SAINT CLOUD [L-H] - 26 November

Race 1 - PRIX AJAX - 1600m CL2. Purse EUR €31.000.

- 1. HARPER Held 10L sixth in a 1400m event at Chantilly AW 24 days ago. Claims on best form.
- 2. **ELECTROSCOPE** Bidding to complete a hat-trick when 6.75L seventh over 1500m in a Deauville AW claimer 22 days ago. Of note on return to turf.
- 3. **HOMO DEUS** Victorious by 0.75L in a 2000m handicap here sixteen days ago. One to note.
- 4. **MARILLAMAN** Held 11L eighth over 2000m at Toulouse just over two weeks ago. Others make more appeal.
- 5. **DHAHABIA** Victorious by a head in a 1350m handicap at Lyon-Parilly earlier this month. This looks a tougher affair.
- 6. KIMINA Successful by a head over 1900m at Longchamp just over four weeks ago. Claims.
- 7. **ALULA BOREALIS** Fifth when beaten 2.5L in the 1600m Listed Prix des Lilas at Chantilly in May. Top chance on return from a break.
- 8. BEAUX VILLAGES Successful by 1.5L in a 2000m maiden at Chantilly last month. Strong claims.
- 9. **PHAIDRA** Down the field 6.5L ninth in the 1400m Listed Prix Ceres at Fontainebleau first up. Others preferred.
- 10. **TAKACHIHO** Nose second over this course and distance earlier this month. Step forward required in this grade.
- 11. **TASMANIA** Good 1.5L second in an 1850m contest at Longchamp last month. Leading contender.
- 12. **THEA AL GUNAY** Given a break since finishing 3.25L third in a 2000m contest at Hannover (Germany) in August. Looking for a first career success.

Summary: TASMANIA (11) can go one better than when 1.5L second over 1850m at Longchamp. Leading chance for a top trainer and jockey combination. ALULA BOREALIS (7) is respected down in grade following a 2.5L fifth in the 1600m Listed Prix des Lilas at Chantilly. BEAUX VILLAGES (8) makes the shortlist on the back of a 1.5L victory in a 2000m maiden at Chantilly. ELECTROSCOPE (2) won by a head tackling 1600m at Bordeaux on his penultimate outing. One to consider.

Selections

TASMANIA (11) - ALULA BOREALIS (7) - BEAUX VILLAGES (8) - ELECTROSCOPE (2)

- 1. IRISH POINT Good 0.75L second over 2300m at Le Mans last month. One to note.
- 2. **INEDIT STAR** Impressive 5.5L winner of a 2400m event at Saint-Brieuc on debut earlier this month. Notable contender.
- 3. **IKARE DU MOULIN** Pulled up in a hurdle over 3600m at Auteuil on jumping debut. More needed on flat return.
- 4. **IL EST FRANCAIS** Runner-up on both previous starts including when beaten 3L in a 2400m event at Lyon-Parilly 23 days ago. Of note in this race.
- 5. **IL EST DIVIN** Held 20L fifth in the G3 Prix de l'Avenir over 2400m at Nantes at the end of last month. Strong claims on earlier form.
- 6. **IKIGAI** Failed to shine when 23L sixth in the G3 Prix de l'Avenir over 2400m at Nantes 27 days ago. Claims if producing his best form.
- 7. **ILE O VENT** Successful by 1.25L in the 2400m G3 Prix Yves d'Armaille at Moulins early last month. Top jockey booked to ride.
- 8. **IORANA VALLIS** Fifth when beaten 2.25L in the G3 Prix des Guilledines over 2300m at Durtal 26 days ago. This looks a tougher affair.
- 9. **IDYLLE SACREE** Successful by 6.5L over 2400m at Paray-le-Monial just under five weeks ago. Bold show expected.
- 10. **IDEFIXE DU MOULIN** Completed a hat-trick when winning the G3 Prix de l'Avenir over 2400m at Nantes by 2.5L just under four weeks ago. Leading contender.
- 11. **ITIALENE** Held 19L fourth in the G3 Prix de l'Avenir over 2400m at Nantes last month. Earlier form gives her a chance.
- 12. **IMAGE DE GRUGY** Held 4.25L sixth in a 2300m event at Durtal at the start of the month. More required in this grade.
- 13. **INGRANDES** Nose second in the 2300m G3 Prix des Guilledines at the end of last month. Top chance.

