

TOULOUSE [R-H] - 27 November

Race 1 - PRIX MAX SICARD - 17EME ETAPE DU DEFI DU GALOP - 2400m OPEN. Purse EUR €60,000.

1. **SAY GOOD BUY** - Steps up in grade to try and claim a hat-trick. Useful 2L winner at Bordeaux in a Class Two conditions when last seen.
2. **JO PICKETT** - Been given a short break since a claiming win in September. Faces stiffer task.
3. **QATAR RIVER** - Resumed after a break with a good third over course and distance. Placed second in this race twelve months ago.
4. **EQUINOXE** - Third in the Listed Race Grand Prix de Nantes when last seen and has a strong record over this distance.
5. **POUVOIR ROYAL** - Winner of a Class Two conditions over course and distance last start. Has run well at this level before.
6. **UP HELLY** - Fallen short at Listed level in the past but has never finished out of the frame in five starts over this distance.
7. **BLUE SWAN** - Struggled when stepped up into Listed company last start. More required.
8. **HOMO DEUS** - Been racing with some useful efforts in handicaps and Class Three conditions races. Tougher test.
9. **ROYAL FORCE** - Not beaten far when fourth in the Listed Race Grand Prix des Provinces-Prix Andre Baboin at Marseille Borely two back. Place chance at best.
10. **PRINCE DE MONTFORT** - In good order and finished second in the Listed Race Grand Prix de Nantes on last start. Top chance.
11. **SANTA ZOO** - Missed the frame in last two runs at Listed level. Holds each way claims based on those strong runs.
12. **CIRCE** - Resumed after a break with a Saint Cloud handicap win. Tougher test.
13. **MARACAY** - Spanish-trained horse. Two placings from three attempts at Listed level in France and not ignored.
14. **DIVA DONNA** - Faces easier task after finishing second in G3 Prix Belle de Nuit over 2800m. Capable of a big performance.
15. **NEARLO OF SAINTS** - Comes here following victory three-and-a-half weeks ago over 2400m at Dieppe in handicap company. Sterner test.
16. **OLYMPIE** - Placing in handicaps and would need to improve to feature.
17. **CONTROL TOWER** - Useful second in the Listed Race Prix Denisy last start. Capable of a big effort with three placings from five attempts at this distance.

Summary: EQUINOXE (4) is ready to break through for a Listed win after two good placings. Last seen finishing third at Dieppe in the Listed Grand Prix de Nantes. Excellent record over this distance with two wins and two placings from five attempts. DIVA DONNA (14) returns to Listed company following a close second in the G3 Prix de Nuit over 2800m. Drop in distance unlikely to be a problem despite failing to finish in the frame on three attempts. Won over 2100m in July. Can play a major role. PRINCE DE MONTFORT (10) finished second in the Listed Grand Prix de Nantes ahead of Equinoxe. Holds each-way claims. CONTROL TOWER (17) is an experienced performer with multiple placings at this level. Yet to win over this distance and returns to a shorter journey following a second in the 3100m Listed Prix Denisy at Saint-Cloud.

Selections

EQUINOXE (4) - DIVA DONNA (14) - PRINCE DE MONTFORT (10) - CONTROL TOWER (17)

Race 2 - PRIX DE LA DEPECHE DU MIDI (PRIX PLACE DU CAPITOLE) - 1600m HCP. Purse EUR €19,000.

1. **ARAMITZ** - Last time out finished third over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly. Chance.
2. **FASHION BARNES** - Fourth last start beaten 8 lengths over 2000m at Pau All Weather. Can do better.
3. **KAPETANIOS** - Drops in journey from the latest outing when fourth over 2000m at Marseille-Borely. Claims.
4. **LES TROIS VALLEES** - Last appeared when he scored over 1400m at Chantilly All Weather on November 18. Player.
5. **KHANSA** - Finished third on her most recent appearance over 1200m at this track. Noted.
6. **PIANINO** - Good second over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly. Will be thereabouts again.
7. **PAQUES TOT** - Scored last time out over 1800m at Le Croise-Laroche. Not dismissed.
8. **ENERGIE NOIRE** - Comes here after finishing sixth last time at this track and trip. More needed.
9. **CUREJ** - Held seventh over 1600m at this track latest. More needed.
10. **BEAUTIFUL STRANGER** - Solid effort last start when beaten 1.3 lengths into second over 1800m at Le Croise-Laroche. Frame contender.
11. **ZOKOA** - Finished 11 lengths adrift in sixth over 1600m at Bordeaux. Opposed.

