

WEDNESDAY, 25/02/26

R2 CHANTILLY [R-H]

C1 - PRIX ROGER POINCELET (CHMPT PARIS TURF DES APPRENTIS & JEUNES JOCKEYS) - 1900m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 - Flat - EUR € 14,600

- 1. SWEET DIANA** - A respectable 5th in a Conditional Qualifying Handicap over 1600m at Chantilly on 19 December. Finished strongly in that race and has a win at the course three runs back
- 2. LOVE THE STARS** - Not beaten that far when 6th in a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 23 January. She has recorded three wins at this course so must be considered
- 3. SIJOUX** - A disappointing 14th in a Handicap over this course and distance on 13 February. Her previous performances were decent so maybe one needs to put a line through that last race
- 4. MOUTARDE** - A poor 12th in a Handicap over 1600m at Chantilly on 20 February. Current form is very mediocre and he is best overlooked
- 5. GAULOIS GLORIEUX** - Finished 6th in a Claimer over 1500m at Deauville on 29 January. Did not have the best of starts in that race and could redeem herself this time
- 6. SEIGNEUR** - Ran 12th in a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 23 January. That was his first run back from a five-month layoff and should improve on a racetrack over which he runs well.
- 7. BIG ENERGY** - Finished 6th in a Claimer over 1600m at Cagnes-Sur-Mer on 27 January. Will need to do a lot more to be competitive
- 8. MINO GALESTE** - Looked good when running 5th in a Handicap over 1900m at Deauville on 16 January. Can improve on that run and has finished 2nd in a Quinté+ at this course in March last year
- 9. DIRE LA VERITE** - A close up 4th in a Claimer over 2500m at Deauville on 7 February. His form is not bad but he does take a jump in class. .
- 10. SENECHALE** - A moderate 13th in a Handicap over 2100m at Pornichet on 24 January. Looks unlikely to be competitive in this line-up

Summary: Although finishing sixth last time, MINO GALESTE (8) ran on strongly on a course conducive to those who race up with the pace and will do a lot better on this track. Will be a contender. SWEET DIANA (1) has already posted a win at this course and ran well enough in her last start to be considered a factor. In-form LOVE THE STARS (2) has won three of her six races at Chantilly while Improvement is expected from GAULOIS GLORIEUX (5).

SELECTIONS

MINO GALESTE (8) - SWEET DIANA (1) - LOVE THE STARS (2) - GAULOIS GLORIEUX (5)

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C2 - PRIX DE LA BROUTILLERIE - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 24,700

- 1. SAHMAT** - Ran 6th in race over 1300m at Krefeld in Germany on 15 November. Makes his debut in France but will need to prove himself
- 2. GIOVANNI GIORGIO** - A promising 2nd in a Maiden over 1500m at Deauville on 2 December. Did well early on in Ireland and made a good debut in France last time
- 3. SIRAT** - A decent 5th in a Maiden over 1500m at Deauville on 2 December. Has raced against some decent opposition should be competitive
- 4. ASALET** - A moderate 11th in a Maiden over 1600m at Chantilly on 8 November. That was his debut race in France and will need to do more
- 5. MAGNUS** - A moderate 6th in a Conditions race over 1600m at this track on 12 February. That was his first outing and there could be some progress
- 6. SYDNEY SUNSET** - Ran well when 3rd in a Handicap over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 9 October. Is in top form and should be right there if he handles the sand racing fresh
- 7. SANSURO** - Did well when 4th in a Conditions race over 1900m at Deauville on 28 November. Drops in distance this time and that could help his chances
- 8. LORD CLOVER** - Unraced 3yo colt by Siyouni out of Frankel mare Lady Frankel trained by Francis Graffard. First foal of Gr1 placed mare, cost 200,000 euros and is well related. Has already been entered in Classic races
- 9. CTE DU BERGER** - Unraced 3yo colt by Starspangledbanner out of Galileo mare Premiere Bohemienne trained by Andre Fabre. Related to Gr3 winner Dare To Dream and could have a bright future
- 10. SUGAR BROWN** - Unraced 3yo colt by Armor out of Anodin are Lady Walli. Only foal to race is a one-time winner from 12 starts

Summary: Many eyes will be on unraced colt LORD CLOVER (8) who is well bred and has been entered to run in the Prix du Jockey-Club and the Gr 1 Poule d'Essai. CTE DU BERGER (9) is also unraced and is well related, so he should also find support. SIRAT (3) has come up against some decent opposition during his two-year-old career and is the pick of the raced runners. GIOVANNI GIORGIO (2) had some good form in Ireland and did well enough on his debut in France to be a threat.

