

SATURDAY, 23/03/24

C1 - PRIX DU PALAIS ROHAN - 3400m (a2m 1/8) - TURF - Class 2 - Hurdles - EUR € 30,000

1. KIRIELLE DU MESNIL - Has won on the flat and a hurdle race but was a bit of a disappointment when 6th last time out in a Conditions hurdle race at Compiègne over 3400m on 5 March. Not out of it

2. EDITION ORIGINALE - Consistent so far and was fourth last time out in a Conditions hurdle race at Angers over 3400m on 28 February. Fit and should fight out the finish once again

3. DEVIL ROSE - Showed some improvement when winning last time out in a Conditions hurdle race at Nantes over 3500m on 27 November. Returns from a break and deserves some respect

4. LA GACHERE - Much improved second start when winning a Conditions hurdle race at 3550m on 26 October. Returns from a break but can follow up if fit

5. ISOLA DI CAPRI - Her best form has been in claimers but was not disgraced when fourth last time out in a Conditions hurdle at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 3700m on 22 February. More is needed to win this race

6. TREZY DIVA - Not disgraced when fourth on debut in a Conditions hurdle race at Vichy over 3500m on 5 May. Returns from a lengthy break but can make the frame

7. KY PERRINE - Well beaten on debut but did show improvement when 5th last time out in a Conditions hurdle race at Vittel on 10 August. May need the run returning from a break

8. VERONA DU BERLAIS - A four-year-old filly by Kapgarde out of Katioucha who is making her debut. Watch the betting

Summary: LA GACHERE (4) showed good improvement when winning last time out and if fit from a break could be the one to be with. EDITION ORIGINALE (2) is fit and was not disgraced when fourth last time out and looks likely to do a lot better this time around. KIRIELLE DU MESNIL (1) disappointed last time out but is capable of better and can bounce back to score. DEVIL ROSE (3) is improving but does return from a break.

SELECTIONS

LA GACHERE (4) - EDITION ORIGINALE (2) - KIRIELLE DU MESNIL (1) - DEVIL ROSE (3)

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**C2 - PRIX DE LA SOREC - 1000m (a5f) - TURF - Newcomers - Flat - EUR €
23,000**

1. NORTH COAST - Is by Al Wukair out of a Kendargent mare that might need a run or two to tighten up. An outsider that could place. Prefer others

2. SWEET CHOP - Is a son of Van Beethoven out of a mare called Sweet To Remember. Hard to assess how he will run on debut. Prefer others

3. VIF DE BOISTRON - He is out of a maiden mare that did run many places and is by Al Wukair. Others preferred

4. FALY CHOP - Another runner by Gutaifan that can be right there on debut. His mare never raced. Can go well on debut

5. PASILLO - Is a son of Gutaifan out of a one time winning mare. He should run well first time at the races. Each way chance

6. CITE MONDINE - A daughter of Johnny Barnes out of a Toronado mare that could need a run or two to learn what racing is all about. Pass by

7. FRUITION - Is a son of Gutaifan out of a Pivotal mare that can be expected to make a winning debut. Watch the betting closer to race time. Win

8. NACRE FONTANEL - Daughter of Gutaifan that is likely to be an outsider on debut. Happy to ignore for today

9. LA KICHTA - One of the many offspring of Gutaifan that can be a huge threat on debut. Watch the betting moves for more or less confidence. Chance

Summary: FRUITION (7) is an attractively bred filly by Romanised out of a one time winning mare. It is advisable to watch the betting trends as race time looms but she is selected to get her career off to a bright, winning start. PASILLO (5) is a son of Gutaifan that could end up being absolutely anything. Expect a forward performance first time at the office. LA KICHTA (9) is out of a Holy Roman Emperor mare that could make the presence felt on debut. Can place. FALY CHOP (4) has a first four chance on debut.

SELECTIONS

FRUITION (7) - PASILLO (5) - LA KICHTA (9) - FALY CHOP (4)

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C3 - PRIX DE LA FONDATION CLAUDE POMPIDOU - 3900m (a2m 1/2) - TURF - Class 3 - Hurdles - EUR € 26,000

1. LYON CLERMONT - On a very long losing run but was third last time out in a handicap hurdle at Pau over 3800m on 10 March. Not out of it

2. VESROLI - Unreliable and is coming off two disappointing performances with the latest being in a handicap hurdle at Toulouse over 3900m on 2 November. Others are preferred

