R3 CHANTILLY [R-H]

C1 - PRIX DE LA CHAMBRE DE MARBRE - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Condition Race - Flat - EUR € 34.000

- **1. BOLIDE PORTO -** Won cozily last time over 1600m here at Chantilly and can certainly go back-to-back. A must for all bets. Good chance
- 2. PRINCESSE SAPHIR Has won last four in a row and can continue winning. Last victory was at this course over 1900m. Strong winning chance
- **3. PRINCE A RIO -** Won penultimate over 1800m at this track and followed up with an encouraging third over 1600m. The horse to beat. Win
- **4. SURVIE -** Made a smart winning debut at Deauville over 1500m in November and can remain unbeaten after this. Could be anything. Good chance
- **5. ALABAMA MOON -** Is a one time winner, holding form, finished an encouraging second over 1600m last time and has a strong chance. Each way claims
- **6. TILILA -** Has not shone in both career starts and will need serious improvement to threaten here. Wait for better efforts before including in any bets. Pass by
- **7. ZELDA REBEL -** A daughter of Le Rebel that could be anything. Watch the betting trends as race time gets closer. Others should be too strong. Happy to ignore

Summary: PRINCE A RIO (3) is lightly raced, showing huge amounts of ability and goes well at this track. He could be hard to opoose and is the firm first suggestion. BOLIDE PORTO (1) has won twice from only five starts and is clearly on the up. He knows this track well and can be expected to give plenty cheek all the way home. ALABAMA MOON (5) is another lightly raced individual that caught the eye last time. She is an exciting filly for the future and must be respected and included in all bets. PRINCESS SAPHIR (2) is in hot winning form and can continue on these ways. Include in everything.

SELECTIONS

PRINCE A RIO (3) - BOLIDE PORTO (1) - ALABAMA MOON (5) - PRINCESSE SAPHIR (2)

C2 - PRIX DE LA REMISE DES LILAS - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Class - Flat - EUR € 19.000

- **1. INNOVATOR -** Was a winner three starts back in a Handicap at Deauville over 1500m but has been declining since. Will need to improve to feature. Unlikley winner
- **2. MAX VERST -** Ignore latest sixth, was a winner before that over 1700m. Serious claims and is one for the shortlsit. Big runner
- **3. IT'S ALL A DREAM -** Was an impressive winner over 1600m at this course last time and has a strong chance of following up. Winning choice
- **4. TIGRR** Ignore last run when fourteenth, finished second over 1700m before that and has fair overall form. Good chance
- **5. DREAM FOR ALL -** Never runs a bad race, placed fifth last time over 1600m in a Handicap and won before that. Strong each way chance
- **6. BOWLAND PARK -** Has run some fair races recently against much weaker. Small, outside place chance at very best
- **7. APFEL NONANTAISE -** Hard to assess, a tad erratic, was a winner at penultimate but surrounding form is average. Include in larger quartet perms at best
- **8. JUANITA -** Was a winner three runs back in September but has not shone since. Hard to fancy and can therefore be dismissed from all bets
- **9. GOLDINO BELLO -** Has very little current form to get excited about and would be a surprise winner. Happy to ignore and pass by
- **10. ZAVARO** Finished second four races back but has been on the decline since. Far prefer others and would be a shock winner

Summary: IT'S ALL A DREAM (3) was an impressive winner at this course in a Handicap over 1600m earlier this month after being off form. He can follow up. TIGRR (4) can be forgiven for his dismal last run and judged on his solid overll form. He has strong each way claims. MAX VERST (2) has excellent overall form, was a winner at his penultimate and has to be taken seriously for all bets. DREAM FOR ALL (5) boasts very consistent form and can never be ignored. Expect another honest performance.

SELECTIONS

IT'S ALL A DREAM (3) - TIGRR (4) - MAX VERST (2) - DREAM FOR ALL (5)

C3 - PRIX DE LA GARENNE DE CHARLEMONT - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Condition Race Qualifier - Flat - EUR € 23.000

