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R1 CAGNES-SUR-MER [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DU LAUTIN - 2000m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Claiming - Flat -
EUR € 16,300**

1. MODELE ABSOLU - Recent winner over 2000m at this track in a claiming race on February 9th, and a win previously on January 19th over the track/trip. Can complete the hat-trick

2. DAMABIAH ANGEL - Recent 2nd over 2000m in a claiming race at Pau on February 3rd, and a win before that at Pau in January in a maiden race. Player

3. UTXA - She won over 1800m at Clairefontaine on August 22nd in a claimer when last seen. Capable of making her presence felt

4. JOHNNY DRIVE - Fair 4th over 2150m in a maiden race at Lyon La Soie on January 21st. Can make the top three but unlikely to win

5. EL PROFESSOR - Three unplaced runs so far, the latter over 2000m in a claiming race at this track on February 9th. Hard to fancy

6. ROSE PRAIRIE - Five unplaced runs of late, the latter over 1500m in a claiming race at Cagnes-Sur-Mer on February 11th. Others seem better equipped

Summary: MODELE ABSOLU (1) has won on the last two starts at this track in claiming races. The latest was a cosy success on February 9th, and he looks capable of getting the hat-trick. DAMABIAH ANGEL (2) could be the one that makes the selection work hard for success. UTXA (3) is another to pay attention to on her return from a layoff since scoring at Clairefontaine in late August in a claiming race.

SELECTIONS

MODELE ABSOLU (1) - DAMABIAH ANGEL (2) - UTXA (3) - JOHNNY DRIVE (4)

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**C2 - PRIX ANTOINE CAPOZZI - 2150m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Handicap - Flat -
EUR € 23,000**

- 1. HEPBURN** - Won on her last start over 2150m in a maiden race on January 17th on the turf. She can play a leading role
- 2. PERSIANA** - Finished 6th over 2000m at Cagnes-sur-Mer on January 19th. Will need some luck from the widest draw
- 3. RISING WATER** - Two placed runs this year, 4th over 2150m in a handicap at this track on February 1st. One to consider each-way
- 4. NEW PEARL** - Finished 8th over 1600m at Chantilly in Handicap on February 5th. Is looking for first career victory
- 5. THE FIST** - Got off the mark over 2150m in claiming race at this track on February 11th, last time out. Could be hard to beat
- 6. BAVAROIS** - Finished 5th over 2150m in a maiden race at this track last time out on turf. One to pay attention to
- 7. GOLDENPALM** - 5th last time over 2150m in a claiming race at this track on the turf on January 26th. Capable of making the frame
- 8. VOYAGE OLYMPIQUE** - Two placed efforts on this track over 2150m recently, the latter in a maiden race on turf on February 4th. Ought to be in the shake-up
- 9. LA GRANDE JOA** - Yet to show any promise. Finished unplaced over 2150m on this track in Conditional Maiden on January 17th. Overlook
- 10. AEIH** - Poor form. Finished unplaced over 2000m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Claimer on February 9th. Look elsewhere

Summary: THE FIST (5) could be the best option in this competitive race. He got off the mark at this racecourse in a claiming race earlier this month and looks like the one to beat. HEPBURN (1) won on her last start in a maiden race over 2150m on the turf at this track and can be competitive. RISING WATER (3) is one for the each-way backers to look at and has decent placed form at this venue. BAVAROIS (6) makes up the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

THE FIST (5) - HEPBURN (1) - RISING WATER (3) - BAVAROIS (6)

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**C3 - PRIX DE VICHY - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 - Flat - EUR
€ 12,800**

