

## Le Croisé-Laroche [L-H] - 21 November

**Race 1 - PRIX DE LA BRIQUETERIE - 1800m HCP.** Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **I EXCEL** - Well held last start when 14th over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather. More needed.
2. **SLADKA** - Going well at the moment most recently finishing third over 2000m at Saint-Cloud. Will be thereabouts again.
3. **MESSAGIN A BOTTLE** - Hit the frame two starts ago. Rates highly on best form.
4. **SPEED BALL** - Finished sixth last time out over 1800m at Fontainebleau. Place best.
5. **BIOLOGIQUE** - Finished second at her most recent appearance over 1700m at Saint Briec. Player.
6. **DAISY SENORA** - Resumed at this track over 2500m last time out and finished fourth beaten 4 lengths. Strips fitter and could place.
7. **LAKYA** - Fell over 3500m at Dax on return. Market will guide.
8. **BLUE DREAM** - Last-start fifth over 1800m at Fontainebleau. Each-way.
9. **VAL DE GRACE** - Didn't inspire again last start beaten 15 lengths over 1800m at this track. Needs to improve sharply.
10. **MAKILROY** - Finished third over 1800m at Chantilly All Weather. Capable enough on his day and looks a key runner.
11. **CRAZYVORES** - Started this campaign in poor form last start finishing tenth beaten 7 lengths over 2000m at Saint-Cloud. Must lift.
12. **SPIRIT OF GLORY** - Held last start at this track over 1800m and finished tenth. Opposed.
13. **VELSHEDA** - Mediocre efforts of late. Not keen.

**Summary:** BIOLOGIQUE (5) has finished second on last three starts and looks overdue a victory. Rates highly here and may now shed the maiden tag. SLADKA (2) is unexposed after just six career starts. Already placed on four occasions and looks sure to win races. Keep safe. MAKILROY (10) was beaten 2.5L into third at Chantilly last time. Shortlist. MESSAGIN A BOTTLE (3) was disappointed last time. Interesting if judged on close second at Saint-Cloud prior.

### Selections

**BIOLOGIQUE (5) - SLADKA (2) - MAKILROY (10) - MESSAGIN A BOTTLE (3)**

**Race 2 - PRIX VICTOR & LUC NOLF - 1800m CLM CL3.** Purse EUR €16,000.

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1. **NORTH HUNTER** - Fair fifth over 2400m at Clairefontaine a month ago when beaten 7 lengths. Sure to be thereabouts.
2. **BERGWIND** - Last appeared more than four years ago when he finished 6 lengths from the winner in third over 1500m at Mons (Bel). Market check.
3. **QUARTZDARGENT** - Ran a better race last start to finish second at this track over 1800m. One of the leading chances.
4. **MORSAN** - Finished third at this track two runs back then turned in a handy run again when third over 1650m at Amiens last start. Steps out over an extra 150m and must be considered.
5. **PRAIRIE GLORY** - Failed to flatter at his only appearance back on December 21 2020 finishing ninth over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather. Opposed.
6. **EVERSTORM** - Ninth over 2000m at Compiègne last time. Each-way chance.
7. **JOAO** - Stepping up in trip after finishing eighth over 1400m at Le Mans last time out. Could place.
8. **AZABA** - Placed two back then ran below her best last time when 12th beaten 19 lengths at this track over 1800m. Must bounce back.
9. **SUN AT WORK** - Last start finished fifth beaten 4 lengths over 1800m at Chantilly All Weather. Place chance.
10. **AUGUSTINUS** - Good second over 1600m at Fontainebleau last outing. Claims.
11. **HILLTOP DREAM** - Top Trip mare from Hillflower on debut. Best watched.

**Summary:** AUGUSTINUS (10) stayed on for a good 2.5L second at Fontainebleau second up after break. Extra distance suits and rates highly. QUARTZDARGENT (3) was beaten 3L into second over track and trip last time out. Can improve further now so is worth holding safe. MORSAN (4) has returned to form with placings on last two starts. Each-way claims. NORTH HUNTER (1) won four starts ago and has performed creditably since. Threat to all.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AUGUSTINUS (10) - QUARTZDARGENT (3) - MORSAN (4) - NORTH HUNTER (1)</b></p>
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**Race 3 - PRIX DES ROUGES BARRES - 1100m MDN.** Purse EUR €18,000.

