HYERES [R-H] - 25 July

Race 1 - Prix du Restaurant ?La Fringale? Porquerolles - 2850m Harness. Purse EUR €30,000.

- 1. **GORDON FLASH** Held ninth in easier company at Cagnes-sur-Mer on reappearance. Could progress second up with stronger form last term.
- 2. **DAY LOU LY** Four straight driven placings including two at this standard. In the mix running barefoot.
- 3. **ELAN D'HARCOUEL** 3.25L success in a similar grass walk up four back and has an excellent record without shoes. Consider.
- 4. **DAKOTA WINNER** Midfield in previous couple of easier autostart runs. Others preferred.
- 5. **ELECTRA WIND** Infrequent winner who has a poor record at this distance. Opposed.
- 6. **CASSIUS DU GIFFRE** 9.25L fifth in a weaker Cagnes-sur-Mer walk up nine days ago. Step forward required.
- 7. **ELENA DE PIENCOURT** Held sixth here in a similar autostart last week. Others make more appeal.
- 8. **ESPOIR DU MARNY** DQ when short priced to complete a double here in stronger company earlier this month. Top claims.
- 9. **DIMMIDISIA** Improved nose second in better company at Cagnes-sur-Mer six days ago. Thereabouts if replicating.

Summary: ESPOIR DU MARNY (8) failed to complete a double in stronger company when a short-priced favourite here. Hard to beat if showing best form. ELAN D'HARCOUEL (3) delivered a fine 3.25L grass victory four back and solid claims with a good barefoot record. GORDON FLASH (1) may take a big leap forward second up having shown stronger form last term. Contender. DIMMIDISIA (9) would have a say in the placings if replicating an improved runner-up spot at Cagnes-sur-Mer.

Selections

ESPOIR DU MARNY (8) - ELAN D'HARCOUEL (3) - GORDON FLASH (1) - DIMMIDISIA (9)

Race 2 - Prix Maitre Raymond Martin - 2650m Harness. Purse EUR €20,000.

- 1. **DEFI DU JAAR** 15L defeat in a stronger autostart five runs back and needs improvement to feature.
- 2. FOLGADO Unplaced in four autostrarts. Hard to recommend.
- 3. **FILLY BROWN** Good 0.75L runner up in a better grade autostart here last week. Top claims without shoes.
- 4. **ELAN DES ILES** Unplaced in six autostarts but dropped to a low level. Not without a place hope.
- 5. **FASHION DREAM** Five placings from eight autostarts including a course and distance victory two starts ago. Attractive chance racing barefoot.
- 6. DJ DU LYS 8.25L ninth in a better course autostart thirteen days ago. Others preferred.
- 7. **ECLAIREUR DES CAUX** 6.5L third on sole autostart run at a higher level last term. Could bounce back after poor recent efforts.
- 8. **EXTRA DU RENOUARD** 0.75L second in this company with front pads on for the first time nine days ago at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Thereabouts.
- 9. **DAKOTA DU POTO** Dual autostart winner who may have more to offer with a favourable record in this shoeing combination.
- 10. **DUC DE TYROLE** Failed to complete in a similar autostart first up prior to a sixth in a tougher walk up.
- 11. **EL LOCO DU JAAR** 3.25L success in a stronger track and trip autostart three runs back. Contender for a top trainer.
- 12. EPSOM DE GOUPILLEL 10L ninth in a better course autostart on penultimate outing. Placing at best.
- 13. **FASTNET DU HUTREL** Unplaced in both autostarts but arrives in good walk up form including a course success two back. Go well.

Summary: FASHION DREAM (5) has five placings from eight races in autostarts. Expected to deliver a strong showing after a track and trip win two runs back. Rates highly. EL LOCO DU JAAR (11) delivered a 3.25L success in a better level course and distance autostart three runs back. Attractive chance for a leading trainer. EXTRA DU RENOUARD (8) is on the shortlist following a second in this class with front pads on for the first time. FASTNET DU HUTREL (13) is another to consider if bouncing back to winning form from penultimate outing.

