BORDEAUX [R-H] - 19 September

Race 1 - PRIX DU CHATEAU PEYCHAUD (PRIX DU FOUR A CHAUX) - 1600m UNR. Purse EUR €18,000.

- 1. CARACAL Unraced Zelzal colt. Top chance for a leading stable.
- 2. SQUARE CAPITAN Unraced Iffraaj gelding. Likely to improve for the experience.
- 3. INUIT Unraced Caravaggio colt. Strong claims.
- 4. ALCARAZ Unraced Alcaraz colt. Leading contender first up.
- 5. MAQUIGNON Unraced Recorder gelding. Yard not known for juvenile winners.
- 6. BANEHILL Unraced Olympic Glory gelding. One to note.
- 7. BOULEVARD VICTORIA Unraced Evasive gelding. Claims.
- 8. WOODY WOODPECKER Birchwood colt. Of note on first racecourse appearance.
- 9. FAZZANO Unraced Birchwood colt. Hails from a good yard.

Summary: An intriguing newcomers race with the market likely to provide a good guide. CARACAL (1) is taken to make a winning debut for a leading stable. Stablemate ALCARAZ (4) is a yet to race Intello colt and could play a role in the finish. Carvaggio colt INUIT (3) is another to consider for a top trainer. BOULEVARD VICTORIA (7) makes the shortlist.

Selections

CARACAL (1) - ALCARAZ (4) - INUIT (3) - BOULEVARD VICTORIA (7)

Race 2 - PRIX DIDIER VEZIA - 1600m UNR. Purse EUR €18,000.

- 1. POWER AND GRACE Unraced Rajsamn filly. Of note for a leading stable.
- 2. SIX DIFFERENT WAYS Unraced Myboycharlie filly. Likely to find a few too good first up.
- 3. ISICA Unraced Dabirsim filly. Bold show expected.
- 4. FLORIPA Unraced Wootton Bassett filly. Leading contender.
- 5. TRIPTAJIKA Unraced Charm Spirit filly. Stable do well with their youngsters.
- 6. PEARLS ANGEL Unraced Dark Angel filly. Notable runner.
- 7. KHATOUN Unraced Lawman filly. Represents a top trainer.
- 8. **BALANOVKA** Unraced Lope de Vega filly. Top chance.
- 9. YES FOR EVER Unraced Wootton Bassett filly. Claims for a good stable.

Summary: A fillies newcomers race with the market expected to provide a good guide. BALANOVKA (8) is a newcomer by Lope de Vega and is taken to get off the mark at the first attempt. FLORIPA (4) is a yet to race Wootton Bassett filly who may play a role in the finish. ISICA (3) is a Dabirsim filly. Must be considered first up. Lawman newcomer KHATOUN (7) completes the shortlist.

Selections

BALANOVKA (8) - FLORIPA (4) - ISICA (3) - KHATOUN (7)

Race 3 - PRIX PHILIPPE MARTIN - 1600m CL2. Purse EUR €27,000.

- 1. **AYRTON** Victorious by 1.25L in a 1600m maiden at La Teste towards the start of last month. Bold show expected.
- 2. QUESSIGNY Good 0.75L second in a 1600m contest at Deauville last month. Leading contender.
- 3. **BLUECTOT** Successful by 5L in a 1400m maiden at Dax 25 days ago. Notable runner.
- 4. **CADE'S** Debuted with a 1.25L victory in a maiden over 1600m at La Teste just over four weeks ago. Stepping up in grade.
- 5. **BATZ** Registered an impressive 3L victory in a 1600m newcomers race at La Teste just under a month ago. Top chance.
- 6. **CURARO LIGHT** Held 11L eighth in the G3 Prix Francois Boutin over 1400m at Deauville five weeks ago. Dropping in grade.
- 7. **OMAYRA** Followed up a debut success with a 1L third in a 1600m conditions race at Deauville 26 days ago. Claims in this contest.

Summary: BATZ (5) can maintain her unbeaten record following a 3L victory in a 1600m newcomers race at La Teste on debut. QUESSIGNY (2) makes the shortlist. Beaten 0.75L second over 1600m at Deauville. AYRTON (1) may play a role in the finish. Won by 1.25L a 1600m maiden at La Teste. CURARO LIGHT (6) is another to consider having been competitive at a higher level in the past.

Selections

BATZ (5) - QUESSIGNY (2) - AYRTON (1) - CURARO LIGHT (6)

Race 4 - PRIX DIMITRI LEGRAND - 1900m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €18,000.

