

LES SABLES-D'OLONNE [L-H] - 29 August

Race 1 - PRIX CHARLES DU BREIL - 2700m HCP. Purse EUR €15,000.

1. **FIRST CREATION** - Fair 4.25L seventh over 1600m at Vichy seventeen days ago. Step forward needed.
2. **SUDDEN DEATH** - Placed third when beaten 3L over 2400m at Vichy eighteen days ago. Bold show expected.
3. **TAZMA** - Held 10L sixth in a 2400m handicap at Dieppe just under five weeks ago. Claims on earlier form.
4. **ILLUSTRE BERE** - Runner-up in a 2100m maiden on the AW at Pornichet earlier this month. Of note switched to a handicap.
5. **DRIFTWOOD** - Held 18L ninth in a 2000m maiden at Vichy last month. Handicap debut.
6. **DAZZLING BEAUTY** - 15L eighth over 2100m on the AW at Pornichet sixteen days ago. Making her first handicap start.
7. **SEAVIEW** - Good 5.5L third in a 2650m contest at Chateaubriant on handicap debut three weeks ago. Notable runner.
8. **NUIT D'ORAGE** - Fourth beaten 5.25L over 2800m in a Moulins maiden just under two weeks ago. Failed to shine in a handicap at Vichy prior.
9. **ALORS ON DANSE** - Good 3L second in a 2650m handicap at Chateaubriant just over three weeks ago. Top chance.
10. **NOUMEA** - Below par 6.75L ninth tackling 1850m at Vichy first up a fortnight ago. Improvement expected having run well over further in the past.
11. **SAGAYAN** - 30L third in a 2200m maiden at Pompadour just under four weeks ago. More needed.

Summary: ALORS ON DANSE (9) may go one place better than when 3L second over 2650m at Chateaubriant. SUDDEN DEATH (2) makes the shortlist following a 3L third in a 2400m claimer at Vichy. In the mix. SEAVIEW (7) can be considered having been beaten 5.5L third in the previously mentioned Chateaubriant handicap. ILLUSTRE BERE (4) warrants thought switching to a handicap. Ran 8L second in an AW 2100m maiden at Pornichet.

Selections

ALORS ON DANSE (9) - SUDDEN DEATH (2) - SEAVIEW (7) - ILLUSTRE BERE (4)

Race 2 - PRIX DU PAYS DES OLLONNES - 2700m CLM CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **VANCOUVER DU GUERN** - 6.25L tenth over 2500m at Deauville ten days ago. Others make more appeal.
2. **SPIRIT OF DANCE** - Last of eleven in a 2700m handicap here just under five weeks ago. Best watched.
3. **MARSHALL LESSING** - Good 5.5L fourth in a 2400m conditions race on the AW at Pornichet sixteen days ago. Top chance.
4. **DUSTY MEN** - Struggled 55L tenth in a 2600m conditions race at Pompadour six weeks ago. Looking for a first victory at the 23rd time of asking.
5. **GREAT TONIO** - Good 3.5L fourth to a subsequent winner in a 2700m claiming handicap here just over a month ago. Strong claims.
6. **AYDA** - Sixth beaten 3L in a 2200m handicap at Clairefontaine eleven days ago. Claims if building on that effort.
7. **VAN HALO** - Below par 6.5L 12th over 1900m at Deauville AW earlier this month. Looking for a first turf success at the 17th time of asking.
8. **MERCI CAPUCINE** - Third beaten 5.5L in a 3100m handicap at Granville two weeks ago. Of note.

Summary: MARSHALL LESSING (3) may take this. Finished 5.5L fourth in a 2400m AW conditions race at Pornichet. Serious player. GREAT TONIO (5) can deliver a big effort following a 3.5L fourth tackling this track and trip. Holds claims. MERCI CAPUCINE (8) enters calculations having been beaten 5.5L third in a 3100m handicap at Granville. AYDA (6) is another to consider on the back of a 3L sixth in a 2200m Clairefontaine handicap.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MARSHALL LESSING (3) - GREAT TONIO (5) - MERCI CAPUCINE (8) - AYDA (6)</p>

Race 3 - PRIX JACQUES DE HILLERIN - 2700m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €12,000.