- 1. AGRI** - Won on his last start over 1600m in a Class 4 handicap at this track on February 4th. Ought to be in the shake-up
- 2. INTUITION** - Four unplaced runs this year, 8th over 1500m in a Class 4 handicap at Marseille Pont-De Vivaux on February 10th. Pass over
- 3. DADDY'S HEART** - Two unplaced runs this year, 8th on the latter over 2150m in a Class 1 race at this track on February 1st. Looks vulnerable
- 4. COPAN** - Unplaced last time, 3rd previously over 1800m in a claiming race at Lyon La Soie on December 15th. Others rate higher
- 5. REUX** - Ran well to be 4th over 1500m at this track in a Class 3 handicap on February 15th. Capable of a bold show out again quickly
- 6. WHY CHOPE** - Three unplaced runs recently, 9th in a Class 3 handicap at this track on February 2nd on her latest start. Can make the frame if in the mood
- 7. CHANEL GOLD** - Three unplaced runs of late, 7th on the latter over 1600m in a Class 4 race on February 11th. More can be expected
- 8. GRIGNETTE** - Fair 5th two runs back over 1600m in a Class 4 race at this track on January 27th. She won at Vichy in August in a Class 4 race. Player
- 9. T'ES CHIC** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 1600m at this track in a conditions race on January 20th. Might find a few too smart
- 10. EKTORIA** - Placed 4th on her last run over 1600m at this track in a Class 3 handicap on February 2nd. Top-three chance

Summary: REUX (5) ran a solid race when fourth at this track over 1500m in a Class 3 handicap three days ago and, if none the worse for that effort, he can notch another success. CHANEL GOLD (7) is better than recent performances suggest, and an improved showing can be expected today. GRIGNETTE (8) was a credible fifth two runs back at this track and trip in late January and can make the frame. AGRI (1) looks best of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

REUX (5) - CHANEL GOLD (7) - GRIGNETTE (8) - AGRI (1)

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C4 - PRIX HENRI ROSSI - 2000m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 2 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 50,900

1. **KOURPLUVIX** - Placed 4th last time, a win before that over 1900m in a handicap at Deauville on December 30th. Ought to be in the shake-up
2. **OLYMPIC MESSAGE** - Placed 3rd on his last start over 1600m in a Class 2 handicap at this track on February 12th. The step up in distance should not pose a problem
3. **KAHUNA** - Nice effort when 2nd over 2000m in a Class 2 handicap at this track 4 days ago. Hard to rule out of the top three
4. **WATCH HIM** - Finished 4th over 2000m on this track in Class 4 Claimer on February 9th. May find it difficult to win this contest
5. **GOWAY** - Won over 1600m on this track in Class 4 Claimer on January 20th. Hasn't drawn the ideal starting stall and is back in a handicap
6. **MAX VERST** - Finished 4th over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 2 Handicap on February 4th. Will need some luck in running
7. **ZIGGY STAR** - Finished ninth in last two starts, the latest of which was over 1900m at Deauville in Handicap on December 30th. Others have a stronger winning chance
8. **EUSKADI** - Ran well to be 5th in a Class 2 handicap at this track over 2000m on February 14th. Quick return to action and can feature
9. **ALPAGE** - Finished 6th over 2000m on this track in Class 3 Handicap on January 27th. Will need some luck from the wide barrier position
10. **CLEOD'OR** - Finished 3rd over 1900m at Deauville in Class 3 Claimer on February 7th. Back in a handicap and may find this difficult
11. **MILLAR** - Finished 9th over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 2 Handicap on February 2nd. Drawn widest but Stephane Pasquier retains the ride
12. **CASARES** - Finished unplaced in both starts this year, the latest of which was over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 2 Handicap on January 26th. More needed to win this
13. **BIG LOG** - Finished unplaced over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 2 Handicap on February 4th. Nicely drawn in barrier four but may find it difficult to win this
14. **LINFASOMMER** - Recent success over 2000m at this track in a Class 3 handicap on January 27th. Up in class but can not be ignored
15. **CAMPELO** - Won on his last start over 2000m in a Class 3 handicap on February 2nd. This requires more but he can have a say
16. **AL ALMARCHAL** - Unplaced last time, 2nd previously over 2000m at this track in a Class 3 handicap on January 14th. Merits consideration

Summary: EUSKADI (8) ran well when fifth in a Class 2 handicap at this track over 2000m 4 days ago, and can reverse placings with KAHUNA (3), who was ahead in second in the same race. The finish could be fought out between the two. OLYMPIC MESSAGE (2) ran well over 1600m in a Class 2 handicap at this track 6 days ago and the step up in distance should not pose a problem. LINFASOMMER (14) steps up in class but cannot be discounted.

