

## STRASBOURG [R-H] - 19 September

**Race 1 - PRIX DU PARLEMENT EUROPEEN - 3600m HDLE.** Purse EUR €20,000.

1. **OUESSANT** - Pulled up two most recent starts including over 3300m in a claiming hurdle at Pau in February. Others preferred.
2. **HALO ON FIRE** - Good 2.5L fourth in a 2400m handicap at Clairefontaine 23 days ago. Of note on return to hurdles.
3. **MAGIC NONANTAIS** - Held 37L third in a 3900m hurdle at Pompadour at the start of last month. Likely capable of better.
4. **HARDI LES GARS** - Third when beaten 4L in a 3000m conditions race at Le Lion-d'Angers four weeks ago. Pulled up on hurdling debut prior.
5. **HOPLA D'ACE** - Fourth when beaten 54L in a 3800m hurdle at Vittel in July. More required.
6. **BONAPARTE FORLONGE** - Unraced Cokoriko gelding. Top chance for a leading yard.
7. **ENDLESS RISK** - Faller in a 3400m hurdle at Dieppe at the start of July. Making his first start for a new trainer.
8. **HASTUS** - Ninth of ten in a 2400m conditions race over 2400m at Moulins on debut in September last year. Best watched.
9. **HATCHOUBILICANE** - Struggled of late including when 60L sixth in a 3400m flat race at Vittel last month. Others preferred.
10. **HOLD UP TIEPY** - Unraced It's Gino filly. Likely to improve for the experience.
11. **DIAMANT AMERICAN** - Below par 26L ninth in a 3400m hurdle at Clairefontaine just over five weeks ago. Minor role likely.
12. **HERMINE MADRIK** - Unraced Saint des Saints filly. One to note.

**Summary:** Cokoriko gelding **BONAPARTE FORLONGE** (6) can make a winning debut for a top stable. **HALO ON FIRE** (2) may play a role revisiting hurdles following a 2.5L fourth in a 2400m handicap at Clairefontaine. **MAGIC NONANTAIS** (3) finished 37L third in a 3900m hurdle at Pompadour. Can show improved form in this event. Yet to race Saint des Saints filly **HERMINE MADRIK** (12) is another to consider.

### Selections

**BONAPARTE FORLONGE (6) - HALO ON FIRE (2) - MAGIC NONANTAIS (3) - HERMINE MADRIK (12)**

**Race 2 - PRIX HIT'EC HITTINGER EXPERTISE COMPTABLE (PRIX DE L'EUROPE) - 1400m MDN.** Purse EUR €18,000.

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1. **NINJO** - Held 11L seventh over 1400m at Moulins just under five weeks ago. More needed.
2. **TIGRESS DARGENT** - Improved on debut effort when 1L third in a 1400m maiden at Le Lion-d'Angers four weeks ago. One to note.
3. **SHE'S EVAPORUST** - Fair 7L fourth in a 1408m contest at The Curragh (Ireland) last month. Debuting for a new trainer.
4. **IXIABLU** - Held 29L eighth in a 2000m claimer at this track when debuting a week ago. Others preferred.
5. **LAGOONE CHOPE** - Held 18L sixth in a 1200m maiden at Deauville last month. Top chance having won in claiming company in the past.
6. **CITADELLA** - Last of nine in a 1300m claimer at Deauville AW a month ago. Best watched.
7. **BARBUDA** - Below par 12L last of ten in a newcomers race over 1400m at le Lion-d'Angers at the end of July.
8. **JAVA JAMES** - Runner-up when beaten a neck in a 1300m claimer at Le Touquet last month. Making her first start for a new trainer.
9. **PANTHANIEL** - Unraced Nathaniel colt. Likely to improve for the experience.
10. **LA LOUVE** - Unraced Whitecliffsofdover filly. Of note on racecourse debut.
11. **AMAZING TREZY** - Unraced Shamalgan filly. Others hold more obvious claims.
12. **SECRET GLORY** - Unraced George Vancouver filly. Likely to find a few too good.
13. **ZEFANIA** - Unraced Maxios filly. Yard not known for first time out winners.

**Summary:** A four time winner LAGOONE CHOPE (5) can put a below par 18L sixth over 1200m at Deauville behind her to take this contest. Top chance with a good claiming record. TIGRESS DARGENT (2) makes the shortlist. Finished 1L third in a 1400m maiden at Le Lion-d'Angers. JAVA JAMES (8) enters calculations having been beaten a neck when runner-up in a 1300m claimer at Le Touquet. LA LOUVE (10) is a yet to race Whitecliffsofdover filly who is another to consider.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>LAGOONE CHOPE (5) - TIGRESS DARGENT (2) - JAVA JAMES (8) - LA LOUVE (10)</b></p>
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**Race 3 - PRIX GROUPE VALLIANCE SECURITE - GVS (PRIX D'AUTEUIL) - 3800m HDLE.** Purse EUR €21,000.

