

MACHECOUL - 20 February

Race 1

1. **GRAAL D'AUBOIS** - A victory and second from his three starts so far. The one to beat after a break.
2. **GUSTIN** - Five year old gelding by Maresca Sorrento. May prove best watched on debut.
3. **GAZELLE D'AUTHIE** - 1.5L victory at Morlaix on only start last campaign. Should be primed for this and finish close up.
4. **GAMBADE GIL** - Lost her way at the back end of last campaign but freshened now and no surprise were she to factor.
5. **GRANDE EVASION** - Placed twice in similar races last campaign. Each way claims following a break.
6. **HOLD ON BRION** - 23L eighth on debut at this venue a fortnight ago and would need to improve sharply.
7. **GABIE VIOLETTE** - First time starter by Konig Girl. Market will likely prove the best guide.
8. **HYWELL** - Inexpensive gelding that may need this run. Best watched unless market speaks otherwise.
9. **HANOVRE** - Yard not particularly associated with debut winners but no real surprise were this gelding to factor.
10. **HYSTRION** - Struggled on both starts so far. Looks up against it once more.
11. **HONNEUR DU CHOUAN** - Gelding by Kingsalsa that makes debut. Market check advised.
12. **HASKALA** - Nicely bred filly by Manduro. Worth market check on debut.
13. **HELINA BELLA** - Returned to form with a 5L third here two weeks ago. One to note up in journey.
14. **HERMIONE VANCOUVER** - Promise shown in short career so far. Can improve and is very much of interest.

Summary

GRAAL D'AUBOIS (1) looks a smart type having placed in strong event at Nantes. The one to beat eased in grade. GAZELLE D'AUTHIE (3) won only start last campaign. Impressive that day and cannot be ruled out. HELINA BELLA (13) stayed on well for a place here a fortnight ago. Up in trip now and a genuine threat to all. HERMIONE VANCOUVER (14) has shown promise in all her starts so far. Place claims with further progress plausible.

Selections

GRAAL D'AUBOIS (1) - GAZELLE D'AUTHIE (3) - HELINA BELLA (13) - HERMIONE VANCOUVER (14)

Race 2

1. **BOOM** - 3L third in similar contest on his second career start. Noted on reappearance.
2. **SRIFANELOGREEN** - 1.5L sixth at Lyon La Soie 2400m. That was a good run and placed on three of five starts for this rider. Each way player.
3. **HIGH STAR** - Took a big step forward from first to second start. Can do better and holds each way claims.
4. **RAINDANCE** - 2.25L fourth at Pornichet three weeks back in a stronger race. Winning claims eased in grade.
5. **ROSE POURPRE** - Best form when placed on second career start. Poor recently and happy to oppose.
6. **VOIE LACTEE** - Promising debut effort but not progressed from that. Needs more.
7. **JOLIE FRANCAISE** - Found the places for the first time when a neck third at Pornichet a month ago. Rates highly.
8. **HANA DELA BARRIERE** - Has form in much stronger contests and may be capable of a first career win. Leading player.
9. **HERMINE MAG** - 9L fourth at Pornichet end of December. Can progress further and holds place claims.
10. **WORLD CITYZEN** - First time starter by Dragon Dancer. Yard not associated with debut winners but hard to entirely rule out.
11. **TIDY ZUMS** - Debutant by Tigron. Market will prove best guide.
12. **LULU DE NOEL** - Filly by Honolulu. Gets handy apprentice weight claim on debut and is worth a market check.
13. **PRINCESSE DU ROUME** - Unraced filly by Manduro. Included for this yard.
14. **HERMINA BELLA** - Looks limited based on two runs so far. Happy to oppose.

Summary

HANA DELA BARRIERE (8) resumes in a weaker grade. Expected to be primed for this and if near best form may prove hard to beat. JOLIE FRANCAISE (7) looks close to a victory having been beaten a neck third at Pornichet. Keep safe. RAINDANCE (4) just missed the placings at Pornichet but is clearly in good form. Threat to all. SRIFANELOGREEN (2) has placed on three of seven career starts. Each way player.

Selections

HANA DELA BARRIERE (8) - JOLIE FRANCAISE (7) - RAINDANCE (4) - SRIFANELOGREEN (2)

Race 3

1. **QUEEN D'ANGE** - Unfancied and well beaten on debut three weeks ago. Others preferred.
2. **OUT OF THE CLOUDS** - Well beaten on reappearance at Pau AW. Should improve but hard to imagine that will be enough.
3. **LYSON DES AIGLES** - Placed on debut but failed to build on that in three subsequent starts. Market check following a break.
4. **GEORGINAS KITTEN** - Promising reappearance when just missing the placings but regressed from that level second up. Needs to bounce back.
5. **LAST CHANCE** - Modest form figures all starts so far. Needs more.
6. **FULL FLOW** - 0.8L second over 2000m on debut at Durtal. Big chance with further progress expected.
7. **DARAYA EMERY** - 10L seventh on debut here over 1600m a fortnight ago. Should improve but will need too.
8. **MUNAADRAM** - Progressing steadily. Fair 5L fifth in a Pornichet 2100m event three weeks back. Each way chance.
9. **KHOVANCINA** - Struggled first up but likely better than that. Considered for a good yard.
10. **CONTESSA SENORA** - Nicely bred filly by Anodin. Respected on debut.
11. **JOY BAY** - Filly by Joshua Tree. Drawn well and can play a part first up.
12. **MEISHO MIRALDA** - Filly by Intello. Wide stall not ideal and may prove best watched on debut.
13. **CHELSEA DU NINIAN** - First time starter by Stormy Ocean. Market check advised from good draw.
14. **JUMANJI BILBERRY** - Makes debut at suitable looking trip. Yard not associated with debut winners but is worth a market check.

