

PAU [R-H] - 19 November

Race 1 - PRIX GUY DE WATRIGANT - 2000m PSA. Purse EUR €14,000.

- 1. **RYSK TOUT** 5.5L fourth in the 2000m G1 Arabian Trophy at Longchamp. Sets a clear form standard on that performance and looks hard to oppose back down in level.
- 2. **GHAFFAR DE BRUGERE** Disappointing in two runs last campaign and needs to resume in better form.
- 3. **FOWAIRET** Won on reappearance and then a good 1.3L second at Agen last time. Clearly resumed in great form and should give another bold showing.
- 4. **GASSAB** Placed on all three starts so far and looks overdue a victory. Was beaten just 1.75L last time. In the mix.
- 5. GIBOULEE DU JURA Not yet built upon winning reappearance. Must do so if she is to factor.
- 6. **NORISK AT ALL** 5L sixth at Agen was a promising debut effort. Drop in trip may bring about improvement. Interesting.
- 7. **RAJEES** Beaten just 1.75L into fifth on final start last campaign. Each way claims if progressing again.
- 8. **ASMA TOURETTES** Placed three runs ago but struggled twice since. Inconsistent filly that would have place claims at best.
- 9. **FLOR TOURETTES** Shaped well on two runs this season and now third up should be primed. Each way player.

Summary: RYSK TOUT (1) drops in grade from G1 company when 5.5L fourth in the 2000m G1 Arabian Trophy at Longchamp. Sets a clear form standard and will prove extremely hard to beat. FOWAIRET (3) won and placed from three starts this campaign. In excellent form so expect another bold showing. GASSAB (4) made the frame on all three starts so far. Certainly has the ability to win so keep safe. FLOR TOURETTES (9) shaped promisingly on recent attempts. Can improve third up and looks a threat to all.

Selections

RYSK TOUT (1) - FOWAIRET (3) - GASSAB (4) - FLOR TOURETTES (9)

- 1. MIA MI Sent off at large odds but has shown promise. Place claims now.
- 2. **FLORIPA** Progressed with each run so far. Good 3.5L second at Lyon-Parilly last time. Key player.
- 3. **PRINCESSE CHARLINE** 4.5L fifth here last month was a much better effort. Each way claims if progressing further from a good draw.
- 4. **MARITOT** Reverts to maiden company following a fair effort in a handicap latest. With a top yard and on best form looks capable. Shortlisted.
- 5. **LENALOV** With a good yard but struggled on debut and must improve sharply.
- 6. **BOUCHRA** 1.3L second at this journey three weeks ago. That form reads strongly and can do better. Keep safe.
- 7. **CORNYEU** Shaped well when 5L sixth at this track first up. Should only improve so each way backers are advised to look closely.
- 8. THAT FEELING Unfancied and well beaten on debut. Happy to oppose following that.
- 9. ANTIGUA Runs third up and should now be primed. Place is likely best however in this field.
- 10. STAR LUCE First time starter by Lucayan. Gets apprentice help on debut and likely best watched.
- 11. **ALMEDIA** Nicely bred filly by Zoffany. Yard can ready one for debut so she is a very interesting runner.

Summary: BOUCHRA (6) was beaten just 1.3L at this journey in latest. Sets the standard on that and looks the one to beat. FLORIPA (2) is progressing with each start so far. Placed last time and is easy to fancy. MARITOT (4) reverts back to a maiden having run creditably in a handicap. Big chance. CORNYEU (7) shaped well on debut and is expected to improve. Consider.

