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R1 Longchamp [R-H]

C1 - PRIX DE MARLY - 1300m (a6f1/2) - TURF - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 55,000

- 1. DANCE SIOUX** - Last-start winner over 1400m on heavy ground Le Mans on her reappearance (11 March). Makes her handicap/Quinte+ debut under just a 0,5kg penalty
- 2. MCTENETT** - Caught the eye (3rd) in his first start on French soil behind two rivals rated higher than any of his opposition here but hasn't confirmed that form/encouragement in either subsequent outing - was only 7th over 1400m on PSF at Chantilly on 28 March. Could do better now pitched into a handicap
- 3. EGIATEGIA** - Was disgraced (6th) on her handicap debut over 1200m on heavy ground at Fontainebleau on 2 April and was subsequently supplemented for engagement. Outsider
- 4. KALEOCREEK** - Promising at the start of his career and won a 1400m turf claimer on his reappearance. Proved his form and well-being by finishing 3rd over 1100m at Fontainebleau on 2 March - for fans of outsiders
- 5. ALI** - Finished 2nd in his sole handicap appearance over 1300m on the PSF at Deauville in January before being outclassed in a 1300m Listed race at that venue on 8 March. Will be more competitive back at this level on his Quinte+ debut
- 6. TREIZIEME** - Won consecutive PSF handicaps, earning a 6,5kg penalty in total, before showing his limitations in a Quinte+ handicap over 1900m at Chantilly on 28 March - finished 8th. Best watched for now
- 7. JOJO JUNIOR** - Inconsistent but has undeniable means, though was disappointing when only 7th on handicap debut over 1100m at Salon-de-Provence on 3 April. For another day
- 8. MA MOME** - Well-performed filly with sound references at a lower level. Showed her limitations in the handicaps when only 10th over 1200m at Fontainebleau on 2 April
- 9. MARIE MANCINI** - Undefeated in two starts last season as a two-year-old and hasn't finished worse than 4th in 4 starts this year (albeit without success). Was 4th in the benchmark race over 1400m on PSF at Chantilly on 18 March - has legitimate claims
- 10. ZEPLACETOBE** - Caught the eye with a reassuring 2nd on her reappearance in a handicap over 1100m on 3 April at Salon-de-Provence. Tries this distance for the first time, so is best watched for now
- 11. THE CAT'S** - Consistent and versatile performer, effective on any ground/surface. Returned to form by finishing 3rd in a 1200m handicap on heavy ground at Fontainebleau on 2 April - more needed here
- 12. ANTICO** - Unplaced in his first two outings before fully revealing himself with a last-start success over 1300m on the PSF at Chantilly on 14 March. Improving sort who needs to produce another career-best effort to have a say on his handicap debut
- 13. FOU FURIEUX** - Consistent colt with sound references/form credentials in conditions races against some high-class performers. Makes his handicap/Quinte+ debut after finishing 6th on heavy ground over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 26 March

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14. THOMAS SHELBY - Represents a stable in good form and shouldn't be hastily condemned after finishing unplaced (8th) in a 1300m conditions race on the PSF at Chantilly on 14 March. Respected on his handicap debut

15. KOSLOVKA - Consistent for the most and remains capable of a lot better than her latest outing (8th), when drawn wide in a 1400m Quinte+ on the PSF at Chantilly on 18 March. Will be competitive from stall No 8

16. L'ARDECHOISE - Revealed potential by finishing 3rd in three consecutive appearances in PSF conditions races before an eye-catching 2nd on her handicap debut in a 1400m Quinte+ on PSF at Chantilly on 18 March. Has never finished worse than 3rd and could open her account in her first on turf

Summary: Carlos and Yann Lerner, who saddled the winning pair of Sunday's Quinté+, are doubly represented here in the opener, although their best chance of success rests with L'ARDECHOISE (16) who made a remarkable handicap debut in the key benchmark race (2nd) on 18 March. On that evidence, she could be worth chancing to open her account in what is also her first start on turf. ALI (5) and KOSLOVKA (15), despite disappointing recent performances, remain candidates for success judged on their best references. THOMAS SHELBY (14), who was unlucky not to have achieved a better result in his last start (8th), has the means to acquit himself competitively on his handicap debut, while the addition of blinkers could eke out improvement from MCTENETT (2) who made a convincing debut on French soil after a promising start to his career in Ireland. MARIE MANCINI (9), JOJO JUNIOR (7) and FOU FURIEUX (13) complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

