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R3 LYON-PARILLY [LYON-PARILLY]

**C1 - PRIX DU PUY DE DOME - 4100m (a2m1/2) - TURF - Class 3 Race -
Steeple Chase - EUR € 26,000**

- 1. HERMITAGE** - 3rd two runs ago at Pau over 3800m in a handicap hurdle on January 2nd , can be involved as he jumps well over fences
- 2. AYRTON BANKS** - 3rd two starts ago over fences at Fontainebleau in a Class 3 handicap over 4400m on March 12th. Outside place chance
- 3. GIPSY DE CHOISEL** - 2nd on the last two runs over fences, the latter in a Class 4 race over 4200m on January 1st. Bold show likely
- 4. IMPOSANTE D'AINAY** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that in a Listed hurdle at Pau on February 4th over 4100m. Has won at this track over fences before but needs to jump better than of late
- 5. GARKAPSTAR** - 3rd last time over 3900m in a Class 3 hurdle on March 23rd, Listed chase winner in 2022. Player
- 6. PARA** - Won two runs back over 3600m in a Class 4 chase at Fontainebleau on November 20th. Ought to play a lead role
- 7. GILOU JAGUEN** - 3rd two runs ago over hurdles at Pau over 3800m on January 22nd in a handicap. Chase debut and best watched
- 8. KOLKOVA** - Good form of late, with a most recent win at Auteuil over 3600m on April 8th in a handicap hurdle. Sets the standard on chase debut

Summary: KOLKOVA (8) has been in top form of late with a recent success over hurdles at Auteuil on April 8th in a handicap. She looks the type to do well over fences and is expected to score from GIPSY DE CHOISEL (3) who has been second on his last two runs and will make his rivals work hard for success. PARA (6) is the one for the each-way backers to take seriously. GARKAPSTAR (5) might not be running to his best form but if he recaptures that, he can not be overlooked.

SELECTIONS

KOLKOVA (8) - GIPSY DE CHOISEL (3) - PARA (6) - GARKAPSTAR (5)

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C2 - PRIX DU BOIS NOIR - 3400m (a2m1/8) - TURF - Newcomers Race - Hurdles - EUR € 26,000

- 1. TWICKENHAM PARK** - Unraced gelding by Sageburg, bred for this with his dam being a winner over hurdles. Any betting support can be informative
- 2. SAUVIGNON** - Newcomer by Inns Of Court, will be well-tuned for a bold show on his debut. The market can guide
- 3. SHALEZ** - 5th last time on the flat over 1400m at Madrid(ESP) on September 16th. Tries hurdles and others are preferred
- 4. EL GAVILAN** - Newcomer by Guignol, the dam was unraced. From a good stable and warrants respect on debut. Watch the betting for clues
- 5. BAAL HOWARD** - 4th last time on the flat at Argentan over 2500m on April 11th in a handicap. Others make more appeal
- 6. BON PRINCE** - Unraced by Palace Prince, might improve for this run and is one to keep a close eye on in the betting market
- 7. LADY LADY LAY** - Newcomer by Bande, the dam won over hurdles. Nice profile and ought to have a say in proceedings. Monitor the betting trends
- 8. ZALA** - Unraced filly by Born To Sea, good stable and warrants respect. Monitor the betting for any support

Summary: SAUVIGNON (2) has a choice pedigree and will be well-tuned for this debut outing. He can edge this from the nicely bred filly LADY LADY LAY (7) whose dam won over hurdles and she can be involved at the business end. TWICKENHAM PARK (1) is bred for this discipline and his dam won over hurdles. He should be watched in the betting market, as should another of the newcomers EL GAVILAN (4) who could head the remainder.

SELECTIONS

SAUVIGNON (2) - LADY LADY LAY (7) - TWICKENHAM PARK (1) - EL GAVILAN (4)

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C3 - PRIX DU MONT PILAT - 3800m (a2m1/2) - TURF - Handicap - Hurdles - EUR € 29,000

