### CLAIREFONTAINE [R-H] - 22 October

Race 1 - PRIX MERCI LA GRANDE RECRE DE TOUQUES (PRIX MADINA) - 1600m MDN. Purse EUR €27,000.

1. **SUBAHIYAH** - Head second over 1600m at Saint-Cloud six weeks ago. Top chance.

2. SEA OF ASH - Improved effort 175L fifth over 1600m at Saint-Cloud last month. One to note.

3. **NATIONAL DANCE** - Making her French debut when third over 1650m at Craon last month. Notable contender.

4. WINEHOUSE - 4.5L sixth over 1400m at Nantes earlier this month. Others preferred.

5. **PERFECT LIAISON** - Good 0.5L second in a 1650m maiden at Vichy just under four weeks ago. Bold show expected.

6. **SIDE TO SIDE** - Promising 1.5L fourth in an 1800m maiden at Morlaix when making her debut last month. This looks a tougher affair.

7. **SWEETHEART** - Held 4.5L seventh over 1600m in a Longchamp newcomers race at the start of last month. Minor role likely.

8. **FORCE DE L'AUBE** - Showed ability when 3.75L fourth in a 1600m maiden at Fontainebleau at the end of last month. Of note in this race.

9. **DELIDA** - Unraced Lope de Vega filly. Likely to improve for the experience.

10. SEA THE SKY - Unraced Sea The Stars filly. Leading contender for top connections.

**Summary**: SUBAHIYAH (1) can go one better than when a head second in a 1600m maiden at Saint-Cloud. Top chance for a leading yard. Sea The Stars filly SEA THE SKY (10) may go well on debut representing top connections. PERFECT LIAISON (5) makes the shortlist following a 0.5L second in a 1600m Vichy maiden. NATIONAL DANCE (3) is another to consider on the back of a 1L third over 1650m at Craon.

#### Selections

SUBAHIYAH (1) - SEA THE SKY (10) - PERFECT LIAISON (5) - NATIONAL DANCE (3)

### Race 2 - PRIX LE HANGAR A ENIGMES - DEAUVILLE - TROUVILLE (PRIX FILIBER - 1600m MDN. Purse EUR €27,000.

1. **ROCK OF SPIRIT** - Held 9L sixth over 1700m at La Roche-Posay just under six weeks ago. More needed.

2. **MOMENTO GIUSTO** - Failed to shine when last of ten over 1600m in a Chantilly newcomers race four weeks ago. Best watched.

3. **STORMY SPIRIT** - Runner-up over 1600m at Saint-Malo on his penultimate start. Struggled when 8L fifth over the same trip at Nantes latest however.

4. **INTO THE GROOVE** - Debuted with a 7.25L fifth in a 1400m newcomers race at Dieppe in July. Improvement required.

5. **SIR BASSET** - Last of nine when beaten 29L in a 1600m maiden at Clairefontaine at the start of August. Debuting for a new trainer.

6. **NERIAN** - Fifth both previous starts including when beaten 10L over 1400m at Dusseldorf (Germany) last month. French debut.

7. **GOLDONI** - Faded late on when 5.25L sixth over 1600m at Saint-Cloud just under a month ago. One to note.

8. **GREAT ROTATION** - Midfield finish when 9L eighth in a valuable 1600m sales race at Longchamp at the start of the month. Strong claims on earlier form.

9. WAKABURN - Unraced Wootton Bassett colt. Likely to improve for the experience.

10. **PRINCE HERITIER** - Unraced Recorder colt. Of note if attracting market support.

11. **PERCY SHELLEY** - Unraced Sir Percy colt. Claims for a good yard.

12. WHITE WALKER - Unraced Polarix gelding. Minor role likely.

13. LET'S GO CRAZY - Unraced Moohaajim colt. Noted if strong in the market.

**Summary**: GREAT ROTATION (8) can register a victory having finished a respectable 9L eighth in a valuable 1600m sales race at Longchamp. GOLDONI (7) may play a role in the finish following a 5.25L sixth over 1600m at Saint-Cloud. PRINCE HERITIER (10) is a yet to race colt who enters calculations racing for a useful stable. PERCY SHELLEY (11) is a newcomer by Sir Percy. Consider.

