

VICHY - 21 May

Race 1

1. **LESSLEPASSER** - Debut winner finished 4.75L fourth over 1000m at Longchamp (good-to-soft) nineteen days ago. One to note.
2. **BLU METAL JACKET** - Unraced Le Vie Infinite colt. Others preferred on debut.
3. **SMART AND FAST** - Successful by a head from a subsequent winner in a 1000m maiden at Chantilly (good-to-soft) a month ago. Notable runner.
4. **GLENALL** - Head second in an 1100m maiden at Chantilly (soft) two weeks ago. Claims of going one place better.
5. **CIRCEICHOPE** - Placed third on three of her four previous starts including beaten 2.5L in a 1000m maiden at La Teste (soft) eight days ago. One to note.
6. **LET'S PARTY GIRL** - Held 8.75L sixth in a 1000m conditions race at Longchamp (good-to-soft) nineteen days ago. Capable of better.
7. **DIABLOTINE** - Successful by 5L in a 1000m newcomers race at Chantilly (soft) start of last month. Form of that contest is working out well. Leading contender.
8. **MA NOIRE** - Good 1.75L second in a 1000m conditions race at Longchamp (good-to-soft) earlier this month. Top chance.

Summary

DIABLOTINE (7) made all to win by 5L in a 1000m newcomers race at Chantilly (soft). Could complete a double upped in grade. MA NOIRE (8) is shortlisted following a 1.75L second over 1000m at Longchamp (good-to-soft). Can go close. SMART AND FAST (3) won by a head tackling a 1000m maiden at Chantilly (good-to-soft) and may follow up. LESSLEPASSER (1) is another to consider having finished 4.75L fourth attempting 1000m at Longchamp (good-to-soft). Each way chance.

Selections

DIABLOTINE (7) - MA NOIRE (8) - SMART AND FAST (3) - LESSLEPASSER (1)

Race 2

1. **BIG FREEZE** - Held 6L sixth over 1300m at Longchamp (good-to-soft) two weeks ago. Strong claims dropping in trip.
2. **DAMON CHOP** - Runner-up beaten 0.5L in a 1200m handicap at Chantilly (good-to-soft) a month ago. One to note.
3. **HALLOWED TIME** - Good 3L fourth in a handicap over 1400m at Bordeaux (good) just under two weeks ago. Bold show expected.
4. **PASSALITO** - Career best effort when 7.75L third in a 1200m maiden at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) last month. Further improvement required.
5. **GREEN GLORY** - Fifth beaten 3L in a 1400m maiden at Compiègne (good-to-soft) four weeks ago. Holds claims.
6. **CROSS BENCH** - 7.25L ninth over 1200m at Chantilly (good-to-soft) on handicap debut a month ago. Top chance down in trip.
7. **NESTAN** - Good 3L second in a 1600m claimer at Chatillon (good) just under four weeks ago. This looks a tougher affair.
8. **GOLENA** - Faded 33L 13th in a soft ground 1400m maiden at Le Mans eleven days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
9. **SMITTEN** - Held 8.25L eighth in a 1400m maiden at Moulins (soft) start of last month. Likely capable of better.
10. **NEMBA** - Seventh both previous starts including beaten 6.75L over 1200m at Chantilly (good) early last month. Minor role likely.
11. **MONSIEUR BEAULIEU** - Unraced Equiano colt. Others preferred on racecourse debut.

Summary

CROSS BENCH (6) can deliver a victory over this shorter trip having finished 7.25L ninth tackling 1200m at Chantilly (good-to-soft) on handicap debut. HALLOWED TIME (3) could be included following a 3L fourth in a 1400m handicap at Bordeaux (good). BIG FREEZE (1) is down in trip and demonstrated good form prior to a 6L sixth over 1300m at Longchamp (good-to-soft). DAMON CHOP (2) enters calculations having been beaten 0.5L second attempting 1200m at Chantilly (good-to-soft).

Selections

CROSS BENCH (6) - HALLOWED TIME (3) - BIG FREEZE (1) - DAMON CHOP (2)

Race 3

1. **ESOPE** - 13L eighth in the G3 Prix Djebel over 1400m at Deauville (good) just over six weeks ago. Dropping in grade.
2. **AREEN** - Neck second having tried to make all in a 2000m conditions race at Deauville (good) last month. Bold show expected.
3. **TRUST ON HIM** - Good 1L third in a conditions event over 2000m at Marseille-Borely (good-to-soft) last month. Notable contender.
4. **CENTRICAL** - Nose winner of a 2100m newcomers race on soft going at Cholet a month ago. Strong claims.

