Saint-Cloud [L-H] - 28 March

Race 1 - PRIX DU GRAND MORIN - 1600m HCP CL2. Purse EUR €31,000.

- 1. **MONTIGNY** Has not raced since finishing 2.5 lengths away in second over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer on January 23. Expect a bold showing.
- 2. **STARFIX** Finding it hard to break through, finishing 14th last time over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Looking elsewhere.
- 3. **WINNAN** Yet to find best form in two runs this season, the latest effort a 14th over 1600m at Compiegne. Likely improver.
- 4. **QUIETLY CONFIDENT** Unwanted in the market resuming when safely held at Deauville All Weather. Winless in 13 months now. Looks to have a big job ahead again.
- 5. **CAPOBLANCO** Hit the frame two starts ago but couldn't match it last time when 13th and beaten 11 lengths over 1800m at Marseille-Borely. Good enough to make amends.
- 6. **MEDAVY** First-up after four-and-a-half months. Has figured in the placings when fresh in the past but seems a bit out of her depth.
- 7. **SINNDARILLO** Stepping out at this track for the first time. Last appeared when he finished second over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer on February 22. Worth following up.
- 8. **SCREEN SHOT** Won his maiden two back at Chantilly All Weather then could only manage 12th last start over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather. Better than the last run suggests and deserves another chance.
- 9. **SLEEPY SUZY** Not doing a lot this campaign including a very underwhelming last start sixth over 1600m at Compiegne, beaten 18 lengths. Has ability and can bounce back.
- 10. **SPAIN SAGE** Resumed over 1600m at Toulouse last start and finished 2 lengths away in fourth. Fitter and makes appeal.
- 11. **MAKILROY** Was below par two back at Chantilly All Weather then bounced back with a win over 1600m at Compiegne last time out. One of the chief contenders.
- 12. **MAX VERST** Has been out of the money of late including last time out when fourth over 1800m at Marseille-Borely a week-and-a-half ago, beaten 2.75 lengths. Terrific chance to return to form.
- 13. **MARITOT**-Often in the placings but wins are rare. Finished closer last time when sixth at Bordeaux. Has ability but looks tested.
- 14. **RED CRAZY** Has been out of the money of late including last time out when fourth over 1600m at Compiegne two-and-a-half weeks ago, beaten 14 lengths. Expect he will make amends.
- 15. **MINO PICO** Has been in the market at her last couple of starts but hasn't made an impression, most recently finishing fifth over 1800m at Chantilly All Weather. Cannot be disregarded.
- 16. **ZWIALH** Disappointed when 5 lengths back in 11th last time over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather. Kept fresh for this. Deserves another chance.
- 17. **ROMANCE DE PARIS** Hasn't done much in recent times, the latest effort a 14th over 2400m at Pornichet, beaten 17 lengths. Looks tested.
- 18. **POWER PAPERS** Is back from a spell of nine weeks. Showed glimpses of ability in three runs during first campaign, finding the frame on one occasion. Likely to improve.

Summary: SPAIN SAGE (10) registered a 2L fourth in a 1600m handicap at Toulouse. Selected to double her career tally. Top weight MONTIGNY (1) rates a major threat following a 2.5L second over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Include. MAKILROY (11) won by 2.5L in a 1600m handicap at Compiegne. Bold show expected. SINNDARILLO (7) delivered a 1.25L second tackling a 1500m handicap at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Shortlisted. ZWIALH (16) may place.

- 1. **HALFWAY LINE** Back from a spell of six months. Closed last prep with a maiden win by 1.3 lengths over 1600m at Chantilly. Capable of another bold run while fresh.
- 2. **VALIMI** Went for a spell after winning on debut at Deauville over 1600m on October 20. Promising type who can get the job done again.
- 3. **PONTY** Resumed over 2000m at this track last start, beaten 7 lengths. Can improve second-up but others still look better.
- 4. **BOOK OF LIFE** Has not raced since scoring over 1500m at Deauville All Weather on December 16. Did finish in the money first-up last prep at this track over 1300m. Sure to run well first-up.
- 5. **BIG LOG** Narrowly beaten last time when second at Cagnes-sur-Mer, finishing just 0.8 lengths from the winner. Consider.
- 6. **COGNAC** The first up run was just average, finishing seventh and beaten 6 lengths over 1600m at Chantilly All Weather. Generally goes well with that run under the belt. Solid top-three claims if anywhere near his best.

