

ANGERS [R-H] - 29 October

Race 1 - PRIX LUNA WELLS - 2000m CL2. Purse EUR €27,000.

1. **JOOMANA** - Back-to-back wins at Le Lion-D'angers prior to a moderate 10L fourth in a Class Two conditions race at Craon a month ago. Could bounce back.
2. **AGADOR** - Created a strong impression when running out a 6L winner of a newcomers race over this trip at Mont-de-Marsan. Top claims for a leading yard.
3. **DAY OFF** - Well held on both starts to date. Opposed.
4. **MAQUIGNON** - 4L third in a claimer over 1800m at Clairefontaine recently. More needed at this level.
5. **AUDE** - Ready maiden success at Vichy before a solid 1.5L second in a Class Two conditions race at this venue. Key chance.
6. **SAKURACHAN** - 19L seventh in a 1800m maiden at Chantilly on debut. Progress required.

Summary: AGADOR (2) created an impression running out a 6L winner of a newcomers race over this trip at Mont-de-Marsan. Open to any amount of improvement and could prove tough to beat for a leading yard. AUDE (5) produced a ready maiden success at Vichy before a solid 1.5L second in a Class Two conditions race at this venue. Key chance for a good stable. JOOMANA (1) completed back-to-back wins at Le Lion-D'angers prior to a moderate 10L fourth in a Class Two conditions race at Craon. May bounce back. SAKURACHAN (6) needs to progress but may prove best of the rest.

Selections

AGADOR (2) - AUDE (5) - JOOMANA (1) - SAKURACHAN (6)

Race 2 - PRIX LA KOUMIA - 1600m MDN. Purse EUR €16,000.

1. **ABAAD** - Narrowly denied in a 1400m maiden at Nantes on debut. Key chance upped in trip.
2. **ARCOS VANCOUVER** - Head second in a maiden over this distance at Toulouse second time out. Firmly involved.
3. **MADRAS** - Shaped better than the bare result when 5.5L seventh in a 1200m maiden at Chantilly on debut. Open to progress upped in distance.
4. **JANUARY MOON** - Frustrating fifteen race maiden who clearly has the ability to feature. Risky proposition but not dismissed.
5. **MYSTIC** - Unraced colt by Elm Park. Interesting and requires a market check.
6. **LAST CALL** - Unraced gelding by Johnny Barnes. Best watched unless attracting market support.
7. **KINGDOM** - Unraced colt by The Grey Gatsby. Not discounted for a good stable.
8. **JAMES WHISTLER** - Unraced colt by Scissor Kick. Market check.
9. **MACCLEOD** - Unraced colt by Shamalgan. Market can prove informative.
10. **BINT HABISSETT** - Daughter of Toronado making her debut. Yard can ready one and requires a market check.
11. **ORAYAH** - Unraced filly by Johnny Barnes. One to note for a solid trainer.
12. **STORMY FLOO** - Unraced filly by Stormy River. Market check required.

Summary: The step up in trip could suit ABAAD (1) who was narrowly denied a 1400m maiden at Nantes on debut. Key player. ARCOS VANCOUVER (2) was beaten a head when runner-up in a maiden over this distance at Toulouse second time out. Notable runner. MADRAS (3) shaped better than the bare result finishing 5.5L seventh in a 1200m maiden at Chantilly on debut. Open to progress increasing journey. Thereabouts. BINT HABISSETT (10) is interesting on debut.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">ABAAD (1) - ARCOS VANCOUVER (2) - MADRAS (3) - BINT HABISSETT (10)</p>

Race 3 - PRIX FRANCIS CHENE - ASSELCO - 2300m CL2. Purse EUR €24,000.

1. **TRABUCO** - 3.25L sixth in a Class Two conditions race over 1900m on the AW at Chantilly. Could sneak into the frame.
2. **MR CHIC** - 2.5L third in a Class Two conditions race in July. Perhaps needed it when beaten 20L in the Listed Race Prix Vulcain over 2500m at Deauville. Interesting having been supplemented.
3. **MISTERCOM** - Narrow maiden success prior to a 7.5L seventh in the 2800m Listed Prix Michel Houyvet at Deauville in August. Claims down in trip.
4. **JUAN SEGUIN** - Back-to-back wins (maiden and Class Three) prior to a solid 2.25L fourth in a Class Two conditions race over 2100m at Tarbes. Key chance for a top yard.
5. **NARMEEN** - Comfortable 2.5L success in a 2100m maiden at this venue just under four weeks ago. Leading claims for top connections.
6. **COEUR DAVIER** - 2L runner up in a Class Two handicap over 2000m at Chantilly 24 days ago. One to note.
7. **IDEE FIXE** - Scored by 1.5L at country venue on debut prior to moderate fourth in a Class Two conditions race at Les Sables-d'Olonne. Open to progress. Each way player.
8. **MAWENZI** - Fair 3L second in a 2150m Class Three conditions race at Landivisiau on French debut. Should have more to offer and one to note.