Selections

FASHION DREAM (5) - EL LOCO DU JAAR (11) - EXTRA DU RENOUARD (8) - FASTNET DU HUTREL (13)

- 1. **GRANDIOSE IDEF** 21 race maiden who finished sixth in this grade on grass a fortnight ago. More needed.
- 2. GRACE DEI VELTRI Failed to complete in six of nine career outings. Opposed.
- 3. **GAZELLE VOGOULIERE** Placed in this grade three back but overall profile suggest a minor role likely.
- 4. **GADJO DU BELLAY** Two consecutive DQs but scored in this company earlier in the campaign. New shoeing combination could spark progress.
- 5. GUOPECK DE VIVOIN 22L seventh following four DQs at a similar standard. Hard to trust.
- 6. GRAND CHASSEUR Failed to complete in two of previous three runs in this class of a walk up. Opposed.
- 7. **FIRST DIDAN** Poor completion record and yet to place in seven attempts at this trip. Ignored.
- 8. **GALOPIN DE BLOT** Midfield in previous pair of driven starts in this grade since resuming. Placing at best.
- 9. **GUIBSON DU SOLNAN** 29 race maiden who displayed improved form two runs back on grass. Tougher assignment returning to this surface however.
- 10. **FORREST JO** Three placings from four track and trip starts including on reappearance last week. Go well.
- 11. **FERIA D'ALBRET** Held 8L seventh in this grade of a course autostart last week. Frame hope on previous driven outings this campaign.
- 12. **GEORGIO LE FOL** Fifth in previous pair of autostarts in this class here. Not written off without shoes.
- 13. FANTASIA JET Hard to trust after four successive driven DQs.
- 14. **FILLE DE KERDU** 6L seventh in a course and journey walk up of better quality thirteen days ago. Respected.
- 15. **FENNEC PHIL** Two wins in previous three driven starts including in tougher company at Salon-de-Provence. Leading chance.
- 16. **GOLD SPEED** Scored in a better class Marseille-Borely walk up three starts ago. Strong claims for a good trainer.

Summary: FENNEC PHIL (15) could prove tough to beat if replicating either of his two victories from his previous three driven contests. Strong claims at this level. GOLD SPEED (16) holds a genuine winning hope after scoring in a better grade Marseille-Borely walk up three back. Leading contender for a good trainer. FORREST JO (10) has an honest record over this track and journey. Respected. FERIA D'ALBRET (11) offers a sound each way chance.

Selections

FENNEC PHIL (15) - GOLD SPEED (16) - FORREST JO (10) - FERIA D'ALBRET (11)

Race 4 - Prix des Iles d'Or - 2650m Harness. Purse EUR €15,000.

- 1. **HAPPY WOMEN** 3.25L second at St Omer on just second start in this country. Upped in grade but open to further improvement.
- 2. HELLO RUNNER Ended last campaign with three consecutive DQs. Needs to resume in better form.
- 3. **HEROINE JOLIE** 9L fifth at Cagnes-Ser-Mer in a grade D contest. This is easier and should finish closer as a result. Shortlisted without shoes.
- 4. **HISPANO DU REYNARD** Run with credit all recent starts and gets to the right race now. Expect a better performance.
- 5. **HOCA JENILOU** Won on reappearance but disappointing in two subsequent runs. Needs to bounce back.
- 6. **HUNTER JACK** Down the field recently and unlikely to factor now.
- 7. **HISTORY TIKA** Running consistently well this campaign. Placed on three of last five starts. Each way chance.
- 8. **HIPPO PRIOR** Placed on two of last three starts. Progressive gelding that goes barefoot and has an each way chance.
- 9. HERMES PIERJI Yet to even place in eight career starts. Happy to just watch.
- 10. **HERO JOSSELYN** Looked limited in three starts so far. Likely to struggle once more.
- 11. HAMAZONE DQ on five of last six starts. Happy to ignore following that.
- 12. **HALLEGRETO** Yet to even place in ten outings. Up against it in this field.
- 13. **HELLO EL SOL** String of modest efforts and easily opposed.
- 14. **HASTINGS** Running consistently without improving. Will need to do so if he is to trouble the judge.
- 15. **HERMIONE GREEN** 1.75L winner at Oraison two starts ago but disappointing subsequently. This is tougher and needs to improve again. Races barefoot.
- 16. **HAWAI DE LEXLOR** 0.75L second at Oraison was a good effort. Progressive type that has placed on both starts for this driver. Big chance.