Summary: LES TROIS VALLEES (4) is aiming for back-to-back wins following a 2.5L success at Chantilly tackling the same distance. Not finished out of the top four in last four outings and will be suited by conditions. Top chance. KAPETANIOS (3) has placed four times from last five including seconds over 2000m and 1400m. Very versatile and tries this distance for the first time. ARAMITZ (1) may finish in the placings. Winner of a 1600m claimer at Bordeaux two back. KHANSA (5) holds each-way claims following a third at Toulouse. PIANINO (6) is an each-way contender. Last seen finishing a narrow second at Lyon-Parilly in handicap company.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LES TROIS VALLEES (4) - KAPETANIOS (3) - ARAMITZ (1) - KHANSA (5) - PIANINO (6)</p>
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Race 3 - PRIX TOULOUSE METROPOLE - 1400m HCP. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **EL TORERO** - Held sixth over 1400m at Bordeaux on return. Can do much better this time with the run under his belt.
2. **BLACK TRACK** - In-form three-year-old gelding who brought up a hat-trick with success over 1400m at Le Mans last time out. Tough to ignore.
3. **MAGNOLIA STATE** - Last appeared when she scored over 1400m at Longchamp on October 16. Major chance.
4. **SUNDAY BEST** - Scored two back at Cholet then just finished second over 1200m at Fontainebleau. Key runner.
5. **HURRICANE** - Got off the mark last time with a 2 length victory over 1600m at this track. Likely to feature.
6. **BULLISH BALL** - Last start ninth over 1200m at this track. Makes little appeal.
7. **OLAF THE BIG ONE** - Yet to score in 18 career starts the latest effort a fourth over 1600m at Cavaillon. More required.
8. **SEE YOU PINK** - Fair fourth over 1400m at Le Mans latest. Could place.
9. **ROSE DES SABLES** - Below par last time when 12th over 1400m at Fontainebleau. Each-way chance on prior efforts.
10. **KATHALINA** - Underwhelming last run when beaten 4.5 lengths into sixth over 1400m at Longchamp. Performed a lot better two starts back when second at Vichy over 1400m. Claims.
11. **GREYART** - Returned when safely held in sixth over 1600m at this track. Happy to leave out.
12. **MARVELOUS CAPRICE** - Finished sixth last start over 1200m at this track. Others preferred.
13. **BLUECTOT** - Well held in 12th over 2000m at Pau All Weather four weeks ago. Best watched.
14. **PENISCOLA** - Well beaten eighth over 2000m at Pau All Weather last start. Prepared to overlook.

Summary: MAGNOLIA STATE (3) is hard to fault after a strong run of form. Recorded a hard-fought success at Longchamp tackling this distance and has only finished out of the frame once in six starts in 2022. Top claims. SUNDAY BEST (4) wears first-time blinkers for a new trainer. Backed up a Class Three conditions win with a second at Fontainebleau in handicap company. Can go close. KATHALINA (10) was a winner over 1400m at Vichy three starts back and has not be disgraced since. Good record over the distance. BLACK TRACK (2) is looking for a fourth straight success. Place claims up in the weights. HURRICANE (5) holds each-way claims.

Selections

**MAGNOLIA STATE (3) - SUNDAY BEST (4) - KATHALINA (10) - BLACK TRACK (2) -
HURRICANE (5)**

Race 4 - PRIX FONDATION CLAUDE POMPIDOU - 1400m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **LIGHT UP MY DREAM** - Won his last two starts the latest over 1200m at this track by a head. Going well and is one of the leading chances.
2. **ROUGEGARDE** - Last start scored by 2.5 lengths over 1600m at Fontainebleau. Can go close seeking a hat-trick.
3. **LARIS** - Broke a long drought last time when he scored by 2.5 lengths at Bordeaux over 1900m. Each-way player.
4. **VISIR IZNOGUD** - Finished third over 1200m at this track when beaten 2.25 lengths. Frame chance.
5. **AUTUMN TWILIGHT** - Held 14th over 1600m at Chantilly All Weather. Others preferred.
6. **MILLE SABORDS** - Last appeared when he finished third over 1850m at Hyeres on November 6. Place best.
7. **OSTIA** - Last appeared when she scored over 1400m at Fontainebleau on November 8. Thereabouts.
8. **SANTI DEL MARE** - Battled last start to finish 11th over 1700m at Marseille-Borely. Opposed.
9. **MUGUETTE GIRL** - Ran below par last time when eighth over 1200m at Deauville beaten 6 lengths. Capable of better and could find the frame.
10. **UNTITLED** - Finished fourth last start over 1400m at this track. Each-way claims.
11. **WASACHOP** - Finished second over 1200m at Marseille-Borely two back. Not dismissed.
12. **PERFECT TIMES** - Comfortably held last time over 1600m at Pau All Weather. Cannot recommend.
13. **BAILEYS DIABLE** - Well held last start when sixth over 1400m at Pau All Weather. Best watched.
14. **VICOPISANO** - Held when 13th over 1800m at Compiègne eight months ago. Prefer to see how he returns.
15. **QUEEN'S OF MARSHAL** - Ran a solid race last time when 1.75 lengths back in third over 1400m at Le Mans. Frame claims.
16. **STRANGER** - Well held last start when 11th over 1200m at this track. Cannot recommend.