L'ARDECHOISE (16) - ALI (5) - KOSLOVKA (15) - THOMAS SHELBY (14)

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**C2 - PRIX MACHADO - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 1 Race - Flat - EUR €
35,000**

1. ROCK THE KASBAH - Confirmed the promise of his 1400m debut victory at Clairefontaine by finishing 3rd in 3 consecutive (subsequent) starts, including a Group III race and a Listed event at Saint-Cloud on 16 March. Chance

2. ELBAZ - One of several smart colts in the race - won on debut over 1500m at Deauville before confirming that promise in both subsequent starts (finished 3rd in a Listed race at Bordeaux on 3 October). Keep safe

3. ROSHVAR - Revealed considerable means in both starts last season as a two-year-old by finishing 2nd on debut before winning on the PSF at Deauville over 1300m when last seen on 4 November. Exciting prospect

4. TALENTUOSO - Debut winner over 1300m at Saint-Cloud in September and was beaten only by subsequent Group III winner Atlast when 2nd over 1500m on the PSF at Chantilly on 12 October. Respected on his return

5. SUPERCOOLED - Won on debut over 1500m at Saint-Cloud in September before finishing 3rd behind TALENTUOSO (4) at Chantilly. Caught the eye on his reappearance when 2nd over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 26 March

6. SUCHET - Highly regarded Cloth Of Stars colt. Won on debut over 1600m on the PSF at Chantilly and confirmed that promise by finishing 3rd there (over the same course and distance) on 14 March. Main danger

7. GRAND SON OF CALYX - Promising sort with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 2nd at Bordeaux on his reappearance over 1400m on 1 April. Place chance

8. OTTO FLASH - Last-start winner of a 1600m maiden on heavy ground at Haydock Park in just his second outing on 30 September. Makes his French/stable debut and is open to further improvement

Summary: Well-bred ROSHVAR (3) caught the eye when 2nd on debut over this trip and confirmed that promise when opening his account on the PSF over 1300m at Deauville in November. He ought to have improved over the winter so it could pay to side with him on his reappearance, especially having been supplemented for this engagement. SUCHET (6) has Group I Poule d'Essai and Prix du Jockey Club entries and is highly regarded by connections, so may well fight for victory in his first outing on turf. TALENTUOSO (4), who finished ahead of SUPERCOOLED (5) when last seen, isn't underestimated on his reappearance. Good race!

SELECTIONS

ROSHVAR (3) - SUCHET (6) - TALENTUOSO (4) - SUPERCOOLED (5)

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C3 - PRIX DU LOUVRE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 1 Race - Flat - EUR € 35,000

1. ROUHIYA - Finished 3rd on debut behind LADY INVINCIBLE (3) and improved with that experience to win on the PSF over 1300m at Deauville on 4 November. Will have more to offer on her reappearance

2. LUIZA BERE - Consistent performer whose greater experience will stand her in good stead here. Finished 3rd in a 1600m Listed race at Bordeaux when last seen on 11 November

3. LADY INVINCIBLE - Confirmed the promise of her debut 4th over this course and distance with a 1400m Saint-Cloud success on 10 October, when beating subsequent winner/re-opposing ROUHIYA (1). Not taken lightly

4. RIBALTAGAIA - Debut winner at Lyon Parilly over 1350m and confirmed that promise by finishing 4th in the Group I Prix Marcel Boussac at ParisLongchamp on 1 October. Sets the standard

5. ROCK'N SWING - Well-bred Camelot filly related to Dubai Millenium. Made an eye-catching winning debut over 1500m at Saint-Cloud on 5 October and would've come on appreciably with the benefit of that experience

6. DANCING QUEEN - Didn't go unnoticed when 6th on debut over 2000m at Cagnes on PSF. Improved for/benefitted from the switch to turf by winning over 1600m at La Teste-de-Buch on 23 March

7. HIT IT - Promising filly with 2 wins from 4 starts, including on her reappearance at Saint-Cloud over 1600m on 26 March. Warrants respect

8. NADELIA - Debut winner on PSF at Deauville over 1500m and has acquitted herself well in all 3 subsequent starts, finishing 5th on each occasion - twice at Meydan and over 2100m at Saint-Cloud on 1 April

Summary: RIBALTAGAIA (4) confirmed the promise of her Lyon-Parilly debut victory by finishing a commendable 4th in the Group I Marcel Boussac and, on the strength of that form, is worth siding with on her reappearance. However, she will be tested by last-start PSF winner ROUHIYA (1) and Godolphin's well-bred ROCK'N SWING (5), who is related to Dubai Millenium. Group I entry LADY INVINCIBLE (3), who beat ROUHIYA (1) when last seen, also warrants respect on her reappearance. Good race!