### Selections

### **GREAT ROTATION** (8) - **GOLDONI** (7) - **PRINCE HERITIER** (10) - **PERCY SHELLEY** (11)

### Race 3 - PRIX TRICK OR TREAT ! (PRIX DES CROCUS) - 1600m CLM. Purse EUR €19,000.

1. **ORANDI** - Victorious by 4.5L over 1400m in a Moulins claimer earlier this month. Debuting for a new trainer.

2. CREAM ICE - Fifth when beaten 1.5L over 2000m at Marseille-Borely eleven days ago. One to note.

3. **MARS** - Good 2L second in an 1850m claimer at Vichy 26 days ago. Has won at this venue in the past.

4. PIC SYLVER - Held 12L last of twelve over 2000m at Longchamp last week. More needed.

5. **SAGE DREAM** - Faded when 8L fourth over 1850m in a Vichy claimer last month. Step forward needed.

6. **GOOD FRIEND** - Midfield finish when 4.25L seventh over 1200m in a claimer at Fontainebleau earlier this month. Yet to hit top form this spell.

7. BE GREAT - Good 1L third over 2200m in a Lyon-Parilly claimer 29 days ago. Strong claims.

8. **PALAU** - Fair 4L fourth in a 2000m contest at Dresden (Germany) last month. Changed trainer since that effort.

9. NEO CHIC - Head second over 1650m in a claimer at Craon last month. Notable runner.

10. **JACK OF TRADES** - Held 9.75L fifth over 1600m in an Angers maiden just under three weeks ago. Others hold more obvious claims.

11. DIAKHER - Sixth when beaten 3.5L over 1650m in a claimer at Craon 27 days ago. Others preferred.

12. **BLACK PANTHER** - Held 10L eighth in a 1600m claimer at Toulouse in May. Top chance if sharp for her return from a break having showed good form earlier.

13. **FLAMINGO HOLLOW** - Last of ten when beaten 8.5L in a 1400m claimer at Dieppe at the end of August. Best watched.

**Summary**: BLACK PANTHER (12) ended her previous spell with a 10L eighth tackling 1600m at Toulouse. Top chance having showed good prior form. BE GREAT (7) makes the shortlist after a 1L third in a 2200m claimer at Lyon-Parilly. NEO CHIC (9) enters calculations following a head defeat when runner-up attempting 1650m at Craon. CREAM ICE (2) is another to consider having finished 1.5L fifth in a 2000m contest at Marseille-Borely.

### Selections

### BLACK PANTHER (12) - BE GREAT (7) - NEO CHIC (9) - CREAM ICE (2)

### Race 4 - PRIX GRANDEUR NATURE (PRIX DE LA CROIX FEREY) - 1800m CL3 QUALIF HCP. Purse EUR €23,000.

1. WOOLACOMBE - Runner-up over 2000m at Vichy in August. Notable contender.

2. **MARASTAR** - Returning from a break when 5.5L fourth over 2200m at Fontainebleau earlier this month. Strong claims.

3. **GOLDEN GOLD** - Held 6.5L fifth over 2200m at Fontainebleau eighteen days ago. Claims having won over 2000m at Saint-Cloud prior.

4. ANANTA - Held 4.75L tenth over 1400m at Longchamp last month. Others hold more obvious claims.

5. **PLIJADUR** - Below par 8.25L seventh over 1300m in a maiden contest at Saint-Cloud six weeks ago. Improvement required.

6. **SECOND TO NONE** - Given a break since finishing 3L sixth in an 1800m conditions race at Compiegne in July. This looks an easier contest.

7. **DREAM DUBAWI** - Midfield finish when 8.5L sixth in a 2000m handicap at Chantilly earlier this month. Others make more appeal.

8. **BESIBERRI** - Given a break since finishing 7.5L sixth in an 1800m maiden here in August. Improvement required.

9. **DAMNED** - Seventh both starts this spell including when beaten 3.25L over 1600m at Chantilly 23 days ago. More needed.