Summary: IDEFIXE DU MOULIN (10) can complete a four-timer following a 2.5L victory in the 2400m G3 Prix de l'Avenir at Nantes. INGRANDES (13) is considered having been beaten a nose in the G3 Prix des Guilledines over 2300m at Durtal. IL EST DIVIN (5) may put a below par 20L fifth in the aforementioned G3 Prix de l'Avenir behind him. Provided solid form prior and may bounce back. IDYLLE SACREE (9) impressed winning by 6.5L over 2400m at Paray-le-Monial. Open to progress and not ruled out.

Selections

IDEFIXE DU MOULIN (10) - INGRANDES (13) - IL EST DIVIN (5) - IDYLLE SACREE (9)

Race 3 - GRAND PRIX DES APPRENTIS - 2100m CL3 QUALIF HCP. Purse EUR €20,000.

- 1. **LINSOUMIS** Good 1.75L second in a 2400m handicap at this venue last month. Form of that race is working out well.
- 2. **FULL PRECIEUX** Successful by 0.75L in a 1950m handicap at Le Mans eleven days ago. One to note.
- 3. PALMIRO Held 6.25L ninth over 1800m at Longchamp just over four weeks ago. Others preferred.
- 4. **PARABAK** Runner-up when beaten a nose in a 2400m handicap on the AW at Pau 27 days ago. Strong claims.
- 5. BAMCALYB Good 0.5L second over 2400m at Nantes at the end of last month. Claims in this event.
- 6. **NAISHAN** Nose winner of an 1800m event at Longchamp just over four weeks ago. Notable contender.
- 7. **DORAZIO** Placed third when beaten 4.75L over 2000m here ten days ago. Likely to find at least one too good.
- 8. **AGENDA** Successful by 2L over 2350m at Strasbourg just over two weeks ago. This looks a tougher event.
- 9. **HAPPY CHRISNAT** Failed to shine when 25L last of sixteen over 2800m at Longchamp first up. Drop in trip no issue but needs more.
- 10. **AMERICAN BEACH** Held 14L ninth over 2350m at Strasbourg earlier this month. Improvement required.
- 11. **TEQUILA BOOM BOOM** Runner-up when beaten 7L in a 2400m contest at Saint-Brieuc fifteen days ago. Likely to struggle on these terms.
- 12. AQUITAINE Held 9.5L ninth over 2400m at Longchamp in September. Debuting for a new trainer.
- 13. **AMARHALEN** Below par 14L tenth over 2500m at Saint-Cloud just under four weeks ago. Best watched.

Summary: LINSOUMIS (1) delivered a 1.75L second in a 2400m handicap here. The form of that race is working out well and he can go one better. PARABAK (4) was beaten a nose when second over 2400m on the AW at Pau. Shortlist. NAISHAN (6) enters calculations having won by a nose tackling 1800m at Longchamp. BAMCALYB (5) finds a suitable opportunity following a 0.5L second attempting 2400m at Nantes. Thereabouts.

Selections

LINSOUMIS (1) - PARABAK (4) - NAISHAN (6) - BAMCALYB (5)

- 1. **BREMONTIER** Held 11L sixth over 1500m at Deauville AW just over five weeks ago. Handicap debut.
- 2. **PEDRITO** Victorious by 1.5L in a 1350m maiden at Cholet three weeks ago. Strong claims on handicap debut.
- 3. **SEPTANTE** Fair 3.5L fourth in a 1500m maiden on the AW at Pont-de-Vivaux at the end of last month. Tackling handicap company for the first time.
- 4. **SCREEN SHOT** Failed to shine when 15L tenth over 2000m at Le Pin-au-Haras in a maiden just over a month ago. Best watched.
- 5. MISTERGIF Good 2L second in a similar race to this 26 days ago. Bold show expected.
- 6. WINTER'S MAGIC Held 5.5L fifth over 1900m at Deauville AW nine days ago. More required.
- 7. **SHALAWAY** Sixth when beaten 6.2.5L over track and trip just under four weeks ago. Improvement needed.
- 8. **BLACK TRACK** Fair 5.75L fifth in a course and distance handicap 26 days ago. Vulnerable to less exposed rivals.
- 9. **GOLD PLAYER** Broke his maiden when winning by 1.25L over 1400m at Nantes on handicap debut just under three weeks go. Top chance stepping up in distance.
- 10. **AFFAIRE CONCLUE** Returning from a break when 5.25L fourth over 1400m at Nantes on handicap debut. Open to improvement.
- 11. **WHY CHOPE** Held 37L sixth over 1600m at Vittel in August. Making her handicap debut following a break.
- 12. **VAROSHKINE** Improved effort when 3.5L third in a 1600m claimer at Touluse just over two weeks ago. Making his first start in a handicap.
- 13. **COMTESSE VERA** Midfield finish when 14L seventh over 1800m at Le Croise-Laroche four days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 14. **BLOOD CHOPE** Good 2L fourth in a 1400m handicap at Chantilly AW a week ago. One to note.

