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## R3 BORDEAUX-LE BOUSCAT [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX DES LANDES - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 2 - Flat - EUR €  
22,000**

**1. CHAI D'OEUVRE** - Has raced three times, all on PSF, and twice finished 5th including his last start over 1600m at Pau on 8 January. Best watched for now switching to turf for the first time

**2. MANGAKEN** - Improving last-start winner over 1200m at Toulouse on 20 November. Steps up in class returning from a break but should have more to offer

**3. GOLDEN STATE** - Versatile filly, effective on both turf and PSF, and is consistent for the most part with sound references. Runner-up over 1600m on PSF at Pau on 22 January and her experience will stand her in good stead

**4. LES REYS** - Won on debut at this venue before finishing 2nd in a race similar to this one at Toulouse over 1400m in October. Was not seen to best effect when only 6th in a 1600m Listed race there on 11 November

**5. LA DOLOISE** - Finished 3rd on debut at Dieppe in July but has regressed since, failing to build on that early promise. Was a well-beaten 15th over 1500m on PSF at Deauville on 26 January - others preferred

**6. MONNA VANNA** - Finished 2nd on debut at Tarbes over 1500m and has confirmed that promise in 2 subsequent outings over 1600m on PSF at Pau, winning in December and finishing 3rd on 22 January. Dark horse

**7. ECLAIRE LA VIE** - Maintained a good level of form and consistency last year - has references at a higher level, including a good 4th in a 1600m Listed race at Toulouse on 11 November. Keep safe

**8. CHATAIGNE** - Revealed potential in three starts over 1000m in the spring and didn't go unnoticed when finishing 5th in a Listed race over 1000m at Vichy on 17 May. Warrants respect on her reappearance over this trip

**Summary:** LES REYS (4) showed promise in each of her three starts last year and proved her debut win over 1600m on this track was no flash in the pan by finishing 2nd in a similar contest over this distance at Toulouse before her creditable 6th in a Listed race, so it could pay to side with her making a winning reappearance in this opening event. Last-start winner MANGAKEN (2) is improving so ought to remain competitive stepped up in class, while this drop in grade should suit CHATAIGNE (8) who also warrants respect on her return. ECLAIRE LA VIE (7) has a score to settle with the selection so could get involved.

### SELECTIONS

**LES REYS (4) - MANGAKEN (2) - CHATAIGNE (8) - ECLAIRE LA VIE (7)**

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## C2 - PRIX HENRY BASSIE - 3800m (a2m 1/2) - TURF - Handicap - Steeple Chase - EUR € 29,000

- 1. GO FAST DU BERLAIS** - Lightly raced, versatile sort with a progressive profile and victories in each of his last three starts - two in steeplechase races before his last-start win over hurdles at Compiègne over 3600m on 10 November
- 2. TRENT LANE** - Won two steeplechase races in October, including a 3600m event in this grade at Fontainebleau. Failed to confirm that form/progress in both subsequent starts, though - was only 9th at Cagnes on 7 January
- 3. STARVINA** - Showed early promise, especially when switched to this category with references at a higher level, but has not looked the same in two comeback outings. Was 7th over hurdles at Pau on 14 January
- 4. JET ITO** - Finished an encouraging 3rd in her first steeplechase appearance on her return from a lengthy layoff at Toulouse over 3500m on 6 February. Should have more to offer
- 5. IVANOHE** - Seldom far off the mark but does have references in both hurdles and steeplechase races, though isn't the most reliable. Finished 3rd in a 4700m steeplechase claimer at Pau on 19 January - this is tougher
- 6. KAP SKY** - Has maintained good form/consistency since switching to the steeplechase category, with references at a higher level including a last-start 5th in a stronger race over 4000m at Pau on 31 January. Chance
- 7. HEOLE BLACK** - Consistent performer with sound references in this category, although sharper over hurdles. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 5th in a steeplechase race over 4000m at Pau on 2 February, so has claims

**Summary:** JET ITO (4) finished an encouraging 3rd on her reappearance at Toulouse recently and, with expected improvement given the benefit of that outing, ought to build on that pleasing steeplechase debut by returning to winning ways. She will have to be wary, though, of improving GO FAST DU BERLAIS (1) who has proven his competitiveness and versatility by winning his last three starts (over hurdles and twice in this category over fences). KAP SKY (7) appreciates heavy ground and could have a role to play as a result, with the shortlist completed by HEOLE BLACK (8).