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1. **BRAGGIN RIGHTS** - Searching for a hat-trick of wins after scoring by a nose over 1100m at this track on September 23. Rates highly and should be very competitive.
2. **REMINISCE** - Fair fifth over 1100m at this track two weeks ago when beaten 4.5 lengths. Place chance.
3. **BEAUTIFUL SKY** - Resumed at Fontainebleau over 1200m last time out and finished fourth when beaten 3.5 lengths. Frame contender.
4. **SALAZAR** - Finished third over 1600m at Longchamp two back then missed the frame last time out over 1200m at Fontainebleau. Major player on best form.
5. **FINDON ECHO** - Ran a better race last start to finish third at this track over 1100m. Frame contender.
6. **COMTESSE DU BARRY** - Finished third at Vichy two starts ago. Place chance.
7. **GALALITHE** - Ran a better race last start to finish third at this track over 1100m. Chance.
8. **WRONG COLOUR** - Good effort on debut two runs back but was comfortably accounted for last start in eighth over 1300m at Deauville All Weather. Remains early days.
9. **WORLD UNION** - Resumed last start and was beaten 11 lengths over 1200m at Toulouse. Others preferred.
10. **SAGGEZZA** - Finished sixth over 1200m at Fontainebleau latest. Among the chances.
11. **LADY BIRCHWATER** - Well held on debut over 1800m Chantilly when ninth beaten 26 lengths. Opposed.
12. **LA CHIP** - Moderate sixth over 1200m at Les Sables-d'Olonne. More needed.

**Summary:** SALAZAR (4) has been contesting stronger races of late and now tackles more realistic company. Leading player. BRAGGIN RIGHTS (1) won back-to-back starts in claiming company of late. Key player. GALALITHE (7) was beaten 1.25L into third here last time. Can progress further and is easy to fancy. BEAUTIFUL SKY (3) has each-way claims amongst this field.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SALAZAR (4) - BRAGGIN RIGHTS (1) - GALALITHE (7) - BEAUTIFUL SKY (3)</b></p>
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**Race 4 - PRIX DU CROISE-LAROCHE - 1100m CL4 QUALIF HCP.** Purse EUR €14,000.

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1. **BIG FREEZE** - Last start finished ninth over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly. Capable enough on his day.
2. **KENZYDANCER** - Most recently finished sixth beaten 3.5 lengths at Marseille-Borely over 1200m. Place looks best.
3. **GLICOURT** - Below par in two runs since a win three back last start finishing seventh over 1000m at Lyon-Parilly. Not written off.
4. **HAPPY DREAM** - Held eighth over 1100m at this track two weeks ago when beaten 9 lengths. Best watched.
5. **ASTURIAS ROAD** - In the money two starts back at this track but couldn't back that up when unplaced over 1100m at this track last time. Sure to be thereabouts.
6. **INVOLABLE SPIRIT** - Scored at Deauville then couldn't repeat the feat last time when eighth at Chantilly All Weather over 1300m when beaten 3.5 lengths. Must bounce back.
7. **HELLO IS YOU** - Went close last time when second over 1100m at this track. Likely to feature again.
8. **TENORIO** - Finished sixth in his latest appearance over 1100m at this track. Doubt he will threaten.
9. **GLORY OF ROME** - Went down by just a head when second at this track over 1100m last time out. Expected to be very competitive.
10. **BARDO** - Finished 8 lengths adrift in seventh over 1100m at this track. Opposed.
11. **ABRASSO** - Finding it hard to break through finishing ninth last time out over 1100m at this track. Looking elsewhere.
12. **KENTISH WALTZ** - Fair fifth over 1000m at Lyon-Parilly a week-and-a-half ago. One for the placings.
13. **FUCHSIA** - Last start finished fifth over 1100m at Dieppe beaten 1.5 lengths. Can hit the frame with the right run.
14. **ISEULT** - Better effort last time when fifth over 1100m at this track. Among the place chances on her best form.
15. **QUIET JUNGLE** - Not raced since finishing tenth over 1500m at Deauville All Weather on January 8. Looks tested.

