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C1 - PRIX DE LA CELLE-SAINT-CLOUD - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Newcomers Race - Flat - EUR € 27,000

- **1. RAHIMA -** Well-bred Dariyan debutante whose second dam was a Group I winner. Alexis Pouchin rides for Pierre Groualle
- **2. HOPIC -** Ludovic Boisseau rides this Oasis Dream debutante for trainer Jean-Christophe Bertin, who also owns the filly
- **3. ZANZIA -** Corentin Bergé takes 1,5kg off the back of this Armony Tinchon-trained Rail Link debutante which will only aid the filly's cause
- **4. STEP UP LADY -** André Fabre-trained Kingman filly related to several black-type performers. Will likely start favourite on debut under Mickaël Barzalona
- **5. PROUD LUCY -** This Stéphane Cérulis-trained daughter of Taj Mahal ought to benefit from the 2,5kg allowance of her rider Mégane Peslier
- **6. LAVENDER LACE -** Well-bred Lope De Vega filly who was withdrawn at the start of her proposed introduction on 14 May. Trainer Francis-Henri Graffard would've done his homework with her since and Maxime Guyon rides
- **7. OLERON -** This Markus Münch-trained daughter of Soldier Hollow is to be ridden on debut by Luca Carboni. Keep safe
- **8. ISCREAMFORICECREAM -** This Galiway filly is the first foal out of Victory Boom whose dam enjoyed a successful career across the Atlantic. Trainer Jean-Marie Béguigné has engaged Marie Vélon, who has a 1,5kg allowance beware

Summary: André Fabre-trained STEP UP LADY (4) makes the most appeal in this opening event for unraced three-year-old fillies and Godolphin's Kingman newcomer is likely to put in a forward showing on debut. LAVENDER LACE (6) is another well-bred newcomer expected to go well first-up for trainer Francis-Henri Graffard, who has engaged Maxime Guyon to partner his charge. RAHIMA (1) and ISCREAMFORICECREAM (8) also deserve a mention.

SELECTIONS

STEP UP LADY (4) - LAVENDER LACE (6) - RAHIMA (1) - ISCREAMFORICECREAM (8)

C2 - PRIX DE NANTERRE - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Flat - EUR € 28,000

- **1. DE SICA -** Outclassed on his reappearance in a Group III over 1800m at this venue on 7 April but will fare better at this level with improved fitness on his side. Keep safe
- **2. KALET -** Debut winner over 2000m at Saint-Cloud in March but failed to confirm that promise when only 5th at Châteaubriant over 1950m on 27 April. Shouldn't be hastily condemned
- **3. ROLLERCOASTER -** First-start scorer on PSF over 2150m at Lyon-La Soie in March and finished 2nd over 2000m in his next outing at Salon-de-Provence. Fluffed his lines when only 7th over 2100m at Marseille-Borely on 10 May
- **4. SWANN -** Made a winning reappearance over 2200m at Fontainebleau on 13 April in what was his first outing on turf. Open to further progress
- **5. VEGAS -** Caught the eye when finishing a staying-on 4th on the turf at Chantilly over 1600m on 29 April after a comeback outing on PSF. Candidate for success with improvement expected

Summary: VEGAS (5) made the expected improvement after a much-needed comeback outing to finish an eye-catching 4th last time out at Chantilly and is likely to fight for victory with further progress on the cards. DE SICA (1), who finished 3rd in a Listed race as a two-year-old last term, made no impression in an 1800m Group III on his reappearance but would've tightened up with the benefit of that outing and should, given this ease in grade, pose more of a threat at this level. His unexposed stablemate KALET (2) and last-start Fontainebleau winner SWANN (4) are likely to make their presence felt too.