3. GIBRALFARO - Last wins were in 2021 and was 7th last time out in a Gr.2. hurdle race at Auteui on 10 June. Consistent in hurdle races and has a winning chance returning from a break

4. BREKDANCE BILBERRY - Knocking hard at the door and was runner-up last time out in a Conditions hurdle race at Machecoul over 3900m on 25 February. Be right there in the mix once again

5. SINGEL MALT - Yet to win a race after 14 attempts but it may be worth forgiving the last run at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat on 6 October 2022. Likely to need this run returning from a lengthy break

6. GARKAPSTAR - Unreliable and last two wins have been in chases but was runner-up last time out in a Conditions hurdle at Fontainebleau over 3800m on 12 March. Can fight out the finish once again

7. GADJO DES ARRACHIS - Yet to win a race but was fourth last time out in a Conditions hurdle race at Niort over 3800m on 17 October 2022. Likely to need this run after a lengthy break

8. TOTO DEMONMIRAIL - May have just needed the race when fourth last time out on hurdle debut in a Conditions race at Auteuil over 3600m on 3 March. Can make the frame

9. HIERACHY - Won twice in the UK in four starts with her latest win being on the flat at Kelso over 3250m on 17 April. Tries a hurdle race but is likely to need this run

10. LADY COEUR - Proved in need of the run when 6th last time out in a handicap hurdle at Angers over 3800m on 28 February. Could be the surprise package of the race

Summary: GIBRALFARO (3) tried Gr.2. company last time out and was well beaten but is best weighted for this race. Capable of winning if fit from a break. GARKAPSTAR (6) indicated his well-being with a good runner-up performance last time out and can go one better. LYON CLERMONT (1) is holding form well and can fight out the finish yet again. BREKDANCE BILBERRY (4) tackles tougher this time but is in very good form.

SELECTIONS

GIBRALFARO (3) - GARKAPSTAR (6) - LYON CLERMONT (1) - BREKDANCE BILBERRY (4)

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C4 - PRIX DE LA SOCIETE DES COURSES DE CRAON - 2000m (a1m 1/4) - TURF - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 15,000

- 1. UGATZAI** - Has shown some ability before, can build on latest 6th over 2100m at Tarbes in a weak claiming race on the 23rd of February. Big chance
- 2. LOUSTIC BERE** - Lightly raced, surely has more to offer and can progress on latest 6th over 2150m at Cagnes-Sur-Mer in a Handicap. One for the shortlist. Go close
- 3. WELCOMETORO** - Finished 5th over 2000m at Pau on the 14th of February and can get much closer this time. Strong each way claims
- 4. TESTIMONIO** - Running well, placed 4th over 2100m at Tarbes on the 23rd of last month in a weak claiming race. Good chance
- 5. HOPEFULLY** - Ignore last run when 9th, finished a great 2nd before that at Pornichet over 2100m. Could be hard to oppose. Strong win choice
- 6. SILLABUB** - She is improving with racing, finished 3rd over 2100m at Pornichet on the 2nd of March in a Handicap. Strong each way chance
- 7. SOMMERCANCE** - Ignore last run, placed 4th over 1600m at Pau on the 2nd of February in a claiming race. Is the place value for the quartet
- 8. CORRECTIONNELLE** - Raced three times and has not shown too much promise. Will need to improve on form seen thus far. Prefer others
- 9. ESPERANCE CHAUFOR** - Will need to improve a ton on latest 5th over 2100m at Tarbes and would be a surprise winner. Happy to ignore
- 10. CIAO MA** - Has not shown much at all, finished down field in 10th over 1900m at Bouscat earlier this month. Hard to like

Summary: HOPEFULLY (5) has raced four times and more than likely has a ton more to offer. Ignore her last run. She is selected to get it all right today. Strong win. SILLABUB (6) is clearly improving with racing and ran the best race of her career thus far, last time, and can go very close. UGATZAI (1) raced a few times and has solid overall form. He can get into the action in this and is a must for all bets. WELCOMETORO (3) has a huge place chance and has to be included in the quartet.

