**SOUPIR (7) - JARDIN BLEU (8) - LA HAUTE ISLE (2) - HASHTAG JOA (9)**

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## C4 - PRIX DE MIRAMAS - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16,300

- 1. UNFURLED** - Unreliable and finished 12th in a handicap at Saint-Cloud over 2000m on 3 April. Has won over this course and distance and can bounce back to score
- 2. SIR GARSING** - Victorious in a conditions at Marseille-Vivaux over 2600m on 22 March. Remains in good shape and can score again
- 3. SAPHO** - Yet to win a race and finished 12th in a handicap at Deauville over 1900m on 28 November. Returns from a break and has a place chance
- 4. BEN DE DIANE** - Not reliable and finished 8th in a handicap at Marseille-Borély over 2100m on 10 April. Better on the PSF but cannot be ruled out from scoring
- 5. MEASTER OWEN** - Has struggled this year and was 13th in a handicap at Lyon-Parilly over 2000m on 29 March. Capable of doing better and is not out of it
- 6. BONNY WAY** - Has only been modest of late and finished 6th in a claimer race at Marseille-Borély over 2600m on 3 April. Victorious back in December and can be a threat to these rivals
- 7. REVENTADOR** - In good shape and finished 4th in a Conditions race at Marseille-Borély over 2600m on 3 April. Has shown improvement and could make the frame
- 8. MOUTRAKI** - Victorious in a Conditions at Biguglia over 2400m on 21 March. Hard to trust and others make more appeal
- 9. VOILA POURQUOI** - Did not show his best when 8th in a Conditions race at Marseille-Vivaux over 2600m on 22 March. In good form before that and has claims in this line-up
- 10. PRINCESS RECORD** - Showed some improvement when runner-up in a Conditions race at Hyeres over 2500m on 6 April. Can go one place better

**Summary:** A tricky race. UNFURLED (1) has not been reliable of late but could be best judged on his course-and-distance victory. SIR GARSING (2) is in very good form and would not be a surprise winner. MEASTER OWEN (5) could be ready for an improved performance after two recent disappointing efforts. BONNY WAY (6) seems a lot better than a recent disappointing run in a claimer at Marseille-Borély and is a threat on her best form.

### SELECTIONS

UNFURLED (1) - SIR GARSING (2) - MEASTER OWEN (5) - BONNY WAY (6)

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**C5 - PRIX D'EYGUIERES - 1800m (a1m1/8) - TURF - Newcomers - Flat -  
EUR € 19,200**

- 1. GOOD BELLO** - A three-year-old gelding by Galiway out of Show Me The Music who is making his debut. His brother was placed in a Listed race last year. Consider
- 2. SAINT ARNOULT** - A three-year-old gelding ,Wootton Bassett et Zain Al Boldan which is making his debut. His mother won a Listed race in the UK. Big chance
- 3. FALKENSTEIN** - A three-year-old colt by Sottsass out of Auchterarder who is making his debut, His Dam won once in just four starts. Respect
- 4. HAGEN** - A three-year-old colt by Intello out of Private Cashier who is making his debut. His Dam never raced in France. Others make more appeal
- 5. BRUNETTE COLEMAN** - A three-year-old filly by Cracksman out of Velma Valento who is making her debut. Her mother won 4 of her 19 starts including a Listed race. Should be a threat
- 6. TULLIS** - A three-year-old filly by New Bay out of Trophée who is making her debut. Her mother did not race in France. Monitor the betting
- 7. BRIGHT MILLIE** - A three-year-old filly by Hello Youmzain out of Good Business who is making her debut. Her mother was unraced in France. Others make more appeal
- 8. PASTEL DE NATA** - A three-year-old filly by Mendelssohn out of Lisboa who is making her debut. His mother did not race in France. Could need this experience
- 9. OTONIA** - A three-year-old filly by Almanzor out of Stormyza who is making her debut. Her mother won once in 13 starts. Others are preferred
- 10. BI BOISY** - A three-year-old filly by Whipper out of La Papine who is making her debut. Her Dam won once in 5 starts. Monitor the betting
- 11. ORYA** - A three-year-old filly by City Light out of Hiort who is making her debut. Her Dam won once in 6 starts. Might play a minor role