Summary

FULL FLOW (6) made an extremely promising start to her career when a close second on debut. The one to beat with further progress likely. CONTESSA SENORA (10) makes her debut in a winnable race and is worth holding safe. MUNAADRAM (8) is progressing steadily. Each way claims. LYSON DES AIGLES (3) placed first up last campaign but failed to progress. May be best fresh however and not discounted.

Selections

FULL FLOW (6) - CONTESSA SENORA (10) - MUNAADRAM (8) - LYSON DES AIGLES (3)

Race 4

1. **SAINT RIQUIER** - Not unfancied for debut but struggled. Clearly felt capable of better so expect improvement now.
2. **IRUS DES SOURCES** - 3.5L sixth at a country track 208 days ago. Place claims if fit.
3. **DREAM IMPACT** - 1.3L fourth on debut but did not progress as expected second up. Consider following a break.
4. **HAYA CHRISTY** - Unfancied and well beaten on recent debut. Happy to oppose.
5. **INFINI BERE** - Modest form on debut at Angers and would need to improve sharply.
6. **HUDSON PARK** - Just missed the placings on last two starts and not discounted.
7. **REDJEU** - Unraced gelding by Intello. Market check.
8. **SPEEDPOLO** - Already gelded son of Spider Flight. May prove best watched on first career start.
9. **ICENAME MOME** - Wide stall not ideal for this first time starter. Bred to excel at this trip however so holds place claims.
10. **ZHAOZHOU** - Unraced gelding by Morandi. Best watched unless seeing significant market support.
11. **MONAGANE BOY** - Drawn well for debut. Good jockey booked and can factor.
12. **ROCKY MAN** - Doctor Dino colt that makes first start for a good yard. Respected.
13. **TAKANOBU** - Inexpensive purchase but there is winners amongst his pedigree. Market check advised.
14. **VERTISMANN** - Gelding by Vertigineux who requires a market check on debut.

Summary

ROCKY MAN (12) represents a good yard and makes his debut in winnable looking race. Respected. DREAM IMPACT (3) showed promise on first career outing and is considered after a break. Keep safe. HUDSON PARK (6) has finished just outside of the placings on his last two starts. Can put experience to good effect and looks a genuine threat to all. IRUS DES SOURCES (2) was beaten 3.5L at a country track 208 days ago. Place claims if fit.

Selections

ROCKY MAN (12) - DREAM IMPACT (3) - HUDSON PARK (6) - IRUS DES SOURCES (2)

Race 5

1. **MAX LA FRIPOUILLE** - Promising 2.5L fourth on reappearance at this track a fortnight ago over 2950m. Consider down in journey.
2. **SPIRIT OF DANCE** - Generally a consistent performer and has a particularly good record at this distance. Each way chance.
3. **MILORD DE BAREL** - Won four of his last six starts including a 8L victory over this track and trip in November. Key contender.
4. **BACCHUS DES AIGLES** - Running consistently well of late. Each way claims.
5. **FLANQUEUR DE BRENU** - Has won both starts when fresh so far. Unexposed and the one to beat.
6. **AHMED PRIDE** - Has poor winning record but holds outside place claims on reappearance.
7. **BALLDY D'AZE** - 2L victory here two weeks ago was a big return to form. Drop in trip no concern. Respected.
8. **NATHANIELLA** - Winless after fourteen starts but has already placed five times. Each way claims.
9. **MACWAY** - 3.5L sixth at Chantilly AW 2700m on only start last campaign. Threat to all returning from a break.
10. **ESTONIA SPORT** - Did not finish on only run last campaign and absent for ten months since. Market will prove best guide.
11. **LA WOOD** - Modest form both starts so far. Happy to oppose.
12. **TEQUILA BOOM BOOM** - Well held recently and easily opposed.
13. **PRINCESS CHASCA** - String of poor efforts. Others preferred.
14. **LADIE CLARA FIDJIS** - Modest efforts on both starts so far and looks up against it.

Summary

FLANQUEUR DE BRENU (5) goes notably well fresh. Remains unexposed and sets the form standard. The one to beat. MAX LA FRIPOUILLE (1) just missed the placings on reappearance. Better had been expected that day and can improve again. Keep safe. MACWAY (9) has some strong form in the book. Each way claims after a break. MILORD DE BAREL (3) has improved rapidly of late and won four of last six starts. Threat to all at this level.

Selections

FLANQUEUR DE BRENU (5) - MAX LA FRIPOUILLE (1) - MACWAY (9) - MILORD DE BAREL (3)