R4 LE CROISE-LAROCHE [L-H]

C1 - PRIX DE LANNOY - 1800m (a1 1/8m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 14.000

- **1. MAKENO -** Was a winner three starts back over 1800m at Clairefontaine. Will need to build on form since, and can. Outside place chance
- **2. SKIPPER -** Finished 9th at Vichy last time, 3rd at Baden Baden before that and should make his presence felt. Chance
- **3. JOAO -** Finished an encouraging 4th at this course over 1800m earlier this month and rates the one to beat
- **4. THINDY -** Finished 3rd over 2900m at Amiens in penultimate run and can build on latest sixth. Strong each way chance
- **5. ALBERT BRIDGE -** Won a good race last time over 1800m at this course and could follow up. Despite being an outsider, respect and include
- **6. KEDANCE -** Has not shown any ability in all three starts and would be a surprise winner. Happy too ignore
- 7. MY FLINDERS She has finished third in her last two starts and can get closer now. Good chance
- **8. TAWAT AL GUNAY -** Has not inspired any confidence thus far and needs serious improvement to feature. Pass. by
- **9. RIVERWING -** Ran fifth over 1800m last time at Compiegne and is one to seriously consider for the quartet
- **10. GRACE OF CLIFFS -** Is never too far off the action and has to be taken very seriously here. Good chance
- **11. ALPENGEIST -** His last five runs have been very average, will need to improve to feature. Pass by
- **12. SHALAWAY -** Will need to build on recent sixth at Amiens over 2200m. Hard to fancy and far prefer others
- **13. AZADORE -** Has been off form for sometime and will need to improve a lot to threaten. Happy to ignore
- **14. ANGEL DUST -** Can build on last run, finished 4th at Vichy in July over 1600m. Expect a good effort. Good chance
- **15. AYGUEMORTE -** Has been out of form for sometime and is hard to fancy. Would be a shock winner

Summary: JOAO (3) knows what it takes to win races and is holding his form well, and rates the one to fear the most. GRACE OF CLIFFS (10) is taking time to win again but is never too far off the action and should be in the firing line. Respect and include. THINDY (4) has a strong place chance and ANGEL DUST (14) is taking time to get it all right, but can place and is a must for the quartet.

SELECTIONS

JOAO (3) - GRACE OF CLIFFS (10) - THINDY (4) - ANGEL DUST (14)

C2 - PRIX D'ARMENTIERES - 1800m (a1 1/8m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 13.000

- **1. JOJO -** She finished 2nd in Belgium over 1600m in August. Chance if not needing the run. A must for the quartet
- 2. ACE CARD Needs to improve on current form but has shown glimpses of ability before. Chance
- **3. GRAF MANAMA** Hard to fancy on current form. Would be a surprise winner and happy to ignore for now
- **4. HEATHERWOOD -** Finished third, three runs back over 1300m at Le Touquet but a lot more is required to feature here. Outsider
- **5. PISORNO -** A 4 time winner but a tad off form at the moment. Is capable of doing way better and must be taken seriously. Good chance
- **6. BAILEYS DIABLE -** Fair last run, caught the eye in penultimate and must be taken seriously here. Respect and include
- **7. MI C'INFILO -** Has been on the decline for sometime and would be a shock winner based on current form. Ignore
- 8. BURATTINA Has a serious chance based on last two excellent efforts. Go close
- 9. JOLIENENE Expect improvement on recent 12th at Strasbourg over 2100m earlier this month. Chance
- **10. JARITE FLEURY -** Very hard to assess on current form, would be a surprise winner and can be overlooked
- **11. NACOMA -** Finished 2nd at Dieppe four starts back but has been a tad off form since. Expect better, each way
- 12. PAROVNA Very hard to assess on current form and is possibly best to ignore for now
- **13. STRANGE ATTRACTION -** She is never too far off the action. Could lurk into the back end of the quartet but prefer others

Summary: PISORNO (5) takes a drop in class and can do way better than he has been recently. Strong each way chance and he could represent some value. BURATTINA (8) is a one time winner, but has very consistent overall form. She is a huge chance. NACOMA (11) has shown flashes of ability and is a must for the quartet, as is ACE CARD (2).