Summary: VALIMI (2) debuted with a 1.25L victory over a subsequent Listed winner in a 1600m newcomers contest at Deauville. Expected to maintain his unbeaten record. BOOK OF LIFE (4) recorded a head success in a 1500m handicap at Deauville AW. Looks a danger in this field. HALFWAY LINE (1) won by 1.25L in a 1600m maiden at Chantilly last autumn. Strong claims in a first time tongue tie. COGNAC (6) is likely capable of better than he showed when 5.75L last of seven over 1600m at Chantilly AW.

Selections

VALIMI (2) - BOOK OF LIFE (4) - HALFWAY LINE (1) - COGNAC (6)

- 1. **LADY FRASQUITA** Resumes today. Last appeared at Chantilly All Weather over 1900m when second five months ago. Shows promise and is worth including.
- 2. **SNOWPARK** Returns after winning by half a length on debut at Deauville over 1600m back on October 20. Promising type who can get the job done again.
- 3. **PRIJA** Lightly raced galloper resuming from a spell. Hasn't raced since breaking through for a maiden win over 1500m at this track on October 28. Should be ready to run well.
- 4. **PERFETTO** Won on debut with a bit to spare at Longchamp over 1600m back on October 13 and has not been sighted since. Nicely placed to kick off where she left off.
- 5. **TWO TWO TWO** Back from a break of 11 weeks. Form at the end of last prep was not flash, the most recent effort a 12th over 1300m at Deauville All Weather. Plenty of more attractive propositions in this race.
- 6. **MARKSWOMAN** Resumes today. Last appeared at Deauville All Weather over 1500m when fourth five months ago. Stiff assignment and others preferred.
- 7. **MADAME DE SAXE** Progressive type who opened this prep in good style, scoring by 2.5 lengths over 1700m at Pornichet. Ready to take the next step. Leading contender.
- 8. **ALGOLIA** Demolished rivals on debut by 5 lengths at Chantilly All Weather. Will have made further improvement. Take beating again.

Summary: ALGOLIA (8) impressed when winning by 5L in a 1600m newcomers event at Chantilly AW. Taken to follow up. SNOWPARK (2) debuted with a 0.5L victory in a 1600m newcomers contest at Deauville. Capable of challenging on seasonal debut. PERFETTO (4) saw off a subsequent winner when successful by 1.5L over 1600m at Longchamp in the autumn. Bold show expected. LADY FRASQUITA (1) placed second when beaten 3.5L tackling 1900m at Chantilly AW. Warrants close consideration.

Selections

ALGOLIA (8) - SNOWPARK (2) - PERFETTO (4) - LADY FRASQUITA (1)

- 1. **EQUINOXE** Has not raced since finishing 6 lengths away in sixth over 2400m at Toulouse on November 27. Did place first-up last prep at Cholet over 2100m. Solid each-way proposition.
- 2. **BELGIAN PRINCE** Couldn't back up at the second run of the campaign last start over 2500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer after winning two back at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Looking to others.
- 3. **PERCY SHELLEY** Fresh from a spell of five months. Yet to miss a minor placing in three first-up runs. Likely to feature.
- 4. **BROKEBACK MOUNTAIN** Handy stayer fitter for two runs back, the latest when winning over 2350m at Machecoul on a soft track. Will appreciate this run. Include.
- 5. **MAGICAL MORNING** Stepping out at this circuit for the first time. Last appeared when he finished eighth over 2810m at Meydan (UAE) on February 17. Beaten comfortably last time out but this suits.
- 6. **AUDE** Honest filly who tackled a Listed Race last time, finishing 40 lengths away in sixth over 2500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Facing an easier assignment this time and can bounce back.

