

PORNICHE - 22 December

Race 1

1. **ROUGE TERRE** - Beaten 1L fourth over 1500m at Deauville three weeks ago. Bold show expected.
2. **MARKLAND** - Held 5L seventh in a 1900m handicap at Deauville at the end of last month. More needed.
3. **ADORATA** - Struggled 18L ninth in a 1600m claimer at Pau in October. Minor role likely.
4. **EPERGNE** - Handicap debut having finished 16L seventh over 1600m in a Cavaillon (soft) maiden in October.
5. **ALMOST LIGHT** - Fair 10L fifth in a 1600m conditions race at Pau last month. Interesting switched to a handicap.
6. **ANAHATA** - Struggled 8L 13th in a 1900m handicap at Deauville 22 days ago. Others preferred.
7. **PHOSPHENE** - Fair 5L sixth over 1500m at Deauville in October. Notable runner.
8. **RUBIGLIA** - Good 2L second in a course and distance handicap a month ago. Interesting contender.
9. **SCHOOL OF LIFE** - Drop in trip should suit having faded when 18L 12th in a 2100m maiden here earlier this month.
10. **BOURDAIN** - Switch to a claimer appeared to suit when 4L second over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie last month. Step forward needed.
11. **JANGKHE** - Returning from a break when 6L 15th over 1500m at Deauville at the start of this month. Likely to have improved for that effort.
12. **ZAYA DE LA PLATA** - Faded having raced from the front when 9L 14th over 1500m at Deauville three weeks ago. Capable of better.
13. **RAINDANCE** - Faller in a 1400m claimer at Le Mans (soft) early last month. Interesting on earlier form.
14. **SILK THREAD** - Improved effort 2L fifth in a 1500m handicap at Deauville at the start of this month. One to note.
15. **LEAD EDGE** - Held 4.8L tenth over 1500m at Deauville 21 days ago. Open to improvement.
16. **CHANTAZIA** - Handicap debut here following a 10L seventh in a 2100m claimer at this circuit earlier this month.

Summary

ROUGE TERRE (1) may register another big effort following a 1L fourth in a 1500m handicap at Deauville. PHOSPHERE (7) warrants consideration having been in good form prior to a 5L sixth in the aforementioned Deauville contest. RUBIGLIA (8) put some below par efforts behind her when 2L second at course and distance. Shortlist. RAINDANCE (13) provided good form prior to falling at Le Mans. May fare better on this occasion.

Selections

ROUGE TERRE (1) - PHOSPHERE (7) - RUBIGLIA (8) - RAINDANCE (13)

Race 2

1. **SHARELA** - Struggled 43L 14th in a 2100m handicap here 15 days ago. Better expected second up.
2. **FATOU** - Fair 7L eighth over 1700m here earlier this month. More needed.
3. **MAGIC MAC** - Out of form in recent times including 13L last of 15 over 1500m at Deauville three weeks ago.
4. **MAEGHAN** - Disappointing 14L last of 14 over 1650m at Amiens (heavy) earlier this month. Claims on earlier form.
5. **SHOWMETHEGIN** - Held 6L eighth over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie 18 days ago. Capable of better.
6. **AL RASSOUL** - Fair 4L seventh in a 1700m handicap at this circuit a month ago. One to note.
7. **PREMIER AVRIL** - Good 2L second in an 1850m handicap at Agen (good) at the end of last month. Bold show expected.
8. **GEORGINELA** - Close second in a 1500m handicap at Deauville three weeks ago. Top chance.
9. **CROP OVER QUEEN** - Beaten 16L fifth in a heavy ground 1650m handicap at Amiens 17 days ago. Minor role likely.
10. **ARS SUCCESS** - Held 10L ninth over 1400m at Toulouse (soft) last month. Minor role likely.
11. **LAUDERDALE** - Struggled 67L 11th first up in a 1650m handicap at Amiens (heavy) earlier this month. Others hold more obvious claims.
12. **MONTAIGNE** - Last of 15 when beaten 21L in a 1500m handicap at Deauville ten days ago. Others preferred.
13. **ANADUN** - Held 14L ninth over 1700m here a month ago. Step forward required.

Summary

GEORGINELA (8) completed a hat-trick of second placed finishes when runner-up over 1500m at Deauville. May go one better. PREMIER AVRIL (7) makes the shortlist following a 2L second in an 1850m handicap at Agen. SHOWMETHEGIN (5) may leave a disappointing 6L eighth over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie behind having previously placed second at this circuit. AL RASSOUL (6) also warrants consideration after a 4L seventh over 1700m at this venue.