1. **SHALYA** - Struggled 41L last of seven over 3000m at Le Lion-d'Angers a week ago. Others preferred.
2. **KAPTAIN NORDIK** - Good 1.75L third in a 2100m handicap at Senonnes at the end of June. Of note stepping up in distance.
3. **STROMBOLI** - Good 1.75L fourth in a 2400m handicap at Clairefontaine four days ago. Top chance.
4. **SICAIRE** - Fair 7.5L seventh in a 2400m handicap at Clairefontaine at the start of this month. Step forward needed.
5. **DJIDJI L'AMOROSA** - 15L 12th over 2400m on the AW at Pornichet sixteen days ago. Best watched.
6. **SUGAR BREEZE** - Successful by a head in a 2700m handicap at Le Touquet at the end of last month. Strong claims despite a 2kg rise in the weights.
7. **ARES BLACK** - Good 1.25L fourth over 2400m at Bordeaux in early March. Claims on return from a break.
8. **LEE DRAGON** - Runner-up beaten 1.25L in a 3400m handicap at Clairefontaine nine days ago. Leading contender.

Summary: STROMBOLI (3) can register a seventh career success following a 1.75L fourth over 2400m at Clairefontaine. Top chance. LEE DRAGON (8) enters calculations having finished 1.25L second in a 3400m handicap at the same venue. Include. SUGAR BREEZE (6) is considered. Won by a head in a 2700m handicap at Le Touquet. KAPTAIN NORDIK (2) completes the shortlist. Ran 1.75L third tackling 2100m at Senonnes.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">STROMBOLI (3) - LEE DRAGON (8) - SUGAR BREEZE (6) - KAPTAIN NORDIK (2)</p>

Race 4 - PRIX COLINS - 2700m . Purse EUR €25,000.

1. **GIRLISH DE GRUGY** - Fair 7.5L sixth over 2400m at Clairefontaine eighteen days ago. Claims on earlier efforts.
2. **GIGA STAR** - Good 2.75L fourth over 2400m at Clairefontaine earlier this month. Bold show expected.
3. **HOTEL DIEU** - Victorious by 15L in a 2650m contest at Chateaubriant just over three weeks ago. Leading contender.
4. **HAKUTAMANATA** - Debuted with a 1.5L victory in a 2400m conditions race at Rochefort-sur-Loire five weeks ago. Notable contender.
5. **HALA MOME** - Completed a double when winning by 2L in a 2200m contest at Le Dorat two weeks ago. Strong claims.
6. **HONDLEEN** - Held 11L sixth in a 3500m hurdle at Vichy at the start of this month. Making his first Flat outing in over a year.

Summary: HOTEL DIEU (3) can complete a double following an impressive 15L victory over 2650m at Chateaubriant. Leading contender. GIGA STAR (2) may challenge for the win having been beaten 2.75L fourth in a 2400m contest at Clairefontaine. HALA MOME (5) enters calculations on the back of a 2L success at Le Dorat. HAKUTAMANATA (4) is another to consider having debuted with a 1.5L triumph at Rochefort-sur-Loire.

<p>Selections</p>

<p>HOTEL DIEU (3) - GIGA STAR (2) - HALA MOME (5) - HAKUTAMANATA (4)</p>

Race 5 - PRIX YVES PRIOUZEAU - 1950m MDN. Purse EUR €16,000.

