

THURSDAY, 18/04/24

R3 NANTES [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DU PRINTEMPS - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 4 Divided
Handicap - Flat - EUR € 15,000**

1. KIM DE GAUDEL - Yet to win a race and was disappointing last time out when 5th in a handicap at Compiègne over 1800m on 29 March. Did better before that and can bounce back to score

2. PREDETERMINED - Unreliable and was tenth last time out in a handicap at Le Mans over 1600m on 11 March. Capable of better and could make the frame

3. TOOCOOLFORSCHOOL - Has lost her way of late and was 11th last time out in a handicap at Deauville on 4 November. Returns from a break and others are preferred

4. MAGIC MERCURY - Has struggled in his last two handicaps but did show improvement last time out when 6th in a Conditions race at Royan-Atlantique over 1600m on 7 April

5. CLOSE TO YOU - Has struggled in her last four starts and was 12th last time out in a handicap at Saint-Cloud over 1500m on 26 March. Needs to find a few lengths to win

6. LORD POST OFFICE - Non-Runner

7. STRANGER - On a very long losing run but was third last time out in a handicap at Deauville over 1400m on 10 April. Prefers the PSF these days but is not out of it

8. MER NOIR - Better on grass and was fourth last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April. Should contest the finish

9. EVER READY - Has yet to show much and was well beaten in his first start of the year a handicap at Chantilly over 1600m on 8 March. Can improve on the grass but others are much preferred

10. JULDIKO - Yet to win after 15 starts and was 9th last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April. Others are much preferred

11. RED THE WEST - Disappointing last run when 9th in a handicap at Compiègne over 1400m on 19 March. Fitter this time and is not out of it

Summary: A competitive start to the card. KIM DE GAUDEL (1) disappointed last time out but was in good form before that and can bounce back to win a race like this. MER NOIR (8) is clearly better on the turf and was not disgraced when fourth last time out. She can do even better this time. RED THE WEST (11) needed the last run and could be a threat. PREDETERMINED (2) also seems capable of better than the last run would suggest.

SELECTIONS

KIM DE GAUDEL (1) - MER NOIR (8) - RED THE WEST (11) - PREDETERMINED (2)

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C2 - PRIX DE TREILLIERES - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 17,000

- 1. CELTIC ARYAAN** - Yet to win a race but showed good improvement in only start of this year when runner-up in a Conditions race at Saint-Cloud over 1400m on 5 April. Can contest the finish
- 2. STORMY SPIRIT** - Returned from a long break and was fourth last time out in a Conditions race at Machecoul over 1650m on 1 April. More is needed to win this race
- 3. DELTA SPIRIT** - Unreliable of late but was fourth last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April. Better over further but is not out of it
- 4. ZEYZOUN** - On a long losing run and was 5th last time out in a handicap at Pornichet-La Baule over 1700m on 30 January. Has won at this course and can bounce back to score
- 5. DEAU COEUR** - On a long losing run and was 6th last time out in a handicap at this course over 3100m on 6 April. Better over further and others make more appeal
- 6. PELUSIVE** - Nearly a year since only win and was 6th last time out in a Conditions race at Machecoul over 1650m on 1 April. More is needed to win this race
- 7. ORANGE VIF** - On a very long losing run and was 8th last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 28 March. Capable of better and can make the frame
- 8. AINTREEGIRL** - A bit of a disappointment when 6th last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April. Better this distance and deserves respect
- 9. TIME TO PARLEY** - All three of her wins were in Germany and she was 7th last time out in a Conditions race at Chantilly over 1800m on 4 April. More is needed to win this race
- 10. JERIMADETH** - Disappointing last three runs and was 7th last time out in a claimer at Sablé-sur-Sarthe over 1650m on 22 October, Might need this run returning from a break
- 11. LA FLACA** - Disappointing last three runs and was tenth last time out in a handicap at Deauville over 1300m on 26 December. Others are preferred
- 12. L'AIR DU TEMPS** - Clearly needed his last run when tenth in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over 1400m on 31 March. Fitter now and could play a minor role

Summary: ZEYZOUN (4) has won at this course and is better on the grass so could break a long losing run. CELTIC ARYAAN (1) showed vast improvement after a break when runner-up last time out but has a poor record in handicaps. DELTA SPIRIT (3) is better over further but can contest the finish. AINTREEGIRL (8) is at best around this distance so is clearly not out of it,