SELECTIONS

PISORNO (5) - BURATTINA (8) - NACOMA (11) - ACE CARD (2)

C3 - PRIX HECTOR FRANCHOMME - 1100m (a5 1/2f) - TURF - Condition Race - Flat - EUR € 23.000

- **1. GOLDEN PHARAOH -** Lightly raced, attractive 4th at penultimate start over 1400m at Compiegne. The horse to beat
- 2. BLACK MAMBA Fair debut finishing 8th over 1600m earlier this month. Expect plenty improvement
- **3. BAWE ISLAND -** Finished second, three runs back at this track over 1100m and if reproducing that, can be competitive. Quartet chance
- **4. SENZA TE -** Was a winner last time over 1200m at Fontainebleau and would be no shock if following up. Big runner
- 5. GODAKA Good third over 1000m at Vichy and is a serious contender. Strong each way chance
- **6. AMOUREUSE -** Is currently off form and needs to improve to feature. Happy to ignore until form returns
- **7. GLORIYAD'OR -** Will need to improve on debut when finishing 11th at Saint-Cloud. Keep an eye on her and wait for improvement
- **8. LIYA CHOPE -** Hard to fancy on current form, others seem stronger and would be a surprise winner. Pass by
- **9. YOLLILAL -** Placed 6 from 7, caught the eye over 1200m at Fontainebleau earlier this month. Strong each way chance
- **10. ALGABAS -** Son of Dariyan out of a Kendargent mare. Watch the betting trends as race time looms

Summary: GOLDEN PHARAOH (1) has only had a handful of starts and should go very close to winning. GODAKA (5) has placed twice from five, been in Listed company already and must be taken seriously. Expect a huge effort. SENZA TE (4) impressed when winning last time at only the seventh time of asking. She could record back-to-back victories. YOLLILAL (9) is in good form and must be given a serious place chance. Include in all bets.

SELECTIONS

GOLDEN PHARAOH (1) - GODAKA (5) - SENZA TE (4) - YOLLILAL (9)

C4 - PRIX DE DEAUVILLE - 2500m (a1 9/16m) - TURF - Condition Race - Flat - EUR € 15.000

- **1. MOONFLIGHT -** Caught the eye when third at penultimate start over 2000m at Lyon Parilly and must be taken seriously. Big runner
- **2. ANTINANCO -** Won last time over 3200m, makes his French debut and could threaten. Hard to assess but cannot be ignored
- **3. JACKSUN -** Ran a cracker over 2400m at Lyon La Soie and can go one better. Strong each way chance
- **4. STALLONE -** Ran a much better race when fourth at Argentan over 2900m in August but has been rested since. Could run fresh. Place chance
- **5. RAMEAU DU PARADIS -** Is lightly raced, needs improvement but might still have something to offer. Watch
- **6. KIND OF MAGIC -** Finished downfield last time and needs serious improvement to feature. Happy to ignore
- **7. DISBELA -** Has shown some ability before, finished 4th at this course last month and should be right there. Quartet must
- **8. NEXTWAVE -** Ignore last run, won two in a row before that. An outsider that has a place chance
- **9. KENAHOPE -** Ignore last run, great effort in penultimate when 3rd at Nancy over 2500m. Winning selection
- **10. LEGEND -** Won three starts back over 2000m at Saint-Cloud and finished 4th in most recent run. Good chance
- **11. RUE DE VOLGA -** Finished third three runs back over 2150m at Cagnes-Sur-Mer but has not shaped thereafter. Include in larger quartet perms
- **12. MAGIC ROSA -** Will need to improve on current form, especially last effort over 2500m. Happy to ignore
- **13. CINQUAIN -** Needs to find a few lengths on current form but could lurk into the back end of the quartet. Outside place chance

Summary: KENAHOPE (9) can be forgiven for her last below par effort. She has fair overall form and comes into the race with strong each way claims. JACKSUN (3) ran an absolute cracker last time finishing second and would be no shock if going one better. STALLONE (4) ran a much improved race last time and can again finish in the first four. LEGEND (10) was a winner three starts back and is one for the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

KENAHOPE (9) - JACKSUN (3) - STALLONE (4) - LEGEND (10)

C5 - PRIX PAUL-NOEL DELAHOUTRE (PRIX DES FLANDRES) - 2500m (a1 9/16m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 14.000