### SELECTIONS

JET ITO (4) - GO FAST DU BERLAIS (1) - KAP SKY (6) - HEOLE BLACK (7)

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## C3 - PRIX DE CAPEYRON - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 15,000

- 1. HONG KONG STAR** - Disappointing last start (12th) in a PSF handicap at Deauville on 6 January but ought to be competitive back on the turf at this level. Keep safe
- 2. STIRLING** - Seldom far off the mark but is hard to win with (1 victory from 28 starts) and is probably more effective on PSF. Finished 11th in a 1600m handicap at Pau on 31 December but races here without blinkers
- 3. PISORNO** - Boasts references at a higher level but does appear to have lost his way, finishing downfield in each of his last 4 starts. Was a well-beaten 11th in a claimer at Le Croisé-Laroche on 28 October
- 4. VIRIMOON ETOILE** - Has dropped to a competitive mark in the ratings and confirmed as much by finishing 4th over 1600m in a PSF handicap at Pau on 31 December. Reverts to the turf now for the first time since October 2022
- 5. HOOK** - Inconsistent veteran with better references at a lower level in conditions/claiming races. Finished 12th on PSF over 1700m at Pornichet on 1 December
- 6. BEYOND MY DREAMS** - Unreliable veteran whose competitiveness at this level is beyond doubt but who remains inconsistent. Finished 8th in a 1200m handicap on turf at Toulouse on 6 February
- 7. O GRE DES SAISONS** - Inconsistent but is effective on both surfaces and has proven his competitiveness off his current mark, which he did last time by finishing 4th in a 1200m turf handicap at Toulouse on 6 February. Dark horse
- 8. GOOD VICTORY** - Returned to form with a reassuring 2nd over 1600m in a claimer at Toulouse on 6 February. Can have a say with a repeat of that performance
- 9. MARVELOUS CAPRICE** - Has dropped steadily in the weights/ratings and sparked improvement last time by finishing 5th over 1200m in a handicap at this venue on 19 November. Ought to be competitive dropped another 1,5kg
- 10. SHANGRI LA** - Proved his form and well-being on PSF at Pau last time, finishing a good 2nd in a 1600m handicap on 31 December. Lacks references on heavy ground, though
- 11. JASMIN DORE** - Has regained form since dropping to his current mark and confirmed the improvement of his previous start (2nd) by finishing 2nd at Toulouse over 1200m on 6 February. Winning chance
- 12. PRINCESSE VERA** - Benefitted from having the blinkers refitted last time, when running out an easy winner of a handicap over 1700m at Marseille-Borely on 13 February. Ought to remain competitive despite her 3kg penalty
- 13. VENETICO** - Lightly raced veteran whose best performances/references have been achieved at a lower level. Was a well-beaten 13th in a conditions race on PSF over 2000m at Cagnes-sur-Mer on 30 January
- 14. FLYLEYF** - Has won two handicap races off a higher mark but did appear to lose his way last year before a layoff. Not seen since finishing 11th in a handicap at Le Mans on 24 October
- 15. CAPELENA** - Could do better reverting to the turf having finished a well-beaten 12th in a PSF handicap at Deauville on 6 December. Watch for now

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**16. STONEHENGE** - A modest sort with poor references at a lower level. Has finished unplaced in 3 consecutive claiming races, the last (7th) of which over 1600m at Toulouse on 6 February

**Summary:** JASMIN DORE (11) has already proven efficient on heavy ground and is competitive off his current mark too, so is likely to fight for victory. PRINCESSE VERA (12) won at Marseille last time in different conditions but ought to remain competitive under a penalty. HONG KONG STAR (1), whose last outing around this course yielded a good 3rd, could also play a leading role. MARVELOUS CAPRICE (9), with the benefit of his rider's allowance, and resurgent GOOD VICTORY (8) remain capable of staking a claim too.