SELECTIONS

HOPEFULLY (5) - SILLABUB (6) - UGATZAI (1) - WELCOMETORO (3)

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C5 - PRIX JEAN-FRANCOIS BERNARD - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 21,000

- 1. ESCUDO D'OURO** - Finished 5th over 1400m in a Handicap at Pau on the 19th of January and could be the value for the quartet
- 2. CHAI D'OEUVRE** - Finished 5th over 1400m at Bouscat on the 22nd of last month and could be worth including in quartet perms. Chance
- 3. ALMAGUER** - A good second in a Conditions race at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 1500m on the 17th of February.
- 4. CHIRICCO** - Ran a cracker on debut, finished 4th over 1600m at Parislongchamp on the 31st of August last year. Can race fresh and well. Place chance
- 5. WATHAB** - Was third in a Conditions race at Toulouse over 1600m on the 4th of March.
- 6. QUARTIER MAITRE** - Finished 6th in a Conditions race at Pau over 2000m on the 18th of February.
- 7. BAYAMOON** - Has plenty scope to build on debut 5th over 2000m at Pau on the 18th of February. Respect and include for the quartet
- 8. MENDRISIO** - A son of Vanishing Cupid out of a mare that won one race. Expect a good effort on debut but the movements in the betting market will be the best guide as race time looms

Summary: ALMAGUER (3) has run two excellent races thus far, both over 1500m and should be a hard horse to oppose. Suggested banker on the card. WATHAB (5) has run eight times for an impressive six places. His last run at Toulouse over 1600m was very encouraging and he should get it all right soon. Strong each way chance. QUARTIER MAITRE (6) gets the services of Olivier Peslier and this son of Zarak has plenty scope to improve on his debut effort. Include in all bets. Go close. CHIRICCO (4) caught the eye on debut and with natural improvement, can get much closer. Huge runner.

SELECTIONS

ALMAGUER (3) - QUARTIER MAITRE (6) - WATHAB (5) - MENDRISIO (8)

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C6 - PRIX DE LA SOCIETE DES COURSES DE TOULOUSE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 21,000

- 1. PRINCESSE CHLOE** - Has not excited at all recently. Placed 10th over 2100m at Tarbes and will need to find many lengths to feature. Pass by
- 2. LAS VEGAS DREAM** - Excellent first effort when 3rd over 2000m at Pau on the 18th of February. Expect plenty more with natural improvement. Big chance
- 3. VILLA DES ARTS** - Will have gained experience from a few runs, placed 4th over 2000m at Pau on the 14th of February and can fight out the finish. Good chance
- 4. GRAND WHISPER** - Plenty scope to build on debut 5th over 1900m at Chantilly. Include in all bets. Strong place claims
- 5. DANCING QUEEN** - Placed 6th over 2000m at Cagnes-Sur-Mer in February and with natural progression, can get a lot closer. Bright place chance
- 6. SADWADA** - Finished only 10th over 2000m on debut at Pau and will need serious improvement to threaten. Ignore
- 7. TORNILLA** - Much better effort last time when 5th over 1900m at Bouscat on the 16th of March however others should be better. Happy to ignore
- 8. FINETTE** - Ran an absolute cracker at the first time of asking when 2nd over 1600m at Toulouse on the 4th of March. Could be very hard to beat. Strong win
- 9. MARQUISE VERA** - Started off okay but has been on the decline since. Finished 11th over 1700m in a Handicap in December last year. Prefer others
- 10. SHAINI** - A daughter of Goken out of a mare that won two races. Watch the betting trends as race time gets near
- 11. BAGGALA** - She is a daughter of Gleneagles out of an Anabaa mare that could be involved in the finish on debut. Watch the betting. Each way chance
- 12. VIANETA** - Daughter of Recoletos out of a Dylan Thomas mare that more than likely will need a few runs to tighten up. Watch the betting. Prefer others

Summary: FINETTE (8) made a huge impression when nearly winning on debut over 1600m at Toulouse on the 4th of this month. With natural progression, she could prove a very difficult horse to oppose. Strong win. LAS VEGAS DREAM (2) caught the eye on the 18th of February at Pau when posting a sparkling first run. Huge improvement is likely and he is therefore a leading contender. GRAND WHISPER (4) can improve to get much closer which will give her a strong place chance. VILLA DES ARTS (3) is a natural inclusion for all quartet permutations.