- 1. TWOMAY** - 2nd last time in a Class 1 chase over 3800m on December 25th. Can make the frame at nice odds
- 2. ILE D'OUessant** - Unplaced last time, won before that at Saint-Brieuc in a Class 3 handicap hurdle over 3800m on March 10th. Merits consideration
- 3. JUST A KISS SIVOLA** - Won a claiming hurdle last time at Nimes over 3900m on March 24th. Has work to do in a better race
- 4. APRES BRIDGET** - Unplaced on the last two runs, 3rd before that in a Class 3 hurdle over 3400m on December 8th. One to pay attention too
- 5. OBIDOS** - Fair 4th over 3800m in a Class 3 hurdle at this track on March 17th. Ought to be in the shake-up
- 6. THEQUIETMAN** - 3rd two runs ago over 4700m in a Class 1 chase at Pau on February 18th. Can score on the switch back to hurdles
- 7. JEANNE DE GUYE** - Won last time at this track on November 19th over 4100m over fences. Has won over hurdles and will be fit after a break
- 8. JOLICOEUR** - 4th two runs ago over 3600m at Compiègne in a Class 2 handicap hurdle on March 5th. In the mix
- 9. SAINT CECILIA** - 3rd three runs ago over 3800m at Angers in a Class 4 hurdle on November 26th. Has failed to finish on the last two runs and is best watched for now
- 10. PERMAFROST** - 4th last time over 4200m in a Class 1 handicap chase at Toulouse on April 8th. Others seem more likely

Summary: THEQUIETMAN (6) was a good third two starts ago in a competitive Class 1 chase at Pau in February and can score on the switch back over hurdles. His main threat looks likely to be OBIDOS (5) who ran well at this track in mid-March when finishing fourth in a Class 3 event. APRES BRIDGET (4) is in the mix and ought to have a hand in the finish. JEANNE DE GUYE (7) makes up the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

THEQUIETMAN (6) - OBIDOS (5) - APRES BRIDGET (4) - JEANNE DE GUYE (7)

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C4 - PRIX HENRI AUDRAS - 3800m (a2m1/2) - TURF - Class 3 Race - Hurdles - EUR € 26,000

- 1. SHAZAM** - Nice 3rd last time at Strasbourg over 3300m in a Class 2 hurdle race on March 22nd. In the mix
- 2. KALEOTIC** - 5th last time, 2nd before that in a Class 4 hurdle race on December 18th over 3300m. Can not be discounted
- 3. ZVIKOV** - Nice 2nd over 3550m in a Class 4 hurdle last time on March 29th. A winner on the flat and has strong claims
- 4. PARAY** - 3rd two runs ago over 2000m at Angers in a maiden on the flat on November 20th. Hurdle race debut and needs considering
- 5. KODIAC LAGRANGE** - Unplaced on one run on the flat at Argentan on August 28th over 2500m. Best watched on hurdle race debut
- 6. GAME ON** - Unplaced last time over hurdles at Fontainebleau on March 29th in a Class 4 race. Looks of limited ability
- 7. LE SONNEUR** - 5th last time at Compiegne in a claiming hurdle on March 25th over 3400m. Makes limited appeal
- 8. KISSMAN** - Unplaced on both starts over hurdles, the latter at Compiegne over 3400m in a Class 2 race on November 10th. Hard to fancy
- 9. KASADEPAPEL** - Unplaced on both runs so far, the latter over hurdles at Senonnes on March 23rd over 3600m. Looks vulnerable
- 10. SIR LOUIS** - Won at Craon on the flat three runs ago over 2400m in a maiden race on December 3rd. Will be well schooled for this debut over hurdles
- 11. BULIE** - Showed ability on the sole run over hurdles at this track on March 17th over 3400m. Place chance

Summary: ZVIKOV (3) has leading claims to score on his second run over hurdles after a good second last time in late March at Fontainebleau. He won twice on the flat and may have the most to fear from SIR LOUIS (10) who is a flat winner himself and has joined a top stable to pursue a career over jumps. He will be well-drilled for this outing. BULIE (11) showed talent on the sole run over hurdles and should not be ruled out. SHAZAM (1) heads the remainder.

SELECTIONS

ZVIKOV (3) - SIR LOUIS (10) - BULIE (11) - SHAZAM (1)

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**C5 - PRIX DU PRINTEMPS - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Flat -
EUR € 22,000**