Summary: Stepping back up in trip is GOLD PLAYER (9). Can complete a double having won over 1400m at Nantes on handicap debut. PEDRITO (2) may play a role in the finish following a 1.5L triumph in a 1350m maiden at Cholet. Strong chance with a top jockey booked on first handicap outing. MISTERGIF (5) caught the eye when 2L second over course and distance. Consider. AFFAIRE CONCLUE (10) is another to note having been beaten 5.25L fourth in the previously mentioned Nantes handicap.

Selections

GOLD PLAYER (9) - PEDRITO (2) - MISTERGIF (5) - AFFAIRE CONCLUE (10)

- 1. MAKENO Below par 5.25L tenth over 1400m at Nancy last month. Others preferred.
- 2. **PRINCESSE VERA** Fair 2.5L sixth over 1400m at Nancy just under two weeks ago. Likely to find a few too good.
- 3. **MI C'INFILO** Good 3.5L fourth over 1950m at Le Mans eleven days ago. Placed three times here in the past.
- 4. **RIYAK** Good 0.75L fourth in a 1400m handicap at Nancy just under a fortnight ago. Of note in this event
- 5. **KING HARTWOOD** Down the field 9.25L eleventh over this trip at Angers earlier this month. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 6. JACQUES COEUR Fair 3L sixth over 1600m at Angers seventeen days ago. Step forward required.
- 7. **LAMALINK** Held 13L tenth over 2000m at Nancy just under two weeks ago. Dropping in distance.
- 8. **MALVINA** Held 3.5L seventh over 1800m on the AW at Lyon-la-Soie just under two weeks ago. More needed.
- 9. **MOLINO** Good form prior to a 9.25L eighth over 2000m here earlier this month. Drop in trip is no issue.
- 10. **GRATIANE** Good 4L third over 1400m at Strasbourg just over two weeks ago. Looking for a first victory at the eighteenth time of asking.
- 11. **AZABA** Held 9L tenth over 1650m in an Amiens claimer. Ran well off this mark in a 1600m handicap at Longchamp prior.
- 12. **GRISBI** Down the field 6.75L eleventh over 1400m at Le Mans at the start of the month. Claims on his 3L victory over 1800m at Le Croise-Laroche prior.
- 13. **LOVELY MISS** Struggled in two starts since winning over 1600m at Fontainebleau early last month. Others make more appeal.
- 14. **DON'T TELL TALES** Failed to shine when 10L eighth over 1400m at Bordeaux just over four weeks ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 15. **JUNVIEVE** 25 race maiden finished 7.25L sixth over 1650m at Amiens earlier this month. Minor role likely.
- 16. AMERICAN LILY Good 0.5L third over 2000m here ten days ago. One to note.
- 17. **VEGA DREAM** Placed third when beaten 0.5L in a 1400m claiming handicap here ten days ago. Claims if replicating that effort.
- 18. **GOJI BERRY** Fair 4.75L fourth over 1650m at Amiens seventeen days ago. Likely to find a few too good.

Summary: MOLINO (9) can put a below par effort behind him and take this having finished 2L third over 1600m at Angers on his penultimate start. MI C'INFILO (3) may deliver a big effort on the back of a 3.5L fourth in a 1950m handicap at Le Mans. Solid course form a positive. RIYAK (4) enters calculations following a 0.75L fourth tackling 1400m at Nancy. AMERICAN LILY (16) was beaten 0.5L third over 2000m here. One to note.