**Summary**: MARASTAR (2) can deliver a victory following a 5.5L fourth over 2200m at Fontainebleau first up. WOOLACOMBE (1) enters calculations on the back of a 1L second in a 2000m contest at Vichy. GOLDEN GOLD (3) holds claims. Won by 1.5L attempting 2000m at Saint-Cloud on her penultimate outing. SECOND TO NONE (6) is another to consider having been beaten 3L sixth in an 1800m conditions race at Compiegne.

#### Selections

MARASTAR (2) - WOOLACOMBE (1) - GOLDEN GOLD (3) - SECOND TO NONE (6)

## **Race 5 - PRIX VIVE HIPPOWEEN (PRIX DES BALSAMINES) - 1800m CLM CL4 HCP**. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. ROCK OR BUST - Good 4L fourth over 2200m at Moulins at the start of the month. One to note.

2. USAIN BEST - Runner-up when beaten 0.5L at Amiens eleven days ago. Leading contender.

3. ARGUIN - Held 4.75L eighth over 1200m at Fontainebleau just over a month ago. Others preferred.

4. **COLD PLAY** - Caught the eye when 2L fourth over 2100m on the AW at Pornichet four weeks ago. Strong claims.

5. BELLE IMPRESSION - Fair 2.75L sixth in a 1600m contest here in August. Step forward required.

6. **DESTINEE DU BOIS** - Faded when 8.25L twelfth over 1600m at Fontainebleau eighteen days ago. Capable of better.

7. IL VINCITORE - Good 1.5L second over 2200m at Cavaillon twelve days ago. Of note in this race.

8. **THINDY** - Held 4.75L eighth over 1600m at Fontainebleau earlier this month. More needed.

9. **JUNVIEVE** - 23 race maiden was returning from a break when 2L sixth over 1650m at Amiens eleven days ago. Likely to find a few too good.

10. SRI LA FRIME - Sixth when beaten 2.5L over 2400m at Compiegne two weeks ago. Claims.

11. **IRISH EMPEROR** - Held 11L eighth over 1800m at La Teste in August. Others preferred.

12. **LARANZA** - Fair 3L sixth over 1850m at Agen at the start of the month. Others hold more obvious claims.

13. **TIROLIENNE** - Down the field 16L twelfth over 1600m at La Teste just under three weeks ago. Minor role likely.

**Summary**: USAIN BEST (2) can go one better and take this contest after finishing 0.5L second in a 1650m event at Amiens. Supplemented runner COLD PLAY (4) makes the shortlist after a 2L fourth over 2100m on the AW at Pornichet. ROCK OR BUST (1) may go well having managed a 4L fourth in a 2200m event at Moulins. Drops in trip. IL VINCITORE (7) is also considered following a 1.5L second in a 2200m contest at Cavaillon.

### Selections

USAIN BEST (2) - COLD PLAY (4) - ROCK OR BUST (1) - IL VINCITORE (7)

### Race 6 - PRIX #HIPPODROMEDECLAIREFONTAINE (PRIX DU LIEU BILL) - 1400m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €16,000.

1. **MANGKHUT** - Down the field 6.75L tenth over 1600m at Angers just under three weeks ago. Claims on earlier form.

2. LOUCE - Held 7.25L seventh over course and distance in August. More needed.

3. **NAVALIS** - Faded when 10L tenth over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly 29 days ago. Needs to put that effort behind him.

4. MY LADY ROCK - Fair 5.25L sixth over 1650m at Craon last month. Likely to find a few too good.

5. JAVEA - Fair 3.5L fifth over 1400m at Dax in August. Will need to be at her best to figure.

6. VEGA DREAM - Below par 7L twelfth over 1400m at Compiegne a week ago. More required.

7. **VERSAILLES** - Returning from a break when 7.75L seventh over 1700m at La Roche-sur-Yon last month. Making his first start for a new trainer.

8. **BELLADONE SPIRIT** - Sixth when beaten 2.75L over 1400m at Compiegne a week ago. Improvement required.