Summary: PERCY SHELLEY (3) placed third when beaten 3.25L in the Listed Grand Prix du Nord over 2000m at Chantilly. Looks up to resuming with a victory. AUDE (6) rates a threat despite a below par 40L sixth in the 2500m Listed Grand Prix du Departement 06 at Cagnes-sur-Mer. MAGICAL MORNING (5) came home 5.75L eighth in the G3 Nad Al Sheba Trophy at Meydan (UAE) last month. Danger to all in first time cheekpieces. EQUINOXE (1) registered a 6L sixth in the Listed Prix Max Sicard over 2400m at Toulouse. Noted in this field.

Selections

PERCY SHELLEY (3) - AUDE (6) - MAGICAL MORNING (5) - EQUINOXE (1)

- 1. **IMAGINE BANBOU** Comes here fresh from success four-and-a-half months ago over 2500m at this track, scoring by a head. Well placed here. Expected to go close again.
- 2. **IRISH VOCATION** Returns after a spell of three months. Only raced twice last prep and was unplaced on both occasions, the most recent result a ninth over 3400m at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Might need a run or two.
- 3. **ICEMAN TO WIN** Comes here following a victory five months ago over 2950m at Cholet, scoring by a head. Likely to find this out of reach.
- 4. **INCONITO COLLONGES** Comes here fresh from a Group One fifth six-and-a-half months ago over 2400m at Longchamp, beaten 6 lengths by Hollee. Looks a strong top-three prospect.
- 5. **IDEFIX FOREZ** Turned in a moderate performance at his last-start when fourth to Hooker De Brenus over 2400m at Clairefontaine seven months ago. Looking to others.
- 6. **ISEA DU BREM** Has not raced since finishing 3 lengths away in fifth over 2500m at this track on November 9. Can sneak into the finish.
- 7. **IDEFIXE DU MOULIN** Was successful at her latest appearance over 3000m at Angers, scoring by a long neck. Terrific chance to continue the strong form.
- 8. **JAINA KELLE** Finished tenth last start in the over 2600m at Fontainebleau, beaten 14 lengths by July Flower. Terrific chance to atone at this level.
- 9. **JUSTUNE STAR** Fresh from a 177-day break. Yet to miss a minor placing in two first-up runs. Bold showing expected.
- 10. **JIMFA** Was successful at her latest appearance over 3000m at Angers, scoring by 0.8 lengths. Meets a tough line-up and prefer others.

Summary: IMAGINE BANBOU (1) won by a head in the G2 Prix Chloris over this course and distance. Selected to successfully concede weight to her rivals. JAINA KELLE (8) disappointed in the G1 Prix Jacques de Vienne at Fontainebleau. Expected to challenge for the win having shown good form prior. IDEFIXE DU MOULIN (7) has won her last four starts. Dangerous following a neck triumph over 3000m at Angers. INCONITO COLLONGES (4) looks a threat following a 5.75L fifth in the G1 Prix de Craon tackling 2400m at Longchamp last autumn.

Selections

IMAGINE BANBOU (1) - JAINA KELLE (8) - IDEFIXE DU MOULIN (7) - INCONITO COLLONGES (4)

Race 6 - PRIX DE LA COTE D'AZUR - 2400m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €27,000.

