## C1 - PRIX FINLANDE - 1800m (a1 1/8m) - TURF - Condition Race - Listed - Flat - EUR € 55.000

- **1. KHAHIRA -** Consistent filly who has solid form references. Finished 3rd in a Listed race over 2200m last time, place chance
- 2. SNOW LATE German filly who confirmed the promise of her debut 3rd when by winning next time. Takes on a lot stronger here
- **3. IMMENSITUDE** First-start scorer on the PSF in December but unplaced in each of her 3 subsequent outings over further this year. Minor role
- **4. ATAKAMA** Debut winner over 1600m and gave the impression she'll be better over further when finishing 5th in a Listed race last time. Likely improver, keep safe
- **5. LADY FRASQUITA -** Consistent throughout her juvenile year and open to improvement after a pleasing comeback. Her experience should stand her in good stead
- **6. START ME UP -** Capped a promising juvenile campaign with an excellent 4th in the Group I Prix Marcel Boussac last year and will be fitter after a recent comeback run. More to come
- **7. PRIJA -** Finished well (4th) in the Group III Prix de la Grotte last time and should play a leading role here on that form. High on the shortlist
- **8. CONSORT ROYAL -** Last-start winner in her first outing on the turf. Improving with each run but now significantly up in class
- **9. CURVATURE -** Irish raider who finished 6th of 11 in a Leopardstown Group III earlier this month. Has to raise her game
- **10. NASELLA -** Well-bred filly and progressive last-start winner. Has the form and experience to fight for victory

**Summary**: A good fight to the line awaits in this Listed race for three-year-old fillies, of whom consistent PRIJA (7) makes most appeal on the back on an excellent 4th at Group III level last month. START ME UP (6) finished 4th in a two-year-old Group I last season and made a pleasing comeback recently, so sought to fight for victory with improved fitness on her side. Improving last-start winner NASELLA (10) warrants the utmost respect, while ATAKAMA (4) could also get into the picture with the step up in trip expected to unlock improvement.

### **SELECTIONS**

PRIJA (7) - START ME UP (6) - NASELLA (10) - ATAKAMA (4)

# C2 - PRIX DU PALAIS DES GLACES - 1850m (a1 1/8m) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Class 2 - Flat - EUR € 53.000

- 1. HONGUEMARE Creditable 7th on handicap debut before improving to finish 3rd in the Prix du Pavillon behind a subsequent Quinté+ winner. Should be involved
- 2. LIGHTED GLORY Won a Quinté+ at Saint-Cloud in March and showed signs of improvement when finishing 5th last time under a resultant penalty. Would prefer a softer track but is dangerous to dismiss
- **3. PINGO -** Undefeated in 2 outings this year and has gone up 7kg as a result. Has more to do at the weights and would prefer a softer track too, but cannot be discounted
- **4. NOTTINGHAM -** Capable German mare but has not shown anything in 2 starts this year. Will get good ground she enjoys and has been dropped in the weights/ratings, so will tempt lovers of outsiders
- **5. SUNRAY -** Made an encouraging reappearance (3rd) over a distance short of her best and did win her only start on this course. High on the shortlist
- **6. KIMINA -** Runner-up at this level back in April last year but has since flattered to deceive, even dropped to her attractive current mark. As difficult to discount as she is to recommend, dark horse
- **7. LOOKING AT ME -** Consistent since Day 1 and has proven to be competitive at this level. Hails from a stable in form and has scope for improvement too, so warrants healthy respect
- **8. FAYONA -** Made no impression in the Prix de l'Ile de la Cité last time but did catch the eye in her previous outing, so is capable of better. Enjoys this course and gets ground to her liking
- **9. SOLKIA -** Has returned better than ever after a lengthy layoff, winning twice from as many starts this year. Moves up in class now but remains competitive
- **10. ANDROMEDE** Well-bred, talented filly who has had her issues Left a very favorable impression when finishing 2nd at Compiègne on her reappearance and should be competitive
- **11. CREATIVE -** Capable but unreliable mare who has finished unplaced in each of the 4 starts since her last victory. Good ground serves her interests but others make more a compelling case
- **12. NEED YOU TONIGHT -** Consistent filly who ran with merit in her first start for Carina Fey over a much longer distance. Must improve to have a say here and a wide No 16 gate does her no favours
- **13. INDY DU SEUIL -** Did not go unnoticed when finishing 6th on her return without being asked to do too much. Has the profile to shine at this level and should have more to offer, watch out
- **14. PRESA DIRETTA -** Seldom far off the mark at a slightly lower level and, although 2nd in her only start at this track, is still a step below the principals. Just an outsider
- **15. SAPHIRA DREAM -** Placed in Quinté+ races against male rivals before a disappointing last start. Has been freshened since and could redeem herself back against her own sex
- **16. CORDEY ROSE -** Veteran mare who showed her form when finishing 2nd recently. Would be more effective at a lower level and a wide No 13 gate makes her task here a difficult one

