

CHATELAILLON LA ROCHELLE - 16 May

Race 1

1. **ELIOTT DE CHENU** - DQ all three starts this spell including at Moulins a week ago. More required.
2. **EMPEREUR DE FAEL** - Held 48L ninth in a mounted race at Maure-de-Bretagne earlier this month. Poor wins/runs record.
3. **DARE DARE** - Below par 25L eighth at Beaumont-de-Lomagne eight days ago. Improvement needed.
4. **ELLE VA CARNOET** - Improved effort 14L fourth at Agen three weeks ago. Step forward required here.
5. **EXOTIC CHARM** - Held 9L eighth at this venue a week ago. Minor role likely.
6. **DAVANTI SCORZA** - Tenth of 16 at Maure-de-Bretagne 11 days ago. Others preferred.
7. **EGERIE MARANCOURT** - Good 4L second at a minor venue a week ago. Notable contender.
8. **EMIR DU BOUILLON** - Returning from a break when fourth at Cluny eight days ago. One to note.
9. **ESCUDO** - Given a break since finishing 6.25L eighth at this track at the start of March. Likely to improve for the race.
10. **DIABLO DE FORGAN** - Good 2L second to a subsequent winner in a Toulouse claimer last month. Strong claims on stable debut.
11. **DOCK SUR** - Good 4L fourth at Le Mans eight days ago. Bold show expected.

Summary

Debuting for a new trainer DIABLO DE FORGAN (10) may go one better than when 2L second in a Toulouse claimer. Racing in a new shoeing combination may see DOCK SUR (11) produced a big effort following 4L fourth at Le Mans. EMIR DU BOUILLON (8) enters calculations on the back of a fourth at Cluny first up. EGERIE MARANCOURT (7) is also noted. Ran 4L second at a minor track.

Selections

DIABLO DE FORGAN (10) - DOCK SUR (11) - EMIR DU BOUILLON (8) - EGERIE MARANCOURT (7)

Race 2

1. **HOLA LOU** - DQ last three starts including at Agen first up. More needed.
2. **GONZAGUE VALSORA** - Fair 8.25L fourth at Cholet two weeks ago. Of note in this race.
3. **HUVRIK DE GUEZ** - DQ in a driven race at Caen six days ago. Others make more appeal.
4. **GOLDEN VIKING** - Put a DQ behind him when 12L fifth back in a mounted contest eight days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
5. **GAZON DE BANNES** - DQ at Cholet at the start of this month. Needs to put recent efforts behind him.
6. **GASCON DECHAMBOU** - Good form prior to a DQ at Beaumont-de-Lomagne eight days ago. Leading contender.
7. **GAIA DE LA SY** - DQ in a Toulouse driven race four days ago. Minor role likely.
8. **GRIZZLY BEAR** - Completed a double when winning by 0.25L at Maure-de-Bretagne 11 days ago. Top chance.
9. **GINKGO ROCQ** - Down the field 13L ninth in a driven race at Nort-sur-Erdre at the end of March. Others preferred.

Summary

GASCON DECHAMBOU (6) can put a DQ at Beaumont behind him to take this. Ran 6.5L third at Castillonnes prior. Top chance in this suitable grade. GRIZZLY BEAR (8) may play a role in the finish having completed a double when winning by 0.25L at Maure-de-Bretagne. GONZAGUE VALSORA (2) delivered an 8.25L fourth at Cholet. Searches for a fourth career success. GAZON DE BANNES (5) holds claims on the form he showed when 6L second at Reims three starts back.

Selections

GASCON DECHAMBOU (6) - GRIZZLY BEAR (8) - GONZAGUE VALSORA (2) - GAZON DE BANNES (5)

Race 3

1. **INFANT D'AUTHISE** - DQ at Maure-de-Bretagne earlier this month. Others preferred.
2. **ILONA DIKA** - DQ at Enghien just over three weeks ago. Strong claims having finished 0.75L at Castillonnes prior.
3. **IDOCTRO DE HOUELLE** - Good 2L third at Maure-de-Bretagne earlier this month. Notable contender.
4. **ILLUSTRE FERM** - DQ at Vincennes 23 days ago. Racing in a new shoeing combination in what looks an easier affair.
5. **IGREC DE CELLAND** - Given a break since a 12l leight at Vincennes in November. Of note having won both starts prior to that effort.
6. **IDYLLE DU CHATAULT** - Bidding to complete a hat-trick when 24L fifth at Vincennes 12 days ago. Top chance.
7. **ISOLA FARNESE** - 13 race maiden was returning from a break when 2.5L fourth at Cholet at the start of this month.