- **1. BRAVE SHIINA -** Placed third over 1800m on the 18th of December over 1800m and should earn again. Strong place claims
- **2. CHILLI BOY -** Ran a much improved race earlier this month when second over 1600m. Can threaten again if repeating and building on that performance. Chance
- **3. NARCISSUS -** Much better effort late last month when third at this course over 1600m and should make a race of it. Bright chance
- **4. RESTLESS SPIRIT -** Taking time to score again, finished third over 1400m here at Deauville last time and can get into the minor money. Quartet chance
- **5. SIRIUS SLEW -** Last two efforts have been encouraging in Belgium and based on that should be in the shake-up. Good chance
- **6. ROUVRAY -** Would be a shock winner based on latest form and can be ignored from all bets. Happy to pass by
- **7. JACK O'BOY -** Taking time to win again, ignore last run when downfield but caught the eye before when second over 1600m at Saint-Cloud. Respect and include
- **8. PACO -** Holding form, probably the horse to fear the most as the danger. Placed fourth at Toulouse over 1600m last month. Big runner
- **9. MORCOTE -** Knows how to win races, placed fourth three runs back over 2150m at Lyon La Soie and can build on latest eighth over 1800m. Strong value each way chance
- **10. THE ICONIST -** Cannot be selected on current form and would be a surprise winner. Happy to ignore
- **11. BAILEYS MEMOIRE -** Needs serious improvement on current form before being included in any selections. Happy to ignore and pass by
- **12. GARENCIERES -** Won against much weaker last time over 2000m. Would not be a shock if following up but unlikely. Far prefer others. An outside place chance

Summary: It has been nearly a year since MORCOTE (9) has found the winners enclosure but he has been there and thereabouts recently in the Handicap division. His recent best effort was three starts back when fourth at Lyon La Soie over 2150m and he has been selected as the value first choice. He has recorded seven wins in his carrer thus far. PACO (8) has competed in LIsted races before and more recently in reclaiming events. His last three starts have been encouraging and he has strong claims. NARCISSUS (3) is taking time to win but has a strong place chance. SIRIUS SLEW (5) has a huge quartet chance.

SELECTIONS

MORCOTE (9) - PACO (8) - NARCISSUS (3) - SIRIUS SLEW (5)

C4 - PRIX DE LA CHAMBRE DE LA DUCHESSE - 1900m (a1 3/16m) - ALL WEATHER - Divised Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16.000

- **1. SYRAH SILVER -** Has erratic form and a tad tough to assess but on penultimate third at Compiegne, can go close. Good chance
- 2. PASTEL BLUES Has run some fair races before and on very best form can earn. Respect and include. Chance
- **3. KOULIKOFF -** Was a winner four runs ago but has been on the decline since. Hard to fancy on recent efforts and can be ignored from all bets. Unlikley
- **4. HEY CHARLIE -** Finished fourth over 1700m at Pornichet three runs back but has been dissapointing thereafter. Hard to make a case for her and hard to fancy
- **5. TREVOR SENORA -** Has not shown any ability in six runs to date and will need serious improvement to threaten. Cannot be fancied. Pass by
- **6. KOLPLET -** Taking forever to win, is off form and has a lot to do to improve and cannot be fancied. Unlikely winner. Pass by
- **7. SNUGGLE UP -** Only won once and all other runs have been unplaced. Hard to assess but is an outsider with very little scope or chance. Ignore
- **8. ADHAMIY -** The top selection based on a much better effort last time when second over 1900m at this course. Winning choice
- **9. PRETTY WARRIOR -** Might be able to build on latest eighth over 2500m at Deauville but far prefer others and would be a shock result. Pass by
- **10. NUIT FAUVE -** Placed third over 1900m at Chantilly early December and can make a serious race of it. Strong each way claims
- **11. BARRAMEDA -** Taking forever to get it right, has absolutely no sparkling form and needs serioius improvement. Rather wait and see if improves but rather ignore from all bets
- **12. EVER READY -** Expect progression on last run when fifth over 1900m at this venue. Include in all bets. Strong place chance
- **13. STELLAR JAY -** Has been finishing way downfield recently and is an unlikely winner. Can be excluded from all bets
- **14. PALETUVIER -** Current form is uninspiring and will need to improve a lot to feature in the finish. Hard to fancy and can be passed by
- **15. REDRUNNER -** Cannot be fancied on overall declining form and would be a huge upset if winning. Happy to ignore
- **16. SOIZIYA -** Cannot be fancied on current form and is showing very little ability. Would be a shock if finishing in the first four. Happy to ignore
- **17. PENNYWELL -** Has many lengths to find before being considered for any bets. Hard to fancy and can be ignored. Pass by

Summary: ADHAMIY (8) is testing our patience as she is making us wait for her next win. In saying that, one cannot help but get excited by her last performance when second over 1900m in a Handicap. She now looks ready for the next score. NUIT FAUVE (10) has placed 6 times from 10 races and should get it all right one of these days. She has a massive place chance and a small winning one. SYRAH SILVER (1) is a tad erratic and becoming hard to assess but on very best form and efforts can earn for the connections. EVER READY (12) is the value choice for the back end of the guartet.