9. RAVEN RIDGE - Held 11L eighth over 1800m at Nort-sur-Erdre twelve days ago. Minor role likely.

10. **THE FRENCH MELODY** - Failed to shine when 31L fourteenth over 1950m at Les Sables-d'Olonne last month. Others hold more obvious claims.

11. LILLY BIRD - Tenth when beaten 6L over 1400m at Compiegne a week ago. Others preferred.

12. **MR SPLENDID** - Fair 6.75L ninth over 1200m at Evreux at the start of May. Likely to improve for the race.

13. **VALENTO** - Returned to form with a 4.5L fourth over 1400m at Compiegne seven days ago. Claims if replicating that effort.

14. **MEHANYDREAM** - Winner over 1000m at Vichy on his penultimate start. Of note despite a 4L sixth over 1200m at Marseille-Borely subsequently.

15. ENJOY THE SILENCE - Good 1.25L second over 1400m at Complegne last week. Top chance.

16. MISTER MONEY - Held 9L ninth over 1700m on the AW at Pornichet in August. Best watched.

17. JAYADEEVA - Midfield finish when 9L eighth over 1400m at Compiegne a week ago. More needed.

18. COUP FATALE - Good 0.5L third over 1400m at Saint-Cloud at the start of the month. Strong claims.

**Summary**: The consistent ENJOY THE SILENCE (15) can register a victory following a 1.25L second over 1400m at Compiegne. COUP FATALE (18) may play a role in the finish following a 0.5L third attempting 1400m at Saint-Cloud. MANGKHUT (1) enters calculations. Placed second beaten 1.25L in a 1400m contest at Dax on his penultimate start. MEHANYDREAM (14) is another to consider. Won by 0.75L a 1000m event at Vichy prior to a 4L sixth tackling 1200m at Marseille-Borely.

### Selections

### ENJOY THE SILENCE (15) - COUP FATALE (18) - MANGKHUT (1) - MEHANYDREAM (14)

# Race 7 - PRIX @HIPPODROMEDECLAIREFONTAINE (PRIX DES IMPATIENCES) - 2400m CLM CL3. Purse EUR €19,000.

1. BIG TAMAYA - Held 9.25L seventh over 2400m at Compiegne two weeks ago. Others preferred.

2. **JOE FRANCAIS** - Yet to hit top form this spell including when 30L seventh in a 3600m hurdle at Auteuil 27 days ago. More needed on flat return.

3. **FOLLEVILLE** - Winner of her penultimate start but struggled when 11L thirteenth over 2400m at Longchamp latest. Needs to put that effort behind.

4. **PREMIER LION** - Runner-up when beaten a nose over 2400m at Prague (Czech Republic) last month. Notable contender.

5. **WILANTOS** - Midfield finish when 6L eighth over 3000m at Saint-Cloud three weeks ago. Likely to find a few too good.

6. FATEN - Down the field 21L ninth over 2400m at La Teste in early September. Capable of better.

7. **MOONWALK STEP** - Good 1.75L third in a 2400m handicap at Saint-Cloud ten days ago. Of note in this race.

8. **MYFRIENDRICH** - Out of form of late including when 8.75L ninth over 2400m at Saint-Cloud ten days ago. Others preferred.

9. **SADANORI** - Good 4L third in a 2850m conditions race at Sable-sur-Sarthe just over a month ago. Claims.

10. **L'INDOMPTABLE** - Placed on each of her last three starts including when beaten 1.75L third in an 1800m claimer at this track in August. Leading contender.

**Summary:** L'INDOMPTABLE (10) can register a victory having been beaten 1.75L third in an 1800m claimer at this circuit. Running consistently and rates highly. SADANORI (9) may play a role in the finish following a 4L third over 2850m at Sable-sur-Sarthe. PREMIER LION (4) is considered on the back of a nose defeat when runner-up tackling 2400m at Prague (Czech Republic). MOONWALK STEP (7) looks one to note after a 1.75L third over 2400m at Saint-Cloud.