SELECTIONS

LORD CLOVER (8) - CTE DU BERGER (9) - SIRAT (3) - GIOVANNI GIORGIO (2)

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C3 - PRIX DE LA CROIX DES ORMEAUX - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 24,700

1. **ZAURA** - Slightly disappointing last time when 6th in a Maiden over 1600m at Cagnes-Sur Mer on 9 February. However, her penultimate run was encouraging and she does have a claim
2. **INGEBORG** - A decent performance when 3rd in a Maiden over 1900m at Deauville on 7 February. Has run two excellent races and should keep up the good record
3. **MORGANA GOLD** - An encouraging 2nd in a Conditions race over 1600m at this course on 12 February. Beaten by a strong opponent on debut and can go one better this time
4. **HALSEY** - A moderate 8th in a Maiden over this course and distance on 15 February. Will need to up her game
5. **DARYA** - Well beaten when 5th in Maiden over 1400m at Chantilly on 24 June. Started really well when 3rd on debut and can improve, despite the layoff
6. **PRESSURE TEST** - A poor 12th in a Conditions race over this course and distance on 12 February. Will need to do a lot more
7. **PRAETORIA** - A mediocre 11th in a Maiden over 1400m at Deauville on 9 August. That was her debut run and although she has not raced since she is well bred and could improve on the sand
8. **RENIA** - A respectable 6th over 1500m at Deauville on 22 January. That was a reasonable first run and she could progress from that.
9. **AVATINE IMPACT** - Never showed when 9th in a Claimer over 2150m at Lyon La Soie on 21 January. Has done little to warrant inclusion
10. **PALM SPRINGS** - Looked good when finishing 3rd in a Maiden over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 16 October. Improving with every run and now looks ready to notch up her first win
11. **CAUDRY** - Finished 6th in a Conditions race over 1500m at Deauville on 26 November. Another who could take a step forward in her second race
12. **STARLIT DESTINY** -
13. **TIMES JUBILEE** - Unraced 3yo filly by Pinatubo out of Excelebration are Excellent times. Dam's first foal to race
14. **HIRAYA** - Unraced 3yo filly by Seahenge out of Deportiva mare Janaya. This is the mare's first foal to race

Summary: MORGANA GOLD (3) looked highly impressive when second on debut. With natural improvement she should go close and could be hard to beat. PALM SPRINGS (10) has some decent form and although coming back from a break should run well, as long as she takes to the sand. INGEBORG (2) has raced over further but could be suited to the drop in trip. If DARYA (5) can reproduce the form of her debut run she could fight out the finish.

SELECTIONS

MORGANA GOLD (3) - PALM SPRINGS (10) - INGEBORG (2) - DARYA (5)

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C4 - PRIX DE LA FONTAINE SAINT-GERVAIS - 2700m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 22,100

1. HAPPY LADY - A mediocre 12th in a Handicap over 2200m at Amiens on 19 November. Comes back from a short break and tries this trip for the first time

2. MISSION D'ESPOIR - A poor 13th in a Handicap over 2500m at Deauville on 22 December. Will need to up her game to feature

3. KUPKA - A promising 2nd in a Handicap over 2400m at Pornichet on 5 February. Has improved markedly since racing over further and should be there once again

4. BYGOUDINE - A decent 4th in a Handicap over 2400m at Pornichet on 5 February. Having her first run at this course but could prove a threat

5. LADY AGATA - A moderate 6th in a Handicap over 2500m at Deauville on 29 January. She is better than that and returns to the track where she has won

6. HOT AND BEAUTY - An encouraging 4th in a Conditions race over this course and distance on 31 January. She drops in class and will have the service of Stéphane Pasquier for the first time. Respect!

