MOULINS - 22 April

Race 1

1. MEHANYDREAM - Held 12L 11th over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) a week ago. Likely to struggle.

2. **INTREPID ITALIAN** - 4L 12th over 1207m on good-to-soft going at Ascot (UK) in September last year. Notable runner on stable debut after a gelding operation.

3. **BOHEMIEN** - Returning from a lengthy absence having finished 0.5L second in an 1100m handicap at Dieppe (soft) in July 2019. Likely to improve for the race.

4. STORMBRINGER - Fair 4L seventh over 1600m on good going at Chantilly last September. Leading contender.

5. **YUZU** - Last both previous starts including when beaten 7.75L over 1300m at Chantilly AW three weeks ago. Best watched.

6. **MAGICAL MOMENT** - Drops markedly in grade having faded when 14L seventh in the Listed Prix de Bonneval over 1100m at Chantilly (heavy) in October. Top chance on stable debut.

Summary

STORMBRINGER (4) may deliver an improved effort following a 4L seventh in a 1600m conditions race at Chantilly first up. MAGICAL MOMENT (6) makes the shortlist. Down in grade having finished 14L seventh in the 1100m Listed Prix de Bonneval at Chantilly last autumn. INTREPID ITALIAN (2) could have more to offer on stable debut after a 4L twelfth over 1207m at Ascot back in September. BOHEMIEN (3) holds claims if sharp for his first outing since finishing 0.5L second in an 1100m handicap at Dieppe July 2019.

Selections

STORMBRINGER (4) - MAGICAL MOMENT (6) - INTREPID ITALIAN (2) - BOHEMIEN (3)

1. **INEDIT DE CIERGUES** - Good 4.75L fourth over track and trip in a soft ground conditions race just under three weeks ago. Bold show expected.

2. **IMPAIR ET PASSE** - Signs of ability when 6.75L sixth over course and distance on rain-softened going here just under three weeks ago. More required here however.

3. **IRATZEDERREA** - Held 10L eighth over 2400m on soft ground here on debut. Others preferred.

- 4. **IMPERIAL DE THAIX** Unraced Free Port Lux gelding. Of note especially if strong in the market.
- 5. **IL ETAIT TEMPS** Unraced Jukebox Jury gelding. Claims for a useful stable.
- 6. IMAGINAIRE Unraced Free Port Lux gelding. One to note.
- 7. **ILLICO** Unraced Sholokhov gelding. Top chance for leading connections.
- 8. INCA DE LAFAYETTE Unraced Gris de Gris gelding. Likely to improve for the experience.

9. **IDYLLE FLEURIE** - Unraced My Risk filly. Represents a good stable.

Summary

Sholokhov gelding ILLICO (7) may debut with a victory racing for top connections. INEDIT DE CIERGUES (1) is another to consider on the back of a 4.75L fourth in a 2400m conditions event at Moulins. Could step forward with that experience key. My Risk filly IDYLLE FLEURIE (9) hails from a useful stable and might have a hand in the finish on her first start. Free Port Lux gelding IMAGINAIRE (6) is another to consider first up.

Selections

ILLICO (7) - INEDIT DE CIERGUES (1) - IDYLLE FLEURIE (9) - IMAGINAIRE (6)

1. **KOKKINOLAIMIS** - Down the field 12L eighth over 1900m in a Chantilly AW claimer just under three weeks ago. Strong claims on earlier efforts.

2. **SLAYER** - Held 23L last of ten over 1200m in a Chantilly (good) claimer 17 days ago. Needs to put that effort behind him.

3. **SILVER POKER** - Struggled two most recent starts including 5.75L 13th over 1600m at Fontainebleau (good) 13 days ago. Capable of better.

4. **JEAN RACINE** - Given a break since finishing 19L seventh over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer (heavy) in February. Of note on these terms.

5. SHANGHAIZHENGCHANG - Down the field over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft). Others preferred.

6. ELWIND - Held 4L sixth in a 1200m claimer at Chantilly (good). Step forward required.

7. **SECRET PLAYER** - Making his seasonal debut having ended last year with a 33L 12th in an 1800m claimer at Nortsur-Erdre (soft) in October. Likely to improve for the race.

8. LADYSANE - 27L last of 15 over 1100m at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) at the end of last month. Claims on earlier form.

9. EN DANSANT - Fair 3.2L sixth in a 1350m handicap at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) last week. Of note in this race.