Summary

IDYLLE DU CHATAULT (6) can leave behind a below par 24L fifth at Vincennes. Won twice among claiming company previously. ILONA DIKA (2) can be excused an Enghien DQ having finished 0.75L second at Castillonnes on her penultimate start. Respected in this class. IDOCTRO DE HOUELLE (3) warrants thought on the back of a 2L third at Maure-de-Bretagne. IGREC DE CELLAND (5) is noted first up. Won twice prior to a 12L eighth in a stronger race at Vincennes in November.

Selections

IDYLLE DU CHATAULT (6) - ILONA DIKA (2) - IDOCTRO DE HOUELLE (3) - IGREC DE CELLAND (5)
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Race 4

1. **GUERRIER KEEL** - Held 14L ninth at Vire a week ago. Others preferred.
2. **GINKO CHAZEEN** - Midfield finish when 38L seventh at this track a week ago. More required.
3. **GIGI DE CARSI** - Sixth when beaten 37L at this circuit a week ago. Step forward needed.
4. **GORDON PAGUERIE** - Good 6L fourth at Graignes just over a week ago. Of note in this race.
5. **GRACIEUX DES LOGES** - Refused at Agen in February. Making his first start for a new trainer.
6. **GAGNEUR** - DQ at Maure-de-Bretagne 18 days ago. Claims on earlier efforts.
7. **GITANE DE LA DIVES** - Put three DQ behind her when finishing 1.75L second at Bordeaux ten days ago. Strong claims.
8. **GEORGES DU HOUR** - Fair 9.25L sixth at Maure-de-Bretagne earlier this month. More required in this race.
9. **GRACE SLY** - Fifth when beaten 3L at Le Mont-Saint-Michel just over a week ago. One to note.
10. **GRAND DUC JIBAY** - Faded when 22L eighth at Jallais eight days ago. Others make more appeal.
11. **GOSPEL D'ARIANE** - Down the field at Saint-Aubin eight days ago. Needs to put recent efforts behind him.
12. **GALAK DE LA CAVEE** - Good 2.25L fifth at Vincennes a week ago. Bold show expected in what looks an easier event.

Summary

GALAK DE LA CAVEE (12) may play a role in the finish following a 2.25L fifth at Vincennes. Leading player eased in standard. GITANE DE LA DIVES (7) returned to form with a 1.75L second at Bordeaux. Key player. GORDON PAGUERIE (4) makes the shortlist. Ran 6L fourth at Graignes. GRACE SLY (9) is considered after managing a 3L fifth at Le Mont-Saint-Michel.

Selections

GALAK DE LA CAVEE (12) - GITANE DE LA DIVES (7) - GORDON PAGUERIE (4) - GRACE SLY (9)

Race 5

1. **CARLOS DU GARABIN** - Held 11L seventh at Jallais a week ago. Claims on 0.5L second at Pontivy prior.
2. **ENVIE DE FLEUR** - Down the field 12th at Alencon seven days ago. More required.
3. **CLERY DAIRPET** - Victorious by 5L at Saint-Malo three weeks ago. Bold show expected.
4. **ETOILE D'ETE** - Debuting for a new trainer having won by 3.5L in a Vire claimer last week. One to note.
5. **CALL ON ME RANAIS** - Seasonal debut when 17L tenth at Jallais a week ago. Improvement likely.
6. **CEMOIS DU LONDEL** - Midfield finish when 12L seventh at Cholet two weeks ago. Needs to put that effort behind him.
7. **DROLE DE MEC** - Ninth both starts this campaign including when 14L ninth at Graignes 15 days ago. Others make more appeal.
8. **COLIBRI DES PINS** - 5L fourth at Saint-Omer at the start of this month. Likely to find a few too good.
9. **DIVIN DU RENOUEARD** - Victorious by 3.25L at this venue just over two weeks ago. Leading contender.
10. **EUREKA DU FOSSE** - Held 8.5L ninth at Bordeaux ten days ago. Minor role likely.
11. **DUO SEGUINEL** - Fair 7.5L fifth at Toulouse five weeks ago. Step forward needed.
12. **DUC DE LA MORTRIE** - Good 1.25L third at Reims at the end of March. Top chance.
13. **EVEIL DU LUPIN** - Runner-up when beaten 4.5L at this track last week. Strong claims.
14. **DORUS WELL** - DQ on three of his last four starts including at Alencon a week ago. Unlikely.