Selections

BOUCHRA (6) - FLORIPA (2) - MARITOT (4) - CORNYEU (7)

- 1. **AL JAROUD** Chantilly 2100m AW Class Three handicap winner in July prior to a break. Disappointing here on return three weeks ago.
- 2. **HEAVEN CITY** Nose winner of a course and distance claiming handicap in this grade three weeks ago. Leading contender.
- 3. LEVANT Fair 5.5L fourth in this company at a country track a month ago over 2400m. Interesting.
- 4. **GRAIN DE STAR** 3.25L fourth at Agen two outings back in a 2500m Class Four handicap reads well. Needs to be at best.
- 5. **MOANA** New trainer now following a good 1.25L third here three weeks ago in a 1600m handicap in this grade. In the mix.
- 6. **REPEL GHOSTS** Arrives in poor form including a 45L defeat a country track six weeks back. Others appeal more.
- 7. **GRANACCI** Solid nose second behind Heaven City in a course and distance handicap in this grade twenty days ago. Down 1kg and could reverse the form.
- 8. **CANADA** Supplemented after finishing last of ten at Toulouse four weeks ago. Fair Dax form earlier this year however.
- 9. **GOLDEN BRIDGE** Only beat one rival home here when 17L fifteenth in a 2400m handicap three weeks back. Needs progress.
- 10. **NEW BARELIERE** Pompadour winner prior to a 8.75L eighth at Pornichet AW over 2100m. Fair course profile. Needs to be at best.

Summary: GRANACCI (7) produced a solid nose second behind HEAVEN CITY (2) in a course and distance handicap tackling this grade. Down 1kg and could reverse the form to be leading contender while the latter makes for plenty of appeal and may still follow up. Main danger. MOANA (5) represents a new trainer following a good 1.25L third here attempting a 1600m handicap in this grade. Thereabouts. LEVANT (3) was a fair 5.5L fourth among this company at a country track over 2400m. Interesting.

Selections

GRANACCI (7) - **HEAVEN CITY** (2) - **MOANA** (5) - **LEVANT** (3)

- 1. **SANDSTORM** 14L seventh of eight on debut at La Teste in July in a 1400m newcomers race. Good breeding and runs for notable connections. Significant improvement expected.
- 2. **TYROLO** Fair 3.25L sixth at Bordeaux on debut three weeks ago tackling a 1900m newcomers event. Top trainer in great form. Include.
- 3. **SHALLOW** Showed promise on debut at Pornichet AW when 3.75L third in a 1700m maiden 44 days ago. Holds claims.
- 4. **ORDRE DU GENIE** 15L eleventh of twelve on first career attempt at Bordeaux 22 days back. Hard to make a case for.
- 5. **WOODY WOODPECKER** Fair debut fifth at Bordeaux prior to a good head second in a course and distance maiden three weeks ago. Progressive and shortlisted.
- 6. **KHELWATCH** Little promise on debut when 11L ninth behind Woody Woodpecker (second) here. Needs more.
- 7. **TEMPLE GATE** Poor effort on debut when 11L tenth behind Woody Woodpecker (second) here. Minor role likely.
- 8. **CAVIAR D'ORIENT** One of the most experienced in this line-up but only 8.75L sixth in a Toulouse 1600m claimer last month.
- 9. **DINGDONG BARELIERE** 28L defeat on first career outing three weeks ago at Bordeaux over 1900m. Similar result looks likely.
- 10. **LANDRY** Not disgraced at Bordeaux when 10L fifth in a 1900m maiden six weeks ago. Needs another step forward.
- 11. JAAFAR Unraced colt by Nathaniel. Market can guide.
- 12. **ZAYAN** Two-year-old gelding first-starter by Lucayan. May need this first outing.
- 13. **SUPER QUARTZ** Unraced gelding by Kendargent. Benefits from a claiming apprentice who is in good form. Interesting.
- 14. **EMPEROR MAXIMUS** Two-year-old colt first-starter by Holy Roman Emperor. Notable jockey booking.
- MAJORDOMO Unraced gelding by Daiwa Major and runs for notable connections. Consider.

Summary: WOODY WOODPECKER (5) ran a fair debut fifth at Bordeaux prior to a good head second in a course and distance maiden. Progressive and makes the shortlist. TYROLO (2) was not disgraced at Bordeaux on debut when 3.25L sixth tackling a 1900m newcomers event. Top trainer in great form. Include. SHALLOW (3) showed promise on first career outing at Pornichet AW when 3.75L third in a 1700m maiden. Holds claims. SANDSTORM (1) may improve significantly.