- 1. TOP OF MIND** - Has been in top form with three wins in a row, the latter over 2400m at this track on March 17th in a Class 2 race. Can win again
- 2. DEVIL IN THE SKY** - Has two unplaced runs of late in Listed and a Group 3 race, 4th before that in a Group 3 race at Chantilly over 2400m in mid-June. Player
- 3. LAUGHINGOF FEAR** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 3000m at Goteborg(SWE) on September 30th. Makes no appeal
- 4. MR DE POURCEAUGNAC** - Fair 4th in a Class 2 race at this track over 2400m on March 17th last time. Warrants respect and can not be ruled out
- 5. CHECKPOINT** - 5th last time at Zurich (CHE) over 2475m on September 24th. Looks hard to recommend
- 6. KANESHYA** - Won last time at Fontainebleau in a Class 3 race on April 2nd over 2200m. Will find this difficult
- 7. MONT DE SOLEIL** - Won his sole run to date over 2400m at Chantilly on April 5th, 2023. Can improve and play a lead role after an absence
- 8. KARRIEWHITCHIT** - 3rd over 2400m at this track in a Class 2 race on March 17th when last seen. Might find a few of these too smart
- 9. ATLANTICA** - Three unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that in a Listed race at Dusseldorf (DEU) over 2100m on June 16th. Capable of making the frame

Summary: After racking up a hat-trick of wins it is hard to see past TOP OF MIND (1). She won nicely at this track in mid-March when she last appeared. DEVIL IN THE SKY (2) is a threat having been highly tried of late. He was fourth in a Group 3 race at Chantilly last summer and can have a say in proceedings. MONT DE SOLEIL (7) lacks experience and a recent run but did plenty right when scoring on debut and can not be discounted. ATLANTICA (9) is also worth a mention.

SELECTIONS

TOP OF MIND (1) - DEVIL IN THE SKY (2) - MONT DE SOLEIL (7) - ATLANTICA (9)

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C6 - PRIX DE BELLERIVE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 3 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- 1. SHIELDING** - Two unplaced runs of late, won before that over 1400m in a Class 3 handicap on June 29th. Not seen since November and might need this outing
- 2. ASHIKTASH** - Unplaced last time, 3rd before that in a Class 4 race on February 12th over 1600m. One to keep safe
- 3. BELAFONTE** - Four unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that at Marseille Borely over 1800m in a Class 1 race on November 12th. In the mix
- 4. EL MEASTRO** - Unplaced last time, 3rd before that in a Class 3 race on February 19th over 1500m. Has decent placed form at this track and can be the one to beat
- 5. JOH SPIRIT** - 4th last time at Salon Provence in a Class 3 handicap on April 3rd. Course winner over 1600m in November 2023. Outside place chance
- 6. AGRI** - Fair 4th in a Class 3 race over 1500m on February 19th and has won at this track over 1600m previously. Can not be discounted
- 7. NEW LIGHT** - Won the last two runs, the latter at Nancy over 1400m on September 17th in a handicap. Ought to be thereabouts after a 7 month absence
- 8. ETERNEL** - 5th two runs ago in a Class 3 handicap over 1500m on February 26th. Makes limited appeal

Summary: EL MEASTRO (4) could be the best option in this race. He was a decent third two starts ago at Cagnes-Sur-Mer in February over 1500m and has good course form at this track. BELAFONTE (3) is capable of making an impact despite four tame efforts of late. ASHIKTASH (2) is one for the each-way backers to take seriously in this eight-runner event. AGRI (6) is a winner at this track and warrants respect.

SELECTIONS

EL MEASTRO (4) - BELAFONTE (3) - ASHIKTASH (2) - AGRI (6)

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**C7 - PRIX CARRUS - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR €
21,000**

- 1. ZRYAN** - Nice 2nd at Saint-Cloud over 1600m on March 12th in a maiden race and 2nd before that at Craon in September. Live chance
- 2. MEKHXIMAA** - Promise when 5th at Chantilly on the sole run so far over 1900m on March 18th in a maiden race. Consider
- 3. DESERT RHAPSODY** - Unplaced on four runs so far, the latter over 1600m at this track on March 17th. Hard to fancy
- 4. CALADBOLG** - Did well when 2nd at Chantilly over 1600m on March 28th in a maiden on the sole start. Can make progress and be on the premises
- 5. GLANCE OF STARS** - Unplaced on the only run over 2000m at Saint-Cloud on March 21st. Needs vast improvement to feature
- 6. HER CHRISTOPHER** - Two unplaced runs so far, the latter over 1950m at Le Mans on March 11th. Looks unlikely
- 7. OURO PRETO** - Unplaced on the last two runs, 2nd before that at Chantilly over 1800m on September 13th. Can feature
- 8. MONTEBELYO** - 3rd at Chantilly on the only run on March 28th in a maiden over 1600m. Should improve and has outside place claims
- 9. GRETZKY** - Nice 3rd at Chantilly over 1900m on March 18th on his second start. Looks the likely winner

Summary: GRETZKY (9) has run well on both his runs so far and was a pleasing third at Chantilly over 1900m in mid-March last time. He is the selection ahead of OURO PRETO (7) who has been a bit below par in the last two runs but was a promising second at Chantilly last September and can get back on track in this. ZRYAN (1) has been second on the last two runs and needs to be respected. MEKHXIMAA (2) can also be involved and can only improve from his latest run.