Summary

AREEN (2) has the ability to go one place better than a neck second beaten by a subsequent winner in a 2000m conditions race at Deauville (good). CENTRICAL (4) is shortlisted having delivered a nose victory in a 2100m Cholet (soft) newcomers race. TRUST ON HIM (3) holds claims having finished 1L third over 2000m at Marseille-Borely (good-to-soft). ESOPE (1) may record a victory down in grade having been beaten 13L eighth in the 1400m G3 Prix Djebel at Deauville (good).

Selections

AREEN (2) - CENTRICAL (4) - TRUST ON HIM (3) - ESOPE (1)

Race 4

1. **NEPALAIS** - Good 2.25L third in an 1800m maiden at Compiègne (good-to-soft) four weeks ago. Notable contender.
2. **KING MOTIF** - Placed on all three previous starts including when 3L third over 2100m at Toulouse (good) last month. Strong claims.
3. **SARIYANA** - Held 6.5L seventh over 1600m in a newcomers race at Saint-Cloud (good) in September. Improvement likely.
4. **LA PARENCE** - Absent since finishing 5L sixth over 1900m in a maiden at Deauville AW at the end of November. Of note on seasonal debut.
5. **WINDY WELLY** - Improved effort 4L fifth in a 2400m maiden at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) just over three weeks ago. Further progress required.
6. **INVETERATE** - 5.5L second in a 2200m maiden at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) last month. Top chance.
7. **BALMORAL** - Unraced Penny's Picnic gelding. Likely to improve for the experience.
8. **FRENCH ROSE** - Unraced Siyouni filly. Bold show expected for top connections on debut.

Summary

INVETERATE (6) can play a hand in the finish having been beaten 5.5L second in a 2200m maiden at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft). FRENCH ROSE (8) is an unraced Siyouni filly and looks up to delivering a big effort on debut for leading connections. Watch market. KING MOTIF (2) has placed on all three previous starts and is shortlisted having finished 3L third in a 2100m maiden at Toulouse. NEPALAIS (1) is another to note having produced a 2.25L third over 1800m at Compiègne.

Selections

INVETERATE (6) - FRENCH ROSE (8) - KING MOTIF (2) - NEPALAIS (1)

Race 5

1. **SHALLALI** - Held 6.75L sixth in a 1600m maiden at Nantes (good-to-soft) last month. Claims on form he showed at two.
2. **HEDWIG** - Fair 2.75L fifth over 1500m in a Cagnes-sur-Mer (soft) maiden in February. One to note.
3. **FOOTIX** - Given a break since finishing 5.25L fourth in a 1600m maiden on the AW at Pau at the end of January. Of note.
4. **KUROS** - Held 14L last of nine on good-to-soft going over 1400m at Bordeaux last month. Best watched.
5. **FRUEHLINGSBOTE** - Runner-up beaten 1.75L in a 1600m maiden at Chantilly (soft) two weeks ago. Leading contender.
6. **BOTAS** - Fair 5.75L sixth in a good ground 1600m newcomers race at Saint-Cloud just over three weeks ago. Likely to have improved.
7. **ADMIRALTY PLACE** - Good third when beaten 0.75L in a 1400m maiden at Compiègne (good-to-soft) four weeks ago. Notable contender.
8. **MALY** - Last of twelve over 1800m at Nort-sur-Erdre (good) earlier this month. Others hold more obvious claims.
9. **AFGHANY** - 1.5L second over 1600m in a newcomers race at Saint-Cloud (good) just over three weeks ago. Top chance.
10. **RAVEN'S SPIRIT** - Good 2L fourth in a 1500m AW maiden at Pont-de-Vivau in November. Bold show expected.
11. **JUREER** - Promising 1.25L fourth in a 1900m newcomers race at Bordeaux (good) twelve days ago. Strong claims.

Summary

FRUEHLINGSBOTE (5) can go one place better than when 1.75L second in a 1600m maiden at Chantilly (soft). AFGHANY (9) holds claims on the back of a 1.5L second in a 1600m newcomers race at Saint-Cloud (good). RAVEN'S SPIRIT (10) is shortlisted on seasonal debut having finished 2L fourth over 1500m in an AW maiden at Pont-de-Vivau. JUREER (11) may record a victory having shown promise when 1.25L fourth in a 1900m newcomers race at Bordeaux (good).