Selections

WOODY WOODPECKER (5) - TYROLO (2) - SHALLOW (3) - SANDSTORM (1)

- 1. **MAITIA** Only beat two home at Chantilly (AW) in a big field handicap over 1800m but was beaten 8.25L. Dropped 1.5kg and needs a bit more.
- 2. **VITOR** Well beaten here over 2000m after a break in a handicap. Dropped 1.5kg and could be fitter second up.
- 3. **BILWAUKEE** Tenth beaten 3.25L at Bordeaux in a handicap over 1900m. Needs a bit more despite the 1.5kg drop.
- 4. **SOLITARY MAN** Won by a long-neck at Deauville (AW) over 1900m. The second has since won and could defy the 2kg rise.
- 5. **ELUSIVE PLANT** Sixteenth beaten 14L at Bordeaux in a handicap over 1900m. Down 1.5kg but still needs to improve.
- 6. **KANTALUNA** Third over course and distance in a claimer beaten 0.5L. Back to a handicap but is in form.
- 7. **IS SUR TILLE** Made all to win here over 2400m by 1L in a handicap. Raised 2kg but interesting down in trip where he has a 66% place strike rate.
- 8. **ROYAL VATI** Resuming after a 82 day break. Was ninth beaten 6.75L in a handicap over 1500m at Deauville (AW) Needs more.
- 9. **KENZOKI** Well beaten at Toulouse in a handicap after a break. Dropped 1.5kg but is badly out of form.
- 10. **ACEMANAN** Seventh beaten 5.25L here tackling a 2400m handicap. Dropped a further 2kg and goes well over this shorter trip.
- 11. L'IMPROBABLE Second beaten beaten 1L at Toulouse in a handicap over 2400m. Interesting.
- 12. MARAPUAMA Second beaten 1L at this venue (AW) over 2400m in a handicap. More than capable.
- 13. LAGERTHA GIBRALTAR No form in last four outings and easily ruled out.
- 14. MANTRA Going up in trip for the first time after some disappointing efforts. Tough ask.
- 15. MADELEINE MOVES Tenth beaten 5.25L in a handicap over 1850m at Agen. Could place.
- 16. **AZORIN** Ninth here over 1600m in a claimer and unlikely to breaking his maiden on the sixteenth time of asking.

Summary: L'IMPROBABLE (11) ran second at Toulouse in a 2400m handicap. Drops in distance and is interesting. MARAPUAMA (12) finished second beaten 1L here tackling a handicap over 2400m just behind IS SUR TILLE (7) who is raised 2kg. Both are expected to go close once more. SOLITARY MAN (4) won by a long-neck at Deauville (AW) attempting 1900m. Finished ahead of a next time out winner and needs consideration.

Selections

L'IMPROBABLE (11) - MARAPUAMA (12) - IS SUR TILLE (7) - SOLITARY MAN (4)

- 1. **ASANDROS** Well beaten over course and distance in a claimer. Could improve second up.
- 2. VESPAMAN Struggling for form and hard to consider at present.
- 3. **CAFE SAIGON** Fifth beaten 5.75L over course and distance three weeks ago. Second up and could improve.
- 4. **BALGEES TIME** Found success by 3L at Biguglia in a Class Four in-front of a next time out winner. Interesting.
- 5. **BURN ONE DOWN** Seventh in a handicap beaten 5L over 2000m at Toulouse. The third has won since and first time blinkers. Down in grade.
- 6. **RIO DEL JACK** Second beaten 2.5L at Montauban in a claimer. The winner has won again. Could place.
- 7. **L'ARCHET** Fifth beaten 3.5L here over 2400m in a handicap. Down into a claimer and one to consider.
- 8. **MILK BAR** Second beaten 2.5L at Toulouse in a handicap over 1600m. Top claims down into a claimer.
- 9. **BODNAKOV** Third at Toulouse in a handicap over 2400m. Still a maiden but down in grade. Interesting.
- 10. MA NOSTALGIE Ninth at Bordeaux over 1900m in a handicap beaten 3L. Down in class.
- 11. **JOE BLINING** Fourth beaten 2.75L here over 2400m in a handicap. Down to a claimer and more than capable.
- 12. XARUN Tried to make all at Limoges in a Class Four two starts back. Struggled since in a handicap.
- 13. **PRINCE DU GOYEN** Third beaten 0.75L at Bordeaux in a handicap over 1900m. Down to a claimer and can go close.
- 14. **CLORINDA** Not in form and needs the drop in class to help.
- 15. **LE MARAIS** Midfield of late in handicaps and could place now in a claimer.
- 16. LE RAFALE Fifth beaten over 2.75L over 2400m here. Consistent and cannot be ruled out.