SELECTIONS

ZEYZOUN (4) - CELTIC ARYAAN (1) - DELTA SPIRIT (3) - AINTREEGIRL (8)

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**C3 - PRIX DE LA TORTIERE - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Flat
- EUR € 22,000**

1. LOST IN MUSIC - A bit of a disappointment when only 5th last time out in a Conditions race at Fontainebleau over 2600m on 13 April. Can make the frame

2. PARIOLO - Improving and was a good third last time out in a Conditions race at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April. Should do a lot better this time

3. RAIL DAWN - Showed vast improvement when winning a Conditions race at Saumur last time out over 3200m on 6 April. Tougher task this time

4. LUCKY BERE - Much improved of late and was a handicap winner at Compiègne over this distance last time out on 29 March. Can complete a hat-trick

5. LAYDIVA - Showed some improvement in her second start when fourth in a Conditions race over this course and distance on 6 April. Could play a minor role

6. HAVRIANKA - Improving and won a Conditions race at Lignières over this distance on 31 March. Can fight out the finish again

7. ERIDITA DOVER - A bit of a disappointment last time out on handicap debut when 6th at Senonnes-Pouancé over 2100m on 14 April. Better this distance and can contest the finish

8. CREEKATTEMPS - Two poor efforts so far and was well beaten last time out in a Conditions race at Machecoul over 2350m on 1 April. Needs major improvement to win

Summary: PARIOLO (2) is improving and threatening to win. It is a weak race and he could be the right one. HAVRIANKA (6) has improved of late and is proven over this distance so should be a threat once again. LUCKY BERE (4) is much improved of late and is looking to complete a hat-trick of wins after two nice wins at Compiègne. ERIDITA DOVER (7) is better this distance so the last run is best ignored.

SELECTIONS

PARIOLO (2) - HAVRIANKA (6) - LUCKY BERE (4) - ERIDITA DOVER (7)

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**C4 - PRIX DES SORINIERES - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Race - Flat
- EUR € 16,000**

1. ZALETTO - Unreliable but was a handicap winner at this course last time out over 3100m on 6 April. Can make the frame this shorter distanced

2. TALK SHOW - Holding his form well and was a winner last time out in a Conditions race at Fontainebleau over 2200m on 15 March. Can follow up

3. PANGAEA - Kept to the PSF of late and was 5th last time out in a Conditions race at Lyon La Soie over 2150m on 6 April. Others are preferred back on the turf

4. VENTOSILLA - Very consistent so far and was a winner of a Conditions race at Craon last time out over 2400m on 3 December. Returns from a break but can follow up

5. GLORIETTE SAN - Ultra-consistent was a runner-up last time out in a handicap at this course over 3100m on 6 April. Be right there at the finish once again

6. LONG KE WAN - In fair form of late and was 5th last time out in a Conditions race at Lignières over this distance 31 March. Could play a minor role

7. LADIVA - On a very long losing run and was 9th last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April. Others are much preferred

8. VRAIE STORM - Disappointing last two runs and was 5th last time out in a handicap at Deauville over 2500m on 20 December. Can make the frame if fit from a break

Summary: Five of the eight runners carded arrive here in good heart so we should get an exciting finish. VENTOSILLA (4) is very consistent and won over this distance last time out so gets a narrow vote to score. GLORIETTE SAN (5) has been ultra-consistent and will not go down without a fight. TALK SHOW (2) is in good form and did all that was asked last time out. VRAIE STORM (8) returns from a break but is not out of it.

SELECTIONS

VENTOSILLA (4) - GLORIETTE SAN (5) - TALK SHOW (2) - VRAIE STORM (8)

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C5 - PRIX SFR BUSINESS (PRIX DE LA FORET DU GAVRE) - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 17,000