SELECTIONS

ADHAMIY (8) - NUIT FAUVE (10) - SYRAH SILVER (1) - EVER READY (12)

C5 - PRIX DE VERMARS - 1900m (a1 3/16m) - ALL WEATHER - Divised Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16.000

- **1. LOU BALICOT -** Heavily raced since winning a handicap in June. Off a lower mark but was only sixth last time out in a handicap. Can upset
- 2. SECOND TO NONE Likes this surface but only win was a claimer. More needed to win but can contest the finish
- **3. FAZZANO** Struggling since only win and was well beaten in a handicap last time out. Others are preferred
- **4. LA GALOPINE -** Not disgraced when fifth in a claimer last time out. Has a winning chance off this low mark in a handicap
- **5. ERNAN CORTES -** Much improved of late and has won two handicaps in last three starts. Carries a 3.5kg penalty for latest win but is not out of it
- **6. SILVER MAGIC -** More than a year since last win. Only eighth last time out but could improve on the PSF. Place chance
- **7. GREEN CURRY** On a very long losing run and was only fifth in a claimer last time out. More needed to win this race
- **8. MY FLINDERS -** More than a year since last win and was well beaten on this surface i last two starts. Others are preferred
- **9. DIWAN SENORA -** On a very long losing run but was third over this track in a handicap last time out and has a winning chance
- **10. GRACE OF CLIFFS -** On a very long losing run and is clearly a hard horse to win with but does have a place chance
- **11. SECRET GLORY -** Disappointing penultimate start when eighth but bounced back with a good runner-up performance over this course and distance. Go close
- **12. RIP -** Won a handicap over this distance in January but has struggled since. Can upset off this low mark
- **13. PARFAITE MERILL** On a very long losing streak but was not disgraced when fifth in a handicap over this track and trip last time out. can contest the finish
- **14. THE FOOTMAN -** Showed some improvement when sixth in a handicap last time out but has yet to win after 23 starts. Others are preferred
- **15. TARAHUMARA QUEEN -** Won over this distance in January but has really been struggling of late and others are much preferred
- **16. MY BUDDY -** Won over this course and distance in February but has been struggling of late and others are preferred
- **17. REINE DE LUNE -** More than a year since only win and has been moderate of late. Needs to find a few lengths to win this race

Summary: LA GALOPINE (4) has yet to win a race but was not disgraced when fifth in a claimer last time out and could surprise off this low mark. ERNAN CORTES (5) has been good at this course over a shorter distance winning two handicaps but has to prove himself as good this distance this time. PARFAITE MERILL (13) was not disgraced when fifth last time out and can do even better this time. SECRET GLORY (11) is also capable of going close.

SELECTIONS

LA GALOPINE (4) - ERNAN CORTES (5) - PARFAITE MERILL (13) - SECRET GLORY (11)

C6 - PRIX DU SALON DE GUISE - 1900m (a1 3/16m) - ALL WEATHER - Divised Handicap - Flat - EUR € 19.000

- **1. IANOVKA -** Performed very well with the blinkers fitted last time out and, on that evidence, is the chief threat to PORTRERO (14).
- **2. ZELZEFYR -** Out of sorts and not likely to trouble the judge here on the evidence of his recent displays. For another day
- **3. ASCOT WAY -** Versatile performer who finished 2nd when reverting to the flat last time. Chance here if confirming that form
- **4. CALA MOLI -** Unreliable but seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- **5. BHUTTO -** In good form and physical condition so could take an active part in the finish on handicap debut. Dark horse
- **6. BANDASTAR -** Consistent last-start winner who ought to remain competitive despite a 2kg penalty. Warrants respect
- **7. FOXEY LADY -** Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in here. Has more of a place chance than a winning one
- **8. EURYTHMICAL -** Struggling to regain any form or show signs of improvement needed to be competitive here, so unlikely to trouble the judge
- **9. KENMYRA -** Showed signs of improvement last time and could get a look in here if building on that progress. Outsider
- **10. STARKEY -** Has looked rather ordinary to this point so his chances are limited, even at this level. Others are preferred
- **11. OCTOBER CHOPE -** Out of sorts and not likely to trouble the judge here on the evidence of her recent displays. For another day
- **12. NAIADE -** Struggling to regain any form or show signs of improvement needed to be competitive here, so unlikely to trouble the judge
- **13. NOIRELLE -** Has nothing noteworthy to her name to warrant any consideration so can be easily ruled out. Overlook
- **14. PORTRERO -** Consistent for the most part and was unlucky when finishing unplaced last time, so that display is best forgotten. Has the means to make amends
- **15. USNAVYGIRL -** Has held her own in better races/company so cannot be taken lightly in a race of this nature. Dark horse
- **16. MYRIADE -** Struggling to regain any form or show signs of improvement needed to be competitive here, so unlikely to trouble the judge
- **17. SWEET LULLABY -** Unreliable but not incapable of getting into the picture judged on her best references. Tough task from wide draw