Selections

FRUEHLINGSBOTE (5) - AFGHANY (9) - RAVEN'S SPIRIT (10) - JUREER (11)

Race 6

1. **VARDANA** - Runner-up beaten 1.25L in a 1600m newcomers race at Saint-Cloud (good) 23 days ago. Top chance.
2. **ADHBA** - Fair 3.75L sixth in a big field 1600m newcomers race at Saint-Cloud (good) last month. Step forward likely.
3. **TOMBECKA** - Fifth beaten 1.25L in a newcomers race over 1400m at Saint-Cloud (soft) just over five weeks ago. Likely to have improved.
4. **SEIRY** - Faded 8.75L ninth in a 2000m newcomers contest at Lyon-Parilly (soft) 27 days ago. Drop in trip looks likely to suit.
5. **HAPPY GARDEN** - Absent since finishing 5.5L fifth to a subsequent Group winner in a 1200m newcomers race at Chantilly (heavy) in October. One to note.
6. **ATHENA** - Held 7.25L fifth in an 1800m maiden at Compiegne (good-to-soft) last month. Likely to find a few too good.
7. **GALAWAY** - 4L fourth over 1400m at Compiegne (good-to-soft) last month. Step forward required.
8. **IVERNA** - Neck second in a 1900m newcomers race at Bordeaux (good-to-soft) just under five weeks ago. Notable runner.
9. **TRIXIA DE VEGA** - Changed stables since finishing 4.75L fourth in a 1600m maiden at Longchamp (good-to-soft) in September. Of note on seasonal reappearance.
10. **HILLARANTE** - Unraced Kendargent filly. Likely to improve for the experience.

Summary

VARDANA (1) delivered a 1.25L second in a 1600m newcomers race at Saint-Cloud (good). May go one place better. HAPPY GARDEN (5) enters calculations having shown promise when 5.5L fifth in a 1200m newcomers contest at Chantilly (heavy) on her sole start at two. IVERNA (8) may register a victory down in trip having been beaten a neck when runner up in a 1900m event for newcomers at Bordeaux. TRIXIA DE VEGA (9) could debut for a new trainer with a win having ended last year with a 4.75L fourth in a 1600m maiden at Longchamp.

Selections

VARDANA (1) - HAPPY GARDEN (5) - IVERNA (8) - TRIXIA DE VEGA (9)

Race 7

1. **HE'S A ROCK STAR** - Held 14L sixth in a 3000m claiming hurdle at Auteuil (soft) in May 2019. Best watched having been gelded and changed trainer since.
2. **GOUTTE DE LUNE** - Good 1.5L fourth in a 1600m handicap at Toulouse (soft) six days ago. One to note.
3. **BISCAYA STORM** - Fair 6.25L eighth over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) earlier this month. Debuting for a new trainer.
4. **RIVER OF SILVER** - Victorious by 3L over 1900m on the AW at Chantilly two weeks ago. Looking for a first turf success.
5. **LALYROSE** - Good 0.75L fifth over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly (soft) eight days ago. Notable contender.
6. **PERLE NONANTAISE** - Fair 4L fifth over 1800m at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) first up four weeks back. Likely to have improved.
7. **NOVERCROSS** - 27 race maiden was returning from a break when 21L eighth in a heavy ground 1600m conditions race at Chatillon eleven days ago. More needed.
8. **PEDRO DEL RIO** - Good 3L second in an 1800m handicap at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) just under four weeks ago. Leading contender.
9. **VINGTCOEURS** - Below par 8.5L ninth in a 2500m handicap at Evreux (soft) start of this month. Dropping in trip.
10. **SPOTTED CAT** - Fair 3.75L fifth in a 2000m handicap at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) two weeks ago. Looking for a first victory racing right-handed at the 23rd time of asking.
11. **MATHIX** - Fourth beaten 3.75L over 1800m at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) just under four weeks ago. Placed on all three previous starts at this venue.
12. **ASTERION** - Tried to make all when finishing 1L second over 1600m at Marseille-Borely (good) two weeks ago. Top chance.

Summary

ASTERION (12) can make amends for a 1L second over 1600m at Marseille-Borely (good) by going one place better today. PEDRO DEL RIO (8) may play a hand in the finish having delivered a 3L second tackling 1800m at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft). LALYROSE (5) is considered having finished 0.75L fifth attempting 2000m at Lyon-Parilly. MATHIX (11) was 3.75L fourth over 1800m at Fontainebleau and could put in a big effort off a low weight having placed on all three previous starts at this venue.