Selections

MOLINO (9) - MI C'INFILO (3) - RIYAK (4) - AMERICAN LILY (16)

- 1. **SANDSTORM** Held 6L ninth over this trip at Longchamp just over four weeks ago. Others preferred.
- 2. ROCCA YOU Below par 16L eleventh over 2500m here 26 days ago. Minor role likely.
- 3. **GARRICK HARMONY** Delivered a string of placed efforts prior to a 17L eighth over 2000m here last month. Capable of better.
- 4. **RUUDJE** Midfield finish when 6.25L ninth over 2500m at Deauville AW nine days ago. Step forward needed.
- 5. **ZORPEN** Victorious by a neck in a 2400m handicap at Nantes 27 days ago. Has won at this venue in the past.
- 6. **CUTTY PIE** Fair 3.5L fourth in a 2500m handicap at this venue at the end of last month. Vulnerable to less exposed rivals.
- 7. **MICHLIFEN** Pulled up in a 3600m newcomers hurdle at Auteuil in September. Making his first start for a new trainer.
- 8. PAO ENKI Held 6.5L tenth over 2600m at Fontainebleau two weeks ago. Best watched.
- 9. **HERE COMES SUMMER** Down the field 11L fourteenth over 2500m at Deauville AW last week. Earlier form gives him a chance.
- 10. SRIDEDGREEN Good 3.5L fourth over 3000m at Toulouse just over a month ago. Strong claims.
- 11. **AUEN ADVENTURE** Fifth when beaten 2.5L over 2600m at Fontainebleau two weeks ago. One to note.
- 12. **DREAM WORD** Caught the eye when 3L fourth in a 2800m handicap at Longchamp 29 days ago. Bold show expected.
- 13. **COVER BLEU** Midfield finish when 4L seventh over 2000m here ten days ago. Needs to put that effort behind her.
- 14. **FINJAANS ROSE** Returning from a break when 6.25L fifth over 2500m in a claiming handicap at Hyeres just under two weeks ago. Likely to have improved for the run.
- 15. **MORAL GAGNANT** Failed to trouble the judge in two starts this spell including when 18L eighth over 2200m at Amiens seventeen days ago. Best watched.
- 16. **AHMED PRIDE** Improved effort when 2L fourth over 2900m at Amiens second up. Has won at this venue in the past.
- 17. MAVALA Fair 3.75L eighth over 2900m at Amiens earlier this month. Step forward needed.
- 18. **TANGO** Fourth when beaten 6L in a Class Three event over 2400m at Bordeaux earlier this month. Held twice off this mark in the past.

Summary: The consistent SRIDEDGREEN (10) is set to deliver a victory having finished 3.5L fourth over 3000m at Toulouse. DREAM WORD (12) may register another big effort following a 3L fourth tackling 2800m at Longchamp. ZORPEN (5) won by a neck attempting 2400m at Nantes. Might go well stepping up in distance. HERE COMES SUMMER (9) can put a below par Deauville AW effort behind him. Solid 2.5L third in a 2800m contest at Longchamp prior.

Selections

SRIDEDGREEN (10) - DREAM WORD (12) - ZORPEN (5) - HERE COMES SUMMER (9)

- 1. NORWEGIAN SIR Good 1.25L fourth over 1600m at Angers seventeen days ago. One to note.
- 2. MILLFIELD Down the field twelfth over this trip at Angers earlier this month. Others preferred.
- 3. **BOHEMIAN'S RHAPSODY** Successful by 1L in a 1600m handicap at Angers. Of note despite a 2.5kg rise in the weights.
- 4. **GOLD CAPTAIN** Victorious by 1L in a 1400m handicap at Bordeaux at the end of last month. Not certain to replicate that effort stepping up in distance.
- 5. **MINOTAUROS** Fifth when beaten 1.75L over this trip at Angers seventeen days ago. Improvement needed.
- 6. LA GAETA 3.5L tenth over this trip at Angers seventeen days ago. Winner at Fontainebleau prior.
- 7. **MASTERBOY** Head second in a 1400m handicap here just under five weeks ago. Bold show expected on just his second handicap start.
- 8. **PARIGI** Midfield finish when 3.25L eighth over 1500m at Deauville AW three weeks ago. Others preferred on return to turf.
- 9. L'AIR DU TEMPS Head second over this distance at Bordeaux 29 days ago. Strong claims.
- 10. **PERSIAN** Faded when 4L eighth over this trip at Angers earlier this month. Others hold more obvious claims.
- 11. **CARLTON CHOICE** Placed second when beaten a head in a 1350m handicap at Lyon-Parilly eighteen days ago. Step up in distance no issue.
- 12. **THIBOUVILLE** Returning from a break when 3.5L fourth over this course and distance sixteen days ago. Step forward required.
- 13. **VICOPISANO** Held 11L sixth over 1950m in a Class Two at Le Mans first up. Notable runner having twice placed off a higher mark earlier this year.
- 14. BLACK CESS Fair 3L seventh over 1600m at Angers seventeen days ago. Others preferred.
- 15. **MORSAN** Held 5.25L sixth in a race over this distance at Marseille-Borely twelve days ago. Minor role likely.
- 16. **JACK O'BOY** Held 5L ninth over 1600m at Angers earlier this month. Best watched.
- 17. **GAETANO DONIZETTI** Raised 3.5kg after completing a double when landing a 1400m claiming handicap here by 0.5L ten days ago. Noted in this race.
- 18. **WELCOME MOON** Good 0.75L second over 1700m at Longchamp just under six weeks ago. Claims.