SELECTIONS

VEGAS (5) - DE SICA (1) - KALET (2) - SWANN (4)

C3 - PRIX VICOMTESSE VIGIER - 3100m (a2m) - TURF - Gr2 Race - Flat - EUR € 130,000

- **1. AL NAYYIR -** Well-traveled high-class performer with strong top-level form. Hasn't been seen since finishing 2nd in the Group II Dubai Gold Cup at Meydan on 30 March
- **2. MAGIC MERLIN -** Ulysses colt trained in Germany. Finished 4th in a 2800m Listed race at Berlin-Hoppegarten on 28 April
- **3. SEVENNA'S KNIGHT -** Impressive wide-margin winner of the Group III Prix de Barbeville over 3000m at this venue on 28 April. Will play a leading role
- **4. DOUBLE MAJOR -** Won the Group I Prix Royal-Oak last year. Has a bit to find on recent form after finishing a well-beaten 3rd behind SEVENNA'S KNIGHT (3) on his reappearance in a 3000m Group III at this venue on 28 April
- **5. SOBER -** Held on the form of his Dubai Gold Cup 9th by AL NAYYIR (1) as well as the form of the Group III Prix de Barbeville, in which he finished 5th over 3000m on this course. Outsider
- **6. SHEMBALA -** Stretched out well to grab 2nd from DOUBLE MAJOR (4) in the Group III Prix de Barbeville over 3000m on this course last time (29 April). Not taken lightly

Summary: Dubai Gold Cup runner-up AL NAYYIR (1) will be all the rage on his return to French soil. SEVENNA'S KNIGHT (3) impressed when a wide-margin winner of the Prix de Barbeville and could expose any chinks in the armour of the selection. DOUBLE MAJOR (4) and SHEMBALA (6) complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

AL NAYYIR (1) - SEVENNA'S KNIGHT (3) - DOUBLE MAJOR (4) - SHEMBALA (6)

C4 - PRIX DE LA VILLE DE PARIS - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 55,000

- **1. CLAVUS -** Versatile colt with sound references in handicaps. Found 1900m too far when 9th in a Quinté+ on PSF in March but set the record straight with an impressive last-start win over 1600m at Le Mans on 23 April
- **2. AQUILA VOLANTE -** Ran in a Listed race at two and has maintained his form/consistency at three. Has crossed paths with quality rivals but his opening mark is a bit high finished 4th at Marseille-Borely (1800m) on 24 April
- **3. CONTENTIOUS SOUL -** Stayed on well to finish 4th behind CLAVUS (1) over 1600m at Le Mans on 23 April. Meets that rival on 1,5kg better terms and has the profile to succeed in the handicap category
- **4. AMORCITA -** Won back-to-back 1500m outings at Cagnes during the winter and proved her competitiveness off this mark (under a penalty) when 3rd in a Quinté+ over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 1 May. Not taken lightly
- **5. BELISE -** An impressive/eye-catching winner over 1600m at Chantilly on 26 April against female opposition. Now faces male rivals on her handicap debut but has scope to improve off an unchanged mark
- **6. HAMLET'S NIGHT -** Caught the eye with a fast-finishing 2nd on his handicap/Quinté debut at Saint-Cloud on 1 May. Needs only to repeat that performance to open his account
- **7. ATLANTIC WAYS -** A 5-start maiden with sound references and untapped potential. Runner-up over course and distance on her ParisLongchamp debut in a conditions race on 12 May an attractive outsider
- **8. TRUE VALUE -** Has won three handicaps this year, earning a total penalty of 9kg. Steps up considerably in class off of a mark 3,5kg higher after her last-start success at Le Mans in a 1600m handicap on 15 May
- **9. ARPENTEUR -** Has established himself in the handicap category finished 2nd in consecutive handicap appearances before opening is account over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 1 May. Respected despite a 2,5kg penalty
- **10. LOVECAYAN -** Acquitted herself well when finishing 5th over 1600m at Le Mans on 23 April behind CLAVUS (1) and CONTENTIOUS SOUL (3). Meets those rivals on better weights terms
- **11. PARRHESIA -** Has only recently joined Anne-Sophie Crombez's stable, following 2nd in a 1600m Saint-Cloud claimer on 10 May. Best watched for now
- **12. ABIAT -** Caught the eye when running on from last to finish 3rd over 1300m at this venue on 9 May. Faces male rivals this time but shouldn't be underestimated
- **13. BONNY WAY -** Convincing winner over 2150m at Cagnes on 12 February but appears to have regressed in subsequent outings (unplaced in both). Could only finish 7th over 2000m at this venue on 9 May drop in trip suits
- **14. BEJAR -** Moved from Carlos Laffon-Paris to join Brian Beaunez in late March and has continued to improve. She finished an encouraging 3rd on her handicap debut over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 1 May dark horse

