VICHY - 25 May

Race 1

- 1. DUCASTEL Midfield finish at Saint-Aubin nine days ago. More needed.
- 2. **BELLATOR BAL** Fair 14L fifth at Beaumont-de-Lomagne four days ago. Likely to find a few too good.
- 3. **DARLA DE PIERVIVE** Faded when 45L ninth here earlier this month. Others make more appeal.
- 4. **DENZO DE GUEZ** Good 9L fourth in a driven race at Graignes five days ago. Mounted debut.
- 5. **CALIFE DE ROMAZ** Returning from a break when 7.25L eighth in a driven race at Montlucon earlier this month. Step forward required.
- 6. **CABOTIN DU BOCAGE** Fair 7L fifth at this venue just over three weeks ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 7. **EMMY JOYEUSE** Midfield finish when 21L seventh at this venue 22 days ago. Claims on best form.
- 8. CICERON D'OR Successful by 1.5L at Monflanquin 16 days ago. Bold show expected.
- 9. **ECKMUHL JACK** Fair 4.25L seventh in a driven race here last week. Noted on return to mounted racing.
- 10. **COUNTRY DES OBEAUX** Failed to shine when 9.5L ninth in a driven race at Lignieres ten days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 11. **ENZO DE JAVIE** Put three DQ behind him when 15L sixth at Laval earlier this month. Improvement required.
- 12. COOL HAUFOR Good 7.25L fourth at Chartres 13 days ago. Strong claims.

Summary

COOL HAUFOR (12) may deliver a victory following a 7.25L fourth at Chartres. Top chance in this suitable grade. CICERON D'OR (8) enters calculations having won by 1.5L at Monflanquin. ECKMUHL JACK (9) is respected down in grade having finished 4.25L seventh in a driven race here. DENZO DE GUEZ (4) ran 9L fourth at Graignes and is another to consider representing a top trainer on mounted debut.

Selections

COOL HAUFOR (12) - CICERON D'OR (8) - ECKMUHL JACK (9) - DENZO DE GUEZ (4)

- 1. **ITONO DE MILLAC** Fourth when beaten 6L at Caen just over two weeks ago. Step forward needed.
- 2. **ILLICO DE BUSSET** Unbeaten in two starts including by 3L at Fougeres 12 days ago. Top chance.
- 3. **IBIS DE FRECA** Winner of both previous starts including by 1.25L at Laval earlier this month. Leading contender.
- 4. **IVANA DE BERTRANGE** Down the field 11L tenth at Vincennes 11 days ago. Likely capable of better.
- 5. **IXEL DE L'AUMOY** Runner-up two most recent completed starts including when beaten 1.75L at Caen just over two weeks ago. Notable runner.
- 6. **ILETRO JULRY** Second when beaten 2.5L at Marseille-Borely two weeks ago. Of note in this race.
- 7. **IGOR DES COUPERIES** Fair 9L fourth at Argentan first up. Likely to have improved for the race.
- 8. **ILLICO DUPUITVERT** Held 4L seventh at Enghien just over a month ago. Debuting for a new trainer.
- 9. **I AM PHYT'S** Unbeaten in two starts including when winning by 1.75L at Reims just over four weeks ago. Bold show expected.
- 10. **IMOKO DU BOUILLON** Held 14L ninth at Cholet at the start of the month. Claims on earlier form.
- 11. **IMPERIAL DE L'ETRE** DQ at Argentan first up. Others make more appeal.
- 12. **IGREC DE CELLAND** Good 2.5L third at Chatelaillon nine days ago when returning from a break. One to note.
- 13. **INFINIMENT CITRON** Runner-up all three previous starts including when beaten 1.75L at Enghien just under three weeks ago. Strong claims.

Summary

ILLICO DE BUSSET (2) is set to remain unbeaten having won by 3L at Fougeres. Top chance. IBIS DE FRECA (3) is another unbeaten contender having scored by 1.25L at Laval on his second start. The third unbeaten horse in the field is I AM PHYT'S (9) who recorded a 1.75L victory at Reims on his second outing. Notable runner. INFINIMENT CITRON (13) is respected following a 1.75L second at Enghien.