Summary: On 7 December at this venue, PORTRERO (14) was very unlucky not to have played a leading role in the finish after encountering traffic problems in the straight. He retains sufficient means to win a race of this nature and is taken to make amends. IANOVKA (1) is likely to lead the opposition along with ASCOT WAY (3), who finished runner-up on his return to the flat last time. BANDASTAR (6), despite a 2kg penalty, and SWEET LULLABY (17) complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

PORTRERO (14) - IANOVKA (1) - ASCOT WAY (3) - BANDASTAR (6)

C7 - PRIX DE FOSSES - 1900m (a1 3/16m) - ALL WEATHER - Divised Handicap - Flat - EUR € 18.000

- **1. SAGUARO -** Unreliable and out of sorts but has dropped to the mark off of which he did win at this course early in the year. Not taken lightly
- **2. FINDON FLYER** Out of sorts but did show enough last year to stake a claim in a race of this nature off his current mark. Outsider
- **3. JACQUES COEUR -** Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in here. Has more of a place chance than a winning one
- **4. LIFE'S A BREEZE -** Seldom finishes far off the mark so could get into the picture, though has more of a place chance than a winning one
- **5. LANDARYNA -** Unreliable but not incapable of getting into the picture judged on her best references. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- **6. SALERNO -** Unreliable but seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Hard to trust but is not easily ruled out either
- **7. ALBERT BRIDGE -** Out of sorts and is not likely to trouble the judge on the evidence of his recent displays. For another day
- **8. NOT SO SILLY -** Finished a reassuring 5th last time out and will make his presence felt here in confirming that improvement. Keep safe
- **9. SAMAGACE DU VIVIEN -** Seldom finishes far off the mark so could get into the picture, though has more of a place chance than a winning one
- **10. SEA WINGS -** Consistent sort confirmed at this level of the handicap. Caught the eye when finishing 3rd recently and will play a leading role here with a repeat of that performance
- **11. POLMINHAC** Bounced back to form on his return from a break when finishing 2nd at Deauville last time out, proving that he is up to winning a race of this nature. Winning chance
- **12. DELACHANCE -** Struggling to regain any form or show signs of improvement needed to be competitive, so unlikely to trouble the judge
- **13. ASLAN SENORA -** Confirmed the improvement of his previous outing (3rd) by winning last time out. Ought to remain competitive despite a 2,5kg penalty
- **14. VESINABA** Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in having seen his rating drop to an attractive mark. Dark horse
- **15. KING OF TWIST -** Honest veteran who has been a model of consistency in recent weeks. Proven at this level and well positioned in the gates, so should have a say in the finish
- **16. DAISY SENORA -** Has nothing noteworthy to her name for some time now to warrant any consideration here so can be ruled out. Overlook
- **17. SHARANN -** Finished 6th in three consecutive starts over hurdles before making no impression on the flat last time. Hard to make a case for

Summary: POLMINHAC (11) went very close to making a winning comeback at Deauville last month so, with improved fitness on his side and more expected of him, is good value to go one better here with the benefit of his rider's 1,5kg allowance, despite starting from a wide No 13 stall. SEA WINGS (10) and KING OF TWIST (15) have repeatedly proven their competitiveness at this level of the handicap and, as such, are likely to pose a threat. NOT SO SILLY (8) sparked a return to form by finishing 5th last time and could have a role to play if confirming that improvement.

SELECTIONS

POLMINHAC (11) - SEA WINGS (10) - KING OF TWIST (15) - NOT SO SILLY (8)

C8 - PRIX DU SALON VIOLET - 1900m (a1 3/16m) - ALL WEATHER - Divised Handicap - Flat - EUR € 21.000