Summary: HAWAI DE LEXLOR (16) has placed twice recently. Can improve again and is likely to be hard to beat. HEROINE JOLIE (3) drops significantly in grade. In much more realistic company and is expected to finish close up. HAPPY WOMEN (1) was a good second in May. Big chance if able to build upon that. HIPPO PRIOR (8) made the frame on two of last three starts. Improving and looks a threat to all.

Selections

HAWAI DE LEXLOR (16) - HEROINE JOLIE (3) - HAPPY WOMEN (1) - HIPPO PRIOR (8)

Race 5 - Prix de l'Ile du Levant - 2650m Harness. Purse EUR €6,000.

- 1. **CEKEPEPERE** Has won and placed three times in last four starts. Thriving at present and should give another bold showing.
- 2. **FABULEUX PIYA** Mid-field in some strong races so far this campaign. Drops in grade and expected to show up a lot better in this company. Keep safe.
- 3. FADA 3L second at this track two starts ago reads well. Goes barefoot and has each way claims.
- 4. **ELLO FOSSAVIE** Running with credit in better races than this recently. Drops in grade and can improve. Each way player.
- 5. **EDINSON CAVANI** Mid-field finishes in similar contests recently. Needs more if he is to trouble the judge.
- 6. **DIAMANT NONANTAIS** Struggled last campaign but been freshened and may improve. Over 1300 days since a last victory however.
- 7. **DOYOLA** Placed at Carpentras two starts ago. Only modest run since but is better than that and can return to form.
- 8. ESTOY AQUI Gamely held rivals for a 1L success at Cagnes-sur-Mer nine days ago. Leading contender.
- 9. **ELFIX DE NEEL** Only a modest winning record but generally runs well when finding the finish. Place claims.
- 10. **EDEN DU BELLAY** Mid-field finishes recently and similar showing looks likely.
- 11. **FELIN DE CHRISTAL** Recent form figures make little appeal. Happy to take on.

Summary: ESTOY AQUI (8) gamely held rivals for a 1L win last time at Cagnes-sur-Mer. That form reads well and can follow up. CEKEPEPERE (1) is thriving at present. Won or placed past four starts. Expect another big run. FABULEUX PIYA (2) has raced consistently in stronger events this campaign. Threat to all at this level. ELLO FOSSAVIE (4) drops in grade and rates highly amongst this field. Each way chance.

Selections

ESTOY AQUI (8) - CEKEPEPERE (1) - FABULEUX PIYA (2) - ELLO FOSSAVIE (4)

- 1. **ESCROC DE VILLABON** Been racing with credit in variety of different grades. Last seen finishing fifth at this track two weeks ago.
- 2. **ERKIS DELAROUGE** Struggling to find the finish. Not appealing.
- 3. **ELPICK** Backed up a success in a tougher race with a 2.75L third at this level. Winner over this course and distance.
- 4. **ENJOY DANCER** Chasing a fourth consecutive win including a success at Cagnes-sur-Mer in this level eleven days ago. First run at the track.
- 5. **ESOPE DU BELLAY** Hard to recommend on recent form.
- 6. **ELOGIO TEJY** Disappointing in two starts since an Oraison win. Yet to feature in two attempts at this track.
- 7. **EAGLE CLEMAXELLE** Struggling to find form barring a third at Lyon-Parilly three back. Improvement likely racing barefoot.
- 8. **FRAGONARD** Better effort when fourth at this track two weeks ago. Place chance running barefoot.
- 9. **DJESON D'ARIANE** Finished fifth in two starts since a break. Winner over the distance.
- 10. **ESPION JIHAIME** Struggled on last two outings and needs to recapture better form. Capable on best.
- 11. **DOLLAR LE BLANC** Improved effort when 1.25L third at this venue eighteen days ago. Winner over this course and distance. Contender without shoes.
- 12. EVERTON DE VANDEL Aiming to bounce back after a DQ. Has placed at this venue in the past.
- 13. **DIEGO DU BOUFFEY** Struggled on first two outings of the campaign. Experienced under these conditions with three wins and two placings from ten attempts.
- 14. CIKIA DEIHA Returned to form with a third at Marseille Borely at the start of last month. Place chance.
- 15. **ENDIAN DE BANVILLE** Mixed form over last few runs. Capable based on 5L success against tougher company in late June.
- 16. **EBABIELA** Looking for a double after success at this venue against similar rivals four weeks ago. Top chance racing barefoot.