Selections

ILLICO DE BUSSET (2) - IBIS DE FRECA (3) - I AM PHYT'S (9) - INFINIMENT CITRON (13)

- 1. **GENERAL DE CONNEE** Held 9.25L sixth at Bihorel 12 days ago. More needed.
- 2. GALANT DE CHRISTAL Successful by 4L at Cherbourg a week ago. Strong claims.
- 3. GLOBAL OAKS DQ at Lyon-Parilly just over three weeks ago. Capable of better.
- 4. GOLDEN MARCEAUX DQ at Montlucon 12 daysa go. Poor wins/runs record.
- 5. **GENTLEMAN PIYA** Returning from a break when 4L third at Dozule 12 days ago. Top chance second up.
- 6. GIN KAS Ninth when beaten 4L at Chatillon 15 days ago. Improvement needed.
- 7. GARRY GRIFF Good 1.5L third at Lignieres ten days ago. Bold show likely.
- 8. **GALOPIN DES BIARDS** Successful by 0.25L at Chatelaillon at the start of this month. Claims if replicating that effort.
- 9. GUOPECK DE VIVOIN DQ at La Capelle 11 days ago. Others make more appeal.
- 10. **GUIDO JOSSELYN** Debut fourth at Le Grand Fougeray just under two weeks ago. Improvement looks likely.
- 11. GOLD MAJOR DQ at Paray-le-Monial 24 days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 12. **GRACIEUX LE FOL** Fifth two most recent starts including when beaten 7.5L here eight days ago. Likely to find a few too good.
- 13. GOLDIGO BELLO DQ at Blain last month. Others look more reliable propositions.

Summary

GENTLEMAN PIYA (5) may take this following a promising 4L third at Dozule when racing first up. Key player with improvement likely. GALANT DE CHRISTAL (2) enters calculations on the back of an impressive 4L success at Cherbourg. GARRY GRIFF (7) can be considered having finished a 1.5L third at Lignieres. GALOPIN DES BIARDS (8) scored by 0.25L at Chatelaillon. One to note if replicating.

Selections

GENTLEMAN PIYA (5) - GALANT DE CHRISTAL (2) - GARRY GRIFF (7) - GALOPIN DES BIARDS (8)

- 1. **HIDALGO DES LUCAS** Held 12L fifth at this venue at the start of the month. Others make more appeal.
- 2. HORIZON D'ALMANI Seventh at Argentan just over three weeks ago. More needed.
- 3. HAPPY TO LIVE DQ at La Capelle 11 days ago. Claims on second at Lyon-Parilly prior.
- 4. **HOLLISTER DAY** Faded when 16L fifth at Hyeres at the start of the month. Improvement needed.
- 5. **HURIEL SPEEDHYCAT** DQ in a mounted race at Vincennes two weeks ago. Looking for a first victory at the 31st time of asking.
- 6. **HAMLET DU VIVIER** Good 0.25L at Reims in March. Bold show expected.
- 7. HAROLD SAUTONNE DQ at Nantes first up. Improvement expected.
- 8. **HAKIM DES CHAMPS** Faded when 17L ninth at Feurs just over five weeks ago. Better expected in this race.
- 9. **HOLDEM POKER** Fifth at Villedieu nine days ago. One to note.
- 10. **HENRY DE CORDAY** 17 race maiden finished fifth when beaten 7.25L at this track nine days ago.
- 11. HAVATAR Down the field 16L tenth at Chartres 13 days ago. Others make more appeal.
- 12. **HIRTAL** 17 race maiden finished a held 19L seventh at Lignieres earlier this month.

Summary

HAMLET DU VIVIER (6) can return from a short break with a victory. Finished 0.25L second at Reims last start. HAPPY TO LIVE (3) may play a role in the finish. Placed second at Lyon-Parilly prior to a La Capelle DQ. HAROLD SAUTONNE (7) is expected to deliver an improved effort. Suffered a DQ at Nantes first up. HOLDEM POKER (9) can be considered. Demonstrated good form prior to a fifth at Villedieu.