Selections	
L'INDOMPTABLE (10) - SADANORI (9) - PREMIER LION (4) - MOONWALK STEP (7)	

### Race 8 - PRIX VIVE L'EAU (PRIX DES CAMPANULES) - 2400m CLM. Purse EUR €23,000.

1. **FIRST CREATION** - Held 53L eighth over 3000m at Chantilly nine days ago. Claims on his victory over this trip at Craon prior.

2. GOT FROST - Fair 4L sixth over 2000m at Marseille-Borely eleven days ago. One to note.

3. MOTLAEN - Fourth when beaten 3L in a 2200m conditions race at Craon last month. Notable runner.

4. **STEPASIDE BELL** - Victorious by 0.75L in a 2000m claimer at Compiegne a week ago. Bold show expected on debut for a new trainer.

5. **GEORGIA** - Bidding to complete a hat-trick when 28L last of eleven over 2400m in the Listed Prix Panacee at Toulouse earlier this month. Top chance down in grade.

6. SPEEDFUL - Held 8.25L fifth in a 2400m claimer at Compiegne two weeks ago. Capable of better.

7. ALEXINA - Runner-up when beaten 1L over 2600m at Marseille-Borely six days ago. Strong claims.

**Summary**: GEORGIA (5) can deliver a victory down in grade following a 28L eleventh in the 2400m Listed Prix Panacee at Toulouse. Top chance having completed a double prior. STEPASIDE BELL (4) makes the shortlist. Delivered a 0.75L triumph in a 2000m claimer at Compiegne. ALEXINA (7) is also considered having been beaten 1L when runner-up attempting 2600m at Marseille-Borely. MOTLAEN (3) enters calculations on the back of a 3L fourth tackling 2200m at Craon.

### Selections

GEORGIA (5) - STEPASIDE BELL (4) - ALEXINA (7) - MOTLAEN (3)

### Race 9 - PRIX DE CLOTURE DU MEETING AU TOP (PRIX DU LIEU GAMARD) - 2400m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €16,000.

1. **TAEKWONDO** - Down the field 9.75L eleventh over 2200m at Amiens earlier this month. More needed.

2. **VOILA POURQUOI** - Held 20L last of thirteen over 2200m at Amiens eleven days ago. Capable of better.

3. **RUBIS QUEEN** - Good 2L second in a 2400m handicap at Nantes earlier this month. Top chance.

4. **MAVALA** - Out of form in the spring including when 40L last of seventeen over 2800m at Saint-Cloud in May. Best watched first up.

5. **ZAFIRO** - Bidding to complete a hat-trick when finishing 8.5L eleventh over 2000m at Vichy first up. Claims if putting that effort behind him.

6. **SOWGAY** - Failed to shine when 9.5L seventh over 2500m at Le Croise-Laroche six days ago. Others preferred.

7. **MASTERPOWER** - Down the field 6.25L ninth over 2200m at Amiens eleven days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.

8. **ARES BLACK** - Good 1.75L second over 2700m at Les Sables-d'Olonne just under four weeks ago. Notable contender.

9. **HEART BRAKER** - Failed to shine when 21L ninth over 2500m at Le Croise-Laroche six days ago. Best watched.

10. **JENILAT PEARL** - Yet to hit top form this spell including when 10L tenth over 2400m on the AW at Pornichet sixteen days ago. Improvement needed.

11. SEEKING REVENGE - Held 7L tenth over 2400m at Saint-Cloud ten days ago. Others preferred.

12. **HEAVEN'S DOOR** - Out of form in recent times including when 21L last of fifteen over 2400m at Saint-Cloud ten days ago. More needed.

**Summary**: RUBIS QUEEN (3) can deliver a victory after a 2L second in a 2400m contest at Nantes. ZAFIRO (5) makes the shortlist. Improvement likely following an 8.5L eleventh over 2000m at Vichy first up after a break. ARES BLACK (8) is considered having finished 1.75L second tackling 2700m at Les Sables d'Olonne. VOILA POURQUOI (2) may put a couple of disappointments behind him having run well at this track when 4L fourth attempting 2400m in August.

### Selections RUBIS QUEEN (3) - ZAFIRO (5) - ARES BLACK (8) - VOILA POURQUOI (2)