- **1. ANTE POST -** Romped home to victory when winning his maiden but unfortunately things didn't go according to plan after that effort so it is best ignored. Winning chance
- **2. ALWAYS VIV -** Returned off a lengthy layoff last time out over a trip short off his best and now goes over a favorable trip as a fitter horse. Expect huge improvement
- **3. BOB LA BIDOUILLE -** He has failed to feature in his last two outings but is dropping in the ratings all the while so could show something positive. Capable of outrunning odds
- **4. SKIP CHOP -** He has only managed to taste success once in France and recent performances are dull. Others inspire more confidence
- **5. ZANOTCHKA -** This filly hasn't been at her best off late but now steps up in trip which could unlock big improvement. Place chance
- **6. AMOUR DE MA VIE -** Finished 3rd last time out over 2300m but was well held and will need to find more on that to get involved. Others preferred
- **7. ECLECTIC BIRD -** Two starts after track and trip this year have resulted in poor displays from this gelding and a lot more is required. Would be a shock winner
- **8. ALIANTFEN -** Winner over track and trip six starts back and he has been holding his form fairly well. Looks ready to go close
- **9. LORD SPIRIT -** Ran an improved race when finishing 4th last time out over 2200m and if able to build on that then he could be a threat. Upset potential
- **10. MINNEHAHA** Game performance last time out when winning over 2200m and should have no issues with a further test of stamina. Each way chance
- **11. IRISH RAMBO -** His last three starts don't catch the eye but returning to a track that he has performed well at could just set him up nicely. Should run a positive race
- **12. MYFRIENDRICH -** Recent form is poor and this gelding will need a huge transformation if he is to be competitive. Would be a surprise winner
- **13. MOODY CHOP -** Remains a maiden galloper after twenty one outings and that seems unlikely to change in this. Unlikely winner
- **14. JEVOUSVOISENCORE** Last win came back in 2021 and recent performances don't give much confidence as he looks to get closer. Hard to recommend
- **15. LIE HIGH -** Consistent sort without winning and he should enjoy being stepped up to 2500m which should see him run an honest race. Place chance

Summary: ALIANTFEN (8) enjoys running at this venue and his current form is good enough to see him deliver a bold performance. ANTE POST (1) just needs to reproduce his penultimate start and he will be a big threat. IRISH RAMBO (11) goes well at this track and it could well spark some life back into his legs. ALWAYS VIV (2) will be a fitter horse and goes over a trip that will suit.

ALIANTFEN (8) - ANTE POST (1) - IRISH RAMBO (11) - ALWAYS VIV (2)

C6 - PRIX DE CROIX - 2500m (a1 9/16m) - TURF - A RECLAMER - Flat - EUR € 12.000

- **1. ROYAL POST OFFICE -** Well tried maiden that hasn't been able to get it right and does look fairly limited but is capable of earning for connections. Place chance
- **2. BOMBARDINO -** Only start to date came over in Germany where he finished 5th and was well held. Debuts in France and more is needed
- **3. PAINTER SONG** Two uninspiring runs to date which don't bode well for his chances going forward. Would be a shock winner
- **4. CHANDOS HOPE -** Limited starts in France in which he hasn't shown much but now stepping up in trip, it could unlock a fair amount of improvement. Could get involved
- **5. VIVAIBERICA -** This filly was far from disgraced when finishing in 6th spot last time out and there is definitely more to come now stepped up in trip. Strong claims
- **6. SWEET DEVILDARLING -** Twelve start maiden that was narrowly denied last time out over 3000m and may find the drop in trip on the sharp side. Unreliable type
- **7. PORTRERO -** Finished 4th in a similar event last time out over track/trip and there is every chance that he could get involved. Include in the play

Summary: VIVAIBERICA (5) is open to a bit of improvement which holds her in good stead and she should be at home over this trip. CHANDOS HOPE (4) could start to show now that he has matured and goes over a distance that is likely to suit. PORTRERO (7) handled the step up in distance quite well and could challenge. ROYAL POST OFFICE (1) is best off the rest and could place.

SELECTIONS

VIVAIBERICA (5) - CHANDOS HOPE (4) - PORTRERO (7) - ROYAL POST OFFICE (1)

C7 - PRIX D'HAZEBROUCQ - 1100m (a5 1/2f) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 17.000

