

## MONT-DE-MARSAN [R-H] - 30 July

**Race 1 - PRIX JACQUES BOUTIER - 1400m CLM.** Purse EUR €12,500.

1. **CASEY** - Looked limited in four starts so far. Happy to oppose.
2. **KATHALINA** - Placed on debut but yet to really build upon that. Gets handy apprentice weight claim now though and is a potential threat to all.
3. **BAKHARA** - First time starter from the Thierry Lemer stable. A market check will prove best guide to what is anticipated.
4. **JOLIENENE** - Solid start to her career with a victory and three placed finishes. Freshened now but expected to improve again. Big chance.
5. **FEE D'ESPOIR** - 2.25L third second time out. Form is questionable but remains open to further progression. Each way hope.
6. **PERFECT FOR ME** - Speedily bred filly by Dream Ahead. Could easily factor amongst this field on debut.
7. **AMBROSELIA** - Disappointing on last two starts and needs more amongst this field.
8. **ABELIE** - Promising reappearance but failed to build upon that in two subsequent runs. Needs more.
9. **MARTINA FRANCA** - Promise on both starts to date when finishing midfield and looks a potential improver that is worth holding safe.
10. **LIRA THE GREAT** - 2L second on debut at Nantes was a good effort. Should improve and looks an each way player.
11. **SEPTIEME SENS** - Winner at Aurillac when last seen. This looks a stronger race but drawn well and no surprise were she to go back to back.
12. **HARIASA** - Placed at Agen on second career start but regressed in two subsequent runs. Interesting if bouncing back.
13. **GRACEFULNESS** - Struggled in two starts so far and would need to improve sharply if she is to factor.

**Summary:** JOLIENENE (4) is yet to finish outside of the placings after a highly promising first campaign. Been freshened but likely to improve further. The one to beat on reappearance. SEPTIEME SENS (11) scored by 0.5L last time. Big chance of going back to back. LIRA THE GREAT (10) placed on recent debut. Open to progress and easy to fancy. MARTINA FRANCA (9) has shaped well when finishing midfield on both career starts. Each way player.

### Selections

**JOLIENENE (4) - SEPTIEME SENS (11) - LIRA THE GREAT (10) - MARTINA FRANCA (9)**

**Race 2 - PRIX DES GARDENIAS - 1400m MDN.** Purse EUR €16,000.

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1. **SKIN IN THE GAME** - 5.25L sixth in a maiden over this trip at La Teste on debut last month. Supplemented runner who should have more to offer.
2. **GEORGE AFLEET** - Well beaten at Dax first time out. Major step forward required.
3. **FULLDITCH** - Narrowly denied when second in a course and distance class two conditions race just under two weeks ago. Top chance.
4. **ANDISEA** - 8L sixth in a 1200m maiden at La Teste on debut. More needed in first-time blinkers.
5. **SHALAWAY** - Showed promise when 6L fifth over this trip at Dax first time out. Open to progress. Claims.
6. **PAROVNA** - Eighth on both starts to date and more likely needed to trouble the principles.
7. **SUNSET BEACH** - 8.75L sixth in a class two conditions race over 1200m at La Teste 24 days ago. Frame contender.
8. **CAVIAR D'ORIENT** - Gelding by Lucayan making his debut. Market can guide.
9. **FLASH IS BACK** - Unraced colt by Shamalgan. Not discounted for a good yard.
10. **UM OSHAH** - Unraced filly by Brametot. Respected under a good jockey.
11. **RUE LAROMIGUIERE** - Unraced filly by Pedro The Great. Market can guide.
12. **OMAYRA** - Unraced filly by Cat Junior. May need the run.

**Summary:** FULLDITCH (3) was denied a nose when runner up in a course and distance class two conditions race. Top claims with track form key. SHALAWAY (5) showed promise when 6L fifth over this trip at Dax first time out. Open to improvement and is a notable runner. Newcomers UM OSHAH (10) and FLASH IS BACK (9) fit the bill on paper and could prove dangerous to discount especially if attracting market support.

<b>Selections</b>
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<b>FULLDITCH (3) - SHALAWAY (5) - UM OSHAH (10) - FLASH IS BACK (9)</b>
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**Race 3 - PRIX SOURDOIS - 1400m HCP CL4.** Purse EUR €12,000.