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SELECTIONS

EUSKADI (8) - KAHUNA (3) - OLYMPIC MESSAGE (2) - LINFASOMMER (14)

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C5 - PRIX DE LA MENTHE POIVREE - 2400m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Claiming Handicap - Flat - EUR € 14,400

- 1. LUCERO** - Finished sixth over 2400m on this course in Class 4 Claimer on 11 February. Others are preferred
- 2. RIYAK** - Is better than latest when eighth over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. Chance if finding form of penultimate run
- 3. MORSAN** - Finished behind INDIAN PACIFIC (8) when fourth over 2000m at Marseille Pont de Vivaux in Class 4 Handicap on 10 February. He may have to settle for the same result
- 4. BOSIOH** - Finished fifth over 2000m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 2 February. He should have no issues with the rise to 2400m and may be the one to beat
- 5. USER KINDLY** - Finished unplaced over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. Winner of penultimate outing over this track and trip
- 6. PUMP PUMP CITY** - Finished unplaced over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. Needs to put best foot forward
- 7. SHALAA DANCER** - Poor form this year. Finished unplaced over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. Look elsewhere
- 8. INDIAN PACIFIC** - Supplemented for this race. Finished third over 2000m at Marseille Pont de Vivaux in Class 4 Handicap on 10 February. Cannot be discounted
- 9. MONA TREZY** - Good recent form. Finished behind USER KINDLY (5) when second over 2400m on this course in Class 4 Handicap on 17 January. There should not be much separating the pair at the finish

Summary: This is a very open contest. BOSIOH (4) has found a form return and should have no issues with the extra distance on offer. He may be the one to side with. RIYAK (2) gets the services of Marie Velon and on best form shown, he should pose a threat. USER KINDLY (5) did not enjoy the soft conditions last time and can be forgiven for that effort. If finding the form of his penultimate run, he should feature. MONA TREZY (9) has good recent form lines to her name and merits healthy respect.

SELECTIONS

BOSIOH (4) - RIYAK (2) - USER KINDLY (5) - MONA TREZY (9)

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**C6 - PRIX DU CHEIRON - 3200m (a2m) - TURF - Class 3 Handicap - Flat -
EUR € 24,000**

- 1. EL CANEY** - Finished eighth over 2400m on this course in Class 4 Claimer on 11 February. Others have a stronger winning chance
- 2. TIAMOWAY** - Won over 3200m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. He is in a good space and merits healthy respect
- 3. MOZART DES BRIERES** - Finished unplaced over 3200m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. May find it difficult to win this contest
- 4. EXCELSIOR** - Supplemented for this race. Finished fourth over 2500m at Deauville in Class 3 Claimer on 29 December. Back in a handicap and cannot be discounted
- 5. PORTUCALE** - Finished third over 2150m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 19 January. She will love the rise in distance and can go close
- 6. AUTEUR** - Finished second over 2400m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 24 January. Nicely drawn and should produce another honest effort
- 7. GOLDEN BLUSH** - Finished sixth over 2400m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 9 February. Will need luck from the widest draw
- 8. BARBADIN** - Finished ninth over 3200m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. Needs to produce best form to have a say
- 9. LE ROUGE CHINOIS** - Finished unplaced over 2400m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 24 January. Look elsewhere
- 10. BONNY WAY** - Finished third over 3200m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. She is an honest individual and should be involved at the finish
- 11. AMOR A MANI** - Finished behind TIAMOWAY (2) when fifth over 3200m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. Drawn in pole position but she may battle to turn the form around

Summary: PORTUCALE (5) ran a good race when third over 2150m on this track last time. She will enjoy the step up in distance and may be the one to beat. EXCELSIOR (4) is running off his lowest ever handicap mark. He returns to handicaps and would not be a surprise winner. BONNY WAY (10) has produced two good runs this year. She is honest and with luck from her awkward barrier position, she should be competitive. TIAMOWAY (2) won a good race over this track and trip last time. He merits healthy respect.