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1. **AL CUARTO** - Held 16L fifth in the Listed Prix Francois de Poncins over 3600m at Auteuil in early December. Top chance down in grade.
2. **GENTLEMAN DE REVE** - Held 44L seventh in a 4100m handicap chase at Craon earlier this month. Of note having won twice over fences this campaign.
3. **GENTO DES OBEAUX** - Given a break since finishing 26L eighth in a 3800m hurdle at Compiègne in April. Capable of better.
4. **ONE CALL AWAY** - Down the field 37L eighth in a 3800m hurdle at Dieppe in June. Best watched.
5. **VOLUNTEERS** - Pulled up in a 3900m chase at Dieppe in July. Minor role likely.
6. **MAGIC LEG'S** - Third when beaten 8L in a 3000m handicap at Montier-en-Der last month. Step forward needed on hurdling return.
7. **THATSMYSEAT** - Good 2L second in a 4000m cross-country event at Craon in November. Notable contender on seasonal debut.

**Summary:** AL CUARTO (1) might produce a winning effort on his first start since a 16L fifth in the Listed Prix Francois de Poncins over 3600m at Auteuil in December. Top claims down in class. THATSMYSEAT (7) makes the shortlist. Finished 2L second in a 4000m cross-country race at Craon the previous month. GENTO DES OBEAUX (3) can deliver a better performance than when 26L eighth in a 3800m hurdle at Compiègne. GENTLEMAN DE REVE (2) may put a below par 44L seventh in a 4100m handicap chase at Craon behind him switching to hurdling.

<b>Selections</b>
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<b>AL CUARTO (1) - THATSMYSEAT (7) - GENTO DES OBEAUX (3) - GENTLEMAN DE REVE (2)</b>
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**Race 4 - PRIX DU CREDIT MUTUEL (PRIX DU RHIN) - 2000m CLM.** Purse EUR €12,000.

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1. **ZHIVAGO** - Down the field twelfth over 1900m at Deauville AW last month. Claims on victory over the same track and trip in a claimer prior.
2. **LEDNIKOV** - Held 8.75L fifth in a 2000m claimer at Compiègne in July. Blinkers tried for the first time.
3. **TERRITORIO** - Fair 11L fourth in a 1900m handicap at Argentan six weeks ago. Wears blinkers for the first time.
4. **LA CINTURA** - Good 1.75L third over 2000m at Baden-Baden (Germany) two weeks ago. Bold show expected.
5. **DIA DE MUERTOS** - Last two most recent starts including over 1100m at Le Croise-Laroche twelve days ago. Others make more appeal.
6. **TURFNACHT** - Unraced Amaron filly. Likely to improve for the experience.
7. **PLACE COLETTE** - Held 15L eighth in a 2100m maiden at Evreux at the start of the month. Blinkers worn for the first time.
8. **FEARLESS** - Below par 14L last of seven in a 2200m maiden at Lyon-Parilly eleven days ago. Capable of better.
9. **ZODIAC SIGN** - Failed to shine when 16L sixth over 2350m in a handicap here a week ago. Better expected on this occasion.
10. **ALWAYS VIV** - Down the field 24L twelfth over 1400m at Compiègne in June. Others make more appeal.
11. **WALDSHERIFF** - Fair 3.25L seventh over 3000m at Le Lion-d'Angers in July. Step forward needed.
12. **CIMAROSA** - Held 15L tenth over 2000m at Baden-Baden (Germany) earlier this month. Others make more appeal.
13. **SAINT MORITZ** - Held 17L sixth in a 1700m claimer at Montier-en-Der two weeks ago. Best watched.
14. **STORMY BABY** - Fair 3.75L eighth over 1600m at Clairefontaine 23 days ago. Strong claims.
15. **DORALICE** - Held 43L seventh in a 1600m maiden at Vittel on debut. Cheekpieces tried in this event.
16. **CARRE DE SOIE** - Neck second in a 2000m handicap at Nancy in July. Top chance.

**Summary:** CARRE DE SOIE (16) can go one better than when a neck second over 2000m at Nancy. LA CINTURA (4) finds a suitable opportunity having finished 1.75L third tackling 2000m at Baden-Baden (Germany). ZHIVAGO (1) enters calculations. Won a 1900m claimer at Deauville AW on his penultimate start. STORMY BABY (14) is another to consider back in a claimer after a 3.75L eighth in a 1600m handicap at Clairefontaine.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>CARRE DE SOIE (16) - LA CINTURA (4) - ZHIVAGO (1) - STORMY BABY (14)</b></p>
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**Race 5 - PRIX URBAN DUMEZ (PRIX DU DONON) - 2350m CLM CL4 HCP.** Purse EUR €12,000.