**Summary:** GLORY OF ROME (9) has finished second on the last two outings. Notable claims down in grade. HELLO IS YOU (7) went down a head over track and trip last time. Strong chance. ASTURIAS ROAD (5) performs well for this jockey. In great form here recently and expected to go close once more. GLICOURT (3) looks set to give a bold showing down in standard.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GLORY OF ROME (9) - HELLO IS YOU (7) - ASTURIAS ROAD (5) - GLICOURT (3)</b></p>
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**Race 5 - PRIX DU QUESNE - 1100m HCP.** Purse EUR €18,000.

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1. **SEASCAPE GIRL** - Last appeared when she finished fourth over 1200m at Deauville on October 20. Must be respected.
2. **SAN ANTONIO** - Solid effort last start beaten 1.5 lengths into second over 1400m at Le Mans. Don't underestimate.
3. **PINK VALENTINE** - Still a maiden after finishing ninth last start over 1400m at Le Mans. More needed.
4. **SAKHARAH** - Latest effort a ninth over 1400m at Longchamp beaten 7 lengths. Likely to find this out of reach.
5. **CARTAOJAL** - Last start finished fourth over 1200m at Fontainebleau. Well placed and expected to measure up.
6. **JAZZY WOOD** - Last start finished tenth over 1200m at Deauville beaten 13 lengths. Prepared to look elsewhere.
7. **DAYDREAMER** - Fair effort last start beaten 2.25 lengths into fourth over 1200m at Agen. Among the chances.
8. **ILLUMINATING** - 14-start maiden who wasn't far away last time when second over 1100m at this track on October 12. Not dismissed.

**Summary:** SEASCAPE GIRL (1) won a claimer at Deauville four starts ago. Ran well since and rates highly in this suitable event. ILLUMINATING (8) has finished second on last two starts at this track. Expect a bold showing in current form. SAN ANTONIO (2) posted a career best effort when beaten 1.5L into second at Le Mans. CARTAOJAL (5) looks an each-way chance eased in grade.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SEASCAPE GIRL (1) - ILLUMINATING (8) - SAN ANTONIO (2) - CARTAOJAL (5)</b></p>
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**Race 6 - PRIX LAZZARO - 2500m CLM.** Purse EUR €12,000.

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1. **PORT AU PRINCE** - Good effort last start to win over 2000m at Saint-Cloud by 1.3 lengths. Rates highly.
2. **COLLANDRES** - Scored over 2500m here two starts ago. Capable in this field and has a chance here.
3. **QUEEN OF STARLETS** - Turned in a better effort last time to finish in the money over 2500m at Nancy. Solid top-three hope.
4. **ROYAL RYLEY** - Last appeared at Compiègne over 2400m when fifth 12 weeks ago. Place claims.
5. **STALLONE** - Offered little last start over 2200m at Halle (Germany). Others preferred.
6. **JEHAN D'ARTOIS** - Son of French Fifteen from Eclidor making his debut. Might just need this.
7. **RAMEAU DU PARADIS** - Manbolix gelding from Leave For Hope on debut. Best watched.
8. **VENT DE SABLE** - Son of French Fifteen from Nalabelle making his debut. Market check.
9. **DROVKA** - Scored over 2500m at Nancy. Expected to go well.
10. **NEED YOU TONIGHT** - Good effort when beaten one length into second over 2400m at Pornichet. Rates highly and can measure up.
11. **CANIAR DE LUXE** - Beaten 1.2 lengths into third at Compiègne two starts ago. Each-way player.
12. **RIO SAMBA** - Last started 15 months ago when beaten 9 lengths into eighth over 1500m at Deauville All Weather. Will improve on what she does in this.