Selections

**GEORGINELA (8) - PREMIER AVRIL (7) - SHOWMETHEGIN (5) - AL
RASSOUL (6)**

Race 3

1. **MINISTRABLE** - Completed a double when victorious by 2L over this course and distance 15 days ago. Top chance.
2. **CALVIN** - Held 12L sixth over 1800m at Le Croise-Laroche earlier this month. Best watched.
3. **MORGNY** - Struggled of late including 17L ninth over 1600m at Saint-Cloud (heavy) last month. Minor role likely.
4. **DYLABAN** - Beaten 7L fifth in a course and distance claimer a month ago. Interesting to see how he fares.
5. **OSTIA** - Signs of a return to form when 3L fifth in a course and distance conditions race just over a fortnight ago. One to note.
6. **ZAAHIR** - Returning from a break when 3L fifth over 2100m at Limoges (good) last month. Step forward required.
7. **STORMY AIR** - Good 2L second in a course and distance event earlier this month. Bold show expected.
8. **UCEL** - Close second in a 1500m handicap at Deauville at the start of this month. Strong claims.
9. **POWER LIFE** - Back to form in first time blinkers when 6L second over course and distance a month ago. Notable contender.
10. **PATCHEWOLLOCK** - Beaten 2L sixth over 1500m at Deauville three weeks ago. Interesting.
11. **LIPSTICK** - Struggled 25L 11th in a conditions race over this course and distance 15 days ago. Improvement needed.
12. **REPOSE EXACTE** - Good 1L fourth over 1500m at Deauville ten days ago. Interesting to see how she performs.
13. **KOUKIBOY** - Held 4L seventh in a 1500m handicap at Deauville at the start of the month. Others preferred.
14. **GOOD TO TALK** - Has to defy a 2kg rise if he is to follow up a 1L course and distance success a month ago.

Summary

MINISTRABLE (1) may complete a hat-trick having completed a course and distance double winning a conditions race by 2L. STORMY AIR (7) is considered for the win following a 2L second in the aforementioned conditions event. UCEL (8) was narrowly beaten when runner-up over 1500m at Deauville. Shortlist. POWER LIFE (9) enters equations after a 6L second in first time blinkers (retained here) over track and trip.

Selections

MINISTRABLE (1) - STORMY AIR (7) - UCEL (8) - POWER LIFE (9)

Race 4

1. **CENTRAL PARK WEST** - Good 2L second in a 1700m conditions race here a month ago. Leading contender.
2. **EVERSTORM** - Performed well when 2L fourth over 2000m at Angers (soft) at the end of last month. Top chance down in trip on AW debut.
3. **HAVOC** - Fair 8L fourth having raced from the front in a 1600m conditions event at Nantes (soft) in October. Interesting.
4. **BAT DRIM** - Held 15L 13th in a 1900m newcomers race at Deauville last month. Others preferred.
5. **STAR D AUMONE** - Struggled 33L tenth in a maiden over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie earlier this month. Minor role likely.
6. **CHE MILONGUITA** - Made a winning debut when victorious by 4L on heavy going in a 1700m maiden at Saint-Brieuc just under six weeks ago. Notable runner.
7. **MARTIN'S JUSIS** - Held 12L fifth in a 1700m conditions race here a month ago. Best watched.
8. **MAMA IMELDA** - Improvement required having been beaten 7L fifth in a 1500m newcomers race at Saint-Cloud (heavy) at the start of last month.

Summary

The experienced CENTRAL PARK WEST (1) is considered for the win having been beaten 2L runner-up at course and distance. May prove hard to beat. EVERSTORM (2) might play a role in the finish dropping in trip following a 2000m 2L fourth at Angers. CHE MILONGUITA (6) scored over this trip at Saint-Brieuc when debuting on heavy going. Shortlist. HAVOC (3) holds claims following an 8L fourth in a 1600m contest at Nantes.

Selections

CENTRAL PARK WEST (1) - EVERSTORM (2) - CHE MILONGUITA (6) - HAVOC (3)

