

## CHATEAUBRIANT [R-H] - 26 August

**Race 1 - PRIX DES ETOILES - 2650m MDN.** Purse EUR €16,000.

1. **ICENAME MOME** - Held 17L fourth over 2100m on the AW at Pornichet earlier this month. Capable of better.
2. **SHAIYMA** - Improved on debut effort when a nose second over 2700m at Le Touquet just under four weeks ago. Top chance.
3. **NEVER GIVE WAY** - Held 18L seventh over 2400m in a newcomers race at Clairefontaine last month. Minor role likely.
4. **GLYNDEBOURNE** - Fair 5.5L seventh over 2300m at Dax just over two weeks ago. Step forward needed.
5. **FETARDE** - Held 6.25L tenth over 2500m at Deauville earlier this month. Claims on earlier form.
6. **A LA FOLIE** - Good 1.25L second over 2400m in a Clairefontaine newcomers contest. Bold show expected.
7. **PALOMBAGGIA** - Unraced Sir Prancealot filly. Likely to improve for the experience.

**Summary:** SHAIYMA (2) can take this following a nose second in a 2700m maiden at Le Touquet. A LA FOLIE (6) may play a part in the finish on the back of a 1.25L second over 2400m at Clairefontaine on debut. ICENAME MOME (1) is considered for a place following a 17L fourth over 2100m on the AW at Pornichet. Supplemented runner FETARDE (5) holds claims on a 1L third over 2400m at Vichy on her penultimate start.

### Selections

**SHAIYMA (2) - A LA FOLIE (6) - ICENAME MOME (1) - FETARDE (5)**

**Race 2 - PRIX USEFUL - 2650m** . Purse EUR €18,000.

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1. **HALLATIENNE** - Runner-up when beaten 15L in a track and trip event earlier this month. Claims on best form.
2. **GERLINE** - Good 1L second over 2900m contest at Royan at the start of this month. Notable runner.
3. **HAPPY DE REVE** - Runner-up when beaten 5L in a 2800m event at Argentan last month. Strong claims.
4. **GMADYLU** - Placed on each of his last five starts including when 2L second over 2200m at Le Dorat eleven days ago. Claims in this event.
5. **GRENADE D'ALENE** - Completed a double when winning by 2L in a 2400m contest at Lignieres last month. Top chance.
6. **GUYANE** - Dropping in grade following a 7.75L sixth in the G3 Prix de l'Union des AQPS du Centre-Est over 2400m at Vichy just over five weeks ago. Yard do well in these races.
7. **GOLDY MAKER** - Faded when 12L third over 2400m at La Roche-Posay in June. Others hold more obvious claims.
8. **GRIFTEE** - Struggled both previous starts including when 14L sixth over 2800m at Argentan last month. Best watched.

**Summary:** GRENADE D'ALENE (5) can take this following a 2L success over 2400m at Lignieres. HAPPY DE REVE (3) finds a winning opportunity on the back of a 5L second in a 2800m contest at Argentan. GUYANE (6) is shortlisted down in grade having finished 7.75L sixth over 2400m in the G3 Prix de l'Union des AQPS du Centre-Est at Vichy. GMADYLU (4) enters calculations following a string of placed efforts.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>GRENADE D'ALENE (5) - HAPPY DE REVE (3) - GUYANE (6) - GMADYLU (4)</b></p>
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**Race 3 - GRAND PRIX DE CHATEAUBRIANT - 2650m CL2.** Purse EUR €26,000.

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1. **YOUNG MERLIN** - Runner-up when beaten 2L over 2400m at Dieppe at the start of this month. Of note in this race.
2. **REDKAN** - Unbeaten in two starts including when winning by 2L in a 2300m contest at Corlay in June. Leading contender.
3. **CHECKPOINT CHARLIE** - Below par 12L 15th over 3000m at Chantilly in early May. Dropping in trip on debut for a new trainer.
4. **CHAMPY CHARM** - Faded when 4.75L 11th in a 2400m handicap at Clairefontaine at the start of this month. Capable of better.
5. **ESPRIT ESTULA** - Down the field 35L 12th over 2400m at Clairefontaine last month. Improvement needed.
6. **HOME SWEET HOME** - Given a break since finishing 6.5L seventh over 2400m at Bordeaux in May. Top chance having placed in a higher grade in the past.

**Summary:** REDKAN (2) can maintain his unbeaten record following a 2L triumph over 2300m at Corlay. HOME SWEET HOME (6) is shortlisted following a 6.5L seventh in a 2400m conditions event at Bordeaux. YOUNG MERLIN (1) holds claims of going one better than when 2L second over 2400m at Dieppe. CHECKPOINT CHARLIE (3) is also noted down in trip having been beaten 12L 15th over 3000m at Chantilly in the spring.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>REDKAN (2) - HOME SWEET HOME (6) - YOUNG MERLIN (1) - CHECKPOINT CHARLIE (3)</b></p>
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**Race 4 - PRIX GUY RAYNARD - 1950m HCP CL4.** Purse EUR €14,000.