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1. **BEYOND MY DREAMS** - Placed on four of last six starts and looks overdue another victory. Honest gelding that should give a bold showing.
2. **HONG KONG STAR** - Promising reappearance in better grade but regressed subsequently. Will prove better suited to this level but hard to trust in current form.
3. **ROYAL VATI** - Well held all starts since resuming. Needs to re-find form but certainly has the ability to factor if doing so.
4. **ARROW CHOP** - 4L sixth at Dax when last seen. That was a creditable run and holds place claims.
5. **INCOGNITO** - Took a leap forward when a nose winner at Nantes last time. This is no tougher so expect another bold showing.
6. **GALIO CHOP** - Struggling this campaign and unlikely to play much of a role.
7. **JONH FOR ALWAYS** - Far from disgraced when a 3.5L fifth at Dax last time. In similar contest here and has an each way chance.
8. **PLANISSIMO** - Well beaten on reappearance. Easily opposed having never placed in seventeen career starts.
9. **BASSIM** - Recent form figures make little appeal. Likely to struggle once more.
10. **EVA GLITTERS** - Ran below market expectations recently but clearly felt capable of better. Interesting should she see market support once more.
11. **AZORIN** - Looked limited all starts so far and would be a big surprise were he to play a role on return.
12. **MAYBEANDMAYBENOT** - Promising reappearance but regressed second up. Excuses that day however and may bounce back now.
13. **ELIMINATOR** - Honest overall record but trailed the field on reappearance. Expect better here but place best for this gelding.
14. **GENERALIFE** - Disappointing recent starts and unlikely to factor.
15. **PRIMO MARA** - Down the field all previous starts this campaign. Happy to oppose.
16. **SUGAR BAY** - Nicely weighted on best form but has been well beaten on recent starts and likely best watched.

**Summary:** This looks a modest contest with so many of these having been well beaten on recent starts. BEYOND MY DREAMS (1) placed on four of his past six starts. Looks overdue a victory but finds the right race now and will take some beating. INCOGNITO (5) held rivals for a nose success last start. Big chance of going back to back. ARROW CHOP (4) shaped well when beaten just 4L latest. Conditions to suit and rates an each way player. EVA GLITTERS (10) was popular on recent starts. Failed to meet expectations however clearly felt capable of better so a potential threat to all if showing more.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p><b>BEYOND MY DREAMS (1) - INCOGNITO (5) - ARROW CHOP (4) - EVA GLITTERS (10)</b></p>
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**Race 4 - PRIX BURKEGUY - WATHBA STALLIONS CUP - 1600m OPEN.** Purse EUR €20,000.

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1. **AMYR DU SOLEIL** - High-class performer who was a G1 winner in 2019. Stable debut following 390 days off. Top chance if sharp enough on return.
2. **KHATEER ALKHALEDIAH** - Two from two over this trip and arrives on a hat-trick following a pair of victories at Waregem (BEL). Market can guide on stable debut.
3. **ALHAFAR** - 1L success in a conditions race over this trip at Waregem (BEL). Tough to assess.
4. **IFRIQUI** - Held on three starts to date. Opposed.
5. **HAZZAM** - Five placings from eight career starts and could find the frame once more for a top yard.
6. **MZOON** - 3.5L success over 2100m at Toulouse prior to finishing 1L runner up behind Natalma Al Maury at Dax. One to note.
7. **NATALMA AL MAURY** - 6.5L third in the G3 Prix Damas prior to a 1L success at Dax last month. In the mix.
8. **DURAT AL ZAMAN** - Not seen since finishing a 4.25L fourth in the G1 Qatar Arabian Trophy des Juments at Longchamp in 2019. Market check required.

**Summary:** High-class performer AMYR DU SOLEIL (1) was a G1 winner in 2019. Makes stable debut following 390 days off and rates a top chance in this field. Might not need to be at his best following the lengthy absence. NATALMA AL MAURY (7) beat MZOON (6) by 1L when tackling 1400m at Dax. Both could be involved at the finish. DURAT AL ZAMAN (8) has not been sighted since finishing 4.25L fourth in the G1 Qatar Arabian Trophy des Juments at Longchamp in 2019. Market check required as dangerous to rule out if retaining ability.

<b>Selections</b>
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<b>AMYR DU SOLEIL (1) - NATALMA AL MAURY (7) - MZOON (6) - DURAT AL ZAMAN (8)</b>
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**Race 5 - PRIX SAMARITAIN - 2000m CLM CL4 HCP.** Purse EUR €12,000.

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1. **ZOUAVE VALLEY** - Fair eleventh in a class two handicap latest and solid 1L second over 1800m at Marseille-Borely prior. Chance dropping into a claimer.
2. **HONOR BERE** - 3.75L seventh in a 1900m class three handicap at Deauville seventeen days ago. One to note.
3. **MACHISTADOR** - 2.5L success in a class four handicap at this venue nine days ago. Good record over this trip. In the mix.
4. **QUDILLERO** - 6L claiming success four back and respected dropping back in trip following a 4.25L tenth tackling 3000m at this venue thirteen days ago.
5. **LE HAVRE DREAM UP** - Held on his last two starts but supplemented dropping into a claimer. Not ruled out.
6. **CANADA** - In poor form but shaped better when 2.75L sixth over course and distance. Outside place claims.
7. **HALLOWED SONG** - Scored by 0.75L in a class four claiming handicap at a country venue prior to a fair third at Pompadour. Considered.
8. **BODNAKOV** - Fifteen race maiden who arrives in poor form. Others preferred.