Selections

HAMLET DU VIVIER (6) - HAPPY TO LIVE (3) - HAROLD SAUTONNE (7) - HOLDEM POKER (9)

- 1. **FLASH DU CONDROZ** Held 10L sixth at Valognes first up. Step forward needed.
- 2. **FIRST OAKS** Down the field 14th at Moulins earlier this month. Others preferred.
- 3. **FALCO D'ARGENVIERE** Course winner finished 12L 11th at Lyon-Parilly just over five weeks ago. Minor role likely.
- 4. **FARCEUSE DE MEAUCE** 49 race maiden put a DQ behind her when 4L fifth here nine days ago. Likely to find a few too good.
- 5. **FERIKA DAIRPET** DQ on each of her last four starts. Debuting for a new trainer.
- 6. **FIRST FIGHTER** Victorious by 2L at Lyon-Parilly at the start of this month. Bold show expected.
- 7. **FULL DE GAVEL** Returning from a break when DQ at Chartres just under a fortnight ago. Others make more appeal.
- 8. **FIRST PIYA** Put a couple of DQ behind him when 15L fifth at Chartres 13 days ago. Improvement needed.
- 9. **FINEST HOUR** DQ at Chatillon just over a fortnight ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 10. **FIRSTY** Midfield finish when 9L ninth at Montlucon earlier this month. Claims on form he showed when third at Paray-le-Monial early last month.
- 11. **FIRST DE CHOISEL** Good 3.5L third at Toulouse just under two weeks ago. Notable contender.
- 12. **FLAMBEUR DE MATROX** Faded late on when 2.25L fourth here at the start of this month. Top chance.
- 13. **FALCON D'OURVILLE** Runner-up two most recent starts including when beaten 2.5L here eight days ago. Leading contender.
- 14. **FERRERO DU LOISIR** Good form prior to a DQ at Vincennes three weeks ago. Strong claims down in grade.
- 15. FIFTY WINNER DQ at Nantes on his return to action. Improvement likely.

- 16. **FAKIR DU CHATEAU** Good 3L fourth at Vincennes second up. Claims on the form he showed that day.
- 17. **FUCHSIA PIERJI** Raced prominently when 4.25L fourth at Laval 18 days ago. Poor wins/runs record.

Summary

FLAMBEUR DE MATROX (12) may register a victory following a 2.25L fourth to a subsequent winner at this circuit. FALCON D'OURVILLE (13) was a 2.5L second in a higher grade here. Key player eased in standard. FIRST FIGHTER (6) can be considered on the back of a 2L claiming race success. FERRERO DU LOISIR (14) is another to note. Revisits a class E event after a DQ in a higher grade contest at Vincennes.

Selections

FLAMBEUR DE MATROX (12) - FALCON D'OURVILLE (13) - FIRST FIGHTER (6) - FERRERO DU LOISIR (14)

- 1. **ENIEME CHANCE** Held 10L eighth at Chatelaillon 16 days ago. More needed.
- 2. **DURGA DES VALERINS** Ninth when beaten 11L at Castillonnes earlier this month. Others preferred.
- 3. **DEESSE DE CORDAY** Victorious by 4.25L at Le Mont-Saint-Michel. Leading contender.
- 4. **CHOUPETTE JALLERIE** Fifth when beaten 3.25L at Fougeres just under two weeks ago. Capable of better.
- 5. **DWELLING HEIGHTS** Seventh on the grass at Alencon 16 days ago. Claims on her 1.25L second at Amiens prior.
- 6. **DARLING HARBOUR** Nose second at Amiens ten days ago. Bold show expected having placed second on her only previous start at this track.
- 7. **DORIE DE SAUZETTE** Held 11L seventh at Marseille-Borely a fortnight ago. Improvement required.
- 8. **EUREKA DU FOSSE** Down the field at Beaumont-de-Lomagne four days ago. Minor role likely.
- 9. **DARLING FLIGNY** Below par 6L ninth at Lyon-Parilly just over three weeks ago. Has won twice here in the past.
- 10. **EDOLINE MARCEAUX** DQ at Nimes a month ago. Claims on earlier form.
- 11. CANNELLE D'AS DQ at Lignieres first up. Capable of better.