- 1. **DROVKA** Returned from a spell and was safely held when tenth over 2100m at Chantilly All Weather. Still early in the prep and might need more time.
- 2. **AK ISHAN** Steps out for his 4th run back from a break looking to snap a poor run of current form. Can't recommend until he offers some improvement.
- 3. **DAY OFF** Has been knocking on the door including a last start seventh over 2700m at Chantilly All Weather when only 3 lengths from the winner. Has ability and is one of the chances.
- 4. **THE GREAT GABI** Returned from a spell with fair effort last start when ninth, beaten 5.5 lengths, at Toulouse over 2400m. Not keen.
- 5. **LADY LOU** Has been out of the money in recent runs including last time out when 12th over 2100m at Chantilly All Weather three weeks ago, beaten 8 lengths. Likely to find this out of reach.
- 6. **VYBORG** Stepping out at this track for the first time. Last appeared when he finished 11th over 1700m at Pornichet on February 14. Can do a lot better than that last run.
- 7. **SIXUNION** Narrowly beaten last time when third at Pornichet, finishing just a neck from the winner. Can sneak into the finish again.
- 8. **LUCAS TREZY** Stepping up in trip after finishing fourth over 2100m at Chantilly All Weather last time out. Finds a nice race this time and is right in contention.
- 9. **SHANGHAI SPIRIT** Ran a better race last start to finish second at Chantilly All Weather over 2100m. Nicely placed and rates highly off that run.
- 10. **CIVNYAN** Has been out of the money of late including last time out when sixth over 2500m at Deauville All Weather two-and-a-half weeks ago, beaten 3.5 lengths. Sure to be thereabouts.

Summary: SHANGHAI SPIRIT (9) delivered a 2.5L second in a 2100m handicap at Chantilly AW. Selected to make a winning return to turf. SIXUNION (7) suffered a narrow defeat when third over 2400m at Pornichet. Bold show expected having been supplemented for this contest. CIVNYAN (10) caught the eye when 3.25L sixth tackling 2500m at Deauville AW. Dangerous on his first turf start since November. DAY OFF (3) is another with claims following a 2.75L seventh attempting 2700m at Chantilly AW.

Selections

SHANGHAI SPIRIT (9) - SIXUNION (7) - CIVNYAN (10) - DAY OFF (3)

- 1. **VADIRUM** Back to earth last time out when third over 2100m at Chantilly All Weather. Form has been hard to fault. Leading player.
- 2. **STALLONE** Improved at the second run back from a spell last start when second over 2400m at Compiegne, beaten 4 lengths. Has never missed the frame when third-up from a break. Key chance.
- 3. **BOUM BOUM -** Lightly raced four-year-old gelding who recorded an impressive win when resuming last start over 2400m at Lyon-la-Soie, scoring with a bit in hand. Looks to be in for a big campaign. Leading contender.
- 4. **L'ANTHARIS** Returned from a spell last start and finished fourth over 2400m at Compiegne. Fitter and can measure up in this line up.
- 5. **MACUN** Consistent entire that looks due for a win. Placed five of 9 career runs. Finished eighth over 2400m at Compiegne prior to going for a spell. This is easier and has placed fresh.
- 6. **ABONDANT** Has not raced since finishing 1.5 lengths away in third over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly on November 10. This looks a stern test.
- 7. **GULF** Last seen when finishing tenth over 2700m at Chantilly All Weather last start. Consider on best form.
- 8. **RAINBOW WARRIOR** Ran below his best two starts back but hit form again last time when second, beaten 1.5 lengths, over 2700m at Chantilly All Weather. Must be included.
- 9. **FLATTEN THE CURVE** Won two starts back at Chantilly All Weather then finished third last time out over 3100m at this track. Well placed here. Great chance to atone.
- 10. **AHA** Has a poor strike rate but last start scored a rare win over 2700m at Chantilly All Weather. Among the chances.
- 11. **BELLA ROSSA** Wasn't expected to do much when fresh from a spell last start at this track over 3100m and wound up in fourth, beaten 4.5 lengths. Looks tested.

Summary: VADIRUM (1) won twice prior to delivering a 1.5L third in a 2100m handicap at Chantilly AW. Selected to return to winning ways. BOUM BOUM BOUM (3) won by 1L when resuming in a 2400m conditions race at Lyon-la-Soie. Looks a major threat back on turf. STALLONE (2) came home 4L second in a 2400m conditions contest at Compiegne. Shortlisted. FLATTEN THE CURVE (9) enters calculations following a 2.25L third tackling a 3100m handicap at this circuit. In the mix. RAINBOW WARRIOR (8) holds claims.