7. POTTER NICOLIERE - Disappointed when 9th in a Handicap over 2500m at Deauville on 29 January. That was his first run on the surface and he should be better this time around

8. GREYMARA - Did not run to his best when 9th in a Handicap over 2500m at Deauville on 29 January. Did get a penalty for winning his penultimate race which may have affected him but he is better than that last run

9. CARTAAM - Looked good when 3rd in a Handicap over 2500m at Deauville on 29 January. Ran well with Cristian Demuro in the irons for the first time and they team up again. A big effort is expected

10. PINK JIMMY - Not really in it when 10th in a Handicap over 2500m at Deauville on 29 January. Not much to recommend him on recent form

11. TOVABIEN - A poor 13th in a Handicap over 2400m at Cagnes-Sur-Mer on 26 January. Looks unlikely to have much impact on this race

Summary: Based on his last run when 3rd at Deauville, CARTAAM (9) could be the runner to beat and could even show more trying this surface for the first time. KUPKA (3) has really raised his performances since tried over further and should run well once again. POTTER NICOLIÈRE (7) has some decent form and should be a lot better now he has experience on the sand. HOT AND BEAUTY (6) will benefit from racing against weaker opposition this time and is one to consider.

SELECTIONS

CARTAAM (9) - KUPKA (3) - POTTER NICOLIERE (7) - HOT AND BEAUTY (6)

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C5 - PRIX DE LA FONTAINE D'ORRY - 2700m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 28,800

- 1. MISTERWINNER** - Ran well to be 2nd over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap when narrowly beaten on January 29th. One to keep onside
- 2. REMBRAND TO GO** - Three solid performances of late, 4th over 1900m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on January 16th. Ought to be thereabouts
- 3. BELLA D'ANJOU** - Recent success over 2500m in a Class 3 handicap at Deauville on January 29th when winning narrowly. More to do with a penalty
- 4. IKKO** - Three placed runs recently, 4th on the latest over 3200m at this track in a handicap on November 18th. Capable of being competitive
- 5. LARLIB** - Placed 4th last time over 2400m at Pornichet on February 18th in a Class 3 race. Hard to be enthusiastic about
- 6. JURMALA** - Finished 5th on the latest start over 2500m in a claimer on January 23rd at Deauville. Faces a stiff task
- 7. FERDINAND PREMIER** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on January 2nd. Can have a say and make the top-four
- 8. ESPRIT DE LA FORET** - He won last time over 2500m at Deauville in a handicap on December 13th, and consistent runs before that. Player
- 9. GOT MAN** - Two unplaced efforts of late, the latter over 3400m in a Class 3 handicap at Deauville on January 23rd. Might find this difficult
- 10. EDIBEST FAL** - Won on the last start over 2400m at Pornichet in a Class 4 handicap on February 5th. Others seem to be better equipped
- 11. OCTANE** - Two improved runs this year, with a win over 2500m at Deauville on the latest in a Class 3 handicap on January 29th. Hard to ignore

Summary: IKKO (4) has been in good form of late and ran a pleasing fourth over 3200m at this track in mid-November. The drop back in distance should not pose a problem, and he can take this. He may just edge out ESPRIT DE LA FORET (8), who could give the selection most to think about after scoring over 2500m at Deauville in December. REMBRAND TO GO (2) is an honest performer and looks a solid each-way option, while OCTANE (11) is also worth considering.