- **1. VALDIKHOVA -** Finished 4th over track/trip at her last start and despite being a well tried maiden, she should be there again. Should run well
- **2. ADDICTION DREAM -** Runner up at her last start finishing just ahead of Rastignac but meets him on 2kgs worse terms. Will be very competitive
- **3. CLOSE TO YOU -** Only win to date has come over 1600m and her 2nd over 1400m last time out just indicates that the drop in trip isn't favorable. Others preferred
- **4. RASTIGNAC -** Cracking run over track/trip last time out when finishing 3rd and he is well teed up to go very close. Strong winning chance
- **5. SALAZAR -** He finished 8th last time out and would need to show more to get involved in proceedings. Others make more appeal
- **6. UN PLUS UNE -** Maiden galloper after nineteen starts that has finished 6th in her last two outings over track/trip. Upset potential
- **7. MADDOX -** Last two performances have yielded in 7th placed efforts and he seems to be lacking that cutting edge in his races. Would be a surprise winner
- **8. TWO TWO -** She hasn't been at her best off late but continues to drop in the ratings and looks to be on a very attractive mark. Can show marked improvement
- **9. KHARKIV** Remains a maiden after twenty two bites at the cherry but based on his penultimate start when finishing 4th, he has a chance. Will be right on top of them
- **10. EL PROFESSOR CHOP -** This gelding has not been at his best off late and this distance looks to be on the sharp side for him. Easy to pass by
- **11. PALETUVIER -** Arrives in moderate form and it seems like they are starting from ground zero with this individual who isn't shining. Unlikely winner
- **12. LOOKINGFORTROUBLE -** Fifteen start maiden that comes from the same form line as a few of these and is held but capable of getting blow in. Place chance

Summary: RASTIGNAC (4) looks to be the one that they all have to beat at the weights and could finally get it right. VALDIKHOVA (1) is consistent and is knocking on the door so should be competitive. ADDICTION DREAM (2) is held at the weights but is running well so does look to be a live wire. KHARKIV (9) could get involved on previous form.

SELECTIONS

RASTIGNAC (4) - VALDIKHOVA (1) - ADDICTION DREAM (2) - KHARKIV (9)

C8 - PRIX DE LEERS - 1100m (a5 1/2f) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 14.000

- **1. HAPPY DREAM -** Solid older horse that isn't the most genuine type around now but can always pop up to earn. Outside place chance
- **2. ISEULT -** Winner over track/trip that will be suited to being back at this venue and could show a return to her old form. Expect a better showing
- **3. INVIOLABLE SPIRIT -** Arrives in consistent form and would be deserving off another victory which does look well within her grasp. Solid each way claims
- **4. NAUGHTY ANA -** Only win to date came over track/trip earlier in the year and she ran a cracker last time out when finishing 3rd. Should go close
- **5. ELUSIVE NELSON -** This individual has failed to reproduce anything positive in recent appearances but has tumbled down in the ratings which will help. Watch for an improved run
- **6. GORDINI ROAD -** This gelding has had four chances to show what he is about and has failed to produce anything noteworthy. Would be a shock winner
- **7. SWEET DAMIANA -** Finished 4th last time out and gets valuable weight off the back now going over a trip that should suit. Winning chance
- **8. ACREGATE -** Twenty one starts without a win in France and that seems unlikely to change on the back of under par efforts. Hard to fancy
- **9. SHOT IN THE DARK -** Recent form doesn't jump off the page and it is hard to see him getting involved in a race with a bit of form. Hard to fancy
- **10. ILLUMINATING -** Remains a maiden after twenty six outings and current form doesn't inspire much confidence. Unlikely winner
- **11. BLUE DREAM** It has been a while since this individual passed the winning line first and looks to be out of his depth here. Would be a shock winner
- **12. JAZZY WOOD -** Winless from nine starts this year and seems to have more to do but can earn as her rating looks to be in a better spot. Outside place chance
- **13. ASTURIAS ROAD -** Seldom too far off the action and looks to be edging closer to another performance even if his recent form figures don't show that. Will be competitive
- **14. TENORIO** Arrives in weak form and it is hard to make a case for this runner who doesn't seem to possess the cutting edge. Easy to pass by
- **15. BELLE IMPRESSION -** Inconsistent older horse that is capable of producing the odd good run but needs to do more. Others make more appeal

Summary: SWEET DAMIANA (7) looks to be nicely placed to run a big race and should make full use of the weight advantage. ASTURIAS ROAD (13) doesn't represent the greatest form figures but always does enough to keep one interested and can run a big race. NAUGHTY ANA (3) is in a decent space and should be able to put her best foot forward over an ideal distance. ISEULT (2) should show some good improvement now taking a drop in class.

SWEET DAMIANA (7) - ASTURIAS ROAD (13) - NAUGHTY ANA (4) - ISEULT (2)