Summary: SUNRAY (5) caught the eye when getting going late over an inadequate trip on her reappearance and is good value to build on that encouraging comeback with a competitive showing in this Quinte+ handicap. HONGUEMARE (1) is likely to fight for victory, despite top-weight 61kg, if confirming the improvement of her last-start 3rd against male rivals. SAPHIRA DREAM (15) has been freshened after a disappointing last start but would have a role to play here on the strength and consistency of her earlier form, so is best kept safe. Like the selection, ANDROMEDE (10) is also open to improvement after an eye-catching comeback, so ought to make her presence felt. FAYONA (8), hat-trick seeking SOLKIA (9), whose limits are unknown, and consistent LOOKING AT ME (7) are other possibilities.

### **SELECTIONS**

SUNRAY (5) - HONGUEMARE (1) - SAPHIRA DREAM (15) - ANDROMEDE (10)

## C3 - PRIX DE MONTRETOUT - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Condition Race - Listed - Flat - EUR € 52.000

- **1. EARLY LIGHT -** Out of his depth on these terms (weights/ratings) and is probably in the lineup to ensure the race is run to suit stablemate TOPGEAR (5)
- **2. GOD BLESSING -** Excellent 4th in the Group I Prix du Moulin de Longchamp last September. Warrants the utmost respect on his return, keep safe
- **3. ANCIENT ROME -** Finished 4th in last year's Group I Poule d'Essai des Poulains and has resumed this year in good form. Force to be reckoned with
- **4. ANTHORUS -** Runner-up in a Listed race at Saint-Clid before finishing 4th in a Group III contest at that course last time. Dangerous to dismiss
- **5. TOPGEAR -** Missed an expected warm-up when declared a non-runner earlier this month but remains undefeated in 4 starts and his limits are still unknown. Worth following
- **6. RESHABAR -** Capable but unreliable nowadays. Showed signs of improvement last time but will need to take another big step forward to be competitive here
- 7. RUSSIPANT FAL Consistent performer who showed his form, well-being and versatility when 2nd in a Quinte+ on PSF recently. Dark horse
- **8. YOOZUNA -** Ultra-consistent, high-class colt with solid form references. Has finished 2nd in all 3 starts this year and should be involved again

**Summary:** This Group-like Listed race is another opportunity for TOPGEAR (5) to continue his winning streak and remain undefeated. Like the selection, ANCIENT ROME (3) has resumed after a lengthy layoff in good form, so likely to mount a serious challenge. YOOZUNA (8) has done very little wrong, with last year's Prix du Jockey Club (Gr. I) the blot in his copybook, and wouldn't be winning out of turn having finished 2nd in all 3 starts this year. Top-rated GOD BLESSING (2) is a class act and must also be respected on his bealeted reappearance. Good race!

### **SELECTIONS**

TOPGEAR (5) - ANCIENT ROME (3) - YOOZUNA (8) - GOD BLESSING (2)