Summary: BURN ONE DOWN (5) ran seventh but only beaten 5L at Toulouse in a handicap over 2000m. First time blinkers worn and down in grade. Top chance. MILK BAR (8) finished 2.5L second at Toulouse in a 1600m handicap. Up in trip and down in level. Makes appeal. L'ARCHET (7) was 3.5L fifth tackling a 2400m handicap here. More than capable down in class. CAFE SAIGON (3) managed a 5.75L fifth over course and distance when racing first up after a break. Needs to be considered.

Selections

BURN ONE DOWN (5) - MILK BAR (8) - L'ARCHET (7) - CAFE SAIGON (3)

- 1. **SELENA STARLIGHT** Given a break since a disappointing run at Chantilly over 1800m. Steps up in distance but did win over 2125m at Wissembourg in June.
- 2. **PANTHERE** Racing well in two starts since a maiden win at Nantes including a second at Fontainebleau. One from one over this distance.
- 3. **AL IMPACT** Returned after a three month spell with a fifth at Tarbes. Proven stayer and can play a role with improvement likely.
- 4. **LAWBOY** Racing well in three starts since a maiden Dax win. Placed on both attempts over this distance and finished third tackling 2300m at Tarbes latest.
- 5. KAURI CLIFFS Fourth and third in maiden company since a spell. Tries handicaps for the first time.
- 6. **HOLYMPICA** Useful second at this venue over a shorter distance latest. Contender attempting a longer trip.
- 7. **MYTH STYLE** Disappointing in two starts since a 1.25L win at Dax over 2100m. Yet to feature at this venue.
- 8. **ROCK AND ROLL** Given a spell since a fourth at a country track. Needs to step up based on previous form.
- 9. **JANECHOPE** Struggled on reappearance after a six month spell and needs to step up.
- 10. **JERY SMAIH** Placed three times from last four outings including a 5L second at Agen. One from one over this distance.
- 11. **ALMERIAC** Improved effort when 3.75L third at this venue. Steps up to the trip for the first time.
- 12. COSY Struggled on reappearance after a three month spell in a maiden. More required.
- 13. WONDER ANGEL Struggling in recent starts and needs more.

Summary: PANTHERE (2) is one from one tackling this trip. Broke through for a maiden success at Nantes and raced well since including a second at Fontainebleau. Contender. JERY SMAIH (10) must be respected with three placings from past four runs. Managed a 5L second at Agen in latest and is another horse with an unbeaten record over the distance. HOLYMPICA (6) could be a place contender attempting longer after finishing runner-up at this track in a 2000m contest. LAWBOY (4) has been racing credibly since a Dax maiden success. Holds each way claims.