Summary: The unexposed MASTERBOY (7) can go one better than when a head second over 1400m here on handicap debut. L'AIR DU TEMPS (9) makes the shortlist after being denied a head attempting this distance at Bordeaux. VICOPISANO (13) may play a role in the finish. Shaped fairly when a 11L sixth in a 1950m Class Two contest at Le Mans first up after a break. WELCOME MOON (18) is another of note having been beaten 0.75L second over 1700m at Longchamp.

Selections

MASTERBOY (7) - L'AIR DU TEMPS (9) - VICOPISANO (13) - WELCOME MOON (18)

- 1. **MISTER NINO** Good 3L second over this trip at Longchamp at the end of last month. Bold show expected.
- 2. **BARATIN** Runner-up when beaten 3.5L in a 3000m Class Three at Angers earlier this month. Of note returning to a handicap.
- 3. **JUST A FORMALITY** Winner of two of his last three starts including by a nose over 2400m at Toulouse just over a fortnight ago. Claims despite a 3kg rise in the weights.
- 4. **ANATELLO** Failed to shine when last of sixteen over 2200m at Longchamp just over a month ago. More needed.
- 5. **DARE** Last of fifteen when beaten 48L in a 2500m handicap here at the end of last month. Claims on her earlier form.
- 6. AKYO Good 3L fourth over 2000m here ten days ago. Making just his second start over this distance.
- 7. **TIRANO** Good 3.5L third in a 2400m handicap here last month. Stepping up in distance.
- 8. **GRAN GESTE** Given a break since finishing 5L ninth over 3000m at Strasbourg at the start of June. Has gone well first up in the past.
- 9. **RUE DES IRLANDAIS** Held 8L seventh over 2200m at Lyon-Parilly at the start of this month. Capable of better.
- 10. **POET'S QUEST** Successful by 3.5L in a 3000m Class Three event at Angers seventeen days ago. Noted back in a handicap.
- 11. **LETTYT STORM** Fourth when beaten 4L in a 2800m handicap at Longchamp last month. Likely to find a few too good.
- 12. **MOONWALK STEP** Down the field 8.25L twelfth over 2400m at Toulouse earlier this month. Supplemented for this event.
- 13. **TRICK OF THE MIND** Failed to shine when 8.25L eleventh over 2400m at Toulouse fifteen days ago. Best watched.
- 14. **PJEDRO** Bidding to complete a hat-trick when 0.75L third in a 2400m handicap at Toulouse just over two weeks ago. Leading contender with the step up in distance a positive.
- 15. **INEEDALEADER** Held 11L thirteenth over 2500m at Deauville AW when returning to handicap company. Improvement required.
- 16. **L'IMPROVISTE** Impressive 7L winner of a 2400m Class Four contest at Saint-Brieuc just over a fortnight ago. Likely to find life tougher back in a handicap.
- 17. **MOON WOLF** Fair 3L sixth over 2500m at Deauville AW three weeks ago. Others make more appeal.
- 18. **MERCI POUR TOUT** Successful by 1.25L in a 2500m handicap at this venue at the end of last month. Has to defy a 2.5kg rise in the weights if she is to follow up.

Summary: PJEDRO (14) can secure victory having finished 0.75L third over 2400m at Toulouse. Leading contender with the step up in distance a positive. Top weight MISTER NINO (1) ran 3L second at Longchamp. Firmly involved. BARATIN (2) enters calculations on the back of a 3.5L second in a 3000m Class Three at Angers. Respected back in a handicap. JUST A FORMALITY (3) is another to consider following a nose triumph in a 2400m event at Toulouse.

Selections