Summary

DIVIN DU RENOUEARD (9) may play a role in the finish having won by 3.25L at this track. Key contender without shoes. DUC DE LA MORTRIE (12) enters calculations following a 1.25L third to a subsequent winner at Reims. Three time course winner EVEIL DU LUPIN (13) is respected following a 4.5L second at this circuit. CLERY DAIRPET (3) is also considered. Found success by 5L in an amateurs contest at Saint-Malo.

Selections

DIVIN DU RENOUEARD (9) - DUC DE LA MORTRIE (12) - EVEIL DU LUPIN (13) - CLERY DAIRPET (3)

Race 6

1. **APPLE WISE AS** - Unbeaten in two French starts including by 0.75L at Enghien just over three weeks ago. Top chance.
2. **ENO DE NARMONT** - DQ at Cholet two weeks ago. Needs to put that effort behind him.
3. **DISCO D'OCCAGNES** - Returning from a break when 10L eighth at Vannes eight days ago. Likely to have improved for the race.
4. **DIESIS DU GOUTIER** - Down the field 14th at Bordeaux earlier this month. More needed.
5. **CONSTANTINI MAGIC** - DQ at Vannes eight days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
6. **ELEGANT DU LUPIN** - Returned to form with a 2.5L second at Vannes eight days ago. One to note.
7. **FRAGONARD DELO** - Good 0.5L third at Vincennes earlier this month. Notable contender.
8. **FESTIF CHARMANT** - Third when beaten 4.25L at Laval nine days ago. Of note in this race.
9. **FOXTROT SEA** - Good 2.5L fourth at Cholet at the start of this month. Claims if replicating that effort.
10. **FEYDEAU SEVEN** - Good 3L fourth at Vincennes 23 days ago. Bold show expected.

Summary

APPLE WISE AS (1) may retain her unbeaten French record racing in a new shoeing combination following a 0.75L success at Enghien. FEYDEAU SEVEN (10) makes the shortlist in a new shoeing combination on the back of a 3L fourth at Vincennes. FRAGONARD DELO (7) enters calculations having been beaten 0.5L third at Vincennes. ELEGANT DU LUPIN (6) is another of note after managing a 2.5L second at Vannes.

Selections

APPLE WISE AS (1) - FEYDEAU SEVEN (10) - FRAGONARD DELO (7) - ELEGANT DU LUPIN (6)

Race 7

1. **HERA D'IROISE** - Put a string of DQ behind her when 10L ninth at Jallais a week ago. More needed.
2. **HOVER GAME** - Returning from a break when DQ in the provinces 15 days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
3. **HEROS DES PLEIGNES** - Victorious by 1.5L at Royan on his penultimate start. Of note despite a subsequent DQ at Castillonnes.
4. **HEROS DU POMMEREUX** - Successful at Saint-Aubin eight days go. Bold show expected.
5. **HADREUS** - Fifth at Meral when making his seasonal debut a fortnight ago. Step forward likely second up.
6. **HOP LA ANAJO** - Fair 7L fourth at Chartres four weeks ago. One to note.
7. **HOSANNA DE CHENU** - Placed on each of her last four starts including when beaten 0.5L in finishing second at Pontivy. Top chance.
8. **HAMILTON DU NOYER** - Put a DQ behind him when a nose second at Cordemais three weeks ago. Claims on that form.
9. **HUGO** - Good form prior to a DQ at Pontivy. Needs to put that effort behind him.
10. **HARCANGELO D'AMOUR** - Held 13L eighth at Bordeaux ten days ago. Best watched.
11. **HADELAIDE** - DQ at Cholet at the start of this month. Step forward required third up.

Summary

HOSANNA DE CHENU (7) may go one better than when 0.5L second at Pontivy racing barefoot for the first time. HEROS DU POMMEREUX (4) won at Saint-Aubin and is respected racing without shoes for the first time. HOP LA ANAJO (6) is of note following a 7L fourth at Chartres. With a new shoeing combination tried HAMILTON DU NOYER (8) is another with claims if replicating his nose second at Cordemais.

Selections

HOSANNA DE CHENU (7) - HEROS DU POMMEREUX (4) - HOP LA ANAJO (6) - HAMILTON DU NOYER (8)