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1. **ESTEEM AUNAY** - Midfield finish when 5L seventh over 1700m on the AW at Pornichet thirteen days ago. Capable of better.
2. **ANSE DE BEL'AMANDE** - Runner-up when beaten 1.5L over 1800m at Saint-Malo three weeks ago. Bold show expected.
3. **WYOMIA JASMIN** - Struggled of late including when 17L tenth over 1800m at Saint-Malo just over four weeks ago. Best watched.
4. **GORMLAITH** - Placed third on both starts since winning by 2L over 1950m at Les Sables-d'Olonne last month. Strong claims.
5. **BELEAVE YOU** - Fair 3.25L seventh over 2200m at Clairefontaine last week. Supplemented.
6. **AL RASSOUL** - Midfield finish when 8.75L sixth over 1900m at La Teste just under four weeks ago. Claims on fourth over this track and trip prior.
7. **SPIRIT JO** - Down the field 24L 12th over 2100m at Argentan eighteen days ago. Others make more appeal.
8. **HOLOCENE BERE** - Fair 4.5L seventh over 2000m at Vichy fifteen days ago. More required.
9. **FIRE OF BEAUTY** - Faded late on when 1.75L fourth over 2100m at Argentan just over four weeks ago. Claims if replicating that effort.

**Summary:** ANSE DE BEL'AMANDE (2) delivered a 1.5L second over 1800m at Saint-Malo. Looks up to going one better. GORMLAITH (4) has a chance to play a part in the finish following a 4.5L third in the aforementioned event. ESTEEM AUNAY (1) is well handicapped on her old form and can show up well following a 5L seventh over 1700m on the AW at Pornichet. FIRE OF BEAUTY (9) is considered having finished 1.75L fourth over 2100m at Argentan.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ANSE DE BEL'AMANDE (2) - GORMLAITH (4) - ESTEEM AUNAY (1) - FIRE OF BEAUTY (9)</b></p>
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**Race 5 - PRIX DE PARISLONGCHAMP - 1950m HCP.** Purse EUR €18,000.

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1. **MA DIFFERENCE** - Fourth when beaten 3.25L over 1850m at Vichy last month. One to note.
2. **SCILIAR** - Faded when 6.5L third over 1900m at Argentan eighteen days go. Claims in this event.
3. **NISRY** - Held 8L eighth over 1800m at Longchamp five weeks ago. Minor role likely.
4. **BLUE ONE** - Good 3.25L fourth over 1800m at Saint-Malo three weeks ago. Looking for a first victory at the ninth time of asking.
5. **HAPPY LANE** - Dropping in trip on handicap debut following a 5.5L fourth in a 2500m maiden at Aix-les-Bains just over six weeks ago.
6. **ALTERNATIVE** - Ten race maiden was beaten 2.5L when third over 1800m in a Saint-Malo claimer three weeks ago. Step forward required.
7. **SHOW GIRL** - Failed to shine when 19L last of ten over 2100m on the AW at Pornichet thirteen days ago. Best watched.
8. **GOT NAVY** - Returning from a break when 2.25L third in a 2000m handicap at Vichy earlier this month. Top chance.
9. **SOTCHI** - Held 16L last of eight over 1600m in a maiden at Clairefontaine just over three weeks ago. Handicap debut.

**Summary:** GOT NAVY (8) looks capable of registering a first victory following a 2.25L third over 2000m at Vichy. HAPPY LANE (5) can play a part in the finish on handicap debut following a 5.5L fourth over 2500m at Aix-les-Bains. SCILIAR (2) is considered having finished 6.5L third in a 1900m handicap at Argentan. Top weight MA DIFFERENCE (1) is also noted following a 3.25L fourth in an 1850m handicap at Vichy with the form subsequently working out well.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GOT NAVY (8) - HAPPY LANE (5) - SCILIAR (2) - MA DIFFERENCE (1)</b></p>
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**Race 6 - PRIX DE SAINT-CLOUD - 1950m HCP CL3.** Purse EUR €18,000.

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1. **YOUMSOVAIN** - Held 24L sixth over course and distance earlier this month. Capable of better.
2. **DELTA SPIRIT** - Good 2L second in a track and trip conditions race just over a month ago. Strong claims.
3. **PERFECTO** - Held 15L sixth over 2400m on the AW at Pornichet thirteen days ago. Step forward required.
4. **GRAND JAILLY** - Returning from a break when 21L last of seven over 2400m on the AW at Pornichet earlier this month. Improvement needed.
5. **BE THE MAM** - Winner of his penultimate start but failed to shine when 5.5L ninth over 1700m on the AW at Pornichet latest. Return to turf is a positive.
6. **MOLINO** - Down the field 14L 11th over 1700m in an AW contest at Pornichet just under two weeks ago. Poor wins/runs record.
7. **ASANDA** - Good 3.75L fourth over 2000m at Vichy just over two weeks ago. Notable contender.
8. **ROSEBELLE** - Held 5.5L fifth in an 1800m conditions race at Morlaix in May. Likely to improve for the race.
9. **ESTIBERE** - Successful by 0.75L in a 2300m handicap at Royan at the start of this month. Bold show expected.

