

# SUNDAY, 03/12/23

**C1 - PRIX DE LA GAGNERIE - 1900m (a1 3/16m) - ALL WEATHER - Condition Race - Flat - EUR € 30.000**

1. **WAHDAN** - Was acquired for more than €150,000 in October last year and hails from a beautiful family. One to note for trainer Jean-Claude Rouget
2. **XYLOPHONE** - Stéphane Wattel-trained Zarak gelding to be ridden on debut by Arthur Vilchien. Could get into the picture
3. **MAGIC WORLD** - Jérôme Moutard rides this Ruler Of The World newcomer for trainer Gianluca Bietolini, who also owns
4. **TAMYZ** - Well-bred Le Havre colt from the stable of Stéphane Wattel, who trains out of Deauville. High on the shortlist
5. **MIA GRANDE** - François-Xavier de Chevigny-trained Inns Of Court colt to be ridden on debut by Thomas Trullier. Watch for now
6. **LORK OF THE STORM** - Ivawood colt on debut for trainer Paul Dolle, who has engaged Benjamin Marie to ride. Watch for now
7. **MANDARB** - Cloth Of Stars colt to be ridden on debut by Lukas Deleau for trainer Stéphane Wattel. Others make more appeal
8. **CHARTWELL** - Churchill colt purchased for €50,000 and related to Group winner Ideal Beauty. Carlos & Yann Lerner train, Ronan Thomas rides
9. **WIT PERD** - Nicolas Caullery-trained Kendargent newcomer to be ridden on debut by Hugo Journiac. Best watched for now
10. **RIBBLE VIBE** - Well-bred Sea the Stars colt related to Group I champion Ribchester. Warrants respect under Arthur Mossé who has a 1,5kg allowance
11. **L'INITIE** - Almanzor newcomer related to dual Group winner Célimène. Not taken lightly with Augustin Madamet engaged to ride
12. **GATTOPARDO** - Non-Runner
13. **DRUMARD** - Reoletos colt trained by Eric Libaud and to be ridden on debut by Eddy Hardouin. Could get into the picture
14. **MON FLAMANT** - Bought for €165,000 last year and is related to a host of winners (from a prolific dam line). Not taken lightly
15. **HAGLER** - Shalaa gelding who fetched €70,000 as a yearling last summer. Represents a stable known for doing well with young horses
16. **FRENCH NAVY FLAG** - Gianluca Bietolini-trained US Navy Flag colt to be ridden on debut by Rosario Mangione. One to note

**Summary** : In this opening event for unraced two-year-old colts and geldings, it could pay to side with TAMYZ (4) with Théo Bachelot engaged to ride for Stéphane Wattel, who is renowned for readying a newcomer. Well-related HAGLER (15) is also from a yard that does well with its young horses, so cannot be taken lightly. RIBBLE VIBE (10) is from a good family and represents André Fabre, so isn't underestimated either, along with Siyouni colt WAHDAN (1). Both MON FLAMANT (14) and CHARTWELL (8) are others to consider.

## SELECTIONS

**TAMYZ (4) - HAGLER (15) - RIBBLE VIBE (10) - WAHDAN (1)**

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C2 - PRIX DE MORICAUD - 1500m (a7 1/2f) - ALL WEATHER - A RECLAMER - Flat - EUR € 19.000

1. **GREAT ART** - Finished a well-beaten last of 10 at Lyon La Soie in his first start on this surface in October. Can't be condemned too hastily
2. **BOZZO** - An easy winner of his first start in this grade at Chantilly last time and on that evidence looks capable of following up here
3. **SHAYAN** - Consistent for the most part and is trained by the skilled Henk Grewe. Has sufficient means to play a role at this level
4. **FILLE DU ROI** - Disappointing in her two most recent outings but is undefeated in two starts at this level. Not taken lightly
5. **NOUR AYA** - Out of sorts and unlikely to win but is not incapable of getting a look in at this level. Potential spoiler
6. **SERENADE** - Was 3rd in a claiming race at Dieppe in the spring and has finished a credible 5th in her two outings since resuming after a break. Dark horse
7. **KEANO** - Unreliable but seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
8. **GEMICI** - Ultra-consistent at this level since fitted with headgear and could have more to offer with full blinkers fitted for the first time
9. **MALLORCA SUN** - Seldom finishes far off the mark so could get into the picture here, though has no more than a place chance
10. **SCHWENDI** - Still a maiden after 12 outings but has contested stronger races, including 4 Quinte+ events. Has sound references on this surface, so must be respected
11. **ZERAPHINA** - Struggling to regain her form or spark the improvement needed to be competitive, so is not likely to trouble the judge
12. **MONDAINAI** - Finished 4th on debut last year but lost her way in two subsequent starts on this surface. One to note on her reappearance
13. **INCA QUEEN** - Showed little on debut at Haydock Park in July and made no impression in her first start on French soil (PSF) either. Needs to improve
14. **KLEEBLATT** - Limited German filly who finished 7th at this level last time in her first start on French soil. Others preferred

**Summary** : Last-start winner BOZZO (2) boasts the highest rating of the runners engaged in this claiming event and is good value to follow up his recent success, though will be hard-pressed to do so by FILLE DU ROI (4) who is unbeaten in two starts at this level. GREAT ART (1) is drawn widest of all in stall No 14 but is capable of staking a claim in a race of this nature. SCHWENDI (10) will welcome a return to the PSF and completes the shortlist.