Race 5

1. **VAN HALO** - Decent 5L fifth in a 2400m conditions race here earlier this month. Interesting stepping up in trip.
2. **FEE DU BIEN** - Beaten 5L seventh over 2400m at Pau last month. More needed.
3. **RUUDJE** - Held 7L ninth in a 2100m handicap at this venue 15 days ago. Stamina to prove over this distance.
4. **BALLDY D'AZE** - Good 3L fourth in a 3000m handicap at Angers (soft) at the end of last month. Notable runner.
5. **LA ZAMTOFF** - Down the field 13L 14th in a 2400m handicap here a week ago. Others preferred.
6. **HAVANA WAY** - Held 7L seventh in a 2500m handicap on very heavy going at Le Croise-Laroche just under three weeks ago. Interesting on earlier efforts.
7. **EASILLY** - Good 4L third in a 2400m conditions race here 15 days ago. Strong claims.
8. **TRES RUSH** - Disappointing 10L tenth over 2300m at Le Mans (soft) last month. Step up in distance a positive.
9. **REBEL QUEEN** - Below par 8L 11th in a 2400m handicap here a week ago. Hard to recommend at present.
10. **CASHFORPASSOVER** - Returned to form in first time blinkers (retained) when 3L third in a 2500m handicap at Deauville four weeks ago. Leading contender.
11. **RUNNING GAG** - Faded having raced from the front when 29L 15th in a 2400m handicap here last week. Others make more appeal.
12. **POULID'OR FORLONGE** - Disappointing 19L tenth in a 2300m handicap at Le Mans (soft) last month. Claims on earlier form.
13. **KILL THE SUN** - Struggled 13L eighth over 2300m at Le Mans (soft) last month. More needed.
14. **USTICIA** - Struggled both starts this spell including 14L 13th over 2400m here last week. Improvement required third up.
15. **GOUDINE MARVELLOUS** - Absent since finishing 9L sixth in a course and distance handicap in August. One to note on return from a break.
16. **RUDEVENT** - Faded when 13L ninth in a 2100m handicap here just over two weeks ago. Step forward expected second up.

Summary

CASHFORPASSOVER (10) may have a hand in the finish. Ran 3L third wearing first time blinkers in a 2500m handicap at Deauville. EASILLY (7) performed well at course and distance in the past. Might register a second course win having finished 4L third over 2400m at this circuit. GOUDINE MARVELLOUS (15) is considered on her first start since August when 9L sixth here in a handicap over the journey. BALLDY D'AZE (4) is another with claims. Beaten 3L fourth in a 3000m handicap at Angers prior.

Selections

CASHFORPASSOVER (10) - EASILLY (7) - GOUDINE MARVELLOUS (15)
- BALLDY D'AZE (4)

Race 6

1. **LAGON MERSOIS** - Held 22L 13th in a 2300m handicap at Le Mans (soft) last month. Others preferred.
2. **ALF A STAR** - Winner of her penultimate start but beaten 13L fifth over 2200m at Amiens (heavy) latest. Needs to put that Amiens effort behind her.
3. **MAGIC SENORA** - Beaten 8L sixth over 2100m at this circuit earlier this month. Interesting upped in distance.
4. **SIRPARYS** - Victorious by 1L in a 2100m conditions race at Limoges (good) just over three weeks ago. Notable runner.
5. **LONGROY** - 49 race maiden beaten 3L fifth in a 2400m handicap here a week ago. Likely to find a few too good.
6. **VISION REBELLE** - Fair 7L sixth in a 2100m handicap here just over a fortnight ago. Others make more appeal.
7. **VEMIX** - Beaten 12L sixth over 2400m here at the end of October. Interesting stepping back up in distance.
8. **RAJAMSYL** - Struggled in most recent starts including 17L 11th over 2400m here at the end of October. Best watched.
9. **SUN AND POLO** - Down the field 11L 12th in a 2400m handicap at this track last week. Step forward needed.
10. **ATAMAN ERMAK** - Struggled 19L 11th in a 2500m handicap at Le Croise-Laroche (very heavy) 20 days ago. More required second up.
11. **NOTORIOUS IMPERIAL** - Beaten 10L eighth over 1950m at Le Mans (soft) early last month. Others preferred.
12. **ROUGE A SANG** - Down the field 29L 12th in a 3000m handicap at Angers (soft) at the end of last month. Others hold more obvious claims.
13. **SUNDAY LILI** - Beaten 10L eighth in a 2100m conditions race at Limoges (good) 23 days ago. Improvement needed.
14. **SUN DE L'ORME** - Good 1L third in a 2500m handicap at Le Croise-Laroche (very heavy) at the start of this month. Top chance.
15. **WINNING PURSUIT** - Given a break since an 8L ninth in a 2500m handicap at Nort-sur-Erdre (soft) in October. Interesting to see how he performs.
16. **SPARKING KENNY** - Beat one rival home when 28L 14th in a 1700m handicap here last month. Stamina to prove upped markedly in distance.

Summary

SUN DE L'ORME (14) may prove hard to beat following a 1L third in a 2500m handicap at Le Croise-Laroche. ALF A STAR (2) warrants thought on the back of a 13L fifth over 2200m at Amiens. SIRPARYS (4) came home 1L clear of his rivals in a 2100m event at Limoges. Consider for the win. VEMIX (7) is also noted having been beaten 12L sixth in a 2400m handicap at this track.