### C4 - PRIX DU COURS LA REINE - 1850m (a1 1/8m) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 27.000

- **1. ONE MORE NIGHT -** Bounced back to form when 4th at Boredaux-Le Bouscat last time and should play a role here if confirming that improvement
- 2. ZELZALITA Reassured with an excellent 2nd at this course recently and, on that form, should be right in the firing line
- **3. DARENA -** Failed to confirm improvement of her comeback 4th when making no impression in her last start. For another day
- **4. HENOUVILLE -** Unplaced and soundly beaten in both outings this year so is hard to make a case for. Others preferred
- **5. DEEP SEA -** Made an encouraging (4th) reappearance but failed to confirm that form when only 9th in her last start. Capable of better
- **6. IMPERIAL BEAUTY -** Capable mare with a smart turn of foot. Finished a disappointing 9th in her last start but could be worth another chance
- **7. BURATTINA -** Has looked distinctly ordinary on the turf this year so unlikely to trouble the judge here
- **8. IN PARADISE -** Has been struggling to recapture any form but is seldom far off the mark, so could get a look in here after dropping in the weights/ratings
- **9. LAURA TREZY -** Unreliable but capable mare who was not disgraced when 5th on the PSF last time. Could get into the picture
- **10. JOYEUSE SAGE -** Reassuring 3rd in her last start and unlikely to be bothered by this shorter trip. Must confirm recent improvement to have a say
- **11. SIMARUBA -** In good form but is more effective on the fibresand. Will appreciate good ground but has no more than a minor role to play here
- **12. SKADE -** Consistent mare who has finished in the top three in each of her last 6 starts. Has to be respected
- **13. LOU BALICOT -** She has just shown her good condition and should not be bothered by the shortening of the distance.

**Summary**: ZELZALITA (2) should emerge victorious from this fillies-and-mares handicap if confirming the good impression she left when finishing 2nd here earlier this month. IMPERIAL BEAUTY (6), consistent for the most part and capable of better than her last start suggests, is a likely challenger for top honours along with ONE MORE NIGHT (1) who ran well at Bordeaux last time. SKADE (12) is holding form and also capable of posing a threat. DEEP SEA (5) completes the shortlist and could get into the picture if bouncing back from a disappointing last start.

### **SELECTIONS**

ZELZALITA (2) - IMPERIAL BEAUTY (6) - ONE MORE NIGHT (1) - SKADE (12)

## C5 - PRIX HOCQUART - 2200m (a1 3/8m) - TURF - Group 3 - Group - Flat - EUR € 80.000

- **1. GUET APENS -** Absent since his last-start success back in November. Has classic commitments so is not to be taken lightly oh his return
- 2. HARRY WAY Excellent 2nd to Greenland in the Prix Greffulhe (Gr.II) recently and holds leading claims on that form
- **3. RASHFORD -** Consistent colt with solid form references but is held on form by the selection. Place chance only
- **4. ALPENJAGER -** Won a Group III in Germany and has an entry in the Group I German Derby so should be competitive
- **5. FIRST MINISTER -** Progressive Galileo colt who was 2nd behind Feed the Flame last time. Should have a say here
- **6. SILAWI -** Improved with each start this year so wasn't winning out of turn when opening his account over 2400m at Saint-Cloud last time. More needed

**Summary**: HARRY WAY (2) won a Listed race before finishing 2nd in consecutive Group III contests, including one at this track last month and, more recently, behind Greenland, who is a leading candidate for Group I Prix du Jockey Club honours. He sets the standard on that form and is taken to get the better of FIRST MINISTER (5) who begins at Group level with legitimate ambitions. German ALPENJAGER (4) also has sufficient means and can get into the picture, along with GUET APENS (1) who must be respected on his return.

#### **SELECTIONS**

HARRY WAY (2) - FIRST MINISTER (5) - ALPENJAGER (4) - GUET APENS (1)

### C6 - PRIX DE LA CITE DU FIGUIER - 1300m (a6 1/2f) - TURF - Condition Race - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 30.000

- **1. STARZO FAL -** Has the form and experience to play a leading role, and ought to be better over this distance too. Include
- **2. AMORETTI -** Has shown little in 2 starts at Tarbes to warrant inclusion/consideration here. Others preferred
- **3. GENTLEMAN BEAUTY -** Finished 9th on debut but would've gained plenty from that experience so may have more to offer
- **4. ZABIARI -** Well-bred Wootton Bassett newcomer trained by Jean Claude Rouget with Cristian Demouro booked to ride. Follow
- **5. ZITTITUTTI -** Bauyrzhan Murzabayev rides this Shalaa colt on debut for trainer Maurizio Guarnieri
- **6. FORTUNATE SON -** Nicolas Caullery-trained Dream Ahead colt to be ridden on debut by Hugo Journiac
- 7. WILL SCARLET Masar colt out of Lady Marian, who won the Group I Prix de l'Opera. This newcomer is also closely related to Group winner Loxley
- **8. BANKIER -** Well-related Dark Angel newcomer trained by Carlos Laffon-Parias, who has enjoyed a good month of May. Keep safe

**Summary:** Newcomers dominate this lineup and could carve out the lion's share, with leading trainers André Fabre and Jean-Claude Rouget capable of fighting out the finish with their respective runners WILL SCARLET (7) and ZABIARI (4). Both are well-bred so could run forward races on debut. STARZO FAL (1) has shown promise in his 2 outings and that experience should stand him in good stead. Newcomers BANKIER (8) and ZITTITUTTI (5) complete the shortlist.