## SELECTIONS

**JASMIN DORE (11) - PRINCESSE VERA (12) - HONG KONG STAR (1) - MARVELOUS  
CAPRICE (9)**

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## C4 - PRIX DEESSE DES MERS - 3900m (a2m 1/2) - TURF - Class 2 - Hurdles - EUR € 30,000

- 1. FARSEER** - Looked a smart prospect when winning consecutive outings at Senonnes and Clairefontaine but those were way back in 2022. One to note on his reappearance
- 2. JEWEL STAR** - Relatively consistent performer both on the flat and over hurdles, although lacks the references of his main rivals. Was 2nd in a 3900m hurdles race at Machecoul on 3 February so should have a role to play
- 3. KEN BESEDER** - Ultra-consistent hurdler with sound references, including a winning reappearance at Nîmes before his failure at Pau on 31 December. Capable of redeeming himself here
- 4. MONSIEUR EMILE** - Battling, long-time maiden with just 6 places to show from his 51 starts. Reverts to hurdles after a 15th on the flat at Toulouse on 6 February
- 5. HORIUS** - Sparingly raced seven-year-old but has won three of his seven starts, including his latest outing at Dax in September 2022. One to note on his reappearance
- 6. L'AUTEUR** - Finished 4th on debut over hurdles at Auteuil but failed to confirm that promise in his only subsequent start at that venue in April of 2022. Could be anything on his return
- 7. GESKO** - Consistent for the most part but has proven hard to win with (1 victory from 26 starts) and is probably effective at a lower level. Last seen finishing 6th in a lesser contest at Castéra-Verduzan in July 2023
- 8. MY WAY** - Prolific veteran with impressive form figures - only twice finished worse than 3rd (both occasions 4th) in 19 previous starts before blotting his copybook last time at Merano in September 2022. Dark horse
- 9. FANTASTIC SIVOLA** - Authoritative winner of a 4200m steeplechase race at Pompadour on 3 September. Already a five-time winner over hurdles so is capable of making a winning comeback
- 10. JEAN DE GASCOGNE** - Finished 3rd on the flat in his first start and didn't go unnoticed when finishing 6th over 3500m on his reappearance at Toulouse on 6 February. Has scope to improve

**Summary:** FANTASTIC SIVOLA (9) is certainly not at the level he was when runner-up in a 2019 Listed race, though retains the means necessary to be competitive in a race of this nature - his victory at Pompadour last time out proves as much - and it could pay to side with him again on that evidence. KEN BESEDER (3) and JEWEL STAR (2) have the benefit of advanced physical condition and should pose a threat as a result. FARSEER (1) and HORIUS (5) appeal most of the remainder.

### SELECTIONS

FANTASTIC SIVOLA (9) - KEN BESEDER (3) - JEWEL STAR (2) - FARSEER (1)

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## C5 - PRIX DE MERIGNAC - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 18,000

