

**C1 - PRIX LAURENT DESCOURS - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Condition Race -
Maiden - Flat - EUR € 21.000**

- 1. BESHTANI** - Showed undeniable improvement on his return to action and ought to make further progress. Has claims
- 2. PUMP PUMP CITY** - Finished 6th on debut and would have gained plenty from that experience. Should have more to come
- 3. FAST SPIRIT** - Made no impression on debut and will need to improve a great deal to get involved. Outsider
- 4. VILLAGE ANGLAIS** - Has been disappointing recently but does retain ability so is capable of doing better. Not taken lightly
- 5. SAY AGAIN** - Failed to confirm the promise of her debut 3rd when only finishing 5th last time but has scope to improve. Not discounted
- 6. ADEVA** - Should have more to offer after an encouraging 3rd on her reappearance. Has the form and experience to fight for victory
- 7. STEALTHY STRIDE** - Well-beaten 8th on debut last year and finished unplaced again in her only starts this year. Can be ruled out
- 8. JOLI CORBEAU** - Made a pleasing (4th) return to action and is open to further improvement. Could get into the picture
- 9. ELLECOEUR DRALLIV** - Yoann Bonnefoy-trained newcomer, a gelded three-year-old son of Whipper. For another day

Summary : ADEVA (6) blotted her copybook in a valuable sales race back in October but made an encouraging return to action when finishing 3rd at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat on her reappearance and needn't improve a great deal to open her account here. BESHTANI (1) finished 2nd in his comeback outing and is likely to mount a serious challenge if building on that improvement, while VILLAGE ANGLAIS (4) is also capable of staking a claim but must bounce back to his earlier form after two disappointing efforts. SAY AGAIN (5) fits a similar profile after finishing 3rd on debut. JOLI CORBEAU (8) is not without a chance either.

SELECTIONS

ADEVA (6) - BESHTANI (1) - VILLAGE ANGLAIS (4) - SAY AGAIN (5)

**C2 - PRIX DES TERREAUX - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Divided Handicap -
Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 20.000**

- 1. MISS BELIEVE** - Bounced back to form last time and should be competitive with a repeat of that effort. Keep safe
- 2. MORCOTE** - Undeniably capable but has gone off the boil after winning five starts back. Needs to reaffirm
- 3. ROCQUEMONT** - Well-performed veteran with 10 race wins. Inconsistent but is not incapable of getting a look in
- 4. THE CHOSEN ONE** - Has remained competitive off this higher mark and caught the eye when 5th at Longchamp last time. Will have a say
- 5. ALPAGE** - Consistent, is in good form and is more than capable of registering a 3rd career win here. The one to beat
- 6. KENZAL** - Versatile and capable sort who finished 9th in a Quinte+ last time but could fare better in this
- 7. KARINAS DREAM** - Finished 2nd on his reappearance and entrusted to Mickaël Barzalona for the first time. Respect
- 8. CAPOBLANCO** - Unreliable but is not incapable of getting a look in here judged on his best form. Place chance
- 9. LORLISALSA** - An experienced veteran mare who has been in good form at this course recently. Not taken lightly
- 10. BOOMERANG** - Winner four starts back but has struggled to remain competitive since, so must reaffirm. Just watch for now
- 11. HYBRID** - Showed signs of improvement last time but has, largely, appeared to struggle since winning 4 starts back. Others preferred
- 12. ZANTARIO** - Inconsistent but proved his form and well-being when finishing 3rd last time. Could confirm here

Summary : Several with chances in this open handicap event but none make more appeal than consistent ALPAGE (5) who is taken to recapture the winning thread. THE CHOSEN ONE (4) was a winner at this course in April and finished 5th at Longchamp earlier this month, so is another likely to play a leading role. MISS BELIEVE (1) is in good shape after bouncing back to form last time and ought to make her presence felt if confirming that improvement. Both ZANTARIO (12) and LORLISALSA (9) cannot be ignored, while KARINAS DREAM (7) could get into the picture after a pleasing (2nd) reappearance.