**Summary:** Eleven unraced three-year-olds are carded to go to post for this. SAINT ARNOULT (2) catches the eye on breeding, being a son of Wootton Bassett and trained by a man who knows what is needed to win first time out. BRUNETTE COLEMAN (5) looks to be a danger. This filly by Cracksman is well bred. FALKENSTEIN (3) represents Jean-Claude Rouget, and it would not be a surprise were he to score. TULLIS (6) is another to consider.

## SELECTIONS

**SAINT ARNOULT (2) - BRUNETTE COLEMAN (5) - FALKENSTEIN (3) - TULLIS (6)**

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**C6 - PRIX DU CENTRE D'ENTRAINEMENT DE CALAS - 1800m (a1m1/8) -  
TURF - Class 4 Claiming Handicap - Flat - EUR € 12,500**

**1. BLANC BLEU** - Only modest of late and finished 9th in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 1700m on 3 April. Needs to do more to beat these rivals

**2. MERCI ELIE** - Not reliable but was victorious in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 1700m on 3 April. Capable of doubling up

**3. MUNGASHA** - Unreliable and was unplaced in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 2000m on 18 March. Capable of making the frame when in the right mood

**4. PEARL SPIRIT** - Consistent and was runner-up in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 2100m on 10 April. Yet to win a race but can contest the finish

**5. KING OF CHILL** - Has been kept to the PSF for some time now and finished 7th in a class 4 Conditions race at Marseille-Vivaux over 1500m on 22 March. Can be a threat to these rivals

**6. HOODWINK** - Not disgraced when fifth in a handicap at Chantilly over 1600m on 16 March. Should like it back on the turf and has claims

**Summary:** MERCI ELIE (2) was a very easy winner of his last start at Marseille-Borély. He is expected to follow up and beat these rivals. HOODWINK (6) finished off her race nicely at Chantilly last time out and does get a weight advantage from her rival, so remains a threat. KING OF CHILL (5) probably prefers the PSF but cannot be ruled out from scoring. MUNGASHA (3) is hard to trust but is capable of making the frame.

## SELECTIONS

**MERCI ELIE (2) - HOODWINK (6) - KING OF CHILL (5) - MUNGASHA (3)**

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**C7 - PRIX D'ARLES - 1800m (a1m1/8) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR €  
19,200**

- 1. MEFIE TOI** - Unreliable and finished fifth in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 2100m on 3 April. Might play a minor role
- 2. OCRA** - Did not show her best when 10th in a handicap at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 1500m on 22 February. Capable of doing better and is not out of it
- 3. VALIENTE** - Unreliable and finished 9th in a handicap at Marseille-Vivaux over 1500m on 22 March. Has a place chance on best form
- 4. COUNSELOR** - Did not show his best when 8th in a handicap at Saint-Cloud over 2000m on 10 March. Capable of better and has claims in this line-up
- 5. PERSIANA** - Showed some improvement when third in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 2100m on 3 April. Can get into the mix of things again
- 6. INVENTER** - Not reliable and was fifth in a Conditions race at Lyon- La Soie over 1800m on 21 March. Might play a minor role
- 7. AGNESI** - Did not show her best when unplaced in a Conditions race at Lyon La Soie over 1800m on 14 February. Better on the PSF and others make more appeal
- 8. NEW RISK** - Showed some improvement when fourth in a Conditions race at Lyon-Parilly over 1600m on 15 March. Should contest the finish
- 9. JOYPHORIA** - Only modest of late and finished 6th in a Conditions race at Marseille-Borely over 1700m on 3 April. More is needed to beat these rivals
- 10. KRISTAL** - Only modest of late and finished 7th in a Conditions race at Marseille-Borely over 1700m on 3 April. Others make more appeal
- 11. MAC TYSON** - Not disgraced when fifth in a Conditions race at Marseille-Borely over 2000m on 18 March. Has a place chance on best form
- 12. ALEKSANDROVKA** - Successful in a claimer at Marseille-Vivaux over 2000m on 22 March. Tougher task this time but can make the frame
- 13. THE BLACK VELVET** - Not reliable and finished 7th in a Handicap at Marseille-Borely over 2100m on 3 April. Capable of an upset on best form
- 14. PRINCESS ALMA** - Has shown little so far and finished 7th in a Conditions race at Marseille-Borely over 2000m on 18 March. More is needed to beat these rivals