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1. **DAMAVAND** - Successful by 1L over 2400m in a Vichy claimer last month. Strong claims.
2. **RED DESIR** - Held 4.5L tenth over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly in June. More needed.
3. **NABUNGA** - Fair 9L fifth in a 2400m handicap at Saint-Cloud in June. Capable of better.
4. **MOUDIR** - Good 2.5L sixth in a handicap over 2250m at Longchamp earlier this month. Disappointed at Longchamp since but holds claims having shown a liking for this track in the past.
5. **AKYO** - Runner-up when beaten 2L over 2400m at Longchamp three days ago. Claims if replicating that effort.
6. **KING NONANTAIS** - Down the field 6.5L sixth in a 2500m claiming handicap at Le Croise-Laroche earlier this month. Others preferred.
7. **VISIONARY DREAMER** - Winner of his penultimate start but struggled when 6L seventh over 2500m at Evreux latest.
8. **LEGACY** - Held 10L ninth in an 1800m handicap at Baden-Baden (Germany) three weeks ago. Making his first start in France since March.
9. **INNIS** - Good 5L third in a 2100m handicap here last week. Notable contender.
10. **MARANO** - Good 2.25L sixth over 2500m in a claiming handicap at Deauville AW last month. Bold show expected.
11. **ANALEON** - Below par 15L eleventh over 2400m at Baden-Baden (Germany) earlier this month. Others hold more obvious claims.
12. **BLUE PEGASOS** - Failed to shine when 42L ninth over 2700m at Le Touquet at the end of July. Best watched.
13. **HALLO WIEN** - Below par 3.75L eighth over 2000m at Baden-Baden (Germany) earlier this month. More required.

**Summary:** DAMAVAND (1) won by 1L in a 2400m claimer at Vichy. Can complete a double. MARANO (10) may play a role in the finish following a 2.25L sixth over 2500m at Deauville AW. INNIS (9) is considered on the back of a 5L third tackling 2100m here. After a win and placed second from two previous starts at this track MOUDIR (4) is another to note. Fair 2.5L sixth in a 2250m at Longchamp on his penultimate start.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DAMAVAND (1) - MARANO (10) - INNIS (9) - MOUDIR (4)</b></p>
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**Race 6 - GRAND PRIX DE LA REGION GRAND EST - 12EME ETAPE DU DEFI DU GAL - 2100m OPEN.**  
Purse EUR €60,000.

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1. **MONTY** - Nose second in the G3 Prix Gontaut-Biron over 2000m at Deauville last month. Top chance.
2. **DATO** - Held 22L eighth in the 2000m G3 66. Preis der Dparkassen Finanzgruppe over 2000m at Baden-Baden (Germany) last month. Capable of better.
3. **AMEDRAS** - Victorious by 0.5L over 2000m at Vichy in July. Strong claims.
4. **ROAD TO ARC** - Fourth in a G2 contest over 2400m in Milan last October. Claims if sharp for his seasonal debut.
5. **CHARLESQUINT** - Held 5.25L sixth in the G3 Prix Quincey over 1600m at Deauville three weeks ago. Others preferred.
6. **MYKISS** - Head winner of a 2400m conditions race at Vichy last month. Blinkers tried for the first time.
7. **BLUE CUP** - Tailed off last of twenty in a valuable 2800m handicap at York (UK) last month. More needed.
8. **TOP MAX** - Fair 5.5L fifth in the G3 Grand Prix de Vichy over 2000m at Vichy in July. Bold show expected.
9. **PADRON** - Seventh both starts this spell including when beaten 9.75L in the G3 Fritz Henkel Stiftung-Rennen over 1600m at Dusseldorf (Germany) at the start of last month. One to note.
10. **LAUDERDALE** - Completed a hat-trick when winning a 1900m handicap at Deauville AW by 0.75L last month. Leading contender upped in grade.
11. **KOLOSSAL** - Held 7.5L sixth in the G2 T. Von Zastrow Stutenpreis over 2400m at Baden-Baden (Germany) earlier this month. Better expected in this event.

**Summary:** LAUDERDALE (10) can continue his good run of form following a 0.75L victory in a 1900m handicap at Deauville AW. MONTY (1) managed a nose second in the 2000m G3 Prix Gontaut-Biron at Deauville. Looks up to delivering another big effort. AMEDRAS (3) may play a role in the finish having won by 0.5L over 2000m at Vichy. TOP MAX (8) is another to consider after a 5.5L fifth to a subsequent G1 winner in the 2000m G3 Grand Prix de Vichy at Vichy.