Summary

KOKKINOLAIMIS (1) can leave behind a below par 12L eighth in a 1900m claimer at Chantilly AW and play a role in the finish revisiting a more suitable distance. JEAN RACINE (4) enters calculations having run well in defeat when 6L fifth over 1300m at Cagnes-sur-Mer on his penultimate start. LADYSANE (8) enjoyed further in the past and may deliver a big effort having disappointed when 27L last of fifteen tackling 1100m at Fontainebleau. EN DANSANT (9) can be considered in this suitable contest after a 3.2L sixth attempting 1350m at Lyon-Parilly.

Selections

KOKKINOLAIMIS (1) - JEAN RACINE (4) - LADYSANE (8) - EN DANSANT (9)

1. ROXY MUSIC - Fair 5L fifth over 1100m at Salon-de-Provence (good-to-soft) 13 days ago. Step forward required.

2. **EXPRESS** - Good 1.1L third in a 1600m maiden at Marseille-Borely (good) just under four weeks ago. Top chance.

3. **DIVINE EMOTION** - Below par 11L eighth in a 1400m maiden at Strasbourg (soft) just over three weeks ago. Handicap debut.

4. RUBIS GOLD - Faded when 3.25L eighth in a 1350m handicap at Nancy (soft) last month. Improvement needed.

5. **AZABA** - Fair 7.25L fifth in a course and distance maiden on soft ground just under three weeks ago. Struggled in a 1600m handicap at Chantilly AW prior.

6. **ROSEYROLLELACLEMAN** - Held 9.75L in a 1950m maiden at Nancy (soft) last month. Drop in trip looks likely to suit on handicap debut.

7. **BELLE ANNEE** - Below par 5.25L seventh in a 1200m handicap at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) 23 days ago. Others make more appeal.

8. **BLACK MIMI** - Struggled 15L last of 11 in a track and trip maiden on soft ground earlier this month. Others preferred on first handicap start.

9. **MOUTRAKI** - Midfield finish when 4.5L seventh over 1600m at Chantilly AW just under three weeks ago. May show more on turf debut.

10. LILLY DREAM - Good 5.25L fourth in a 1600m claimer at Machecoul (soft) 17 days ago. One to note.

11. **GRIBARIANE** - Struggled 20L 11th over 1800m on heavy going at Compiegne a month ago. Shorter distance here a positive.

12. **GORGO** - Making his seasonal and handicap debut when 6L sixth over 1100m at Salon-de-Provence (good-to-soft) 13 days ago. Notable contender.

Summary

EXPRESS (2) may register a victory. Will have more to give on handicap debut following a 1.1L third in a 1600m maiden at Marseille-Borely. GORGO (12) can be considered stepping up in trip having finished 6L sixth in an 1100m handicap at Salon-de-Provencedelivering first handicap outing. LILLY DREAM (10) enters calculations on the back of a 5.25L fourth in a 1600m claimer at Machecoul. Drops in trip ROSEYROLLELACLEMAN (6) warrants thought despite fading when 9.75L fifth in a 1950m maiden at Nancy.

Selections

EXPRESS (2) - GORGO (12) - LILLY DREAM (10) - ROSEYROLLELACLEMAN (6)

1. **MY WAY** - Fell in a valuable 3800m handicap chase at Compiegne (heavy) earlier this month. Strong claims in what looks an easier event.

2. FLEURY BEDE - Successful by 4L in a 4200m chase at Pontchateau (soft) last month. Bold show expected.

3. **KORUM** - Absent since pulling up in a 4400m handicap chase at Auteuil (very heavy) in October. Others preferred.

4. **CAPTAIN SPEAKING** - Impressive 13L winner of a 4265m handicap chase at Fakenham (UK) last November. Claims on return from a break.

5. **DINETTE DE BALLON** - Ended last year with a 13L fourth in a 3900m chase at Compiegne (heavy) in November. Notable contender.

6. **GAI LURON** - Debuts for a new trainer having finished 28L fifth in a small field 3800m chase at Bordeaux (soft) at the end of February.

7. **SOME OPERATOR** - Absent since finishing 24L seventh in a 4000m handicap chase at Pau (soft) in December 2019. Likely to improve for the race.

8. **FILLE DU CHENET** - Best watched switched to fences on first start since a 39L tenth in a 3400m hurdle at Dieppe (soft) in June 2019.

Summary

MY WAY (1) fell in a valuable handicap chase at Compiegne. May prove hard to beat on these terms racing for a leading yard. FLEURY BEDE (2) debuted over fences winning by 4L in a 4200m chase at Pontchateau. Key player with further progress expected wearing first-time blinkers. DINETTE DE BALLON (5) finished 13L fourth behind two subsequent winners in a 3900m chase at Compiegne. One to note. CAPTAIN SPEAKING (4) can be considered representing UK trainer Nick Littmoden having won by 13L a 4265m handicap chase at Fakenham (UK).