**Summary:** COUNSELOR (4) did not show his best when trying a handicap before but does have blinkers on this time and that could spark a victory. NEW RISK (8) showed some improvement at Lyon-La Soie and could have more to offer at this track. OCRA (2) is capable of better than her last run would suggest and could be a threat. ALEKSANDROVKA (12) has a tougher task this time but is not out of it.

## SELECTIONS

**COUNSELOR (4) - NEW RISK (8) - OCRA (2) - ALEKSANDROVKA (12)**

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## C8 - PRIX CHRISTIAN FORNAROLI - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 3 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 19,200

- 1. DAMASK BLADE** - Only modest of late and finished fifth in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 2600m on 18 March. Could play a minor role
- 2. MARCHEMALO** - Did not show his best when unplaced in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 23 March. Likely to do better back on the grass and has claims
- 3. NOCE DE RUBIS** - Holding form and finished fourth in a handicap at Marseille-Vivaux over 1500m on 22 March. Could earn some more money
- 4. I'M A BELIEVER** - Only modest of late and finished 8th in a handicap at Saint-Cloud over 2000m on 10 March. Capable of being a threat to these rivals
- 5. SPORT COUPE** - Has struggled of late and finished 8th in a handicap at Marseille-Vivaux over 1500m on 22 March. Needs major improvement to win
- 6. LADY VITESSE** - Battling to find best form and finished 7th in a handicap at Lyon-Parilly over 1600m on 15 March. Others make more appeal
- 7. YAMANAKA** - Not reliable but was victorious in a Conditions race at Lyon-La Soie over 2150m on 14 February. Can double up in a handicap
- 8. PESTACLE** - Successful in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 2000m on 18 March. Not reliable but is also not out of it
- 9. DEEP SEA** - Showed some improvement when fourth in a handicap at Lyon-Parilly over 2200m on 29 March. More is needed to score
- 10. ROCQUEMONT** - Has struggled of late and finished 10th in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 2000m on 18 March. More is needed to beat these rivals
- 11. THORGALLE** - Only modest of late and finished 6th in a handicap at Lyon-Parilly over 2200m on 29 March. Needs to find a few lengths to score
- 12. GO LOVE** - Liked it back on the grass and was third in a handicap at Marseille-Borely over 2000m on 18 March. Can be competitive once again

**Summary:** A tricky lucky last race. YAMANAKA (7) was a good winner at Lyon-La Soie but will need to repeat that on the grass and in a handicap this time around. MARCHEMALO (2) should like it back on the grass and would not be a surprise winner. PESTACLE (8) carries a penalty for a recent handicap victory but could follow up. I'M A BELIEVER (4) has only been moderate of late but is capable of shining brightly if showing his best form.

### SELECTIONS

YAMANAKA (7) - MARCHEMALO (2) - PESTACLE (8) - I'M A BELIEVER (4)

### TODAY'S SELECTIONS

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Horse of the day  
MERCIE ELIE (602)

Outsider of the day  
INVENTER (706)

Reverse forecast  
IMPITOYABLE (101) - BLU METAL JACKET (105)

Three pick of the day  
AFFECTION (201) - MERCIE ELIE (602) - COUNSELOR (704)