SELECTIONS

RIBALTAGAIA (4) - ROUHIYA (1) - ROCK'N SWING (5) - LADY INVINCIBLE (3)

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**C4 - PRIX DE VERNEUIL - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR
€ 27,000**

- 1. EXCEEDING QUEEN** - Didn't go unnoticed when 5th on debut over 1600m on PSF at Chantilly, finished behind re-opposing AVENUE MONTAIGNE (6). Will know more about it now
- 2. BASSETT BELLE** - Unplaced and soundly beaten in both outings, once on each surface - the latest (12th) over 1600m on PSF at Chantilly on 22 December. Needs to improve
- 3. MONTE SANCHA** - Frankel filly bought for €480,000 as a yearling. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 6th on debut over 1200m on the turf at Deauville on 9 July and is likely to have come on appreciably since that outing
- 4. LA DESINENCE** - Wasn't beaten far on debut, when finishing 7th of 16 runners on the PSF at Deauville over 1500m on 15 December. Can only improve with the benefit of that outing
- 5. FELICIA** - Well-related Wootton Bassett filly bought for €140,000 as a yearling. Revealed her potential on debut in a newcomers' race over 1600m at Chantilly, finishing 3rd in a good field on 28 March - keep safe
- 6. AVENUE MONTAIGNE** - Finished an encouraging 3rd on debut in June last year over 1400m and has confirmed that promise by finishing 2nd in both comeback outings, the latest over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 12 March.
- 7. MONTEMESOLA** - Well-bred Kingman filly (half-sister to Territories) who ran on strongly once the penny had dropped to finish 3rd over on debut at Compiegne 1400m on 19 March. Will have more to offer over this trip
- 8. PEMBA BAY** - Finished 3rd in consecutive outings before being outclassed (7th) in a Listed race at Saint-Cloud over 1400m. Absent since her 5th behind GOLIGHTLY (9) over 1500m on PSF at Deauville on 5 December
- 9. GOLIGHTLY** - €300,000 Frankel filly who made encouraging progress in her second start, finishing 3rd over 1500m on the PSF at Deauville on 5 December. Open to further improvement on her reappearance
- 10. ABIAT** - Improving sort with sound references on PSF, including a last-start 3rd over 1300m at Chantilly last month (14 March). One to note in her first outing on turf
- 11. SOUPLESSE** - Finished an encouraging 3rd at Saint-Cloud over 1200m on debut last year and would've benefitted from a much-needed comeback outing (5th) over 1600m at that venue on 12 March. Should improve

Summary: MONTEMESOLA (7) caught the eye on debut when a fast-finishing 3rd over 1400m at Compiegne and, on that evidence, should have more to offer over this distance with the benefit of that experience under her belt. FELICIA (5) also finished 3rd on debut, in a newcomers' race at Chantilly, and ought to have improved with that outing, so could fight for victory. AVENUE MONTAIGNE (6), runner-up in both starts this year, has the form and experience to play a leading role too, with the shortlist completed by well-bred MONTE SANCHA (3) who would've come on appreciably after a quiet introductory outing last year.

SELECTIONS

MONTEMESOLA (7) - FELICIA (5) - AVENUE MONTAIGNE (6) - MONTE SANCHA (3)

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**C5 - PRIX DE VIROFLAY - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat -
EUR € 27,000**

1. EXISTENTIALISTE - Finished an encouraging 4th on debut over 2000m on heavy ground at Saint-Cloud on 21 March. Was beaten narrowly by NEWLOOK (2) on that occasion

2. NEWLOOK - Revealed potential when finishing 3rd, between BABAKOOL (7) and EXISTENTIALISTE (1), on debut at Saint-Cloud over 2000m on 21 March. Ought to be competitive

3. GATTOPARDO - Runner-up in consecutive starts on the PSF at Chantilly but failed to build on that promise in his first start on turf, finishing 5th over 2000m at the venue on 30 March. Must improve

4. EVERGREEN - Didn't go unnoticed when 4th on debut over 1600m on heavy ground at Chantilly on 28 March. Will improve with that experience under the belt

5. SCORCH - Soundly beaten (10th) on debut over 1800m at Fontainebleau on 25 November. Should improve with the benefit of that experience but is best watched for now