- 1. NUIT D'ALIENOR** - Won a 1400m PSF handicap at Pau in October but has been disappointing in her last three starts over 1600m on that course. Was 10th in a Quinte+ race there on 31 January - remains capable of better
- 2. KATALINA** - Inconsistent but has revealed sufficient means and boasts references in handicaps off a higher mark, including a 6th on turf over 1400m in July. Was 12th on PSF at Pau on 22 January but should do better
- 3. CHARM KING** - Won back-to-back PSF handicaps over 2000m at Pau before finishing a creditable 7th over that course and distance last time (4 February). Can get into the picture switched back to turf now
- 4. SEGERA** - Has dropped 1kg in the weights/ratings following a disappointing last start (11th) in a 1500m handicap on turf at Cagnes. Already proven her competitiveness at this level, so shouldn't be condemned
- 5. WAIPA** - Won a 1600m PSF handicap at Pau on 4 January but struggled under a 3kg penalty last time when only 9th over the same track and trip in a Quinte+ race on 31 January
- 6. DANDY COOL** - Inconsistent but is seldom far off the mark. Finished 6th in a 1400m handicap on the turf at Le Mans on 13 November. Will tempt the lovers of outsiders
- 7. IDAHO JAMES** - Won back-to-back 1200m handicaps before failing to make an impression in a 1600m claiming race at Toulouse on 6 February. Not to be written off back in a handicap
- 8. MONTIGNY** - Won an 1800m turf handicap at Nort-sur-Erdre in October but has finished unplaced in 4 subsequent outings, the latest in a PSF handicap over 1600m at Pau on 12 January. Outsider
- 9. CHAAM** - Won a 2000m turf handicap at Toulouse in October but has struggled in his four subsequent outings, including a Quinte+ race last time (8th) over 1600m on PSF at Pau on 31 January
- 10. YSSINGEAUX** - Has struggled for form and consistency after a 3,5kg penalty for winning and finishing 2nd in two starts at Dax last year. Was 12th in a 1600m turf claimer at Toulouse on 6 February
- 11. CODE OF SILENCE** - Seldom far off the mark racing off of a higher rating at a higher level, so should play a leading role here with Ioritz Mendizabal called on to ride. Was 7th in a 1400m PSF handicap at Pau on 22 January
- 12. BECHO** - Last-start winner of a claiming race on turf over 1600m at Toulouse on 6 February. On the evidence of that victory, she ought to remain competitive back in a handicap off an unchanged mark
- 13. TERANGA** - Was an authoritative winner of a 1400m PSF handicap at Pau last month and ought to fare better here switching back to the turf after a disappointing last start (10th) over 1300m on PSF at Deauville
- 14. CALEDONIA** - Lightly raced filly who has finished 2nd once and 4th twice in her seven starts. Was a well-beaten 12th in a PSF handicap over 2000m at Pau on 2 February

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**15. SHOWMAN** - Has gone off the boil and been soundly beaten in each of his last five starts. Was 15th in a Quinte+ race over 1600m on PSF at Pau on 31 January

**16. JORDAN BAKER** - Was slightly disappointing when only 7th in a 1600m PSF handicap at Pau on 31 January, having been in good form before that. Should have a role to play here given Delphine Santiago's 1,5kg allowance

**Summary:** CODE OF SILENCE (11) hasn't been finishing far off the mark in recent outings at a slightly higher level so ought to acquit himself competitively here, given this ease in grade and proven efficiency on rain-affected ground. BECHO (12), however, is capable of following up his last-start win in a claiming race at Toulouse off an unchanged mark. JORDAN BAKER (16), in good form at present, and mud-lark IDAHO JAMES (7) are likely to make their presence felt and can get onto the podium.

## SELECTIONS

**CODE OF SILENCE (11) - BECHO (12) - JORDAN BAKER (16) - IDAHO JAMES (7)**

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## C6 - PRIX BERNARD BAYROUNAT - 3700m (a2m 1/4) - TURF - Class 3 - Hurdles - EUR € 26,000

**1. KOPECK D'OUDAIRIES** - Has acquitted himself in his two appearances, finishing 3rd on both occasions in competitive races. Has regained freshness after his latest outing at Fontainebleau on 12 December over 3550m

**2. DREAM SOLITAIRE** - Made a pleasing start over hurdles when 3rd at Auteuil in a stronger race over 3500m in September but has failed to build on that promise since. Was 8th at Pau on 19 January but is dropping in class now

**3. MEMORIES** - Failed only narrowly in his bid for victory on debut over 3500m at Machecoul on 3 February. Need only confirm that form/promise to fight for victory again