SELECTIONS

ALPAGE (5) - THE CHOSEN ONE (4) - MISS BELIEVE (1) - ZANTARIO (12)

**C3 - PRIX LOUIS DE LEUSSE - 2400m (a1 1/2m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat -
EUR € 20.000**

- 1. RICHARD HORNIG** - Improving last-start winner over 2500m at Hyères. Not without a chance on his handicap debut
- 2. UNDER THE OPEN SKY** - Finished 5th stepped up to 2200m on the turf at Moulins last time. Must improve to get a look in
- 3. TREIZIEME MOIS** - Bounced right back to form with a win at Châteaubriant last time. Should be a factor if confirming
- 4. STRATUS** - Has not gone unnoticed in his two starts this year, finishing 6th on both occasions. Reverts to the turf and is dangerous to dismiss
- 5. WILLY WINNER** - Not beaten far in his three starts over this course and distance. Could have more to offer pitched into a handicap
- 6. DARADOUA** - Winner over 2200m at ParisLongchamp recently and is likely to make further improvement going 2400m. Can follow up
- 7. TEOUMAMOU** - Improving colt, winner of his last start at Angoulême in April. Chance here with further progress likely
- 8. ZOOKS** - Bred to be useful but is yet to open her account, though remains relatively unexposed. Open to improvement on handicap debut
- 9. LADY GLENHAM** - Let the side down last time having finished 3rd over this track and trip in her second start. Should be competitive on that form, so worth another chance
- 10. PORT OF ENTRY** - Unplaced in each of his four starts on both the turf and PSF. Could do better in a handicap and up in trip
- 11. MANKO** - Enjoyed a purple patch prior to finishing 6th at Salon-de-Provence last time. Could bounce back with the aid of her rider's 1,5kg allowance
- 12. VITTVITT** - Rewarded for consistency with a last-start success but needs to eke out more improvement to be competitive
- 13. OHIME** - Reassuring 2nd over 2500m in his last start but needs to build on that improvement to have a say here on his handicap debut
- 14. UNIVERSAL WIND** - Showed signs of improvement by finishing 4th last time but needs to make further improvement to get a look in
- 15. GLOIRE DE VASSY** - Finished 2nd over this trip two starts back but has, for the most, appeared limited. Others make more appeal

Summary : DARADOUA (6) made a winning handicap debut at ParisLongchamp and is worth siding with again, despite a 3,5kg penalty, as the step up to this distance is likely to bring about further improvement. THIRTEENTH MONTH (3), also a winner last time out, could pose a threat if confirming the improvement of his Châteaubria victory, while handicap newcomer LADY GLENHAM (9) need only bounce back to the form of her course-and-distance 3rd two starts back to also have a say in the finish. MANKO (11) is in good form so cannot be discounted either. The shortlist is completed by ZOOKS (8) and STRATUS (4).

SELECTIONS

DARADOUA (6) - TREIZIEME MOIS (3) - LADY GLENHAM (9) - MANKO (11)

**C4 - PRIX QUINSONAS - 2400m (a1 1/2m) - TURF - Condition Race - Class
2 - Flat - EUR € 22.000**

1. ZARIR - Well-related colt who put an unlucky debut 8th behind him by winning last time out. Should have more to come

2. SACRED SPIRIT - Well-bred last-start winner who is on the up and is likely to be competitive here. Will be a factor

3. LODOVICO - Consistent for the most part and has the form, as well as the experience, to play a role here. Place chance

4. LE TROPIC - Has proved versatile and consistent on both surfaces but registered his only victory in a claiming race. Has it all to do here

5. NOT ALONE - Highest-rated runner in the race. Finished 5th over 2700m last time but ought to do better at this distance

6. MANADA - Has made good improvement after a modest debut and was =3rd in a handicap last time. Can get into the picture

Summary : After finishing 8th on debut, ZARIR (1) raised his game with the benefit of that experience to win in style at his next start and this well-related colt could prove that was no flash in the pan by following up here. SACRED SPIRIT (2) is a well-bred last-start winner too and ought to fight for victory, with his course experience likely to stand him in good stead. NOT ALONE (5) is the highest-rated runner in the lineup and will appreciate cutting back in distance, so ought to make his presence felt. LODOVICO (3) has the form and experience to get into the picture.