- **1. TALK SHOW -** Finished an encouraging 4th on his handicap debut so cannot be taken lightly here. One the shortlist
- **2. GOLDEN RIVER -** Was a good last-start winner of a claiming race and finds the handicaps now with legitimate ambitions
- **3. SAMBA** Enjoying a period of good form so ought to be competitive for the leading positions reverting to a handicap
- **4. DARK ZEL -** In good form and is associated here with Stéphane Pasquier, so has several assets in her game. Respected
- **5. AL ALAALI** Unreliable but not incapable of getting into the picture judged on his best references. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- **6. DANSEUSE CELEBRE -** Out of sorts and not likely to trouble the judge here on the evidence of his recent displays. For another day
- **7. DORIANELLO -** Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in here. Has more of a place chance than a winning one
- **8. MRS RHAPSODY -** Has never finished worse than 3rd on this course and should have a role to play again. Keep safe
- **9. EDEN -** Recently established herself over this course and distance so has claims here if confirming that form
- **10. HAPPY HUNTER -** Has nothing noteworthy to his name to warrant any consideration here so can be ruled out. Others preferred
- **11. ALBANIA -** Struggling to regain any form or show signs of improvement needed to be competitive here, so unlikely to trouble the judge
- **12. PAVLOVA DU BERLAIS -** Out of sorts and not likely to trouble the judge here on the evidence of his recent displays. For another day
- **13. CLEMENZA -** Hails from a stable in good form and will benefit from the rider's 1,5kg weight allowance. Dark horse
- **14. NEVADO -** Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in here. Has more of a place chance than a winning one
- **15. HIVER LOVER -** Unreliable but not incapable of getting into the picture with a lot of scope for improvement. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- **16. LIDISBARN -** Rewarded for consistency with a last-start success but has more to do in this race/company to play a leading role
- **17. SOUL OF THE NATION -** Struggling to regain any form or show signs of improvement needed to be competitive here, so unlikely to trouble the judge

Summary: Proven on this surface, SAMBA (3) takes to the handicaps for the first time with serious ambitions of winning at this level. However, she will have to be wary of MRS RHAPSODY (8), who has run well in recent starts at this level, and DARK ZEL (4), whose competitiveness in this grade is beyond doubt. TALK SHOW (1) finished 4th in his handicap debut so ought to remain competitive, along with CLEMENZA (13).

SELECTIONS

SAMBA (3) - MRS RHAPSODY (8) - DARK ZEL (4) - TALK SHOW (1)

C9 - PRIX DE LA CHAMBRE DU DUC - 1900m (a1 3/16m) - ALL WEATHER - Divised Handicap - Flat - EUR € 25.000

- RISING UP Last win was a claimer. Only sixth in a handicap last time out and needs to do more to win this race
- 2. O'SSITOT Very consistent at this course and won a claimer over this track and trip. Go close
- **3. NEKOLETO -** Both wins have been on the turf but has run well over this course and distance before. Place chance
- **4. INKIOSTRO -** Unreliable and was a disappointment when seventh last time out but did win over this course and distance before that. Can upset
- KERNO QUATZ Won his first two starts but has lost his way since then and is probably best watched for now
- 6. GIRAFFE Fourth in a claimer last time out. Capable of better and is distance suited. Not out of it
- **7. MELBORA -** Last win was a claimer but did run well on this surface when fourth in August and could be the surprise package of the race
- **8. LODOVICO -** Well beaten in his first handicap last time out. Fair form before that and is capable of better. Might place
- **9. SOLAIRE -** Only win was last year. Well beaten in a handicap last time out and others are preferred
- **10. SNUGGLES -** Distance suited and has won twice on the turf this year. Disappointing on the PSF but could play a minor role
- **11. RISE AND SHINE -** More than a year since only win but was not disgraced when fifth in a handicap last time out. Place chance
- **12. LIMERICK BOUND -** Scored on his handicap debut which was over this course and distance. Carries a 3kg penalty for that win but can follow up
- **13. A TA GUISE -** Disappointing last run when eighth in handicap. Did better in penultimate start and can contest the finish
- **14. LOUGHCREW -** Runner-up on debut back in June. Has lost his way since then and was eleventh in a handicap last time out. Others are preferred
- **15. AUCOEURDELANUIT -** On a long losing run but has won over this course and distance and is racing off a slightly lower mark. Can upset
- **16. ALAMSAR -** Much improved of late and was not disgraced when third in a handicap last time out. Has a winning chance
- **17. HORTENSIA BASC -** Has scope for improvement and was fifth in a handicap last time out. Might place

Summary: LIMERICK BOUND (12) won on his French handicap debut and is capable of scoring again carrying a 3kg penalty. O'SSITOT (2) has been running well over this course and distance lately and can fight out the finish yet again. A TA GUISE (13) is better than the last run would suggest and can go close. GIRAFFE (6) is distance suited and not out of it.

SELECTIONS

LIMERICK BOUND (12) - O'SSITOT (2) - A TA GUISE (13) - GIRAFFE (6)