15. IBERIA - Wasn't disgraced when finishing in midfield (7th) on handicap debut over an inadequate 1300m. Proved her form, well-being and preference for the mile when 3rd over track and trip on 12 May

Summary: On his Quinté+ debut at Saint-Cloud on 1 May, HAMLET'S NIGHT (6) ran on powerfully to finish 2nd and need only repeat that performance to shed his maiden tag. CLAVUS (1) returns to the handicap category with legitimate ambitions, having impressed over this (his preferred) distance last time. CONTENTIOUS SOUL (3), on his handicap debut, last-start handicap winner ARPENTEUR (9), who carries a 2,5kg penalty, and ABIAT (12), who ran on from last to finish 3rd over 1300m on this track recently, are also competitive for a spot on the podium. BELISE (5), AMORCITA (4) and IBERIA (15) are potential place-getters.

SELECTIONS

HAMLET'S NIGHT (6) - CLAVUS (1) - CONTENTIOUS SOUL (3) - ARPENTEUR (9)

C5 - PRIX D'ISPAHAN - 1850m (a1m1/8) - TURF - Gr1 Race - Flat - EUR € 250,000

- **1. MARHABA YA SANAFI -** A 2023 Group I winner who has proved his form and well-being by finishing 2nd in consecutive recent outings, the latest over 1600m at Saint-Cloud in a Group II event on 1 May. Sets a very high standard
- 2. DOLAYLI Acquitted himself well (3rd) in the Group II Prix du Muguet over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 1 May. Closely matched on that form with MARHABA YA SANAFI (1)
- **3. HAYA ZARK -** Consistent high-class performer unbeaten in two starts this year. Won the 1800m Group III Prix Exbury on his reappearance in March and the Group I Prix Ganay over 2100m at this venue last time (28 April)
- **4. HORIZON DORE -** Finished behind HAYA ZARK (3) in both the Group III Prix Exbury and Group I Prix Ganay at this venue over 2100m on 28 April. Has a bit to find
- **5. CHECKANDCHALLENGE -** Finished a well-beaten 5th of 7 runners on his reappearance in a Group III race at Sandown on 26 April. Needs to improve to make his presence felt
- **6. BRAVE EMPEROR -** Well-traveled Group performer with sound references/form credentials. Returns to French soil after a disappointing 9th in the Champions Mile at Sha Tin on 28 April
- **7. MQSE DE SEVIGNE -** Won a course-and-distance Listed race on her seasonal reappearance last month (14 April). Has sound references at the highest level, so should fight for victory with improved fitness/condition on her side
- **8. BLUE ROSE CEN -** Champion filly with an impressive resume. Won a Group I at two and another 3 top-level successes last year the latest over 2000m in the Prix de l'Opéra at this venue when last seen on 1 October. Keep safe

Summary: A typically stellar cast assembled for the 2024 edition of the prestigious Group I Prix d'Ispahan. In 3 starts this campaign, last year's Poule d'Essai des Poulains winner MARHABA YA SANAFI (1) has proved that he retains all of his class and ability. He won a Listed race on his seasonal reappearance before filling the runners-up berth in Group III and Group II races over a mile. On the strength and consistency of that form, he's good value to reconnect with success at the highest level. MQSE DE SEVIGNE (7) also won a Listed race on her comeback and is a proven Group performer who will pose a threat. DOLAYLI (2), who would appreciate a fast track, and high-class multiple Group I winner BLUE ROSE CEN (8) aren't underestimated.

SELECTIONS

MARHABA YA SANAFI (1) - MQSE DE SEVIGNE (7) - DOLAYLI (2) - BLUE ROSE CEN (8)

C6 - PRIX DU PALAIS-ROYAL - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Gr3 Race - Flat - EUR € 80,000