- 1. BLU NAVY SEAL Successful in a 2400m handicap at La Teste fifteen days ago. Top chance.
- 2. BARENTON Victorious by 0.75L in a 2000m AW handicap at Pau in February. Notable contender.
- 3. **GONERIL** Registered a 0.5L victory in a conditions race over 2000m at Mont-de-Marsan at the start of this month. Strong claims.
- 4. REPEL GHOSTS Last of fifteen over 1600m at La Teste sixteen days ago. More needed.
- 5. **GIOVANNI DAL PONTE** Given a break since finishing 2.75L eighth over 2100m at Dax in May. Others make more appeal.
- 6. **SPATIAL MERIT** Fair 4.25L fourth in a small field 1950m conditions race at Les Sables-d'Olonne three weeks ago. Capable of better.
- 7. **ZOUAVE VALLEY** Completed a double when winning by 3.5L in a 2100m claimer at Dax just over a month ago. Claims back in a handicap.
- 8. DANN Successful in a 2100m handicap at Dax 25 days ago. Has won at this track in the past.
- 9. SCHWANENSEE Runner-up in a 2100m handicap at Dax last month. One to note.
- 10. **VERT DIAMAND** Returning from a break when 1.5L second in a 1600m handicap at La Teste earlier this month. Has shown a liking for this venue in the past.
- 11. PRIME TIME Below par 3.5L ninth over 2000m on the AW at Pau in February. Best watched first up.
- 12. **BECQUANON** Held 4.75L sixth in an 1800m handicap at La Teste just over four weeks ago. Minor role likely.

Summary: BLU NAVY SEAL (1) may take this having won by a head over 2400m a handicap at La Teste. GONERIL (3) looks up to delivering a big effort back in a handicap following a 0.5L triumph in a 2000m conditions race at Mont-de-Marsan. BARENTON (2) can be considered. Found success by 0.75L on the AW in a 2000m event at Pau in February. ZOUAVE VALLEY (7) is noted revisiting a handicap. Found success in a 2100m claimer at Dax.

Selections

BLU NAVY SEAL (1) - GONERIL (3) - BARENTON (2) - ZOUAVE VALLEY (7)

Race 5 - PRIX EDOUARD CLAVERIE - 3900m HCP HDLE. Purse EUR €22,000.

- 1. **MOODLY** Held 7.75L fifth over 3850m in a chase at Fontainebleau in April. Strong claims on return to hurdling.
- 2. **BEAUTIFUL SECRET** Good 0.5L second in a 3900m handicap hurdle at Pompadour two weeks ago. Notable contender.
- 3. KING GOUBERT Fair 8.5L sixth in a 4500m chase at Lignieres six weeks ago. Step forward required.
- 4. **ELIXIR PEARL** Good 1.25L second in a 3600m handicap hurdle at Auteuil eighteen days ago. Bold show expected.
- 5. **NILE PARIS** Sixth when beaten 2.25L in a 2000m flat event at Vichy in July. Debuting for a new trainer.
- 6. **TORONTAS** Faller in a 3800m hurdle at Dax on reappearance. Looking for his first victory.
- 7. **LYON CLERMONT** Pulled up in a 3900m handicap hurdle at Auteuil in May. Won just once from 32 previous starts.
- 8. **ZAPOROGUE** Changed trainer since pulling up in a 3800m handicap hurdle at Dieppe at the start of July. Improvement expected.

Summary: Supplemented runner MOODLY (1) can defy top weight having faded late when 7.75L fifth in a 3850m chase at Fontainebleau. ELIXIR PEARL (4) could play a role in the finish following a 1.25L second in a 3600m handicap hurdle at Auteuil. BEAUTIFUL SECRET (2) finds a suitable event. Beaten 0.5L runner-up in a 3900m handicap hurdle at Pompadour. ZAPOROGUE (8) might show improved form debuting for a new trainer.

Selections

MOODLY (1) - ELIXIR PEARL (4) - BEAUTIFUL SECRET (2) - ZAPOROGUE (8)

Race 6 - PRIX SC IMMOBILIER EQUESTRE (PRIX MAURICE CALVE) - 3300m HDLE UNR. Purse EUR €20.000.

- 1. ICONE D'AUBRELLE Unraced Cokoriko gelding. One to note.
- 2. LE PATRON Unraced Balko gelding. Of note on debut.
- 3. **SO HAPPY** Tailed off tenth in a 2600m event at Pompadour last month. Best watched on debut over hurdles.
- 4. HOPPEFULL HAS Unraced Martaline gelding. Strong claims.
- 5. **LESS YOU RUN** Struggled in two starts on the flat at Pompadour. Likely capable of better.
- 6. ICE COAST Unraced Coastal Path gelding. Top chance.
- 7. VAI VAI Unraced Diamond Green filly. Likely to improve for the experience.