Summary

DEESSE DE CORDAY (3) may deliver a victory following a 4.25L triumph at Le Mont-Saint-Michel. Top chance in current form. DARLING HARBOUR (6) makes the shortlist having finished a nose second at Amiens. DWELLING HEIGHTS (5) can put a seventh at Alencon behind her. Respected with good previous form. EDOLINE MARCEAUX (10) is noted after a 7L fourth at Lyon-Parilly on her penultimate start.

Selections

DEESSE DE CORDAY (3) - DARLING HARBOUR (6) - DWELLING HEIGHTS (5) - EDOLINE MARCEAUX (10)

- 1. **HORUS DE ROMAZ** Winner of seven of his ten starts including by 2.25L at Saint-Galmier on his penultimate outing. Top chance despite a DQ here last week.
- 2. **HERAKLION DESBOIS** Faded when 7.5L sixth at Vincennes five weeks ago. Strong claims on earlier form.
- 3. **HYWEL D'OR** Fifth when beaten 5.5L at Vincennes first up. Step forward expected.
- 4. **HOPPORTUN** Held 5.5L sixth at Caen six days ago. More needed.
- 5. **HERAUT D'ARMES** Completed a hat-trick when winning by a nose at Vincennes at the start of last month. Leading contender.
- 6. **HAYRTON MAGIC** 25 race maiden finished runner-up when beaten 2.5L at Enghien at the end of March.
- 7. **HEROINE DU LANDRET** Held 10L ninth at Caen last week. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 8. **HARROGATE** Good form prior to a DQ here eight days ago. Of note in this race.

Summary

HERAUT D'ARMES (5) may deliver a seventh win from eight starts after scoring by a nose at Vincennes. Leading player in brilliant current form. HORUS DE ROMAZ (1) demonstrated good form before a DQ here. Top chance having scored in seven of his ten starts. HERAKLION DESBOIS (2) is considered for the win. Provided a solid effort at Vincennes prior to finishing 7.5L sixth at the same venue. HARROGATE (8) might put a DQ here behind him. Beaten 5L third at Vincennes on his penultimate outing.

Selections

HERAUT D'ARMES (5) - HORUS DE ROMAZ (1) - HERAKLION DESBOIS
(2) - HARROGATE (8)

- 1. **DRY OAKS** Faded when 7.25L ninth here last week. Others make more appeal.
- 2. **FLAMBEAU ROYAL** Good 2L second at Lignieres ten days ago. Bold show expected.
- 3. **EMPEREUR DU CEBE** Runner-up when beaten 1.25L at Cholet at the start of the month. Strong claims.
- 4. **FLORINE DE VIETTE** Down the field 10L tenth at Lignieres last month. Needs to put that effort behind her.
- 5. **DIXIT DANICA** Returning from a break when 11L fifth at Nimes ten days ago. Improvement likely.
- 6. **GANGSTER DU WALLON** Drops in grade following a 6.5L seventh in the G2 Sulky 5 Ans Qualif 3 at Vincennes earlier this month. Looking for a first driven race victory.
- 7. **FREYJA DU PONT** Fair 6.5L seventh at Vincennes 16 days ago. Notable runner.
- 8. **REBELLA MATTERS** Good 2.25L third at Enghien a month ago. Leading contender.
- 9. **BACHERRA DU MOULIN** DQ in a mounted race at Caen six days ago. Poor wins/runs record in driven racing.

Summary

REBELLA MATTERS (8) may register a victory having finished 2.25L third to a subsequent winner at Enghien. FLAMBEAU ROYAL (2) makes the shortlist racing without shoes. Managed a 2L second at Lignieres. EMPEREUR DU CEBE (3) looks for a fourth win in six starts at this track. Beaten 1.25L second at Cholet latest. In the mix. FREYJA DU PONT (7) is another to consider. Ran 6.5L seventh at Vincennes.

Selections

REBELLA MATTERS (8) - FLAMBEAU ROYAL (2) - EMPEREUR DU CEBE (3) - FREYJA DU PONT (7)