- 1. PLOTINUS** - Disappointing last run when 7th in a Conditions race at Fontainebleau over 2200m on 2 April. Won penultimate start and deserves respect on handicap debut
- 2. SHATTERHAND** - Struggled on the PSF in last three starts and was well beaten last time out in a handicap at Pornichet-La Baule over 2400m on 17 December. Better on the turf and can win if fit from a break
- 3. TORTOLA** - Unreliable and was 8th last time out in a handicap at Pornichet-La Baule over 1700m on 27 March. Better on the PSF and others are preferred
- 4. DRIP** - Unreliable but did win a handicap last time out at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April. Carries a 2,50kg penalty but can follow up
- 5. SPATIAL MERIT** - Has struggled at Saint-Cloud in last three starts and was 10th last time out in a handicap over this distance on 5 April. Capable of an upset on best form
- 6. COEUR DAVIER** - Disappointing last three runs and was well beaten last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2400m on 31 March. Capable of winning on best form
- 7. KING MOTIF** - Unreliable since winning a Claimer in August and was 5th last time out in a handicap at this course over 3100m on 6 April. Better this distance and could contest the finish
- 8. SPIRIT OF DANCE** - Not disgraced when third last time out in a handicap at Pornichet-La Baule over 3100m on 27 March. Place chance
- 9. GARRY D'AZE** - Disappointing last two runs and was 6th last time out in a handicap at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2400m 22 February. Capable of better and is not out of it
- 10. GRAZANO** - On a long losing run and was 6th last time out in a handicap at Fontainebleau over 3000m on 15 March. Could be the surprise package of the race dropped in distance
- 11. IDOLE MOME** - Much improved of late and was a winner of a handicap last time out at Le Lion-d'Angers over this distance on 31 March. Carries a 3kg penalty but does have a place chance
- 12. PRESCY LIIA** - Unreliable and was 11th last time out in a handicap at Pornichet-La Baule over 3100m on 7 January. Needs to do more to win this race
- 13. LUCAS TREZY** - Disappointing two starts this year and was 7th last time out in a handicap at Pornichet-La Baule over 3100m on 27 March. Could be best on the PSF

Summary: DRIP (4) was a good winner of a handicap last time out and although carrying a penalty for that win is capable of following up. SHATTERHAND (2) has struggled on the PSF but was good on the turf last year and is capable of bouncing back to score. COEUR DAVIER (6) has struggled of late but is not out of it. KING MOTIF (7) will like this shorter distance so can contest the finish.

SELECTIONS

DRIP (4) - SHATTERHAND (2) - COEUR DAVIER (6) - KING MOTIF (7)

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C6 - PRIX DE PROCE - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 15,000

- 1. MORNING FIVE** - Unreliable but did run third last time out in a handicap at Saint-Cloud over this distance on 5 April. Can do even better this time around
- 2. NORQUI DES ROSES** - Unreliable of late but was not disgraced when fourth last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over this distance on 31 March. Place chance
- 3. LIBERTE CHERIE** - In good form of late and was runner-up last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April. Can contest the finish again
- 4. FRENCH DIVA** - Disappointing form of late and was 5th last time out in a handicap at Saint-Cloud over this distance on 5 April. Capable of better and is not out of it
- 5. ARMORIGENE** - In fair form and was 5th last time out in a handicap at Fontainebleau over 3000m on 13 April. Distance-suited and can fight out the finish
- 6. INDIAN SOUL** - In fair form this year and was 5th last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over this distance on 31 March. Can make the frame
- 7. FLIGHT DE JUILLEY** - Struggling of late and was 9th last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over this distance on 31 March. Others are much preferred
- 8. ALF A STAR** - Consistent of late and was a winner last time out in a handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April Carries a 3kg penalty but could earn some money
- 9. LA PALOMBIERE** - Yet to win a race and was 7th on handicap debut at Le Lion-d'Angers over 2000m on 7 April. Capable of improvement but others are preferred
- 10. ROCK OF SPIRIT** - Struggling of late and was 9th last time out in a handicap at Royan-Atlantique over 2900m on 7 April. Needs to do more to win this race
- 11. TREIZE CHOPE** - On a very long losing run and was 7th last time out in a handicap at Fontainebleau over 3000m on 13 April. Better this distance and has a place chance
- 12. UM ELNADIM** - Disappointing last run when tenth last time out in a handicap at Fontainebleau over 3000m on 25 November. Could do better returning from a break
- 13. FIVE BY FIVE** - On a very long losing run and was 6th last time out in a handicap at Pornichet-La Baule over 3100m on 22 February. Back on the grass could spark improvement but others are preferred

Summary: MORNING FIVE (1) is unreliable but ran well last time out over this distance and gets a narrow vote to score in a very competitive handicap. LIBERTE CHERIE (3) is in good form and should be involved with the finish once again. ARMORIGENE (5) is in fair form but does have a winning chance. FRENCH DIVA (4) has been disappointing of late but is not out of it.