SELECTIONS

ZARIR (1) - SACRED SPIRIT (2) - NOT ALONE (5) - LODOVICO (3)

**C5 - PRIX DE ROUVRES - 1350m (a7f) - TURF - Claiming - Flat - EUR €
15.000**

- 1. L'ELU DE SADDLE** - Finished an encouraging 3rd on debut in a claiming race and has since changed hands. Keep safe
- 2. RUM TUM TUGGER** - Fared better pitched into this grade last time, finishing 3rd after two unplaced prior outings. Can confirm
- 3. EMBRACE ADVERSITY** - Made good improvement, given the benefit of her debut run, when finishing 4th last time. Should have more to offer
- 4. GO BAILEYS** - Gavin Hernon-trained newcomer, a two-year-old gelded son of Shalaa. One to note on his debut
- 5. GARDEN CHOP** - Made no impression on debut but improved with that experience to finish 4th last time out. Can get into the picture with further progress
- 6. DO IT FOR ME** - Showed some improvement last time when finishing 6th, having turned in a modest debut (9th). More needed
- 7. RUE MIA** - Took a step forward in her development last time when improving to finish 2nd. Needs to confirm to play a role here
- 8. BUCKLE UP BABY** - Has looked distinctly ordinary to this point, so her chances appear limited here even at this level. Outsider
- 9. STAR PAREILLE** - Debut winner at this level before failing to confirm at Saint-Cloud last time. Capable of better and is dangerous to dismiss

Summary : EMBRACE ADVERSITY (3) finished a much-improved 4th at Salon-de-Provence last time after a modest introduction and, with further improvement expected, is taken to get the better of L'ELU DE SADDLE (1) who changed hands after finishing a pleasing 3rd on his debut at this level of competition. RUM TUM TUGGER (2) should have a say if building on the improvement of his last start, while STAR PAREILLE (9) is not written off just yet, despite a disappointing last start, having won at this level on debut. RUE MIA (7) is on the right track and could get a look in after an improved last outing.

SELECTIONS

EMBRACE ADVERSITY (3) - L'ELU DE SADDLE (1) - RUM TUM TUGGER (2) - STAR PAREILLE (9)

**C6 - PRIX D'AINAY - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Class 4 -
Flat - EUR € 16.000**

- 1. SPEED CHOP** - Unreliable sort but remains quite capable of staking a claim in a race of this nature. Dangerous to dismiss
- 2. PRESS OFFICER** - Undeniably capable but has gone off the boil recently. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- 3. WHEEL OF CHANCE** - Made no impression at ParisLongchamp last time but is usually competitive at this level, so ought to fare better here
- 4. LA FIBRE** - Capable but unreliable veteran who has struggle in both outings after winning three starts back. Outsider
- 5. SEPTANTE** - Showed signs of improvement last time (3rd) but must raise her game again to have a say. Others preferred
- 6. MAKHZEN** - Wasn't winning out of turn last time and should remain competitive despite 3,5kg penalty. Keep safe
- 7. LUCKY YOU** - Lost her way before the turn of the year and is best watched for now on her reappearance. Others preferred
- 8. LADY VALOU** - Maintained her consistency with another solid effort (5th) at Compiègne recently. Another honest effort expected
- 9. COLE CHOP** - On the right track and should fight for victory after finishing 2nd at Saint-Cloud recently. Will be a factor
- 10. ELEHONORE DE DIANE** - Has looked distinctly ordinary for some time now, so her chances are limited even at this level
- 11. THIRD APPLE** - Battling, long-time maiden. Seldom far off the mark but has failed to spark improvement needed to be competitive