Selections

PANTHERE (2) - JERY SMAIH (10) - HOLYMPICA (6) - LAWBOY (4)

- 1. **EVERSTORM** Returns to conditions company after three non-placed starts in handicap company. More needed.
- 2. **BABY GROOM** First time cheekpieces applied. Returned after a five month spell with a fifth at Toulouse and would need to improve.
- 3. **CHANDLER'S SONG** Not beaten far when ninth on last two outings in handicaps. Last run in conditions company ended in a 1.25L second at Auch.
- 4. **ZASTER FOR ALL** Chasing a double after a maiden victory at Agen over 1850m. Steps up in distance for the first time.
- 5. **VERDINA** Some credible efforts in maiden company including a 1.75L fourth at Dax over 1400m. Not beaten far when 4.5L sixth tackling this track and trip.
- 6. **L'AMOUR CODE** Returned after a five month spell with a 3.5L fourth at Marseille Borely. Entitled to step forward for the run.
- 7. CLOVIS POINT Struggled in three starts in the UK. Could improve for a first outing for a new yard.
- 8. MEU LEIRO Disappointing in recent runs and improvement would be required.
- 9. **DIVINE SENSATION** Hard to recommend on recent starts.
- 10. MISS PARIS FLAG First race starter by National Flag. Watch market for best guide.
- 11. **VALTIERRA** Disappointing in two career starts and requires more.
- 12. **CAREL QUEEN** Resumes after a five month spell. Finished fifth on last two outings including in a Class Two conditions event over 2000m.
- 13. **FREE COPY** Hard to recommend on first two career outings. First time blinkers and tongue tie applied.

Summary: ZASTER FOR ALL (4) is aiming to go back-to-back after a maiden success at Agen over 1850m. Step up in distance is expected to suit. Contender. L'AMOUR CODE (6) resumed from a five month spell with a 3.5L fourth at Marseille Borely. Entitled to improve for race fitness and finds a winnable opportunity. CHANDLER'S SONG (3) revisits conditions company after two credible efforts in handicaps. Not beaten far when 3L ninth at Bordeaux while most recently in a conditions race was 1.25L second at Auch. VERDINA (5) holds each way claims following a sixth tackling this track and trip.

Selections

ZASTER FOR ALL (4) - L'AMOUR CODE (6) - CHANDLER'S SONG (3) - VERDINA (5)

- 1. **CITY GENT** Returned after a five month spell with a sixth at Marseille Vivaux in a Class Three claimer. Improvement required but has a solid record over this distance.
- 2. **TOY ROOM** Impressive 4L handicap success at Bordeaux over 1200m sandwiched between two poor efforts. Two wins from three attempts at this track.
- 3. **NOELLE** Finished midfield on last two outings and has placed three times from five attempts over this distance.
- 4. FUCHSIA Struggled in two outings since a 0.5L success at La Teste over 1100m. More needed.
- 5. **NUIT D'ALIENOR** Returned after a five month spell with a 2L success in a Class Three conditions event. Win and two placings from five runs at this track.
- 6. **UNTITLED** Hard to recommend on recent outings.
- 7. **ROSA PARKS** Hard to like based on recent handicap runs.
- 8. **FLYLEYF** Placed in three starts since a spell including 2L second at Mont-de-Marsan over 1200m. Could be competitive.
- 9. **STANTO** Struggled in two starts since a 0.5L success at Saint-Malo. 1kg drop in the weights may help to recapture best form.
- 10. KANNON Struggled on last three starts and needs more.
- 11. **BECQUAMIS** Two placings from last four outings including second at Deauville over 1300m. Given a two month spell since and first time blinkers applied.
- 12. **BEYOND MY DREAMS** Struggled on last few outings and needs more.
- 13. **CIRCLE OF HANDS** Useful 0.75L third in a claiming handicap at Dax prior to a disappointing run at this course.

Summary: TOY ROOM (2) has an excellent record at this track with two wins from three attempts. Followed up an impressive 4L handicap success at Bordeaux over 1200m with a below-par run. Contender. NUIT D'ALIENOR (5) returned after a five month spell with a comfortable 2L victory in a Class Three conditions contest. Strong record at the course. FLYLEYF (8) can be competitive. Three straight placings since a spell including a 2L second at Mont-de-Marsan. BECQUAMIS (11) could show further progression with first time blinkers applied.

Selections

TOY ROOM (2) - NUIT D'ALIENOR (5) - FLYLEYF (8) - BECQUAMIS (11)