- **1. FORT PAYNE -** The defending champion of this Group II title. Returns to French soil after a last-start win in the 1400m Group III Ras Al Khor at Meydan on 2 March
- **2. BREIZH SKY -** Consistent colt with sound references/form credentials, which include a last-start victory of a Class 1 conditions race over track and trip on 9 May. Should have a role to play
- **3. MOUNT ATHOS -** Consistent British performer whose best form/references have been achieved on PSF. Won over 1400m on his seasonal reappearance at Kempton on 27 March dark horse
- **4. YOSEMITE VALLEY -** Runner-up in a Listed race at Cork on his reappearance and built on that encouragement by winning a Listed race over 1400m at The Curragh on 21 April. Crosses the Channel with legitimate ambitions
- **5. HALF HALF -** Finished 6th of 11 behind BRIEZH SKY (2) in a Class 1 course-and-distance conditions race on 9 May. Meets that rival on 1,5kg worse terms
- **6. NATIONAL SERVICE -** Versatile veteran who showed his form and well-being on the PSF recently, finishing 2nd over 1300m at Chantilly on 8 March. Place chance
- **7. ZOOM -** Consistent performer who deserves his place in the lineup after finishing a close-up 4th to BREIZH SKY (2) in a Class 1 course-and-distance conditions race on 9 May. Not taken lightly
- **8. EXXTRA -** Won a 1200m Group III sprint in October and finished an eye-catching 2nd on her reappearance at this venue in a 1400m Listed race, albeit against females only. Faces a tougher task now against males

Summary: YOSEMITE VALLEY (4) beat a quality field, which included the excellent Jumbly, on his way to victory in a Listed race at the Curragh recently. He should find this ParisLongchamp layout much to his liking, so gets the nod in this Group II renewal. The 2023 winner of this race FORT PAYNE (1), fellow last-start scorer BREIZH SKY (2) and consistent ZOOM (7) are capable of seriously challenging the selection.

SELECTIONS

YOSEMITE VALLEY (4) - FORT PAYNE (1) - BREIZH SKY (2) - ZOOM (7)

C7 - PRIX DE L'HOTEL DE VILLE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 28,000

- **1. HER CHRISTOPHER -** Unplaced in all 3 outings but didn't go unnoticed when staying on well to finish 6th over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly on 20 April, proving that he is probably better than his opening handicap mark. Can win
- **2. NOOTKA BAY -** Has been brought to hand slowly but surely, probably prepared for life in handicaps. Wasn't beaten far when 6th over 2000m at Fontainebleau on 30 April
- **3. BAILEYS VITESSE -** Last-start winner of a 1400m turf handicap at Chantilly on 15 April. Ought to continue his momentum, despite a 3kg penalty
- **4. CHESTER SKY -** Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials, which include an encouraging 4th at Châteaubriant over 1950m on 12 May. Competitive in handicaps off his current mark
- **5. BANKIER -** Was unable to find a clear passage at Saint-Cloud on his reappearance (10th) in a handicap over a mile on 6 May. Undeniably capable of better
- **6. QUEEN SINGER -** Bounced back to form last time by finishing 2nd in a 1400m turf handicap at Chantilly on 17 May after dropping in the weights/ratings to her current mark. Place chance
- **7. EXIGENCE -** Finished a length and a half behind CHESTER SKY (4) over 1950m at Châteaubriant on 12 May. Renews rivalry on worse weight (1kg) terms
- **8. VIADEIPISPINI -** Finished a well-beaten 10th in his only turf/handicap appearance and his improved last start (4th) was in a 1900m PSF claimer at Chantilly on 7 May. Has more to do
- **9. NICE PAULI -** Showed signs of improvement having dropped to his current mark when 4th in a 1600m handicap at Saint-Cloud on 6 May. Dark horse
- **10. SUBLIME CHOPE -** Runner-up in a 1600m handicap at Saint-Cloud on 6 May before a disappointing (9th) last start over 1400m at Chantilly on 17 May. Unreliable but is dangerous to discount

Summary: Despite finishing unplaced in all three outings, HER CHRISTOPHER (1) has shown enough to suggest that he's capable of fighting for victory on his handicap debut off a lenient opening mark. BANKIER (5), who was unlucky to finish unplaced at Saint-Cloud on his reappearance, and consistent CHESTER SKY (4), on the evidence of his encouraging Châteaubriant 3rd last time, are also candidates for success. Like the selection, NOOTKA BAY (2) seems competitive off his opening handicap mark, so shouldn't be discounted.