Summary : Rachel Philippon has a strong coupling here, with stablemates COLE CHOP (9), who confirmed recent improvement by finishing 2nd at Saint-Cloud last time, and consistent LADY VALOU (8) likely to go well and taken to dominate the finish. MAKHZEN (6) has less leeway off a higher mark after his last-start success but should remain competitive too. WHEEL OF CHANCE (3) is capable of better than his last start suggests and could make his presence felt if bouncing back to his earlier form, which could also be said of PRESS OFFICER (2) who appeals most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

COLE CHOP (9) - LADY VALOU (8) - MAKHZEN (6) - WHEEL OF CHANCE (3)

**C7 - PRIX DE BELLECOUR (DES CORDELIERS) - 3150m (a1 15/16m) -
TURF - Handicap - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 19.000**

- 1. BONAPARTE SIZING** - Finished 4th in a Listed race over hurdles back in April and ought to remain competitive reverting to the flat on his return
- 2. GOOD QUESTION** - Fluffed his lines last time but is worth another chance here, having enjoyed success at this course prior to that run. Keep safe
- 3. SAINT NICOLAS** - Stays the trip but is most effective on the fibresand and has shown little on turf to warrant any consideration here. Overlook
- 4. POET'S BLACK** - Inconsistent but capable last-start winner. Continues to blow hot and cold but is dangerous to dismiss
- 5. ARMENIO** - Unreliable sort but remains capable of staking a claim in a race of this nature. Place chance only
- 6. DIANA** - Undeniably capable mare but has proven unreliable this year. Hard to trust but is hard to rule out
- 7. DECBOU** - Honest performer, seldom far off the mark but without a win since 2021. Has dropped below his last winning mark and his rider gets a 1,5kg allowance
- 8. ARISTOCRATE** - Consistent stayer who has been in good form recently, finishing in the first 3 in his last four starts. Will be a factor
- 9. SADARAK** - Holding his form and is seldom far off the mark. Was 3rd at ParisLongchamp last time so ought to have a say again

Summary : Absent since finishing 4th over hurdles back in April, it could pay to follow BONAPARTE SIZING (1) on his return back on the flat, as he'll appreciate this distance. ARISTOCRATE (8) has been rejuvenated since joining Patrick Monfort's stable and is likely to mount another serious winning bid, so must be respected. GOOD QUESTION (2) is better than his last start suggests and ought to be competitive on the strength and consistency of his previous form. Of the rest, SADARAK (9) and POET'S BLACK (4) make the most appeal.

SELECTIONS

BONAPARTE SIZING (1) - ARISTOCRATE (8) - GOOD QUESTION (2) - SADARAK (9)

**C8 - PRIX RIVOLI - 2800m (a1 3/4m) - TURF - Condition Race - Flat - EUR €
16.500**

- 1. ICEMAN TO WIN** - Won a claiming race in April before finishing 5th at Vichy over 2700m last time. Could get into the picture
- 2. JUSTUNE STAR** - Arrives in good shape after winning at Le Lion d'Angers, before finishing 3rd last time. Has claims
- 3. JEANNETTE** - Boasts solid form references and has a fitness edge over JOY TEAM (4), having run two pleasing comeback races. Danger
- 4. JOY TEAM** - Promising, lightly raced filly who won all three starts last year. Absent since August but is likely to make further progress
- 5. IL EST DIVIN** - Made a winning return on the flat this year after two failed attempts over hurdles in 2022. Respect
- 6. JOYFUL STORM** - Has shown signs of improvement in both starts this year, finishing 3rd and 2nd last time. Needs to do more to win but has a place chance
- 7. JABOUT DE CIERGUES** - Was a modest 8th of 11 on debut at Vichy over 2600m. Should have improved for that experience

Summary : Unbeaten JOY TEAM (4) has been absent since August but is hard to oppose on her return after winning all 3 starts last year, proving equal each to step up in grade. JEANNETTE (3) has a fitness edge and is in good shape so is likely to pose a threat, which could also be said of JUSTUNE STAR (2) who already has a victory to her name this year. IL EST DIVINE (5) warrants respect too after winning on his reappearance.

SELECTIONS

JOY TEAM (4) - JEANNETTE (3) - JUSTUNE STAR (2) - IL EST DIVIN (5)