

MARSEILLE VIVAUX [L-H] - 25 March

Race 1 - PRIX DU PARC BORELY - 2600m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €19,000.

1. **MUSIC IS HER NAME** - Not raced since finishing sixth over 2500m at Deauville All Weather on January 13. Could place.
2. **DECBOU** - Could only manage seventh over 3200m at Cagnes-sur-Mer last start. More needed.
3. **GOOD QUESTION** - Good effort last start when he finished a close second at this track over 2600m. Leading prospect.
4. **FORCE TRANQUILLE** - Finished off last campaign eighth of 11 at this track December 9 over 2000m. Others preferred.
5. **GAMECHANGER** - Finished sixth over 2100m at Marseille-Borely latest. Place chance.
6. **FICHA LIMPIA** - Below her best last time when eighth over 2600m at this track beaten 5.5 lengths. Each-way hope.
7. **CHARLIMIX** - Good 3-length third at Lyon-la-Soie two starts ago. Claims.
8. **CAPABLE** - Went down by just a head when third at Lyon-la-Soie over 3200m last time out. Notable hope.
9. **MISS CAYSSIE** - Finished just 2.5 lengths away in third last start over 2600m at Marseille-Borely. Among the leading hopes.
10. **YELLOW SAMBA** - Last start finished sixth over 2500m at Nancy beaten 12 lengths. Can hit the frame with the right run.
11. **LA BRUXELLOISE** - Placed two back then ran below her best last time when sixth and beaten 4.5 lengths at this track over 2600m. Certainly worth another chance.

Summary: CAPABLE (8) placed third when beaten a head in a 3200m handicap at Lyon-la-Soie AW. Taken to resume winning ways having won over 3200m here prior. Supplemented runner GOOD QUESTION (3) looks like a big threat here following a neck second in a course and distance conditions race. Key claims. CHARLIMIX (7) enters calculations on the back of a seventh in the previously mentioned 3200m handicap here. MISS CAYSSIE (9) looks like a threat following a 2.5L third in a 2600m contest at Marseille-Borely.

Selections

CAPABLE (8) - GOOD QUESTION (3) - CHARLIMIX (7) - MISS CAYSSIE (9)

Race 2 - PRIX DES PLAINES D'ARBOIS - 1500m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **MAFALDA STORY** - Finished seventh over 1300m at Cagnes-sur-Mer All Weather last time. Each-way hope.
2. **RECORD THE SHAW** - Last start 13th over 1600m at Cagnes-sur-Mer All Weather five weeks ago beaten 16 lengths. Capable of better.
3. **JAMAIS LE SAMEDI** - Returned from a layoff last start and was beaten 6 lengths into fourth over 1700m at Pornichet. Claims.
4. **SEPTANTE** - Tailed off seventh over 1850m at Hyeres. Could place on prior form.
5. **NIGHT OF THE OPERA** - Last start scored over 1200m at Marseille-Borely. Expected to run well.
6. **CERVARO** - Finished midfield last start at Marseille-Borely over 1200m. Opposed.
7. **LAWRENCE** - Well held in 12th over 1200m at Marseille-Borely two-and-a-half weeks ago. Fitter but unlikely to threaten.
8. **VIPIN** - Fair ninth over 1200m at Marseille-Borely two-and-a-half weeks ago beaten 3.5 lengths. Could go well.
9. **ELEHONORE DE DIANE** - Well beaten 15th over 1200m at Marseille-Borely. Remains lightly raced.
10. **LA FILLE DE BERLIN** - Finished sixth over 1600m at Toulouse two weeks ago beaten 3 lengths. Best form stacks up nicely.
11. **ENZO** - Held last time in eighth over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Place hope on best figures.
12. **MAKHZEN** - Latest effort an 11th over 1200m at Marseille-Borely beaten 4.5 lengths. More needed.
13. **CHEEKY TRAOU LAND** - Better run last start when 3.5 lengths adrift in third over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Making headway. Rates highly and is expected to measure up.
14. **MIRASOL** - 10-year-old mare who was well held resuming last start over 1200m at Marseille-Borely, beaten 9 lengths into 13th. Others preferred.