Selections

ASTERION (12) - PEDRO DEL RIO (8) - LALYROSE (5) - MATHIX (11)

Race 8

1. **MOSCOU** - Held 10L eighth in a 2150m AW event at Lyon-la-Soie in November. Others preferred.
2. **KARMOUTCHO** - Fair 4L fifth over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) last month. Likely to find a few too good.
3. **AMAZING FILLY** - Victorious by 1.5L in a soft ground 2000m handicap at Lyon-Parilly eight days ago. Bold show expected.
4. **HAPPY CHRISNAT** - Faded late on when 3.25L sixth over 3100m at Nantes (good-to-soft) just under six weeks ago. Strong claims down in trip.
5. **MANNE** - Sixth beaten 9.75L over 1900m in a Longchamp (good-to-soft) claimer just over two weeks ago. Better expected back in a handicap.
6. **SILVER SCHNOK** - Successful by a neck in a 2200m conditions race at Cavaillon (soft) twelve days ago. One to note.
7. **ANOTHER PLANET** - Midfield finish when 5.5L eighth over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) just over three weeks ago. More needed.
8. **NATALINE** - Faded 7L fourth in a 2350m conditions event at Machecoul (soft) in March. Notable runner on handicap debut.
9. **BERING PALACE** - Returned to form with a 1.25L second in a soft ground 2000m handicap at Saint-Cloud a week ago. Of note if replicating.
10. **PETOCHE** - Good 1L second in a 1950m handicap at Nancy (good-to-soft) at the start of this month. Leading contender.
11. **SINGAPOR RIENTA** - Below par two most recent starts including 12L 12th over 2000m on the AW at Pont-de-Vivieux end of last month. Others hold more obvious claims.
12. **HAWANERA** - Fair 4L sixth over 1950m at Nancy (good-to-soft) eighteen days ago. Step forward needed.

Summary

PETOCHE (10) may go one place better than when 1L second over 1950m at Nancy (good-to-soft). AMAZING FILLY (3) enters calculations racing off a mark 3.5kg higher than when winning by 1.5L in a 2000m handicap at Lyon-Parilly (soft). HAPPY CHRISNAT (4) is considered down in trip having faded 3.25L sixth tackling 3100m at Nantes. NATALINE (8) could make a winning handicap debut following a 7L fourth in a 2350m conditions race at Machecoul.

Selections

PETOCHE (10) - AMAZING FILLY (3) - HAPPY CHRISNAT (4) - NATALINE (8)

Race 9

1. **KYLHEAD** - 3.75L 11th over 1900m at Deauville AW just over six weeks ago. More needed.
2. **MANSOUN** - Below par 10L 15th in a 1600m AW handicap at Chantilly ten days ago. Others preferred.
3. **MAZELTOF** - Fair 5.75L sixth in a 1600m claimer at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) just under two weeks ago. Claims on form he showed when winning twice in March.
4. **GLORIOUS SPIRIT** - Good 1L third in a 2000m handicap at Marseille-Borely (good) two weeks ago. Bold show expected.
5. **FURIOUS DES AIGLES** - Faded 18L 13th over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) end of last month. Supplemented for this.
6. **ROCK OR BUST** - Making his seasonal debut when 7.5L tenth over 2200m in a conditions race at Fontainebleau (soft) sixteen days ago. More needed.
7. **THE CHOSEN ONE** - Good 2.5L third in a good-to-soft ground 1600m claimer at Lyon-Parilly two weeks ago. Top chance.
8. **LE KAKOU** - Disappointing 7.5L 11th over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) last month. Capable of better.
9. **NEELAKURINJI** - Fair 4.25L fifth in a 2000m conditions race at Le Lion-d'Angers (good-to-soft) a month ago. One to note.
10. **ELYPSON** - Below par 5.25L eighth in a 2400m handicap at Lyon-Parilly (good) twelve days ago. Better expected back down in trip.
11. **GIMME JOY** - Making her seasonal debut when 47L sixth in a seven runner 2600m claimer at Marseille-Borely (good-to-soft) five weeks ago. Others preferred.
12. **GIANTISSIME** - Fair 5.5L fifth in a 2300m conditions race at Angers (soft) five days ago. Strong claims having placed off this mark at Fontainebleau last month.
13. **KADNIKOV** - Held 4.75L tenth in a 1600m handicap at Longchamp (good-to-soft) start of this month. Others make more appeal.

Summary

THE CHOSEN ONE (7) may record a victory following a 2.5L third in a 1600m claimer at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft). Contender. Consider GLORIOUS SPIRIT (4) following a 1L third over 2000m at Marseille-Borely (good). GIANTISSIME (12) enters calculations down in trip for his return to a handicap having been beaten 5.5L fifth in a 2300m conditions race at Angers. The drop in trip could see ELYPSON (10) play a part in the finish having been beaten 5.25L eighth over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly. NEELAKURINJI (9) produced a fair 4.25L fifth in a 2000m conditions event at Le Lion-d'Angers. One to note.

Selections

THE CHOSEN ONE (7) - GLORIOUS SPIRIT (4) - GIANTISSIME (12) - ELYPSON (10) - NEELAKURINJI (9)