SELECTIONS

FINETTE (8) - LAS VEGAS DREAM (2) - GRAND WHISPER (4) - VILLA DES ARTS (3)

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C7 - PRIX HIPPOCAMPUS - 2EME ETAPE DU DEFI DU GALOP - 2000m (a1m 1/4) - TURF - Class 1 - Flat - EUR € 38,000

- 1. PERLE ROUGE** - Finished 6th in a Conditions race at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 1600m on the 11th of February. Distance-suited and has previously won at this track
- 2. UNE PERLE** - Second in a Group 3 at Toulouse over 2100m on the 11th of November. Based on being a runner-up in a Group 3 must be included
- 3. DEPUTY RULER** - A winner at Tarbes in a Conditions race over 2300m on the 23rd of February. Others are preferred in this line-up.
- 4. NIGHTS ON BROADWAY** - Second in a Handicap at Toulouse over 2000m on the 4th of March. Improved latest effort after the break but must confirm
- 5. LICEO** - A winner in a Conditions race at Tarbes over 2100m on the 14th of October. Has previously won at this track but might need the run
- 6. KOVROV** - Fourth in a Conditions race at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 1600m on the 11th of February. Going the extra distance but has good consistent form
- 7. DAR TOUNGI** - Finished 5th in a Conditions race at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 2000m on the 25th of January. Consistent sort who can play a role
- 8. PARTENIT** - Second in the latest a Conditions race at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 2150m on the 25th of February. A consistent sort who should make a bold bid
- 9. DILAWAR** - Second in a Conditions race at Marseille-Borely over 2000m on the 12th of November. He has won six from thirteen attempts but might need the run

Summary: PARTENIT (8) is very consistent and must be a big runner and the main danger could be UNE PERLE (2) who has been on a break since being a runner-up in a Group 3 and if ready must be included. KOVROV (6) is another worth mentioning and can be involved in the finish. Trying the 2000m for the first time. DILAWAR (9) is coming back from a break but does have ability.

SELECTIONS

PARTENIT (8) - UNE PERLE (2) - PERLE ROUGE (1) - KOVROV (6)

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**C8 - PRIX DE LA SOCIETE DES COURSES DE BORDEAUX - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 4 Handicap - Flat - EUR
€ 17,000**

- 1. HARCOUELA** - A winner of a Handicap at Deauville over 1300m on the 2nd of February. Maxime Guyon takes the ride and she is expected to go close to winning
- 2. KATALINA** - Third in a Handicap at Pau over 1600m on the 10th of March. Improved in the latest effort and will need to confirm
- 3. MONTIGNY** - Was fourth in a Handicap at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 1400m on the 22nd of February. Improved in the latest effort and is a good finisher
- 4. KHABESA** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 1600m on the 21st of February. Four poor efforts since returning from a break
- 5. BECHO** - Was 6th in a Handicap at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 1400m on the 22nd of February. Penultimate start winner and deserves to be respected
- 6. IDAHO JAMES** - Was 7th in a Handicap at Toulouse over 1200m on the 11th of March. Unplaced in three efforts this year and more will be needed
- 7. SHADE** - Unplaced in a Conditions race at Pornichet-La Baule over 1700m on the 2nd of March. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 8. SHOWMAN** - Fourth in a Handicap at Toulouse over 1200m on the 11th of March. Improved in the latest effort and will be fitter
- 9. JORDAN BAKER** - Finished 6th in a Handicap at Fontainebleau over 1600m on the 2nd of March. He is a consistent sort and is seldom far off them
- 10. HONG KONG STAR** - Third in a Handicap at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 1400m on the 22nd of February. Can contest the finish and is in form
- 11. TERANGA** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Pau over 1600m on the 10th of March. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 12. YSSINGEAUX** - Was 8th in a Handicap at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 1400m on the 22nd of February. Not easy to trust but can bounce back
- 13. GENNY DANCE** - Third in a Conditions race at Lignieres over 1600m on the 2nd of March. Will find this tougher but has twice placed third recently
- 14. JASMIN DORE** - Second in a Handicap at Toulouse over 1200m on the 11th of March. Has not missed the top two in the last four efforts
- 15. O GRE DES SAISONS** - Fourth in a Handicap at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 1400m on the 22nd of February. Has won at this track in September last year and can play a minor role
- 16. HYGROVE BEC** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Chantilly over 1300m on the 29th of February. Poor effort in February when returning from a break
- 17. HOOK** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 1400m on the 22nd of February. Poor last two efforts and will need major improvement
- 18. GOOD VICTORY** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Pau over 1600m on the 10th of March. Yet to taste victory and others are preferred

Summary: A race with many having a chance to get the victory. HARCOUELA (1) is a recent winner at Deauville and gets the services of Maxime Guyon. BECHO (5) won a Claimer in her penultimate start and can be involved. JASMIN DORE (14), MONTIGNY (3) and YSSINGEAUX (12) all have a chance at getting involved in the finish. HONG KONG STAR (10) is also deserving of a mention.

SELECTIONS

HARCOUELA (1) - BECHO (5) - JORDAN BAKER (9) - MONTIGNY (3)