SELECTIONS

IKKO (4) - ESPRIT DE LA FORET (8) - REMBRAND TO GO (2) - OCTANE (11)

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C6 - PRIX DE BELLOY-EN-FRANCE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,200

1. **GOD SAVE THE QUEEN** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 2900m at Amiens in a Class 4 handicap on November 10th. Opposable
2. **GOT HAWK** - Three unplaced runs this year, 9th over 2350m in a Class 4 handicap at Machecoul on February 10th. Unlikely to feature
3. **VESINABA** - Won on his last run over 2500m in a Class 4 handicap at Deauville on February 6th. In good shape and warrants respect
4. **BAIONA** - Finished 4th on her last start over 3200m at this track in a Class 3 handicap on January 31st. Infrequent winner and can be overlooked
5. **TUNDRA** - Unplaced last time, 3rd previously over 2500m at Deauville on January 8th in a Class 4 handicap. Hardly inspiring
6. **TENYEARSATER** - Fair effort to be 2nd over 2400m in a Class 4 handicap at Lyon La Soie on February 14th on the last start. In the mix
7. **STARLIGHT** - Ran well to be 4th over this track and trip in a conditions race 12 days ago and is worth considering each-way
8. **TYTAN** - Two unplaced runs since a 3rd over 1900m at this track in a Class 4 handicap on December 11th. Up in trip and is respected
9. **LANDARYNA** - Unplaced last time, 3rd previously over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 4 handicap on January 22nd. Others make more appeal
10. **SILVER CONDOR** - Two unplaced runs of late this year, 6th over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 4 handicap on January 22nd last time out. Makes limited appeal
11. **FEEDSREVES** - Three unplaced runs this year, 8th over 2500m in a Class 4 handicap on February 6th on the latter. One to avoid
12. **ELYT OF GOLD** - Unplaced on the one run this year over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 4 handicap on February 6th. Unlikely to be involved
13. **LIGHTED GLORY** - Two unplaced runs since a 2nd over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 4 handicap on January 22nd. Look elsewhere
14. **DREAM IN NORMANDY** - Three placed runs of late, 4th on the latter over 2400m in a Class 4 handicap on February 14th when last seen. Can not be ruled out
15. **LHASA** - Two 4th placed runs this year, the most recent over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 4 handicap on January 23rd. Hard to discount
16. **MAESTRO CHOP** - Unplaced last time, 3rd before that over 3200m at Chantilly on January 31st in a Class 3 handicap. One to keep aside

Summary: VESINABA (3) won convincingly by over two lengths at Deauville in a Class 4 handicap earlier this month and should be primed to follow up. DREAM IN NORMANDY (14) could be the one to make the selection work hard for success, having posted three recent placed efforts and looking ready to strike again. STARLIGHT (7) ran well to finish fourth at this track 12 days ago and can have a say in the outcome, while TYTAN (8) completes the shortlist.

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SELECTIONS

VESINABA (3) - DREAM IN NORMANDY (14) - STARLIGHT (7) - TYTAN (8)

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C7 - PRIX DE VILLAINES-SOUS-BOIS - 2700m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 22,100

1. **FELIX FELICIS** - Recent success over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap 19 days ago. Ought to be involved in the shake-up
2. **WATT OHM** - Three solid placed runs this year, 3rd over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on February 6th. Hard to rule out
3. **BORN TO WIN** - Two unplaced runs of late, a win before that over 2500m at Deauville on January 8th in a Class 4 handicap. Unlikely to be a threat
4. **LEMPIRA** - Unplaced last time, 4th previously over 2500m at Deauville on January 22nd in a Class 3 handicap. Player
5. **ARGYRON** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 2500m at Deauville on January 8th in a Class 4 handicap. Others seem better equipped
6. **MISTER POWER** - Placed 4th over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on February 6th when last appearing. Can make the frame
7. **GOOD QUESTION** - Three unplaced efforts recently, the latest over 1900m at Chantilly in a Class 3 handicap on February 13th. Might need a few to falter
8. **ARMORIGENE** - Two unplaced runs this year, the latter over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on January 16th. Others preferred
9. **WILD N'BEAUTIFUL** - Nice win over 3200m at this track in a Class 3 handicap on January 31st by an easy 4 lengths. Hard to discount dropping back in distance
10. **MURANO** - Two placed runs of late, 3rd on the latter over 2100m at Pornichet on February 18th in a Class 4 handicap. In the mix
11. **LOUGHCREW** - Two tame runs this year, 7th over 3200m in a Class 3 handicap at this track on January 31st. Hard to recommend
12. **KAPO ROSSO** - Ran well to be 3rd over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on February 6th last time out. One to consider each-way
13. **KENOR** - Unplaced last time, a win before that over the track and trip in a Class 4 handicap on December 6th. Outside place chance at big odds
14. **JUWEL** - Unplaced last time, 3rd previously over 2200m at Koln (DEU) on June 9th last year. Lack of consistency is a concern
15. **LUNE ROUGE** - Placed 3rd on the last run over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on January 22nd. Look for an alternative
16. **MISS DONNA** - Several unplaced runs of late, the most recent over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on January 22nd. Opposable