Summary: CHEEKY TRAOU LAND (13) registered a 3.25L third in a 1500m handicap at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Taken to register career win number seven. NIGHT OF THE OPERA (5) saw off a subsequent winner when scoring by a head over 1200m at Marseille-Borely. Expected to challenge for the win. JAMAIS LE SAMEDI (3) came home 6.75L fourth in a 1700m contest at Pornichet on handicap debut. Danger to all with that form working out well. LA FILLE DE BERLIN (10) warrants close consideration on the back of a 3L sixth over 1600m at Toulouse.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHEEKY TRAOU LAND (13) - NIGHT OF THE OPERA (5) - JAMAIS LE SAMEDI (3) - LA FILLE DE BERLIN (10)</p>

Race 3 - PRIX DU PONT DE VIVAUX - 2600m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €16,000.

1. **WUKOLINA** - Last start finished 13th over 1900m at Deauville All Weather beaten 10 lengths. Looking to others.
2. **BREVILLE** - Missed the frame two back but was a lot better last time when third over 2400m at Lyon-la-Soie. Shaping up nicely and can go on with it.
3. **TORUN** - Fair sixth over 2600m at Marseille-Borely. Not ruled out.
4. **PRISON BREAK** - Drops in distance from the latest effort when sixth over 3000m at Fontainebleau finishing 3.5 lengths off the winner. One of the leading chances having won at Nimes prior.
5. **MEJAEN** - Finished midfield last start at Lyon-la-Soie over 2150m 6 lengths from the winner. Won at Chantilly AW prior.
6. **BALGEES TIME** - Good fifth at Pau All Weather last outing. Claims.
7. **MY NEST** - Finished 11th beaten 4.5 lengths last start over 1800m at Marseille-Borely. Needs to do more.
8. **MALECON** - Not raced since finishing 6 lengths away in eighth over 2600m at this track on January 10. Others rate better.
9. **DEER BERE** - Well held over 2000m at this track latest. Chance on prior fourth here.
10. **TAEKWONDO** - Sound fifth at Marseille-Borely over 2600m latest. Key chance.

Summary: BREVILLE (2) placed third when beaten 1.5L in a 2400m handicap at Lyon-la-Soie AW. Looks up to delivering a first AW win. TAEKWONDO (10) is expected to go well following a 2.75L fifth in a 2600m handicap at Marseille-Borely. Notable chance. PRISON BREAK (4) delivered a 3.5L sixth in a 3000m handicap at Fontainebleau. Danger to all having been supplemented for this race. BALGEES TIME (6) is another with claims following a close-up 0.75L fifth over 2400m at Pau.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BREVILLE (2) - TAEKWONDO (10) - PRISON BREAK (4) - BALGEES TIME (6)</p>
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Race 4 - PRIX DES ALPILLES - 2000m CLM CL4 HCP. Purse EUR €12,000.

1. **EDITED** - Fair fifth over 2000m at this track five days ago beaten 5 lengths. Sure to be thereabouts.
2. **ALROMY** - Last start was well held over 2000m at Marseille-Borely. Three from six over course and distance. Could bounce back.
3. **MONI** - Denied a nose when second at his latest appearance at Marseille-Borely over 2000m. Top hope.
4. **JOHNNY DANCER** - Held tenth last time out over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather. Must bounce back.
5. **WING GIRL** - Well held last start over 1800m at Marseille-Borely. Looks tested again.
6. **LILOU CHOPE** - Out of the money recently including last start when ninth over 2000m at this track five days ago beaten 6 lengths. Looking to others.
7. **SPORT COUPE** - Broke a long drought last time when he scored by a nose at Marseille-Borely over 2000m. Take seriously.
8. **MARBOOT** - Won two times earlier in the season. Most recently finished sixth beaten 3 lengths at Marseille-Borely over 1800m. His best is good enough.
9. **MIRAGE** - Last start was beaten 6 lengths into 11th over 1600m at Toulouse. Prepared to risk.
10. **STADE VELODROME** - Last start was well held over 2450m at Mont-de-Marsan. Tested again.

Summary: Six-time course winner MONI (3) arrives in great heart and was only worn down narrowly over 2000m in a similar event on turf at Marseille-Borely last outing. Selected to regain the winning thread and gain a third track and trip success. SPORT COUPE (7) battled on well to take out the aforementioned event and must command respect despite yet scoring in eleven AW attempts (placed four times). ALROMY (2) could only manage a 5L seventh on that occasion but may bounce back with a record of three from six over this course and distance. EDITED (1) can feature as a five-time track and trip scorer.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MONI (3) - SPORT COUPE (7) - ALROMY (2) - EDITED (1)</p>

Race 5 - PRIX DE CABRIES - 2000m MDN. Purse EUR €21,000.