SELECTIONS

HER CHRISTOPHER (1) - BANKIER (5) - CHESTER SKY (4) - NOOTKA BAY (2)

C8 - PRIX DE LA RUE CREMIEUX - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 22,000

- **1. KARIOITAHI -** Won a course-and-distance handicap last time out (9 May) and is likely to remain competitive despite a 2,5kg penalty
- **2. CRACKLIN'ROSIE -** Soundly beaten (unplaced) in all three comeback outings this year, the latest (11th) in 2000m handicap at Strasbourg on 22 April. Can be ruled out
- **3. SHAWBAK -** Has shown signs of improvement recently with blinkers fitted. Finished 2nd on PSF over 1900m last month and confirmed that progress by finishing 5th over 2000m at this venue on 12 May
- **4. NAISHAN -** Unplaced in his consecutive recent outings but seldom far off the mark, although most effective in the claiming category finished 7th over 2500m in that grade at Saint-Cloud on 10 May. Others preferred
- **5. RECOLETA** Made an encouraging (5th) reappearance in a PSF handicap in February but hasn't been since finishing a disappointing 16th over 2400m in a handicap at Compiegne on 10 March
- **6. SUNRAY -** Versatile mare but remains unreliable/inconsistent. Finished a well-beaten 10th in an 1800m handicap at Fontainebleau on 3 May capable of better
- **7. BONNIE HOPPS -** Returned to form with an improved/encouraging 3rd off her current mark in a handicap over 1950m at Le Mans on 15 May. Confirmation required
- **8. I EXCEL -** Somewhat reassured with a last-start victory over 2100m on PSF at Mons on 26 April. Returns to France and switches with legitimate ambitions
- **9. SHATTERHAND -** Won a course-and-distance conditions race on 16 May and could make his presence felt again despite a 2kg penalty
- **10. EXCITING -** Steadily regaining form/momentum since sliding down the weights/ratings. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th over 1800m on PSF at Chantilly on 7 May keep safe
- **11. PRINCESS KARA -** Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 4th on her reappearance in a handicap over course and distance on 5 May. Attractive outsider
- **12. COGOLIN -** Caught the eye with an encouraging 3rd on his reappearance over 2000m at Strasbourg on 8 May. Will have more to offer
- **13. I'M ON MY WAY -** Showed signs of a return to form last time finished 6th in a handicap over 2000m at Marseille-Borely on 10 May. Not taken lightly dropped 1kg
- **14. LADY LOU -** Versatile mare but remains unreliable/inconsistent. Finished a well-beaten 16th over track and trip in a handicap on 9 May
- **15. EAGLEHAWK -** Has failed to establish himself in handicaps on the turf, despite a dropping in the weights/ratings. Was a well-beaten 15th in a 1900m PSF handicap at Chantilly on 11 May

Summary: COGOLIN (12) appreciates this ParisLongchamp layout and, having shown his form and well-being on his reappearance at Strasbourg, could be the one to side with. EXCITING (10) continues to slide down the weights/ratings, so should resurface sooner rather than later. He didn't go unnoticed when 5th in a conditions race last time and could play a leading role back in the handicaps off a reduced (1,5kg) mark. Last-start winner KARIOITAHI (1) remains competitive after her recent victory on this course, while I'M ON MY WAY (13) and SHAWBAK (3) aren't without chances either.

SELECTIONS

COGOLIN (12) - EXCITING (10) - KARIOITAHI (1) - I'M ON MY WAY (13)