### **SELECTIONS**

WILL SCARLET (7) - ZABIARI (4) - STARZO FAL (1) - BANKIER (8)

### C7 - PRIX DU PASSAGE DE L'ANCRE - 1300m (a6 1/2f) - TURF - Condition Race - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 30.000

- **1. TANIS -** Finished 3rd over 1200m on debut and probably found 1000m too short last time. Can redeem herself over this trip
- **2. IHOA -** Improved with the benefit of experience to finish 3rd over 1200m earlier this month. Can get into the picture
- **3. BLUE RIBBON -** Has finished 5th in both outings, including over 1200m last time. May have more to offer over this distance
- **4. SPIRITUALE** Showed ability when finishing 4th in a good field on debut. Should be competitive if confirming that promise
- **5. RUMPLETE AZER -** Seabhac filly who finished 3rd in a claiming race over 1100m on debut. Open to any amount of improvement
- **6. VOODOO MAGIC -** Wootton Bassett debutante bought for €170,000 as a yearling. Coralie Pacaut's 1,5kg allowance will aid Jean-Claude Rouget's charge
- **7. MISS CUBA -** Supplemented for this race by Amy Murphy, who has already enjoyed great success on French soil. Must be respected

**Summary**: Well-related VOODOO MAGIC (6) hails from a good family and was acquired for €170,000 at a 2022 autumn sale, so it could pay to follow her progress from the outset. SPIRITUALE (4) has the benefit of experience and should fight for victory if confirming the promise of her debut 4th in good company. Amy Murphy has turned out several juvenile winners already this season, which bodes well for the chances of MISS CUBA (7) on debut. TANIS (1) has shown enough in 2 starts to warrant respect here, with that experience to count on.

### SELECTIONS

VOODOO MAGIC (6) - SPIRITUALE (4) - MISS CUBA (7) - TANIS (1)

## C8 - PRIX DU MAIL - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 32.000

- **1. NOT ALONE -** Got back on track by finishing 4th over a shorter trip with blinkers fitted last time. Steps up in trip on handicap debut with the headgear removed
- **2. ROSIR -** Consistent filly who deservedly opened her account with a last-start win at Dieppe. Ought to be involved again
- **3. ELLONIENNE -** Won both outings on the PSF earlier this year but showed she is ineffective on turf when 9th in a handicap last time. Others preferred
- **4. STRATUS -** Finished 5th on debut last year in his only start on turf. Open to improvement after a comeback run on PSF but is best watched for now
- **5. LE CACOIN -** Has run in 3 conditions races and acquitted himself creditably in each outing. Dark horse making handicap debut
- **6. ROCH -** Showed signs of improvement when 3rd at Dieppe recently and could get a look in if building on that progress. Not discounted
- **7. LADIVA -** Confirmed recent improvement by winning last time. Has the form and experience to make her presence felt
- **8. ONE POINT -** Has proven herself competitive in similar handicap races and will be suited by this distance. Leading contender
- TREIZIEME MOIS Made no impression in 2 handicap races recently and has looked distinctly ordinary. Cannot be recommended
- **10. CHERGUI -** Last-start winner whose recent improvement has come in claiming races. Has more to do now pitched into a handicap

**Summary:** ONE POINT (8) is proven at this level of the handicap and has a lot of staying power, so could have the measure of last-start winner ROSIR (2) and NOT ALONE (1) who ought to be competitive if confirming the improvement of his last start. ROCH (6) improved to finish 3rd over 3000m recently and is another capable of staking a claim. LE CACOIN (5) appeals most of the remainder.

#### **SELECTIONS**

ONE POINT (8) - ROSIR (2) - NOT ALONE (1) - ROCH (6)