Summary: LIGHT UP MY DREAM (1) is capable of overcoming top-weight. Chasing a hat-trick following two good victories including over course and distance. Likes these conditions and has an excellent record tackling this distance. ROUGEGARDE (2) will be aiming for a third straight success. Been in great order since resuming and comfortably won by 2.5L at Fontainebleau in a claiming Class Three handicap. Key chance. LARIS (3) is experienced in these conditions with a win and two placings from five attempts tackling track and trip. Contender. WASACHOP (11) is consistent with four placings from the last five outings. Two-time winner over the journey. OSTIA (7) completes the shortlist.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LIGHT UP MY DREAM (1) - ROUGEGARDE (2) - LARIS (3) - WASACHOP (11) - OSTIA (7)</p>

Race 5 - PRIX JEAN ETCHEPARE - 1400m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **ATLANTICA** - Fair second over 1400m at Niort. Among the place chances.
2. **BEACON TOWERS** - Finished second beaten a long neck last start over 1400m at Fontainebleau. Worth including.
3. **HONG KONG STAR** - Finished third over 1400m at this track last time out. Frame chance.
4. **PRINCESSE VERA** - Last-start fifth over 1700m at Marseille-Borely. Could place.
5. **MAKHZEN** - Held sixth over 1400m at this track. Others preferred.
6. **JAVEA** - Finished fourth over 1850m at Agen three weeks ago when beaten 2 lengths. Place contender on her best form.
7. **TWIN BOY** - Last start finished fifth over 1400m at Fontainebleau when beaten 4.5 lengths. Can feature in the finish.
8. **THE LOVELY FILLY** - Nice return last start when third at Le Mans over 1400m on November 14. Fitter and is a leading contender.
9. **O GRE DES SAISONS** - Finished second at this track two back. Chance on that form.
10. **FORCE CAT** - Scored last time by 1.3 lengths over 1400m at this track. Claims.
11. **SKADE** - Last appeared when she scored over 1400m at Le Mans on November 14. Not ruled out.
12. **VEGA DREAM** - Last appeared when he finished third over 1650m at Amiens on November 12. One to note.
13. **BELLE IMPRESSION** - Finished fourth over 1400m at Le Mans two weeks ago. Solid each-way claims.
14. **QUEEN OF THE NIGHT** - Finished ninth beaten 12 lengths last start over 1200m at Nimes. May need a bit more.
15. **HOLOCENE BERE** - Held 14th when beaten 13 lengths over 2000m at Pau All Weather. Others preferred.
16. **ASTERION** - Last start finished fifth over 1400m at Le Mans when beaten 1.5 lengths. Place contender.

Summary: FORCE CAT (10) is aiming for back-to-back wins following a course and distance success. Faces a marginally tougher test but has a good record tackling this trip. Capable of a bold bid with a fair weight. THE LOVELY FILLY (8) has finished in the frame on the last four starts. Resumed after a break with a useful third at Le Mans. Could improve for race fitness. O GRE DES SAISONS (9) was a fair second over course and distance two starts back before a disappointing run at Le Mans. Likes these conditions. VEGA DREAM (12) finished third on last two starts including tackling this distance at Fontainebleau. Thereabouts. BELLE IMPRESSION (13) is considered.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FORCE CAT (10) - THE LOVELY FILLY (8) - O GRE DES SAISONS (9) - VEGA DREAM (12) - BELLE IMPRESSION (13)</p>
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Race 6 - PRIX JEAN DARAUX - 2400m CLM. Purse EUR €12,000.

1. **CAMARINES** - Made debut six months ago over 2800m at Saint-Cloud when fourth beaten 8 lengths. Better for that experience.
2. **DUX** - Moderate eighth over 2400m at Lyon-la-Soie. Others preferred.
3. **VALKOVSKY** - Offered little last start over 2400m at Bordeaux. Opposed.
4. **LA GRIVE** - Beaten 7 lengths into third at La Teste De Buch two starts ago. Place chance on that form.
5. **DREAM BAHAMA** - Finished sixth over 2700m at Chantilly All Weather. Top-three hope.
6. **PINK SILVER** - Tailed off when resuming over 2500m at Le Croise-Laroche a month ago. Opposed.
7. **WOODWIND** - Last appeared when he finished third over 2650m at Auch on November 21. Chance.
8. **VINCI LISA** - Nice debut when fourth over 2000m at this track. Open to improvement and expected to feature.
9. **MIA MI** - Finished third over 2400m at this track. Not ruled out.
10. **POM POM GIRL** - Held 13th over 2400m at Bordeaux three weeks ago. Tested again.
11. **ANIMA LIBERA** - In the money two starts back at Vichy. Chance on that effort.
12. **NUMERAIRE** - Held over 2000m at Saint-Cloud latest. Place claims on prior fourth.