**Summary:** ZOUAVE VALLEY (1) shaped better than the bare result when a fair eleventh in a class two handicap. Solid 1L second over 1800m at Marseille-Borely prior and is a notable runner dropping into a claimer. MACHISTADOR (3) scored by 2.5L in a class four handicap at this venue. Enjoys this trip and is one to note. HONOR BERE (2) showed up well when 3.75L seventh in a 1900m class three handicap at Deauville. Shortlist. QUDILLERO (4) produced a 6L claiming success four back and is considered dropping back in trip following a 4.25L tenth tackling 3000m at this course.

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ZOUAVE VALLEY (1) - MACHISTADOR (3) - HONOR BERE (2) - QUDILLERO (4)</b></p>
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**Race 6 - PRIX DES MELEZES - 2000m CLM.** Purse EUR €12,000.

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1. **TOPA** - Spanish raider who finished runner up at Madrid last month. Market check.
2. **AGAMEMNON** - 2.5L success in a claimer at Montauban prior to a fair 7.5L ninth in a handicap at Dax. Not discounted.
3. **BOUJOC** - Arrives in poor form but worth a second look having been supplemented.
4. **APRES LA GUERRE** - Three places from six career starts all in maiden company. Claims dropping into a claimer.
5. **MEU LEIRO** - Held in three career starts. Opposed.
6. **THECLIMB** - Consistent in claimers including when fourth on his last two outings. One to note in first-time blinkers.
7. **EL CORRO** - 1.25L second in a claimer at this venue nine days ago. Notable runner under a top jockey.
8. **THE SUNRISE** - Pair of good claiming runs prior to solid back-to-back sevenths in handicaps. Respected back in a claimer.
9. **KEN** - Narrow success in a maiden over 1800m at Langon Libourne on debut prior to a fair seventh in a class two conditions race. Unexposed and rates highly down in grade.
10. **PEARLINE BARELIERE** - Held in three starts at San Sebastian. Others preferred.
11. **ANDEREA** - Shown little in five starts to date. Others preferred.
12. **SUN GAZING** - Safely accounted for in a pair of maidens and market can guide following a 203 day break.
13. **CHAPPAQUIDDICK** - Showed promise in the UK but below par in both French starts. Best watched.

**Summary:** KEN (9) scored narrowly in a 1800m maiden at Langon Libourne on debut prior to a fair seventh in a class two conditions race. Unexposed and could have more to offer. Leading chance. APRES LA GUERRE (4) managed to find the frame three times from six career starts in maiden company. Notable runner dropping into a claimer. EL CORRO (7) produced a 1.25L second in a claimer at this venue recently. Respected under a top jockey. THECLIMB (6) has been consistent in claimers of late and cannot be discounted wearing first-time blinkers.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Selections</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>KEN (9) - APRES LA GUERRE (4) - EL CORRO (7) - THECLIMB (6)</b></p>
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**Race 7 - PRIX LASTOURS - 2450m HCP CL4.** Purse EUR €12,000.

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1. **BAILEYS DIAMANT** - Placed on two of final three runs last campaign. Expected to be primed following short break and looks a big each way player amongst this field.
2. **EVINERUDE** - Modest reappearance effort but may just have needed the run. Goes well for this apprentice and has an each way chance.
3. **LE RAFALE** - Uninspiring recent form figures and is easily opposed.
4. **SEMEUR D'ESPOIR** - Excuses last time and had finished second on two starts prior. Should remain in good form and is drawn well. Shortlist.
5. **SISSI DOLOISE** - Pulled up in better race latest. Steadily progressive at this level prior and has place claims.
6. **TEXANITO** - Scored two starts ago but failed to give true running only start since. Inconsistent type and would be a threat to all at best but hard to entirely trust.
7. **PROPHETS PRIDE** - Won three starts ago but disappointing in similar contests the last twice. May bounce back.
8. **FEE DU BIEN** - 1.5L second at Pompadour first up this campaign. Should strip fitter. Big chance.
9. **CHELSEE** - Eighteen race maiden but has been running with credit recently. Can improve further yet and has good record for this driver. Respected.
10. **MI BELLA** - Ran a lot better than market expected when a 4.5L fifth on first start this campaign. Good jockey booked and has an each way chance if progressing.
11. **KARAKORUM** - 3L fourth at Pompadour last time came in slightly easier contest. Will need further progression to factor.
12. **LOUVE DANCER** - 0.75L second here when last seen but is concerning she is now 69 starts without a victory. Could go close.
13. **IZAKAYA** - No better than midfield on recent starts and similar showing anticipated.
14. **REVE DE CHOP** - Lost his form recently and likely to prove best watched now.

**Summary:** SEMEUR D'ESPOIR (4) is excused latest outing in a better grade. Better judged on placed finishes two starts prior. Holds winning claims back at this level. FEE DU BIEN (8) managed a placing on reappearance. That form reads well and can progress. Consider. LOUVE DANCER (12) was beaten less than 1L when second here last time out. This is slightly tougher but might go close once more. BAILEYS DIAMANT (1) is expected to be primed for return. Rates an each way chance.

**Selections**

**SEMEUR D'ESPOIR (4) - FEE DU BIEN (8) - LOUVE DANCER (12) - BAILEYS DIAMANT (1)**