Summary: Coastal Path newcomer ICE COAST (6) can make a winning debut in this three-year-old event. Yet to race Martaline gelding HOPPEFULL HAS (4) may play a role in the finish. Cokoriko newcomer ICONE D'AUBRELLE (1) is another worth considering. LESS YOU RUN (5) might take a step forward switching to hurdles following two heavy defeats on the flat.

Selections

ICE COAST (6) - HOPPEFULL HAS (4) - ICONE D'AUBRELLE (1) - LESS YOU RUN (5)

Race 7 - PRIX SERGE LORAND - 1900m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

- 1. **MR BOLD** Good 0.5L third in an 1800m handicap at this track just over four weeks ago. Bold show expected.
- 2. **RED DUMA** Runner-up when beaten 1.75L in a 1500m contest at Niort earlier this month. Top chance.
- 3. CHIEF'S APP Fourth when beaten 1L over 2100m at Dax last month. One to note.
- 4. MOLINO Held 36L last of nine in a 1950m handicap at Chateaubriant last month. Others preferred.
- 5. DON'T TELL TALES Fair 4.75L fifth over 1600m at La Teste sixteen days ago. Improvement required.
- 6. **SILVER SILENT** Short-head winner of a 1600m handicap at La Teste earlier this month. Noted in this event.
- 7. **SIR BECQUAILLE** Given a break since finishing 3L second in a 3300m hurdle here in May. Failed to shine in four starts on the flat prior.
- 8. MA NOSTALGIE Held 3.25L ninth over 2100m at Dax last month. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 9. **AUGUSTINE** Neck second in a 1700m conditions race at Divonne two weeks ago. Struggled in a handicap over 1300m at Deauville AW prior.
- 10. BAQDAD Below par 33L tenth over 3000m at Mont-de-Marsan in July 2019. Best watched.
- 11. **ESTIBERE** DQ in a 2200m contest at Craon earlier this month. Others make more appeal.
- 12. AL RASSOUL Good 1.75L fourth in a 1650m handicap at Craon just over two weeks ago. Strong claims.

Summary: RED DUMA (2) can go one better than when 1.75L second in a 1500m conditions race at Niort. MR BOLD (1) makes the shortlist. Finished 0.5L third over 1800m at La Teste. AL RASSOUL (12) may play a role following a 1.75L fourth over 1650m at Craon. CHIEF'S APP (3) is another to consider having been beaten 1L fourth in a 2100m handicap at Dax.

Selections

RED DUMA (2) - MR BOLD (1) - AL RASSOUL (12) - CHIEF'S APP (3)

Race 8 - FRENCH ARABIAN BREEDERS' CHALLENGE SPRINT - 1400m OPEN. Purse EUR €45,000.

- 1. **ALMAFJAR** Good 0.5L second in the Listed The President Of The United Arab Emirates Cup over 1600m at Baden-Baden (Germany) two weeks ago. Top chance.
- 2. **HAZZAM** Placed third when beaten 1L in the 1600m Listed Prix Burkeguy at Mont-de-Marsan at the end of July. Strong claims.
- 3. **ALSAHER** Blinkers tried for the first time following a 4.5L sixth in the G3 Coupe du Sud-Ouest des Pur-Sang Arab over 1900m at La Teste in July. Claims on form he showed last year.
- 4. **NAMROOD** Fair 10L third in a 1600m conditions race at La Teste at the start of last month. Step forward required.
- 5. **MEETHAG** Good 1.75L third in the G1 Qatar Arabian Trophy des JUments over 2000m at Longchamp last October. Leading contender.
- 6. **NATALMA AL MAURY** Fifth when beaten 2L in the Listed Prix Burkeguy over 1600m at Mont-de-Marsan at the end of July. Notable runner.

Summary: MEETHAG (5) can take this first up having ended last year with a 1.75L third in the 2000m G1 Qatar Arabian Trophy des Juments at Longchamp. ALMAFJAR (1) makes the shortlisted following a 0.5L second in the Listed The President Of The United Arab Emirates Cup over 1600m at Baden-Baden (Germany). HAZZAM (2) is considered on the back of a 1L third in the 1600m Listed Prix Burkeguy at Mont-de-Marsan. ALSAHER (3) is also noted having been beaten 4.5L sixth in the 1900m G3 Coupe du Sud-Ouest des Pur-Sang Arab at La Teste.

Selections

MEETHAG (5) - ALMAFJAR (1) - HAZZAM (2) - ALSAHER (3)