6. OSCAR - Finished 7th of 9 runners on debut at Chantilly on PSF over 1600m on 9 February. Would've come on with that outing - for another day

7. BABAKOOL - Regally bred Dubawi colt, the grandson of Goldikova. Finished 2nd on debut at Saint-Cloud on heavy ground over 2000m - interestingly, Maxime Guyon who rode him that day rides HAMAVI (8) instead

8. HAMAVI - Well-bred Dubawi newcomer trained by André Fabre, who has engaged Maxime Guyon to ride. Could be worth following

Summary: The Wertheimer brothers are doubly represented and likely to win the lion's share of the prize. Newcomer HAMAVI (8) is bred to be useful and it could pay to take a chance on this son of Dubawi making a winning debut. However, he'll need to be above-average to thwart the expected challenge of BABAKOOL (7) who finished an encouraging 2nd on debut and would've improved with that experience. Behind him that day, finishing 3rd and 4th respectively, were NEWLOOK (2) and EXISTENTIALISTE (1) who aren't without a chance either judged on that form.

SELECTIONS

HAMAVI (8) - BABAKOOL (7) - NEWLOOK (2) - EXISTENTIALISTE (1)

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**C6 - PRIX DE TREVISE - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat -
EUR € 27,000**

1. MOT DOUX - Fifth on her debut, In a Conditions race at Chantilly over 1900m on the 18 of March. She was just ahead of MQSE DU BERGER (7), and she showed that day that she could improve.

2. SOME SKYE - Second in a Conditions race at Clairefontaine- Deauville over 1600m on the 20 of October. Capable of contesting the finish

3. JANASHA - Entered in the Prix de Diane (Gr.1), she finished very well on January 19 at Deauville and should soon win.

4. NINI STAR - Second in a Conditions race at Chantilly over 2000m on the 30 of March. Improved in the latest effort after a break and can be involved in the finish

5. LOVE AFFAIR - Was 7th in a Conditions race at Chantilly over 1600m on the 28 of March. Others are preferred in this line-up

6. SAILAWAYWITHME - Fourth in a Conditions race at Deauville over 1600m on the 18 of October. She is entered for the Prix de Diane (Gr 1) and deserves to be respected

7. MQSE DU BERGER - Finished 6th in a Conditions race at Chantilly over 1900m on the 18 of March.. She was slow to find her rhythm during her debut before finishing in a very good action (6th), at the height of MOT DOUX (1).

8. WINDBURN - Second in a Conditions race at Fontainebleau over 1800m on the 25 of November. Good debut back in November and has scope

9. CORNELIENNE - Second in a Conditions race at Deauville over 1600m on the 18 of October. Runner up in both starts and can have a say

10. MIWA - Was 6th in a Conditions at Saint-Cloud over 1600m on the 12 of March. Probably needed the last start and can show better

Summary: Highly rated by her trainer JANASHA (3) would be ready to score after a very pleasing last run. A pleasant finisher during its first steps, the perfectible MQSE DU BERGER (7) was not disgraced on er debut and will appreciate the slight extension of the distance. SOME SKYE (2) returns from a break but has run very well twice so far and should contest the finish again. MOT DOUX (1) can also make the frame.

SELECTIONS

JANASHA (3) - MQSE DU BERGER (7) - SOME SKYE (2) - MOT DOUX (1)

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**C7 - PRIX DE LA BOETIE - 3000m (a2m) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Flat - EUR
€ 27,000**

1. ALWAYS WELCOME - Winner in a Conditions race at Nantes over 3100m on the 6 of April. Winner on April 6 over the 3,100 meters in Nantes, he can do well.

2. SOMBRERO - Winner in a Conditions race at Fontainebleau over 3000m on the 15 of March. Authoritative winner over this distance in Fontainebleau for his debut on French soil, he must confirm.

3. PAPER TROPHY - Winner in a Handicap at Saint-Cloud over 3000m on the 26 of March. It remains a success from start to finish in a Clodoaldian Quinté+ and still has its say.

4. ALMACADO GREE - Was 5th in a Conditions race at Saint-Cloud over 3000m on the 1 of April. Fifth upon his return, he is very comfortable on this track and finds a great opportunity to strike back

5. OPASAN - Was 6th in a Conditions race at Vichy over 2400m on the 18 of July. Has been on a break since July. Probably will need the run

6. DSCHINGIS KING - Third in a Conditions race at Deauville over 2800m on the 5 of August. Winner of the Western Derby last summer but has been absent since August.