**4. DEMON DU BERLAIS** - Improved with the benefit of an introductory outing (6th) over hurdles by finishing 2nd over 3000m at Pompadour in August last year. Open to further progress on his reappearance

**5. KAPRISS COLLONGES** - Was not beaten far in either outing on the flat and goes hurdling now for the first time after a last-start 6th at Paray-le-Monial over 2400m on 29 October. One to watch

**6. PABLO** - Unplaced in two starts on the flat, finished 7th on both occasions, but may find his way over obstacles. Can't be underestimated

**7. KEEP COOL CONTI** - Was pulled up on his hurdling debut at Pau over 3500m on 2 February. Best watched for now

**8. KIM DE TANUES** - Improved for the equipment change when finishing a career-best 2nd over 3500m at Toulouse earlier this month (6 February). Confirmation expected

**9. ISOLA DI CAPRI** - Unplaced in both starts over hurdles, though wasn't disgraced when finishing 6th at Toulouse last time over 3500m on 6 February

**10. OPAL'IN DES ROCS** - Has made two starts at Pau and was pulled up on both occasions, the latest of those on 16 January. Can be ruled out

**11. KEREN DE BERCE** - Morpheus filly on debut for trainer Benoît Gilles Gourdon who has engaged Gwen Richard to ride

**Summary:** The Hector de Lageneste and Guillaume Macaire training partnership is strongly represented, with stablemates KOPECK D'OUDAIRIES (1) and MEMORIES (3) likely to dominate the outcome after promising introductions. DREAM SOLITAIRE (2) showed enough when starting out at Auteuil to suggest that he could get onto the podium, though the same can be said of KIM DE TANUES (8) after an improved last start (2nd). DEMON DU BERLAIS (4) and PABLO (6) complete the shortlist.

### SELECTIONS

**KOPECK D'OUDAIRIES (1) - MEMORIES (3) - DREAM SOLITAIRE (2) - KIM DE TANUES (8)**



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## C7 - PRIX D'ALBRET - 2400m (a1m 1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 18,000

- 1. VERLAN** - Disappointing last run when well beaten in a handicap at Cagnes sur mer over 2500m on 15 January. Capable of better and is not out of it
- 2. PLATEADO** - Has lost his way in last five starts since winning a handicap at Dax in September and was 8th in a Conditions race at Pornichet-La Baule over 310m on 27 December. Best watched for now
- 3. JARDIN BLEU** - May have needed last two starts and was 6th last time out in a handicap at Toulouse over 2400m on 6 February. Likes the heavy track and can bounce back to score
- 4. BUSINESS PLAN** - Won three times last year but has been modest in last three starts and was 7th last time out in a handicap at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 3200m on 7 February. More needed to win this race
- 5. ARGYRON** - Disappointing last run when tenth in a handicap at Deauville over 2500m on 26 January. In good form before that and is not out of it
- 6. LONG KE WAN** - Unreliable but did win four times last year and was third in a Claimer last time out at Toulouse over 2400m on 20 November. Needs to do more to win this race
- 7. PENCLAUDJEANGREEN** - Showed improvement when fourth last time out in a Conditions race at Machecoul over 2950m on 3 February. Can do even better this time
- 8. THE MAGIC MAN** - Unreliable and was 11th in a handicap at Toulouse over 2400m on 6 February. Others are preferred
- 9. SILVER SILK** - Struggling of late and was 8th last time out in a Conditions race at Machecoul over 2950m on 3 February. Others are much preferred
- 10. GARRY D'AZE** - A bit of a disappointment when seventh in a handicap at Deauville over 2500m on 26 January. Better on the grass and can bounce back to surprise
- 11. OLYMPE TEA** - Well beaten last time out in a handicap at Pornichet-La Baule over 3100m on 7 January. Probably better on the turf and is capable of an upset
- 12. ANTAIOS** - At the top of his game and has won three of his last four starts including a handicap last time out at Deauville over 2500m on 26 January. Carries a 4kg penalty but deserves respect
- 13. MESTREYF** - Has not shown much in four starts and was 7th in a Conditions race at La Teste-de-Buch over 140m on 9 February. Others are preferred
- 14. DAYDREAMS** - Yet to win a race and was well beaten in a handicap at Pau over 2400m on 14 February. Place chance on best form
- 15. PINTXOPOTE** - Non runner