SELECTIONS

PORTUCALE (5) - EXCELSIOR (4) - BONNY WAY (10) - TIAMOWAY (2)

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C7 - PRIX DU QUEYRAS - 2000m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 21,100

- 1. MELANIES JOY** - Is better than latest when ninth over 2000m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 2 February. Chance if finding form of penultimate outing when victorious
- 2. NARCOS** - Finished fifth over 2600m at Marseille Pont de Vivaux in Class 4 Handicap on 10 February. He was supplemented for this race and chance with luck in running
- 3. ATAMAK** - Poor recent form. Finished unplaced over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 9 February. Drawn in pole position but more is needed
- 4. MADOUSS** - Finished unplaced over 2000m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 2 February. Look elsewhere
- 5. LAMIRAL DARHAAN** - Finished sixth over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. Others are preferred
- 6. DON NIKOLAOS** - Is better than latest when unplaced over 2000m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 2 February. Ideally drawn and chance if putting best foot forward
- 7. HAUTE GAMME** - Victorious over 1900m at Chantilly in Class 3 Handicap on 31 January. Will be finishing strongly and merits healthy respect
- 8. ROYAL ENCLOSURE** - Good form return when third over 2400m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 9 February. Chance if confirming his recent improvement
- 9. VIZINDI** - Good last two starts. Finished second over 2000m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 27 January. The son of Gutaifan can go one better
- 10. DREAM WUKAIR** - Finished fourth over 2000m on this course in Class 4 Handicap on 2 February. Nicely drawn in barrier three and is one of the leading contenders
- 11. MOUDIR** - Finished second over 2000m on this course in Class 4 Handicap on 2 February. Can feature with luck from the wide barrier position

Summary: VIZINDI (9) looked a winner for most of the race when second over this course and distance on 27 January. He can go one better in this line-up. DREAM WUKAIR (10) has shown signs of a form return in her last two starts. She is well drawn in barrier three and should pose a threat. MELANIES JOY (1) is better than his last outing and on the form of his penultimate run when victorious, he cannot be ignored. HAUTE GAMME (7) comes off a victory and if there is a decent pace, he will be finishing strongly.

SELECTIONS

VIZINDI (9) - DREAM WUKAIR (10) - MELANIES JOY (1) - HAUTE GAMME (7)

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C8 - PRIX DE LA NAPOULE - 2000m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 25,900

- 1. GRAN HABANO** - Three decent efforts on French soil. Finished third over 1600m on this course in Conditional Maiden on 20 January. Makes his handicap debut and he cannot be discounted
- 2. MOPSO** - Is better than latest when unplaced over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. Chance if finding form of penultimate run when victorious
- 3. GO LOVE** - In good form. Finished second over 2000m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 27 January. Merits obvious consideration
- 4. USER AMISTOSO** - Finished fourth over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 4 February. Won penultimate effort under Cristian Demuro and he jumps from pole position
- 5. LINARIA** - Finished unplaced over 2150m at Lyon La Soie in Class 3 Handicap on 15 December. Look elsewhere
- 6. BLUFF** - Supplemented for this race. Winner of last two starts, the latest of which was over 2000m at Marseille Pont de Vivaux in Class 4 Handicap on 10 February. Hat-trick chance
- 7. DENIA** - Has lost best form. Finished ninth over 2000m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 27 January. Others look stronger
- 8. CHARLESQUINT** - Finished fifth over 2000m on this course in Class 4 Claimer on 9 February. Others are preferred
- 9. PACO** - Finished unplaced in last two starts, the latest of which was over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 9 February. Won his previous two efforts and would not be a surprise winner
- 10. GOLDENSIM** - Finished second in last three outings, the latest of which was over 2000m at Pau in Class 3 Handicap on 8 February. May be rewarded for consistency
- 11. MOKKA LATTE** - Finished fifth over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer in Class 3 Handicap on 2 February. Drawn widest and will need some luck in running
- 12. RUE DE L'ODEON** - Finished fifth over 2000m on this course in Class 3 Handicap on 11 February. Can feature with luck in running

Summary: USER AMISTOSO (4) was victorious in his penultimate outing under Cristian Demuro. He jumps from pole position and is one of the leading contenders. BLUFF (6) is a winner of his last two starts. He has had a successful winter and can notch up the hat-trick. GRAN HABANO (1) makes his handicap debut. He has shown promise since arriving in France and should be involved at the finish. GO LOVE (3) is in good form heading into this contest. Anthony Crastus knows him well and the pair merit respect.

SELECTIONS

USER AMISTOSO (4) - BLUFF (6) - GRAN HABANO (1) - GO LOVE (3)