7. ASTAIRE - Unplaced in a Handicap at Fontainebleau over 3000m on the 25 of November. Been on a break and might need the run back

8. KLASSIC PRECIEUX - Second in a Handicap at Saint-Cloud over 3000m on the 26 of March. Seldom far off them and can play a minor role

9. MASTER OF HOPE - Third in a Conditions race at Le Croise-Laroche over 2500m on the 22 of March. Impeccable in two outings, this late horse should still show progress.

10. ALL IN YOU - Winner in a Conditions hurdle race at Angers over 3400m on the 28 of February. Did win on the flat on debut but faces stronger

11. PRESAGE NOCTURNE - Runner-up last time out in a Conditions race at Fontainebleau over 3000m on the 15 of March. Meets SOMBRERO (2) on better weight terms and can turn it around

12. POSEIDONOS - Winner in a Conditions race at Nancy over 2500m on the 24 of March. Can play a minor role in this line-up

13. MALKA - Third in a Conditions race at Toulouse over 2000m on the 4 of March. Pleasantly third in Toulouse during her return to school and her debut in France, she goes the distance.

Summary: ALMACADO GREE (4) proved in need of the last run when fifth and will strip fitter this time. SOMBRERO (2) won well on French debut and looks capable of being a big threat once again. PRESAGE NOCTURNE (11) chased home SOMBRERO (2) last time out and is better off at the weights so deserves the utmost respect. DSCHINGIS KING (6) ability but is returning from a lengthy break.

SELECTIONS

ALMACADO GREE (4) - SOMBRERO (2) - PRESAGE NOCTURNE (11) - DSCHINGIS KING

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C8 - PRIX DE SAINTE-GEMME - 1300m (a6f1/2) - TURF - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 28,000

1. **FINIMONDO** - Disappointing first crack of the grass when 8th last time out in a handicap at Fontainebleau over 1200m on 2 April. Could like this distance and has a place chance
2. **MAGIC PERSEVERANCE** - Kept to the PSF so far and was third last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1400m on 18 March. Can score if taking to the grass
3. **SPEZIAL** - Improved of late and was third last time out in a handicap at Fontainebleau over 1200m on 6 March. Can do even better this longer distance
4. **YOKEN** - Yet to win a race and was 7th last time out in a handicap at Fontainebleau over 1200m on 2 April. Capable of earning some minor money
5. **GOLUPTIOUS** - Has improved of late and was third last time out in a Conditions race at Chantilly over 1300m on 14 March. Capable of earning some more money
6. **IGNOL** - Disappointing handicap debut when 9th at Fontainebleau over 1200m on 2 April. Could like this longer distance and is not out of it
7. **IBERIA** - Much improved last run when fourth in a Conditions race at Chantilly over this distance on 16 February. Has claims on handicap debut
8. **LIBERTE** - Yet to win a race but is holding form and was fourth last time out in a Conditions race at Montluçon - Nérès-les-Bain on 1 April. Tackles stronger and others are preferred
9. **TRUE VALUE** - Much improved of late and was a winner last time out in a handicap at Compiègne over 1600m on 29 March. Carries a 3.50kg penalty for that win. Might place
10. **TANIS** - Yet to win but did show improvement when runner-up last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1400m on 18 March. Can make the frame again
11. **HAUTE GAMME** - Unreliable of late and was third last time out in a handicap at Le Mans over this distance on 11 March. Place chance
12. **EN PLEIN AIR** - Disappointing last run when 5th last time out in a Conditions race at Chantilly over 1300m on 14 March. Capable of earning some minor money
13. **SENZA TE** - Has shown her best form in Claimers and was a winner last time out at Argentan over 1300m on 11 April. Tougher task this time and others are preferred
14. **LOYAL PRINCE** - In good form of late and was runner-up last time out in a handicap at Fontainebleau over 1200m on 2 April. Probably at best that distance but is not out of it

Summary: A very courageous third on March 18 at Chantilly, MAGIC PERSEVERANCE (2) must confirm that she is as good on the grass. Also only seen on the sand until now, IBERIA (7) also has serious assets in her game. Three times third in five outings, SPEZIAL (3) can get involved with the finish once again. IGNOL (6) was a disappointment on handicap debut but could be effective this distance. An interesting lucky last race.

SELECTIONS

MAGIC PERSEVERANCE (2) - IBERIA (7) - SPEZIAL (3) - IGNOL (6)