Selections

VADIRUM (1) - BOUM BOUM (3) - STALLONE (2) - FLATTEN THE CURVE (9) - RAINBOW WARRIOR (8)

- 1. **ZELZALITA** Has been out of the money in recent runs including last time out when 15th over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather two weeks ago, beaten 8 lengths. Tough to beat if near her best.
- 2. **EMERALD** Disappointing last time when 6 lengths ninth at Cagnes-sur-Mer All Weather, maintaining the maiden status after 11 runs. Can sneak into the finish.
- 3. **CRAMBERRIES** Came from a wide gate and managed to finish third last time over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie. Holds claims.
- 4. **VARINKA** Still a maiden after finishing ninth last start over 1600m at Compiegne. Testing the patience but among the main hopes.
- 5. **NIGHT CANDLE** Hasn't been competitive lately, last start finishing a 20 length tenth over 1600m at Compiegne. Unlikely to threaten.
- 6. **LOUVE PRECIEUSE** Was well supported at Nancy last start and has shown little of late to suggest she can play a major role in this affair and would prefer to see.
- 7. **BALAGAN** Last start finished eighth over 1500m at Cagnes-sur-Mer, beaten 6 lengths. May need more.
- 8. **LA GALOPINE** She has been easily accounted for at each of her four career starts. No threat when eighth over 1800m at Chantilly All Weather last time out. Not doing enough.
- 9. **AFFAIRE CONCLUE** Beaten 2.75 lengths into fourth when resuming last start over 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie. Fitter and looks set to improve sharply. In the mix.
- 10. **BLUE DREAM** Has not been produced since he was safely held in seventh over 2100m at Pornichet on December 18. Maybe later in the prep.
- 11. **TALISSON** Form since resuming has been disappointing, last start finishing sixth over 1400m at Compiegne. Rates highly and can break through if at his best.
- 12. **REAL LIFE** Stepping out at this track for the first time. Last appeared when she finished fifth over 1600m at Bordeaux on February 23. Can bounce back.
- 13. **BALADOR** Resumes after a spell of three-and-a-half months. Did little in his maiden campaign, culminating in a sixth over 1600m at Chantilly All Weather. Can improve so not to be underestimated.
- 14. **MESSAGIN A BOTTLE** Has not been racing well lately, the latest effort a 11th and beaten 35 lengths over 1600m at Compiegne. Needs to improve sharply.
- 15. **CHARM WRENS** Form to date has been poor and she hasn't figured to date. Last time out finished ninth over 1500m at Marseille Vivaux. Hard to make a case.
- 16. **BLOOD CHOPE** Has been out of the money in recent runs including last time out when fourth over 1400m at Compiegne eight days ago, beaten 5.5 lengths. Capable of sharp improvement.
- 17. **SECRET GLORY** Stepping out at this course for the first time. Last appeared when she finished second over 1600m at Compiegne on March 12. Sure to improve again. Top chance.
- 18. **PIKATSU** Stepping out at this course for the first time. Last appeared when he finished sixth over 1400m at Compiegne on March 20. Genuine hope on best form.

Summary: SECRET GLORY (17) placed second when beaten 2.5L over 1600m at Compiegne. Selected to register her first victory. CRAMBERRIES (3) is expected to go well following a neck third over 1800m in a Lyon-la-Soie conditions event. AFFAIRE CONCLUE (9) enters calculations on the back of a 2.5L fourth tackling 1800m at Lyon-la-Soie. BLOOD CHOPE (16) recorded a 5.25L fourth over 1400m at Compiegne. Of note in this field.

Selections

SECRET GLORY (17) - CRAMBERRIES (3) - AFFAIRE CONCLUE (9) - BLOOD CHOPE (16)