SELECTIONS

GRETZKY (9) - OURO PRETO (7) - ZRYAN (1) - MEKHXIMAA (2)

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**C8 - PRIX DESIR DE MAI - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR
€ 21,000**

- 1. CANTATRICE** - 5th last time at Deauville on January 12th over 1300m in a maiden race. Hard to recommend
- 2. XTRAVAGANZA** - 9th on the sole run at Chantilly over 1600m on March 28th in a maiden race. Looks vulnerable
- 3. BALTIC EMPRESS** - Promise when 6th on the sole run to date over 1900m at Deauville on December 3rd in a maiden. Can be involved
- 4. SAMOTHRAKI** - Fair 4th at Toulouse over 1600m on March 20th on the only run. Can be fitter for that run and has place claims
- 5. NURTURE** - Fair 4th at Chantilly on debut on March 28th over 1600m. Among the leading place chances
- 6. A L'HEURE** - Unplaced on the only run so far over 1600m at Deauville on October 18th. Might find this tough
- 7. DIVIDE AND RULE** - 4th at this track last time on March 17th over 1600m. Looks progressive and ought to be thereabouts
- 8. BEST OFFER** - Good 4th on debut at Saint-Cloud on March 7th over 1600m. Can only improve and looks a leading player
- 9. YAKAMOUN** - Credible 3rd at this track over 1600m on March 17th on the only run so far. Will be more streetwise this time and can feature
- 10. DAKOTA GIRL** - 3rd over 1400m at Munich-Riem (DEU) on the only run on August 12th. Others rate higher

Summary: Some promising types line up in this maiden event. BEST OFFER (8) caught the eye when fourth at Saint-Cloud in early March and will know more this time after that pleasing run. She can score from DIVIDE AND RULE (7) who ran well at this track last time and could give the selection the most to do. YAKAMOUN (9) is also one that can step forward from a pleasing debut at this track when third. She will be more focused today. BALTIC EMPRESS (3) heads the rest.

SELECTIONS

BEST OFFER (8) - DIVIDE AND RULE (7) - YAKAMOUN (9) - BALTIC EMPRESS (3)

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C9 - PRIX JEAN MALLEN - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- 1. PARRHESIA** - Unplaced on the last two runs, 4th before that over 1600m at Chantilly on January 24th in a Class 2 race. Outside place chance
- 2. TEAM BUILDING** - Three unplaced runs of late, won before that over 1300m at Deauville on December 20th. Needs to get back on track
- 3. PRINCESSE COLUMBIA** - Unplaced last time, won before that at Lyon La Soie over 1800m on January 11th. Ought to be thereabouts
- 4. STAR FROM THE EAST** - Unplaced on the last two runs, 3rd before that over 1300m at Deauville on January 6th in a handicap. Looks vulnerable
- 5. THOR LIGHTNING** - Won at Lyon La Soie last time over 1800m on March 24th in a handicap. Place contender
- 6. INTUITION** - Nice 4th last time at Pornichet over 1700m on March 27th in a maiden race. Can score on handicap debut
- 7. TECUMSEH** - Has shown ability in three runs so far, 7th at Chantilly last time in a maiden race on March 18th over 1900m. In the mix
- 8. FALBALA** - 4th last time at Chantilly in a maiden over 1600m on March 5th. Looks capable of having a presence
- 9. SOKNA** - Won a handicap at Fontainebleau over 1800m on March 15th when last seen. More required with the rise in the handicap

Summary: INTUITION (6) could be well handicapped after three runs in maiden events. She is given the vote ahead of TECUMSEH (7) who has also shown talent in three runs so far himself and ought to be involved at the business end. FALBALA (8) is also lightly raced and can not be ruled out of the top three. PRINCESSE COLUMBIA (3) is already a winner and can not be ruled out of having a say in the finish.

SELECTIONS

INTUITION (6) - TECUMSEH (7) - FALBALA (8) - PRINCESSE COLUMBIA (3)