Summary: NARMEEN (5) ran out a comfortable 2.5L winner of a 2100m maiden at this venue. Leading chance with more to come for top connections. JUAN SEGUIN (4) completed a double (maiden and Class Three) prior to a solid 2.25L fourth in a Class Two conditions race over 2100m at Tarbes. Notable contender for a top yard. MISTERCOM (3) scored in a maiden before a 7.5L seventh tackling the 2800m Listed Prix Michel Houyvet at Deauville in August. Holds claims down in trip and grade. MAWENZI (8) is open to improvement on her second French outing.

<p style="text-align: center;">Selections</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NARMEEN (5) - JUAN SEGUIN (4) - MISTERCOM (3) - MAWENZI (8)</p>

Race 4 - PRIX DE LA POTARDIERE - 2300m HCP. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **HEROUVILLE** - Completed a hat-trick (two claimers and a handicap) prior to running poorly in a 2400m handicap at Compiègne three weeks ago. Interesting if bouncing back.
2. **SEULOMONDE** - Four good handicap runs prior to struggling over 2400m at Clairefontaine. Leading claims if bouncing back for top connections.
3. **SIM CARD** - Four placings from twelve career starts and remains relatively unexposed in France. Could find the frame.
4. **CHELSEA DU NINIAN** - Fair 2.75L sixth in a 2400m handicap at Compiègne three weeks ago. Each way player.
5. **RUE JONAS** - Scored in a handicap off 2.5kg lower and has run fairly from this mark on both occasions subsequently. One to note.
6. **NISRY** - 1L fifth in a 1600m handicap at this venue 27 days ago. Shaped as though this stiffer stamina test should suit.
7. **ILLUSTRE BERE** - Five placings from fifteen career outings and more than capable of finding the frame off this mark.
8. **FIRST BIRST** - Scored at Vannes on debut but no form in three subsequent outings. Others preferred.
9. **SUDDEN DEATH** - Held in recent handicap outings and looks best watched until returning to a claimer.

Summary: SEULOMONDE (2) produced a quartet of good handicap runs prior to disappointing over 2400m at Clairefontaine. Leading claims if bouncing back for top connections. HEROUVILLE (1) completed a hat-trick (two claimers and a handicap) before running poorly in a 2400m handicap at Compiègne. Interesting if bouncing back and could have more to offer. NISRY (6) cannot be ruled out with this step up in trip likely to suit. RUE JONAS (5) won a handicap off 2.5kg lower three starts ago and been fair from this mark subsequently. Completes the shortlist.

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Race 5 - PRIX BERNARD GUY - 2100m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **HYGROVE DAN** - Sixth beaten 4.75L at Amiens in a handicap over 2200m. Needs a bit more but this is not the strongest.
2. **RED DUMA** - 2.25L sixth at Pornichet (AW) over 1700m in a claimer. Beaten 6.5L the time before in a handicap off a 1.5kg higher mark.
3. **PICNIC** - Well beaten on last two outings and easily passed over.
4. **IRISH EMPEROR** - Second beaten 2L at Vichy in a handicap. Not at that level on two outings since.
5. **MAESTRO CHOP** - Eleventh beaten 13L at Clairefontaine in a handicap over 2200m. Only defeated 3.5L the time before at Saint-Cloud. Could bounce back.
6. **SIMFAUST** - Second beaten a long neck at Nancy in a handicap over 2000m. Solid if in that form again.
7. **HEART BRAKER** - No form in last three starts. Down in trip and first time blinkers. Still needs more.
8. **NADESCHDA** - Resuming after a 243 day break. Fell when last seen in a steeplechase and well beaten on last flat outing.
9. **MOCKLERSHILL** - Sixth beaten 6.25L at Niort in a Class Four over 1500m. Not entirely ruled out in a modest affair.
10. **TERRE D'ANGE** - Down the field at Pornichet (AW) in a handicap over 2100m. Passed over.

Summary: RED DUMA (2) ran 2.25L sixth at Pornichet (AW) over 1700m in a handicap. Interesting attempting this contest. SIMFAUST (6) finished second beaten a long neck in a 2000m handicap and is more than capable. MAESTRO CHOP (5) was 3.5L fourth at Saint-Cloud tackling a 2000m handicap. Well beaten since and can bounce back. HYGROVE DAN (1) delivered a sixth beaten 4.75L in a handicap and may place.

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Race 6 - PRIX RABELAIS - 2100m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **L'AIGLE** - Eighth beaten 5.5L at Longchamp over 1850m in a handicap. Dropping into a weaker contest and can be considered.
2. **YOUMSOVAIN** - Third beaten 2.75L over 1950m in a handicap at Chateaubriant. Not ruled out.
3. **CANNELLO** - Thirteenth beaten 19L at Saint Cloud in a handicap two weeks ago. Dropped 0.5kg but may require more.
4. **BOKEN** - Won by 1.75L at Pornichet (AW) in a handicap over 2100m. Raised 2kg but more than capable again.
5. **TRIMLIGHT** - Won by 0.5L at Fontainebleau over 2000m in a claimer. The third has subsequently won and now off a 3kg lower mark than last handicap outing.
6. **IRISH STORM** - Struggled on last two outings in handicaps. Down in trip to where he has a two wins and two placings from eighth outings. Could bounce back.
7. **HYGROVE BEC** - Bidding for a hat-trick after winning at Amiens by 0.5L after making most of the running. Raised 2kg and interesting once more.
8. **SOUL OF MARIA** - Moderate efforts on last three and may need more than the 1kg drop.
9. **GUANACASTE** - Beaten distances on last two outings. Most recently after an eighteen month break. Best watched but has dropped 6.5kg.
10. **MR BOLD** - Eighth at Bordeaux beaten 3.75L in a handicap over 1900m. Down 0.5kg and the third has won since. Not ruled out.