**Summary:** JARDIN BLEU (3) proved in need of the last two starts. Comfortable in deep ground and entrusted to Ioritz Mendizabal, he could well bounce back to score. PENCLAUDJEANGREEN (7) has just made a return to form and can fight out the finish. VERLAN (1) is clearly better than the last run would suggest. ARGYRON (5) was in good form before disappointing last time out and has a winning chance.

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## SELECTIONS

JARDIN BLEU (3) - PENCLAUDJEANGREEN (7) - VERLAN (1) - ARGYRON (5)

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## C8 - PRIX CHRISTIAN BAILLET - 2400m (a1m 1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 15,000

- 1. LUCIO VERO** - Yet to win a race but was third last time out in a Conditions race at this course over 3000m on 25 November. Can score on handicap debut
- 2. AMARHALEN** - Disappointing of late and was 6th in a handicap at Cagnes sur mer over 2500m on 30 January. Others are preferred
- 3. LIBERTE CHERIE** - Has struggled in four starts since winning a handicap in December and was well beaten in a handicap at Angers over 2100m on 27 October. Likely to need this run
- 4. FLIGHT DE JUILLEY** - Unreliable but did run well when runner-up in a handicap at Pornichet-La Baule over 2100m on 9 February. Might place
- 5. ADAMIY** - Unreliable but was not disgraced when third in a Conditions race at Machecoul over 2950m on 3 February. Place chance
- 6. AKINATHOR GAME** - Well beaten in a handicap at Pau over 2400m on 10 January. Better on the turf and can contest the finish
- 7. DREAM WORD** - Disappointing last run when 10th in a Conditions race at Durtal over 2900m on 17 December. Did better in two handicaps before that and can bounce back to score
- 8. TREIZE CHOPE** - Has lost her way of late and was 12th in a handicap at Pau over 1600m on 31 January. Needs to find a few lengths to win
- 9. CAVANI KAIZEN** - Yet to win after 25 starts but has been consistent of late and was runner-up last time out in a handicap at Pau over 2400m on 10 January. Not out of it
- 10. NEHOU** - Disappointing last two runs and was 9th last time out in a handicap at Saint Cloud over 2000m on 18 March Likely to need this run
- 11. LA FILLE DE BERLIN** - Mostly modest form of late and was 6th in a handicap at Marseille-Borély over 1700m on 13 February. Capable of better and can make the frame
- 12. TIGRE ROUGE** - Yet to win a race and was well beaten in a handicap at Pau over 2400m on 10 January. Could be the surprise package of the race returning to the grass
- 13. COCOA** - Last win was in 2022 but was runner-up in a handicap last time out at Toulouse over 2400m on 6 February. Can go one better
- 14. TERRITORIO** - Last win was a Claimer in August and was well beaten in a handicap last time out at Pornichet-La Baule over 2400m. Others are preferred
- 15. ALF A STAR** - Has struggled since winning a handicap in March and was 8th in a claimer last time out on 30 January. Others are much preferred

**Summary:** COCOA (13) put in a good performance last time out and being confirmed on a heavy track she looks the one to be with in the lucky last race. DREAM WORD (7) is back in the handicap and should contest the finish. LUCIO VERO (1), ran well at this track last time out and deserves respect. , CAVANI KAIZEN (9), is in fair form and is another that has to be considered a possible winner.

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COCOA (13) - DREAM WORD (7) - LUCIO VERO (1) - CAVANI KAIZEN (9)