Summary: In an open claimer WOODWIND (7) could record a second career victory. Two thirds from last three outings including a 2L defeat in a similar contest at La Teste de Buch. Consider. VINCI LISA (8) commenced career with a useful fourth at Toulouse after racing handily throughout. Improvement likely and can play a role. ANIMA LIBERA (11) is effective over these distances and has finished in the frame twice from last four. Previous winner at this track. Not to be dismissed. MIA MI (9) was a useful third over course and distance in a Class Three conditions last start. Capable of finishing in the frame.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WOODWIND (7) - VINCI LISA (8) - ANIMA LIBERA (11) - MIA MI (9)</p>

Race 7 - PRIX DE LA VILLE DE CUGNAUX - 2000m CLM. Purse EUR €12,500.

1. **COLOMBIANA** - Ran a much better race last start when third over 2000m at Marseille-Borely. Sure to be in the finish.
2. **DARAKI** - Did little on debut when beaten 14 lengths into eighth over 1500m at Tarbes. Opposed.
3. **LOVELY TRAOU LAND** - Six-start maiden who was 12th last start when beaten 28 lengths over 2000m at Pau All Weather. More needed.
4. **ONE POINT** - Fair debut when fifth beaten 9 lengths over 1500m at Tarbes. Not dismissed.
5. **SUPREME** - Finished midfield last start at Pau All Weather over 1400m 5 lengths from the winner. Could place.
6. **KAMIE BERE** - Comfortably beaten over 2000m at Pau All Weather last start. Makes little appeal.
7. **KITTEN'S VISTA** - Finished fifth over 2000m at Pau All Weather. Open to further progress.
8. **FUN COUPON** - Well held in both starts to date including most recently when tenth over 1900m at Cholet. Others preferred.
9. **BLUEBELL GIRL** - Finished midfield last start at Pornichet over 1700m when 6 lengths from the winner. First look at this longer trip. Not dismissed.
10. **WAITARA** - Held on debut when tenth over 1500m at Tarbes. Others preferred.

Summary: COLOMBIANA (1) has some strong recent form at Marseille-Borely including a narrow victory over 1700m. Rates as a likely winner in an open field. Previously placed at this distance. BLUEBELL GIRL (9) showed some ability when third at Cholet in a 1900m claimer. Not disgraced when midfield in a handicap at Pornichet subsequently. Tries this distance for the first time and this stamina test could spark further improvement. KITTEN'S VISTA (7) progressed from a debut ninth to finish fifth in a maiden at Pau. Potentially open to further improvement. ONE POINT (4) holds each-way claims if improving from a debut fifth at Tarbes.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COLOMBIANA (1) - BLUEBELL GIRL (9) - KITTEN'S VISTA (7) - ONE POINT (4)</p>
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Race 8 - PRIX OUROUR - 2000m PSA. Purse EUR €20,000.

1. **AL JAISH** - Scored over 2100m at this track by half a length. Can measure up again.
2. **HAKA DU SOLEIL** - Fourth over 2000m at La Teste De Buch on September 2. Key chance on best form.
3. **JENKILLE HIPOLYTE** - Comes here following success a week-and-a-half ago over 2100m at this track scoring by 0.8 lengths. Top chance.
4. **DHAKIR** - Held sixth on debut over 2100m at this track a week-and-a-half ago. Looking to others.
5. **DOLON** - Last raced when third eight weeks ago over 2100m at this track. Can feature with the right run.
6. **JULIE DE FAUST** - Finished in the over 1600m at this track. Place chance.
7. **ASMAA** - Finished ninth last start over 2000m at La Teste De Buch when beaten 15 lengths. Likely to find this out of reach.

Summary: JENKILLE HIPOLYTE (3) was a credible fourth in the G1 Arabian Trophy des Poulains at Saint-Cloud prior to a win at this venue. Drops marginally in trip which should not be an issue. Leading chance with plenty of ability. HAKA DU SOLEIL (2) followed up a debut win at Dax with a useful 1.75L fourth in the G2 French Arabian Breeders' Challenge - Poulains at La Teste de Buch. Open to further improvement. AL JAISH (1) broke through for a first success on second career start at this track. Could progress again despite step up in grade. DOLON (5) completes the shortlist with a recent third at this venue.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JENKILLE HIPOLYTE (3) - HAKA DU SOLEIL (2) - AL JAISH (1) - DOLON (5)</p>
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