Selections

MY WAY (1) - FLEURY BEDE (2) - DINETTE DE BALLON (5) - CAPTAIN SPEAKING (4)

1. **REDNECK** - Unraced Jeu St Eloi gelding. One to note with a top jockey booked.

2. BORN TO HONOUR - Unraced Born To Sea gelding. Strong claims for a top yard.

3. **MISTER CHAMPDOUX** - Unraced Coastal Path gelding out of a high class racemare. Top chance for a leading trainer.

4. ILYVA - Unraced Voiladenuo gelding. Likely to improve for the experience.

5. **JOE MALPIC** - Held 22L fifth in a 3500m hurdle at Nantes (good-to-soft) when debuting 12 days ago. Step forward required.

6. **AZIYADE** - Tried to make all when 2.5L second in a 3000m hurdle at Fontainebleau (soft) on debut 19 days ago. Leading contender.

7. **ILE DU LARGE** - Unraced Great Pretender gelding. Likely to find a few too good.

8. **RED LIGHT** - Unraced Morandi filly. Minor role likely.

9. IDOINE - Unraced Network filly. Claims especially if receiving market support.

10. **UZURI MBAYA** - Faded when 43L ninth over 3000m in a newcomers hurdle at Auteuil (very heavy) last month. Best watched.

Summary

Coastal Path gelding MISTER CHAMPDOUX (3) is out of multiple Group scorer Miss de Champdoux. Can make a winning debut racing for top connections. AZIYADE (6) displayed ability when 2.5L second in a 3000m hurdle at Fontainebleau first up. Warrants respect with that experience a positive. BORN TO HONOUR (2) is a Born To Sea gelding who may play a role delivering initial attempt for a yard who do well with their youngsters. Network newcomer IDOINE (9) is considered representing a good stable.

Selections

MISTER CHAMPDOUX (3) - AZIYADE (6) - BORN TO HONOUR (2) - IDOINE (9)

1. GRACE DES DIEUX - 14L fourth in a 3800m hurdle at Angers (soft) last month. Stable debut.

2. **LUCKY DOE** - Held 21L seventh over 3550m at Fontainebleau (soft) last month. Capable of better having won over the same track and trip prior.

3. DELPHI BOUM - Victorious by 1L in a 3900m hurdle at Nimes (good) last month. Of note in this event.

4. **HONORIS CAUSA** - Placed first two hurdles starts but struggled when 23L sixth over 3500m on heavy ground at Nantes in early October. Better ground forecast a positive.

5. **HELGA MOME** - Debuted with a 2.5L victory in a 3600m hurdle at Argentan (soft) last month. Strong claims of following up.

6. IRINEKA - Runner-up when beaten 1.75L in a 3800m hurdle at Lyon-Parilly (soft) 18 days ago. Notable runner.

7. **GOLDEN OULA** - Improvement required having pulled up in a 3800m claiming hurdle at Fontainebleau (soft) just under three weeks ago.

8. HARLEY DES MOTTES - Good 7L second in a 3800m hurdle at Angers (soft) on debut last month. Bold show expected.

9. CELTIC GIRL - Held 23L sixth over 3550m at Fontainebleau (soft) in October. Step forward needed.

10. **HOGLAND** - 26L last of ten in a 3600m hurdle at Senonnes (soft) when debuting last month. Others hold more obvious claims.

11. **HOTESSE DETE** - Debut winner on the Flat but faded when 12L seventh in a 3600m hurdle at Senonnes (soft) switched to hurdles just over a month ago. Likely capable of better.

12. **HOUPS** - Pulled up in a 3500m hurdle at Auteuil (very heavy) just over a month ago. Others hold more obvious claims.

13. DINOLIT - Unraced Doctor Dino filly. Represents a good yard.

14. **STORY DU BERLAIS** - Held 28L tenth in a 3550m hurdle at Fontainebleau (soft) when debuting 19 days ago. Unlikely.

Summary

The unexposed HELGA MOME (5) may follow up having won by 2.5L a 3600m hurdle at Argentan on debut. HARLEY DES MOTTES (8) makes the shortlist. Ran 7L second in a 3800m hurdle at Angers. Open to further improvement. IRINEKA (6) enters calculations on the back of a 1.75L second tackling a 3800m hurdle at Lyon-Parilly. Comes with plenty of experience for this type of contest. DELPHI BOUM (3) can be considered. Managed to deliver a 1L victory in a 3900m hurdle at Nimes.

Selections

HELGA MOME (5) - HARLEY DES MOTTES (8) - IRINEKA (6) - DELPHI BOUM (3)