Summary: BOKEN (4) produced a solid win at Pornichet (AW) in a 2100m handicap. Raised 2kg for that effort but looks capable of winning again. HYGROVE BEC (7) made all to win an Amiens handicap over 2200m earlier this month. Up 2kg and could prove hard to beat. TRIMLIGHT (5) won at Fontainebleau a 2000m claimer by 0.5L. Revisiting a handicap and interesting now finding form. L'AIGLE (1) finished eighth beaten 5.5L at Longchamp in a stronger handicap. Interesting at this level.

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Race 7 - PRIX POINT BLEU - 3800m HDLE. Purse EUR €19,000.

1. **IRRESISTIBLES** - Won a Listed hurdle at Auteuil over 3600m by 5L after making all. Fell on only starts since after an eleven month break. Big class drop and has to be considered.
2. **PRINCESSE D'ANGERS** - No form in last six and easily ruled out.
3. **BRENUS D'ARTAIX** - Resuming after a 377 day break. Last seen finishing second beaten 12L at Auteuil in a handicap steeple chase. Strong claims if fit from the break.
4. **RAYON DE LUNE** - Respectable performer on the flat with a win and two placings. Well-supported on hurdles debut in a newcomers race but pulled up. Could be worth another try in a much weaker race.
5. **GMADYLU** - Maiden after fourteen starts on the flat with seven placings. Needs more on hurdles debut.
6. **GALKO DES MOTTES** - Resuming after 493 day break. Won by 8L at Angers in a conditions chase two starts back but fell in contention. Needs a market check.

Summary: IRRESISTIBLES (1) made all to win by 5L in a Listed hurdle at Auteuil two starts back over 3900m. Fell on only start since but sets the standard. BRENUS D'ARTAIX (3) was second beaten 12L at Auteuil in a top tier 4400m handicap chase. Wears first time tongue tie and revisits hurdles. Interesting. RAYON DE LUNE (4) proved popular in the market on debut attempting a newcomers hurdle at Auteuil when pulling up. Expected to find this easier. GALKO DES MOTTES (6) won by 8L at Angers a conditions chase. Fell when in contention since and interesting back to hurdles.

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Race 8 - PRIX ANDRE ADELE - 3400m HDLE. Purse EUR €26,000.

1. **MARVELLINA DIGEO** - Well beaten in a Listed handicap hurdle recently. Time before was fourth beaten 4L at Compiègne in a Listed hurdle. Down in class and bounce back.
2. **MADO** - Second beaten 1L at Clairefontaine in a hurdle over 3600m after trying to make all. Up a level but should go close.
3. **ADRIANA DU LYS** - Seventh beaten 6L at Clairefontaine with Mado in second in a conditions hurdle. Not ruled out for the placings.
4. **COASTALINE ROYALE** - Won by a neck at Craon in on her third hurdles outing. Can progress further.
5. **HIRSUTE** - Pulled up in a handicap hurdle over 3600m. Brought down the time before at the last when beaten. Down in class.
6. **HYDE MADRIK** - Going well when falling midway in a chase at Le Lion D'Angers over 4000m. Market check switching back to hurdles.
7. **BABY QUEEN** - Fifth beaten 7.5L two starts back at Dieppe in a conditions hurdle. Struggled since but not entirely ruled out.
8. **PUCKET'S DREAM** - Well beaten in a hurdle at a country track. Needs a lot more.
9. **VILLA FLORENTINE** - Pulled up at Auteuil in a Listed handicap hurdle. First time for a new yard and taking a big class drop.
10. **FARCEUSE DE BALLON** - Four-year-old filly (Doctor Dino - Gabriele De Ballon) making her debut in a moderate affair. Claims.
11. **STARVINA** - Showed a lot of promise on debut when second at Angers in a hurdle over 3400m beaten 0.5L. Shown little since but still worth consideration.
12. **EAUDACE DU POUHEY** - Midfield at Le Mans in a bumper over 3200m beaten 12L. Shown signs of ability and not entirely ruled out for hurdle debut.

Summary: COASTALINE ROYALE (4) won after a ten month break in a 3400m hurdle at Craon. Delivered three starts to date and may go close. MADO (2) made most when runner-up at Clairefontaine in a hurdle beaten 1L. More than capable. FARCEUSE DE BALLON (10) is on debut for a top yard in an open contest. Can be considered. MARVELLINA DIGEO (1) ran 4L fourth in a Listed handicap hurdle over 3600m at Compiègne. Struggled since but is taking a big class drop in this race.

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