Summary: ENJOY DANCER (4) is hard to fault on recent achievements with three straight wins. Chasing a four-timer and caught the eye with a win at Cagnes-sur-Mer at this grade. EBABIELA (16) is proven under these conditions. Looking to go back-to-back after a success at this track against similar opposition. Capable. ESCROC DE VILLABON (1) is a place contender based on recent fifth at this venue. ELPICK (3) could find the frame. Broke through in a higher grade prior to a 2.75L third at this level.

Selections

ENJOY DANCER (4) - EBABIELA (16) - ESCROC DE VILLABON (1) - ELPICK (3)

Race 7 - Prix Journal Paris-Turf - 2650m Harness. Purse EUR €15,000.

- 1. **ISESIO DE CONROS** Yet to reach the frame in three starts but making headway each time.
- 2. INDEX D'YVEL Better effort when third at Vichy. DQ since and can bounce back.
- 3. **ILONA'S FELLA** Hard to recommend with only one completion from four attempts.
- 4. **IRIANGO DE NILE** Uninspiring form figures. More required.
- 5. **IRRESISTIBLE PERLE** Placed twice from six career starts. Has been inconsistent and probably prefers easier competition.
- 6. INES PIERJI Useful second at Avignon on debut. Sixth at this level subsequently. Place chance.
- 7. IDEALE D'ODYSSEE Hard to recommend.
- 8. **IVRILE JAC** Progressing with each start prior to a DQ two weeks ago. Capable if bouncing back.
- 9. **IMMERSION** Yet to feature in two runs. Improvement required.
- 10. IDEAL MAX DQ on debut last week at this venue. Potential for improvement.
- 11. ICEBERG DE LUBEL Fair start to career when sixth at this track last week. Improvement likely.
- 12. IMPERIALE CAMP Makes racecourse debut. Struggled in sole barrier trial at Caen.

Summary: IVRILE JAC (8) has been making gradual headway with each start and caught the eye when third at this track two back. Likely to bounce back after a first career DQ and expected to produce a bold bid. INDEX D'YVEL (2) showed a good level of form when third at Vichy second-up. DQ since and can feature in the closing stages. ISESIO DE CONROS (1) may finish in the frame for the first time. Making steady progression. IRRESISTIBLE PERLE (5) is better seen against easier rivals but could sneak a place in an open contest.

Selections

IVRILE JAC (8) - INDEX D'YVEL (2) - ISESIO DE CONROS (1) - IRRESISTIBLE PERLE (5)

Race 8 - Prix Andre Micallef - 2850m Monte. Purse EUR €23,000.

- 1. **FIER D'AVRIL** Uninspiring recent form figures and happy to take on here.
- 2. **EASY TURGOT** Winless after 60 starts and would be a surprise were he to change that here.
- 3. **EMICOERE LE FOL** 1.75L winner here last week. This looks slightly tougher but should give another bold showing racing barefoot.
- 4. **DRATAR BLOND** Placed here two starts back and then just missed the frame at this venue since. Place claims once more.
- 5. **EPICO BLUE** Goes well for this driver and produced a good effort when 1.75L second at this track two weeks ago. Easy to fancy.
- 6. **CARTEL** Running creditably well in defeat this campaign. Rates highly on best form and has an each way chance.
- 7. **CASH IS KING** Out of form and likely to struggle once more.
- 8. **EXPRESS DUO** DQ at this course eighteen days ago and been below best for some time now. Needs to re-find form.
- 9. **EOLE DE NEUVY** Better effort when an 8.75L fifth here eighteen days back. Needs to improve again but do not entirely rule out.
- 10. **FERNANDINA** Holds the re-opposing Epico Blue judged on 1.75L victory here two weeks ago. Not always the most consistent however but has definite winning claims.

Summary: EMICOERE LE FOL (3) impressed in winning here last week. Can do better again and looks the one they all have to beat. FERNANDINA (10) gamely held rivals at this course two weeks ago. Not the most consistent but has winning claims on that performance. EPICO BLUE (5) placed last time. Can improve again and has a solid each way chance. CARTEL (6) has been running well of late. Each way claims.

Selections

EMICOERE LE FOL (3) - FERNANDINA (10) - EPICO BLUE (5) - CARTEL (6)