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Summary: WILD N'BEAUTIFUL (9) won by four lengths over 3200m at this track in a Class 3 handicap in late January and will be hard to stop despite the drop back in distance. WATT OHM (2) looks like the main danger. He has been running well with three placed runs on the artificial surfaces recently and warrants respect. LEMPIRA (4) ran well to be fourth two runs back at Deauville in late January and can not be ignored. KAPO ROSSO (12) is one to consider in all of the place bet permutations.

SELECTIONS

WILD N'BEAUTIFUL (9) - WATT OHM (2) - LEMPIRA (4) - KAPO ROSSO (12)

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C8 - PRIX DE JAGNY-SOUS-BOIS - 2700m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 28,800

- 1. ZAHYANA** - Recent 2nd over 3200m at this track in a Class 3 handicap on January 31st. Ought to play a leading role
- 2. HAPPY SAXON** - Two unplaced runs this year, 6th two runs back over 1900m at Deauville in a Class 3 race on January 2nd. Listed placed over 2000m in 2024. Consider each-way
- 3. JOUR POLAIRE** - He has been racing over jumps of late, 9th over 3600m in a Listed hurdle at Auteuil 11 days ago. Hard to recommend
- 4. ZILRAK** - Ran well to be 4th over 2500m in a Class 3 handicap on February 6th at Deauville. One to pay attention to and can make the frame
- 5. NASDAQ** - Shaped well to be 4th in a Class 3 handicap over 3200m at this track on January 31st. The drop back in distance looks like a positive
- 6. DEMPY** - Unplaced last time, 3rd before that over 3400m at Deauville on January 8th in a Class 3 handicap. Hard to discount
- 7. YES ZARA** - Two unplaced runs this year, the most recent over 3200m at Chantilly in a Class 3 handicap on January 31st. Look elsewhere
- 8. SCREEN SHOT** - Placed 4th on the most recent start over 1900m at this track in a Class 3 race on February 5th. Steps up in distance and others rate higher
- 9. CARTIMANDUA** - Two decent placed runs this year, 2nd over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on February 6th. Ought to be in the shake-up
- 10. ODIN NORMANDY** - Two wins this year, the latter over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 4 race on January 29th. He has risen in the handicap and others favoured
- 11. JAGUARE PRECIEUSE** - Recent success over 2500m at Deauville in a Class 3 handicap on February 6th. Not the most reliable and has more to do under a penalty
- 12. GLORI LEADER** - Two unplaced runs since a 3rd over 2350m at Haras Du Pin in a Class 4 race on October 12th. Unlikely to trouble some of these
- 13. NUMERUS BORGET** - Two unplaced runs recently, 2nd previously over 2350m at Machecoul on November 11th in a Class 4 race. Needs to be more consistent

Summary: ZAHYANA (1) ran well over a longer trip in a Class 3 handicap at this track in late January, finishing second on her most recent start, and gets the nod here. She is preferred to NASDAQ (5), who was about a length behind in fourth in the same race and should not be inconvenienced by the drop back in distance today. HAPPY SAXON (2) has slipped in the ratings and was Listed-placed in 2024, so she can have a say if returning to her best. ZILRAK (4) is another to consider.

SELECTIONS

ZAHYANA (1) - NASDAQ (5) - HAPPY SAXON (2) - ZILRAK (4)