1. **BERAZ** - Not gone on from a promising debut over 2400m at Chantilly in early May including when last of thirteen tackling 2200m at Dieppe last month. Others preferred.
2. **KER WELEN** - Good placed form prior to a 9.25L tenth over 1800m at Dieppe at the start of this month. Strong claims.
3. **MON VIEUX LEON** - Fourth beaten 4.5L tackling 2000m in a Vichy maiden just over three weeks ago. One to note.
4. **SIM CARD** - Runner-up beaten 3.5L in a 1950m maiden at Chateaubriant earlier this month. Notable contender.
5. **TOMBECKA** - Good 5L second in an AW maiden over 2100m at Pornichet sixteen days ago. Bold show expected.
6. **EN MELODY** - Held 37L last of seven over 1950m at Chateaubriant when debuting 22 days ago. More required.
7. **FRIDA GOLD** - 22L ninth in a 2400m newcomers race at Clairefontaine at the start of this month. Minor role likely.

Summary: KER WELEN (2) can put a below par effort behind him to take this. Finished a short-head second over 1950m at Chateaubriant prior. TOMBECKA (5) may play a part in the finish having been beaten 5L when runner-up tackling 2100m on the AW at Pornichet. SIM CARD (4) enters calculations on the back of a 3.5L second in a 1950m maiden at Chateaubriant. MON VIEUX LEON (3) is another to consider following a 4.5L fourth in a 2000m maiden at Vichy.

<p>Selections</p>

<p>KER WELEN (2) - TOMBECKA (5) - SIM CARD (4) - MON VIEUX LEON (3)</p>
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Race 6 - PRIX PORT BOURGENAY - 1950m CLM CL4 HCP. Purse EUR €10,000.

1. **INSTRUIT** - Held 20L ninth over 1900m at Argentan three weeks ago. Capable of better.
2. **MINISTRABLE** - Below par 9.75L eighth over 1800m at Saint-Malo first up a month ago. Improvement likely.
3. **SENEPARK** - Failed to shine when 11L ninth over 1800m at La Teste eight days ago. Others make more appeal.
4. **ZAAHIR** - Changed trainer since finishing 4.25L sixth over 1700m on the AW at Pornichet earlier this month. Strong claims.
5. **ANATH** - Struggled 12L last of sixteen in a 1900m handicap at Longchamp last month. Bold show expected down in grade.
6. **SOSOFT** - Fair 13L fifth in a 2800m conditions race at a country venue two weeks ago. Looks up against it on these terms.
7. **ASSANILKA** - Returning from a break when 9.75L sixth over 2400m at Lignieres three weeks ago. Best watched.

Summary: ANATH (5) can take this dropping to a claimer. Finished 12L last of sixteen attempting 1900m at Longchamp. Makes appeal. ZAAHIR (4) is considered for the win having been beaten 4.25L sixth over 1700m on the AW at Pornichet. INSTRUIT (1) may deliver an improved effort following a 20L ninth in a 1900m Argentan contest. MINISTRABLE (2) could progress second up having been beaten 9.75L eighth tackling 1800m at Saint-Malo.

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Race 7 - PRIX LE POMPIER - 1950m CL3. Purse EUR €15,000.

1. **KING COBRA** - Sixth beaten 2.75L tackling 1900m at Deauville AW just over three weeks ago. One to note.
2. **AQUASTAR** - Good 3.5L second in a 1950m conditions race at Chateaubriant earlier this month. Bold show expected.
3. **SPATIAL MERIT** - Last of twelve over 2200m at Clairefontaine four days ago. Claims on earlier form.
4. **ROYALICKLY** - Tailed off when last of eight over 1950m at Chateaubriant on seasonal debut earlier this month. Claims on the form he showed last year.
5. **MINOTAUROS** - 13L 13th over 1900m at Deauville AW 22 days ago. Others preferred.

Summary: AQUASTAR (2) can take this following a 3.5L second over 1950m in a Chateaubriant conditions race. Leading contender. KING COBRA (1) may play a role in the finish having been beaten 2.75L sixth attempting 1900m at Deauville AW. ROYALICKLY (4) enters calculations. Anticipated to progress after tailing off at Chateaubriant on seasonal debut. SPATIAL MERIT (3) could put a below par Clairefontaine effort behind her. Ran 2L third tackling 1900m at La Teste prior.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AQUASTAR (2) - KING COBRA (1) - ROYALICKLY (4) - SPATIAL MERIT (3)</p>