**Summary:** DELTA SPIRIT (2) can register a victory following a 2L second in a course and distance conditions contest. ESTIBERE (9) won by 0.75L in a handicap at Royan. Shortlist. ASANDA (7) enters calculations having been beaten 3.75L fourth over 2000m at Vichy. BE THE MAM (5) is considered back on turf having won by a head at Les Sables-d'Olonne on his penultimate start.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>DELTA SPIRIT (2) - ESTIBERE (9) - ASANDA (7) - BE THE MAM (5)</b></p>
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**Race 7 - PRIX DJARVIS - 3550m HDLE.** Purse EUR €24,000.

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1. **SPES MILITURF** - Unbeaten in three starts including by 16L in a 3400m hurdle at Pompadour at the end of last month. Hard to beat.
2. **LOUP NONANTAIS** - Held 14L seventh in a 3600m hurdle at Auteuil in May. Of note on return from a break.
3. **ANJOU BLEU** - Completed a double when winning by 2L in a course and distance handicap hurdle earlier this month. Notable contender.
4. **BLOUZEUR** - Pulled up in a 3500m claiming hurdle at Royan 25 days ago. Minor role likely.
5. **KING WOOTY** - Making his debut over hurdles following a 6.25L seventh in a 1400m handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers last month.
6. **MARAVILLOSA** - Changed trainer since winning a 3400m claiming hurdle at Dieppe by 0.5L in June. Strong claims.
7. **DUKE VIRGINIA** - Unraced AI Namix filly. Represents a useful stable on debut.
8. **ADRIANA DU LYS** - Unseated rider in a 3500m hurdle at Auteuil in early June. Returning from a break.
9. **HUILE DE COUDE** - Fair 8.5L sixth over 3700m in a chase at Clairefontaine thirteen days ago. Not certain to appreciate the return to hurdling.

**Summary:** SPES MILITURF (1) has impressed in winning three times to date including by 16L over 3400m at Pompadour. Can retain his unbeaten record. ANJOU BLEU (3) finds a suitable opportunity following a 2L victory over track and trip. MARAVILLOSA (6) is shortlisted debuting for a new trainer having won by 0.5L in a 3400m claiming hurdle at Dieppe. LOUP NONANTAIS (2) can put a below par 14L seventh over 3600m at Auteuil behind having shown good form prior.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>SPES MILITURF (1) - ANJOU BLEU (3) - MARAVILLOSA (6) - LOUP NONANTAIS (2)</b></p>
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**Race 8 - PRIX GACKO - 4200m HCP HDLE.** Purse EUR €22,000.

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1. **GLORIOUS WINGS** - Failed to shine when 126L eighth over course and distance nineteen days ago. More required.
2. **ZAMBEZI FLOW** - Absent since finishing 23L fourth in a 3900m hurdle at Nantes last September. Of note on seasonal debut.
3. **FAMOUS DU BERLAIS** - Good 2.5L fourth over 4100m at Royan eight days ago. Claims.
4. **LAD DU BOURG** - Held 54L sixth in a 3700m chase at Pau in January last year. Best watched.
5. **HELL DREAM** - Placed third when beaten 16L in a 3900m hurdle at Saint-Malo three weeks ago. Step forward required.
6. **DELLA PERLA** - Making his seasonal debut when 27L fifth in a 3900m hurdle at Saint-Malo 21 days ago. Improvement expected.
7. **PTITURF** - Fourth when beaten 22L over course and distance earlier this month. Has won at this track in the past.
8. **ADORABLE DE BALLON** - Pulled up in a 3900m hurdle at Machecoul in February. More required.
9. **MEHYT** - Struggled 70L fifth in a 3900m hurdle at Saint-Malo eighteen days ago. Improvement needed.

**Summary:** Many chances. ZAMBEZI FLOW (2) can take this having ended last year with a 23L fourth in a 3900m hurdle at Nantes. PTITURF (7) is shortlisted having finished 22L fourth over course and distance. FAMOUS DU BERLAIS (3) enters calculations on the back of a 2.25L fourth over 4100m at Royan. HELL DREAM (5) is another to consider having been beaten 16L when third over 3900m at Saint-Malo.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ZAMBEZI FLOW (2) - PTITURF (7) - FAMOUS DU BERLAIS (3) - HELL DREAM (5)</b></p>
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