SELECTIONS

MORNING FIVE (1) - LIBERTE CHERIE (3) - ARMORIGENE (5) - FRENCH DIVA (4)

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C7 - PRIX CLAUDE ROUGET - 3500m (a2m1/4) - TURF - Class 4 Race - Hurdles - EUR € 23,000

- 1. HACKER DU BERLAIS** - Fell last time out in a Conditions hurdle at Compiègne over 3200m on 3 April. Capable of better and can bounce back to win
- 2. RAG'N'BONE** - Needed the experience when tenth on debut in a Conditions hurdle at Fontainebleau over 3000m on 12 March. Capable of vast improvement and is not out of it
- 3. LEADER D'ARAIZE** - A three-year-old gelding by Team Flight out of Chipie Bleue who is making his debut. Watch the betting
- 4. LUMINO BELLO** - A three-year-old gelding by Goliath du Berlais out of Féline Bella who is making his debut. Watch the betting
- 5. HUNBEUR** - Did not show much when 7th on debut in a Conditions hurdle at Compiègne over 3200m on 3 April. Capable of improvement and a place chance
- 6. STELLO TALLY** - Ran well on flat debut when fourth in a Conditions race at this course over 1600m on 6v April. Can contest the finish trying a hurdle race
- 7. HOWE DES OBEAUX** - She ran well enough on her flat debut when fourth in a Conditions race at Saumur over 3200m on 6 April. Deserves respect on hurdle debut
- 8. XCEPTION** - Has only been modest on the flat in two runs and was 7th last time out in a Conditions race at Machecoul over 2350m on 25 February. Capable of improvement and could play a minor role
- 9. NAISLAND STAR** - Showed some improvement when fourth in a claimer at Loudéac over 2200m on 1 April. More is needed to win this race
- 10. FINEFORTE BLEUE** - Only 8th on her debut in a Conditions hurdle at Moulins over 3500m on 7 April. Capable of improvement and could contest the finish
- 11. STYLE AROMA** - Well beaten on debut in a Conditions hurdle at Moulins over 3500m on 7 April. Others are much preferred

Summary: A weak race where the form is thin and anything is possible. HACKER DU BERLAIS (1) fell last time out but has scope for vast improvement and can bounce back to score. RAG'N'BONE (2) needed the experience of his debut and should make a vast improvement. FINEFORTE BLEUE (10) is also capable of improvement on her debut so deserves respect. STYLE AROMA (11) ran well on flat debut and would not be a surprise winner on hurdle debut.

SELECTIONS

HACKER DU BERLAIS (1) - RAG'N'BONE (2) - FINEFORTE BLEUE (10) - STELLO TALLY (6)

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C8 - PRIX HUGUES DE LA BROSSE - 4300m (a2m1/2) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Steeple Chase - EUR € 30,000

1. DIFFLY RIVER ANN - In good form this year and was fourth last time out in a Conditions chase at Loudéac over 4200m on 1 April. Can make the frame

2. AS MAGNETIC - Very consistent so far and was third last time out in a Conditions hurdle at Fontainebleau over 3800m on 29 March. Did even better in chases and can score

3. REDNECK - Returned to his best when scoring a handicap chase at Morlaix last time out over 3900m on 24 March. Tackles stronger but can play a minor role

4. HAPPY DE REVE - On a very long losing run and was 6th last time out in a handicap chase at Le Lion-d'Angers over 4000m on 7 April. Needs to find a few lengths to win

5. ROSE SECRETE - Dislodged her rider in her only start of this year at Moulins in a Conditions hurdle over 3500m on 7 April. Better in chases and is not out of it

6. JINGLE DENUO - In good form of late and was third last time out in a Conditions chase at Angers over 3800m on 23 March. Can fight out the finish again

7. IDYLLE DES MOTTES - Returned from a lengthy break as good as ever and was a winner last time out in Conditions chase at Montluçon - Nérès-les-Bains over 3500m on 1 April. Tackles stronger but is not out of it

8. RISK DU BRIZAIS - Returned from a break in good form and was runner-up last time out in a Conditions hurdle at Nancy over 3800m on 4 April. Capable of winning on best form

Summary: Not a big field but most them have some sort of winning chance. AS MAGNETIC (2) is very consistent and gets the vote to score. JINGLE DENUO (6) has been in good form of late and will be a lively danger once again. RISK DU BRIZAIS (8) bounced back to form last time out and is not out of it. ROSE SECRETE (5) is clearly better than the last run would suggest and will like it back in a chase race.

SELECTIONS

AS MAGNETIC (2) - JINGLE DENUO (6) - RISK DU BRIZAIS (8) - ROSE SECRETE (5)