**Summary:** PORT AU PRINCE (1) powered home for a 1.25L success at Saint-Cloud. That was in a stronger race than this and the extra distance is of no concern. Top chance. NEED YOU TONIGHT (10) was beaten 1L into second at Pornichet last time. That was a good effort and she can improve again here. Keep safe. QUEEN OF STARLETS (3) won five starts ago and has placed twice since. Expect a bold showing. DROVKA (9) returned to form with victory at Nancy. Has gone well here previously and cannot be dismissed.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p><b>PORT AU PRINCE (1) - NEED YOU TONIGHT (10) - QUEEN OF STARLETS (3) - DROVKA (9)</b></p>
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**Race 7 - PRIX DE CLOTURE - 2500m CLM CL4 HCP.** Purse EUR €12,000.

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1. **HOT SUMMER** - Stepping up in trip after finishing fourth over 1600m at Clairefontaine last time out. Among the chances.
2. **SMART COOKIE** - Continued the disappointing campaign last start when eighth beaten 64 lengths over 2200m at Amiens. Opposed.
3. **CLEVER ACTRESS** - Finished eighth over 2200m at Amiens. Not dismissed in this suitable event.
4. **ECLECTIC BIRD** - Finished fourth over 2500m at Nancy. One to note.
5. **DUBAI EMPIRE** - Lines up for the first time since August 21. Finished fourth over 2900m at Cavaillon last outing. Not ruled out.
6. **ALIAINFEN** - Finished fifth beaten 5 lengths last start over 2350m at Machecoul. Better placed and expected to measure up.
7. **AMARHALEN** - Last start sixth beaten 16 lengths over 2900m at Amiens. Capable of better.
8. **ASPHODELE MIA** - Scored last outing over 2500m at this track. Top claims.

**Summary:** ASPHODELE MIA (8) powered clear for a 3L victory over 2500m here last time. Selected to follow up. HOT SUMMER (1) was beaten 5.5L into fourth at Clairefontaine in a stronger race last outing. Winning claims. CLEVER ACTRESS (3) was slightly disappointing last time. Better than that and cannot be ruled out on best form. ECLECTIC BIRD (4) has won and placed at this track previously. Each-way chance.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ASPHODELE MIA (8) - HOT SUMMER (1) - CLEVER ACTRESS (3) - ECLECTIC BIRD (4)</b></p>
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**Race 8 - PRIX GABRIEL THIEFFRY - 3200m HCP CL4.** Purse EUR €12,000.

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1. **REBEL D'ANS** - Held sixth over 2350m at Strasbourg. Opposed.
2. **BRAVE ZITA** - Fair fourth over 2900m at Amiens nine days ago beaten 5.5 lengths. Not ruled out.
3. **AHMED PRIDE** - Moderate sixth over 3000m at Bordeaux two weeks ago when beaten 11 lengths. Place best.
4. **IRISH RAMBO** - Last start finished fifth over 2950m at Cholet beaten 8 lengths. Chance.
5. **MARIE D'ARGONNE** - Fitter for recent racing and looks close to a win after finishing third over 2900m at Amiens last time. Sure to run well again.
6. **BLUE ONE** - Didn't do much resuming at Chantilly All Weather 53 days back. Opposed.
7. **ROSENDREAM** - Finally broke through for a maiden win two starts back after 19 attempts before finishing ninth beaten 18 lengths last time over 2350m at Strasbourg. Could bounce back.
8. **MERCI CAPUCINE** - Did a good job last time out when third over 2500m at this track. Thereabouts.
9. **EASTER BOY** - Finished 3.5 lengths adrift in fourth over 3000m at Nancy. Could go well.

**Summary:** MARIE D'ARGONNE (5) has form claims judged on a solid 1.75L third at Amiens last time. Notable runner. ROSENDREAM (7) needs to be excused a disappointing run last time. Better judged on a nose victory at Saint-Cloud prior. Key player on that form. IRISH RAMBO (4) should enjoy this test and holds each-way claims. EASTER BOY (9) showed promise when beaten 3.5L into fourth following a lengthy absence. Threat to all if building on that.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>MARIE D'ARGONNE (5) - ROSENDREAM (7) - IRISH RAMBO (4) - EASTER BOY (9)</b></p>
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