Selections

SUN DE L'ORME (14) - ALF A STAR (2) - SIRPARYS (4) - VEMIX (7)

Race 7

1. **ALBIR** - Good 1L third in a 2150m claimer at Lyon-la-Soie 18 days ago. Bold show expected.
2. **NIGHTDANCE MAN** - Held 53L 14th in a 2500m claimer at Le Croise-Laroche (very heavy) at the start of this month. Claims on best form.
3. **HOLDGREEN** - Decent 4L third in a 2950m claimer at Nancy (soft) last month. Notable runner.
4. **DREAM WORD** - Faded late on when 2L fifth in a 2400m handicap at Craon (very heavy) a month ago. Interesting contender.
5. **PEACH AND VANILLA** - Held 7L tenth in a 2400m handicap here a week ago. Minor role likely.
6. **IMPROVISING** - Below par 10L tenth over 1700m here 15 days ago. Others preferred.
7. **UN BEAU MEC** - Down the field 19L last of ten in a 2600m handicap at Pont-de-Vivax just under three weeks ago. Best watched.
8. **MISTER VANCOUVER** - Pulled up in hurdle races two most recent starts. Others make more appeal on Flat return.
9. **TRANCOSO** - Disappointing 10L 12th in a 2500m handicap at Deauville four weeks ago. Improvement needed.
10. **MAMBO CHOP** - Struggled 15L 11th in a 1700m handicap at this venue a month ago. More needed.
11. **SPRING SHOW** - Returning from a break when 9L ninth in a 2100m claimer here a month ago. Better expected second up.
12. **MADAME ALIETTE** - Faded when 28L ninth in a 2200m handicap at Amiens (heavy) earlier this month. Improvement needed.
13. **GLYSANDRINE** - First start back from a break came when 5L fourth in an 1800m claimer at Le Croise-Laroche (heavy) nine days ago. Strong claims.

Summary

ALBIR (1) may prove hard to beat following a 1L third in a 2150m claimer at Lyon-la-Soie. GLYSANDRINE (13) warrants consideration having been beaten 5L fourth in an 1800m claimer at Le Croise-Laroche first up. HOLDGREEN (3) registered a decent 4L third in a 2950m claimer at Nancy. Shortlist down in trip. DREAM WORD (4) is also considered having produced a 2L fifth in a 2400m handicap at Craon.

Selections

ALBIR (1) - GLYSANDRINE (13) - HOLDGREEN (3) - DREAM WORD (4)

Race 8

1. **STROMBOLI** - Fair 4L seventh in a 2400m handicap at this circuit a week ago. Interesting.
2. **STADE VELODROME** - Tried to make all prior to fading when 3L sixth over this trip here earlier this month. Bold show expected.
3. **BAMCALYB** - Beaten 3L tenth having raced from the front in a 2500m handicap at Deauville 11 days ago. Drop in trip looks likely to suit.
4. **SPIRIT OF DANCE** - Decent 3L fifth over course and distance just over two weeks ago. One to note.
5. **CHARNOCK RICHARD** - Put a disappointing effort behind him when 1L second in a 2000m handicap at Pont-de-Vivieux 12 days ago. Strong claims.
6. **MASETTO** - Decent 3L seventh in a 1900m handicap at Deauville last month. Interesting to see how he fares.
7. **EMMA POINT** - Beaten 6L fourth in a 1700m handicap at this venue a month ago. Stamina to prove.
8. **HAPPY TO BE** - Disappointing 29L 15th in a 1600m handicap at Saint-Cloud (heavy) 25 days ago. Notable runner on earlier form.
9. **HEADS TOGETHER** - Fair 6L fifth in a 2000m claimer at Toulouse (heavy) eight days ago. More needed here however.
10. **TEQUILA BOOM BOOM** - Returning from over 14 months off the track when 23L tenth over 2100m at Limoges (good) at the end of last month. Minor role likely.

Summary

STADE VELODROME (2) is considered for the win following a 3L sixth in a course and distance handicap. CHARNOK RICHARD (5) enters equations having been beaten 1L when runner-up over 2000m at Pont-de-Vivieux. SPIRIT OF DANCE (4) made all to win here by 4L at this trip on penultimate start. Respectable 3L fifth in a handicap here subsequently. Shortlist. HAPPY TO BE (8) can put a below par 1600m 29L fifteenth at Saint-Cloud behind her with this journey a more suitable test.

Selections

STADE VELODROME (2) - CHARNOK RICHARD (5) - SPIRIT OF DANCE (4) - HAPPY TO BE (8)