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**Race 7 - PRIX FONDATION CLAUDE POMPIDOU (PRIX DE L'ILL) - 1400m HCP CL4.** Purse EUR €14,000.

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1. **JOYEUX MALPIC** - Held 3.75L ninth over 1500m at Deauville AW five weeks ago. More needed.
2. **NICE CAUSE** - Below par 6L sixth in a 1700m claiming handicap at Divonne two weeks ago. Improvement required.
3. **SILENCIOUS** - Good 1L third over 1200m at Argentan just under three weeks ago. Bold show expected.
4. **WAYNE** - Held 6.5L seventh in a 1400m handicap at Vichy five weeks ago. Minor role likely.
5. **ZEPHIR** - Good 0.75L second in a 1700m handicap at Montier-en-Der a week ago. Top chance.
6. **TOPINAMBUR** - Impressive 3L winner of a 1400m handicap at Vichy five weeks ago. Leading contender.
7. **ORPANAMA DAVIS** - Held 6.25L seventh over 1500m at Deauville AW three weeks ago. Improvement required.
8. **SILK THREAD** - Sixth when beaten 6L over 1700m at Montier-en-Der two weeks ago. Others make more appeal.
9. **BISSIN** - Good 2L fourth over 1600m at Vichy in July. Strong claims.
10. **CAPTAIN DAVID** - Midfield finish when 3.75L eighth over 1500m at Deauville AW five weeks ago. Improvement needed.
11. **WHITE ELUSIVE** - 32 race maiden finished a fair 6.25L fourth over 1700m at Divonne two weeks ago. Likely to find a few too good.
12. **CORAL SLIPPER** - Seventh of eight over 1700m at Divonne earlier this month. Best watched.
13. **FERKING AUTRECHENE** - Fair 6.5L fourth over 1400m here in May. Likely to improve for the race.

**Summary:** ZEPHIR (5) can go one better than when 0.75L second over 1700m at Montier-en-Der. TOPINAMBUR (6) may play a role in the finish following a 3L victory tackling 1400m at Vichy. SILENCIOUS (3) is considered having been beaten 1L third in a 1200m handicap at Vichy. BISSIN (9) is another to note on the back of a 2L fourth in a 1600m contest at Vichy.

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**Race 8 - PRIX DE LA COLLECTIVITE EUROPEENNE D'ALSACE - 1400m HCP CL3.** Purse EUR €18,000.

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1. **ANFRATI** - Eighth when beaten 1.5L over 1400m at Vichy last month. Capable of better.
2. **NOORDHOUT** - Down the field twelfth over 1200m at Deauville five weeks ago. Others preferred.
3. **METALLICA STAR** - Fair 3L seventh in a 1600m handicap at Lyon-Parilly eleven days ago. Step forward needed.
4. **HUR CAT** - Fifth when beaten 1.5L over 1100m at Le Croise-Laroche earlier this month. Stepping up in distance.
5. **EN DANSANT** - Good 3.5L third over 1400m at Vichy five weeks ago. Bold show expected.
6. **SAMURAJ** - Held 4L sixth in a 1200m handicap at Marseille-Borely just over two weeks ago. Claims on earlier form.
7. **BRIGANTINE** - Nose second in a 1200m claiming handicap at Evreux eighteen days ago. Top chance.
8. **PETERHOF** - Midfield finish when 6L seventh over 1400m at Longchamp a week ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
9. **MOASA** - Fair 2.75L sixth in an 1100m handicap at Le Croise-Laroche twelve days ago. Likely to find a few too good.
10. **AMERIKANANE** - Seventh when beaten 2L in a 1300m handicap at Deauville AW just under six weeks ago. Others preferred.
11. **MARK OF EXCELLENCE** - Below par 12L ninth over 1600m at Baden-Baden (Germany) two weeks ago. Supplemented for this race.
12. **SAXONE** - Supplemented for this event following a 5.25L tenth over 1500m at Deauville AW three weeks ago.
13. **GAETANO DONIZETTI** - Down the field 8.25L ninth over 1800m at Le Croise-Laroche earlier this month. Return to this distance is a positive.

**Summary:** BRIGANTINE (7) can go one better than when a nose second over 1200m at Evreux. EN DANSANT (5) may play a role in the finish having been beaten 3.5L third in a 1400m claiming handicap at Vichy. SAMURAJ (6) enters calculations on the back of a 4L sixth tackling 1200m at Marseille-Borely. GAETANO DONIZETTI (13) is considered having won five times attempting this distance in the past.

<b>Selections</b>
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<b>BRIGANTINE (7) - EN DANSANT (5) - SAMURAJ (6) - GAETANO DONIZETTI (13)</b>
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