C9 - PRIX DE LA RUE DU CHAT QUI PECHE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- **1. MAKTAVA -** Went off the boil late last year and has struggled to recapture his form or spark improvement this term. Finished a well-beaten 12th over track and trip on 9 May
- **2. SWEET DEVILDARLING -** Finished a well-beaten 13th in a 1900m PSF handicap at Chantilly on 11 May but has better references on turf. Watch for now
- **3. ASLAN SENORA -** Last-start winner over track and trip on 9 May. Carries a 2kg penalty for that success but should fight for victory once more
- **4. WHATEVER IT COSTS -** Soundly beaten (unplaced) in all three comeback outings this year, the latest (14th) over 1900m on PSF at Chantilly on 26 April. Can be ruled out
- **5. RAJA LUNA -** Stayed on well to finish 5th over track and trip in a handicap on 16 May. Comfortable on this track, she should play a leading role
- **6. OSER -** Seldom far off in handicaps at this level, albeit on the PSF. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th over 1900m on that surface at Chantilly on 11 May
- **7. MANDLEFT -** Returned to form with an improved/encouraging 2nd off her current mark in a handicap over 1950m at Le Mans on 15 May. Keep safe
- **8. DREAM AGAIN -** Consistent for the most part this year, albeit on the PSF. Didn't go unnoticed when 7th over 1900m on that surface at Chantilly on 11 May
- **9. MAESTRO CHOP -** Petered out of contention when 7th in a 3000m handicap here on 16 May. This shorter trip will serve his interests
- **10. NOBLE ANGEL -** Caught the eye when finishing 2nd over this course and distance on 9 May behind ASLAN SENORA (3). Will be a factor
- **11. WINGS OF FIRE** Hasn't been far off the mark in consecutive recent outings off his current mark finished 6th in both, the latest over 2500m at Le Croisé-Laroche on 19 May
- **12. LUCKY YOU -** Last-start winner of a 2000m handicap at Lyon-Parilly on 18 May. Not taken lightly despite her 2,5kg penalty
- **13. ATLANTICA -** Returned to form with an improved/encouraging 3rd off her current mark in a handicap over 1950m at Le Mans on 15 May. Confirmation required
- **14. SILVER CONDOR -** Went off the boil late last year and hasn't been seen since finishing 12th in 2200m handicap at Amiens on 9 October

Summary: ASLAN SENORA (3), a winner on the course recently, and RAJA LUNA (5), who would've refined her condition with a run in a conditions race in which she was unfavorably engaged, have a theoretical winning chance and could find themselves fighting for victory, though slight preference is given to the former. NOBLE ANGEL (10), who finished 2nd to the selection, MANDLEFT (7), herself a runner-up last time (at Le Mans), and enigmatic DREAM AGAIN (8) are others capable of playing a leading role.

SELECTIONS

ASLAN SENORA (3) - RAJA LUNA (5) - NOBLE ANGEL (10) - MANDLEFT (7)

C10 - PRIX DE LA RUE DES DEGRES - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 15,000

- **1. SPINNING MIST -** Much improved of late and was a winner of a handicap last time out at Le Mans over 1950m on 15 May. Carries a 2.50kg penalty but can follow up
- **2. ZYGFRYD -** Disappointing of late and was 9th last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 11 May. Needs to do more to win this race
- **3. SOHO VICKY -** Not disgraced when 6th last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 26 April. Better on the PSF but has a winning chance
- **4. LOVE THE STARS -** Has improved this year and was victorious last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 11 May. Carries a 2,50kg penalty for that win but could follow up
- **5. BECH RIVER -** In good form of late and was a winner last time out in a handicap at Fontainebleau over 1800m on 3 May. Carries a 2.50kg penalty but is not out of it
- **6. PARFAITE MERILL** Disappointing form of late and was 7th last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 11 May. Capable of better but others are preferred
- **7. EVER READY -** Showed some improvement when 5th last time out in a handicap at Le Mans over 1950m on 15 May. Can contest the finish
- **8. CHARLES LEGEND -** Holding his form well and was fourth last time out in a handicap over this track and trip on 9 May. Be right there at the finish
- **9. PALETUVIER -** Has lost the way of late and was 11th last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 11 May. Others are preferred
- **10. MAGURO -** Yet to win after 29 Starts but did run well when runner-up last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 11 May. Place chance
- **11. NOT SO SILLY -** Has struggled all year and was tenth last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 11 May. Needs to find a few lengths to win
- **12. RUE DAUPHINE -** On a very long losing run but was not disgraced when third last time out in a handicap at Le Croisé-Laroche over 2500m on 19 May. Might play a minor role
- **13. TAAL -** Disappointing form of late and was tenth last time last time out in a handicap over this course and distance on 9 May. Capable of better and could play a minor role
- **14. WALDENON -** Struggling of late and was well beaten in a handicap last time out at Saint-Cloud over 2400m on 5 April. Best watched for now

Summary: SOHO VICKY (3) was not disgraced when 6th in a better handicap than this last time out. She has been best on the PSF but could win a weak handicap like this. SPINNING MIST (1) is in good heart and can follow up on a handicap win last time out. EVER READY (7) showed some improvement last time out and could do even better this time around. CHARLES LEGEND (8) is in good form and should fight out the finish.

SELECTIONS

SOHO VICKY (3) - SPINNING MIST (1) - EVER READY (7) - CHARLES LEGEND (8)