1. **KAPETANIOS** - Going well at the moment most recently finishing second over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie. Will be thereabouts again.
2. **CAMILL** - Kicked off his career at Nimes last time out and did well to finish runner-up beaten 2.5 lengths over 1900m. Improvement to come and looks like a key player.
3. **SPIRIT GREY** - Finished 8 lengths adrift in seventh over 1700m at Marseille-Borely. More needed.
4. **SPLENDINO** - Went down by just a long neck when second at Cagnes-sur-Mer All Weather over 2000m last time out. Top claims.
5. **BIG STAR** - Unraced colt by Al Wukair out of Provocation. Worth consideration.
6. **PROMICEA** - Filly by Kingfisher from Peace City on debut. Market check.

Summary: Manon Scandella-Lacaille saddles three of the six runners with CAMILL (2) looking the pick. The son of Lawman showed plenty of ability when runner-up over 1900m on debut at Nimes. Strong claims with that experience gained. That said he may have to settle for the second spot once more courtesy of SPLENDINO (4). Jerome Reynier's runner produced a fine effort when going down narrowly in a 2000m Cagnes-sur-Mer maiden last outing and can get off the mark here. Newcomer BIG STAR (5) requires maximum respect and KAPETANIOS (1) should be involved.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CAMILL (2) - SPLENDINO (4) - BIG STAR (5) - KAPETANIOS (1)</p>

Race 6 - PRIX DE BELCODENE - 2600m CLM. Purse EUR €12,000.

1. **VILLA JOALI** - Last start she finished fourth over 2000m at this track. One of the major players.
2. **LOST GENERATION** - Yet to fill a placing in two runs the latest when 11th over 2000m at Marseille-Borely. Will need to improve sharply.
3. **DOVER CASTLE** - Ran a better race last start to finish third at Mont-de-Marsan over 2000m. Nicely placed and rates highly off that run. Top chance.
4. **MONTAURY** - Made his debut over 1900m at Nimes when well held in 12th. May feature with that run under his belt.
5. **HOLY ADDRESS** - Sound third last start over 2500m at Hyeres. Poses a threat.
6. **VITTVITT** - Latest effort was a fair sixth over 2500m at Hyeres. Likely to measure up.
7. **MANKO** - Ran a better race last start to finish fifth over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Could place.
8. **JUST SLEEK** - Never looked like threatening over 1400m at Chantilly All Weather at the latest appearance, beaten 9 lengths into 13th. Frame hope on prior second.
9. **IVANDRAGO** - Held when beaten 9 lengths into seventh over 2400m at Lyon-la-Soie. May need more.

Summary: DOVER CASTLE (3) finished a solid third in a 2000m claimer at Mont-de-Marsan twenty-nine days ago. Top claims on stable debut with the runner-up of that event scoring since to boost the form. The step up in trip looks like an interesting move for VILLA JOALI (1) who shaped as though it could suit when a 1.5L fourth over 2000m here last week. Key player. Hyeres maiden third HOLY ADDRESS (5) could improve in first-time cheekpieces and VITTVITT (6) holds place claims.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DOVER CASTLE (3) - VILLA JOALI (1) - HOLY ADDRESS (5) - VITTVITT (6)</p>

Race 7 - PRIX JEAN ET GUY ROUBAUD - 1500m CL2. Purse EUR €22,000.

1. **GIANT STEP** - Most recently scored by 1.3 lengths over 1600m at Pau All Weather. Key chance and expected to run well.
2. **KERNO QUATZ** - Made an ideal start to his career last time out scoring by 2.5 lengths over 1900m at Nimes. Player.
3. **IZASTEP** - Resumed in impressive fashion last start scoring by a long neck at Cagnes-sur-Mer All Weather over 1600m. Do not discount.
4. **ELM** - Well-beaten 11th in a Listed Race over 1000m at Longchamp five months ago. Cannot be dismissed.
5. **RUN AHEAD** - Found one better at her latest appearance over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Solid run last time and is a strong winning hope again.

Summary: A tricky finale. RUN AHEAD (5) had two subsequent winners behind when landing a 1500m Cagnes-sur-Mer maiden and probably bettered that form when runner-up in a Class Two over the same course and distance latest. Top hope for a leading yard. Comfortable Nimes debut winner KERNO QUATZ (2) needs considering while the hat-trick seeking GIANT STEP (1) cannot be dismissed following a 1.25L 1600m handicap success at Pau AW. Fellow last-start handicap winner (Cagnes-sur-Mer AW) IZASTEP (3) must enter calculations.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RUN AHEAD (5) - KERNO QUATZ (2) - GIANT STEP (1) - IZASTEP (3)</p>