## SELECTIONS

**BOZZO (2) - FILLE DU ROI (4) - GREAT ART (1) - SCHWENDI (10)**

# SUNDAY, 03/12/23

**C3 - PRIX LUTHIER - POLYTRACK CHALLENGE - 1500m (a7 1/2f) - ALL WEATHER - Condition  
Race - Flat - EUR € 52.000**

- 1. FAST RAAJ** - A six-time winner on this surface and beat re-opposing rivals SIAM PARAGON (7) and BREIZH EAGLE (2) over 1400 meters recently. Won this race last year and is capable of doing so again
- 2. BREIZH EAGLE** - Course specialist who caught the eye when finishing 3rd last time behind FAST RAAJ (1) and SIAM PARAGON (7). Will be a factor
- 3. MOUNT ATHOS** - Winner on this surface at Kempton across the Channel recently. Must be respected in his first start on French soil
- 4. TUMBLER** - Has won back-to-back outings recently at a significantly lower level on the turf. Finished 4th in his only start on this surface but will need to raise his game to be competitive here
- 5. DANCING GODDESS** - Beaten for the first time on French soil when finishing 7th in a Group III event in her last start. Has references on this surface so is not taken lightly
- 6. BEST LIGHTNING** - Consistent for the most part with sound form references. Has no more than a place chance though
- 7. SIAM PARAGON** - A specialist fibresand performer who finished runner-up to FAST RAAJ (1) last month. Ought to have a say here
- 8. RUFOLLO** - Consistent at a considerably lower level and will have his work cut out for him here. Best just to watch
- 9. GAMESTOP** - Authoritative winner of his first start on this surface at Chantilly last time out. Should remain competitive, even against older rivals
- 10. WHISPERING DREAM** - Had done little wrong in six starts, winning four of them, before finishing a well-beaten last of 14 in a Group III race last time. Could bounce back reverting to this surface
- 11. CHARLOTTE BAY** - Made a winning comeback in a PSF handicap at Chantilly last month but needs to improve to be competitive in this grade/company

**Summary** : FAST RAAJ (1) landed the spoils in this Listed event 12 months ago and lines up in defence of his title boasting an unbeaten (two from two) course record. He is good value to preserve that 100% track record and is taken to get the better of fibresand specialist SIAM PARAGON (7) who is likely to play a leading role from an inside stall. GAMESTOP (9) takes on older rivals for the first time but has legitimate claims in this lineup, which can also be said of BREIZH EAGLE (2) who lost his undefeated record at this track when finishing 3rd last time.

## SELECTIONS

**FAST RAAJ (1) - SIAM PARAGON (7) - GAMESTOP (9) - BREIZH EAGLE (2)**

# SUNDAY, 03/12/23

**C4 - PRIX DU GRAND CHESNAY - 1900m (a1 3/16m) - ALL WEATHER - Condition Race - Flat - EUR  
€ 30.000**

**1. LE COMBAT CONTINUE** - De Treville debutante trained by Stéphane Wattel, who has booked Augustin Madamet to ride. Dark horse

**2. PELLEGRIN** - Well-bred André Fabre-trained debutante who is a daughter of Group I winner Sariska. One to be with

**3. JANASHA** - Wootton Bassett newcomer from the stable of Jean-Claude Rouget. Cannot be taken lightly on debut, especially with the benefit of her rider's 2,5kg allowance

**4. ABISOLA** - Eric Libaud-trained Le Havre filly to be ridden on debut by Eddy Hardouin. Best just to watch for now

**5. UNIGENA** - Anthony Crastus rides this Almanzor filly on debut for trainer Romain Le Dren Doleuze. Could get into the picture

**6. HAPPY DAYS** - François Monfort-trained Toronado filly to be ridden on debut by Aurélien Lemaitre. Not to be discounted

**7. RUE CUSTINE** - Stéphanie Nigge-trained Phoenix Of Spain debutante who Hugo Journiac has been engaged to ride. Outsider

**8. BALTIC EMPRESS** - A well-related newcomer with an attractive pedigree. Cost €350,000 as a yearling in August last year, so has to be taken seriously

**9. GRAND LILI** - Fetched €250,000 as a yearling in August last year and makes plenty on paper. Not one to be underestimated

**10. AL HABISSET** - Nicolas Le Roch-trained City Light debutante who will be ridden by Hugo Besnier. Best just to watch for now

**11. ELEGANTE LUNA** - Gianluca Bietolini-trained Sea The Moon filly bought for €160,000 as a yearling. Not without a chance on debut

**12. MADEMOISELLE MIA** - Marie Vélon, who will enjoy the benefit of a 1,5kg allowance, rides this daughter of Waldgeist on debut. has upset potential

**13. ANGLESEA** - Trained nearby by Yann Barberot and could have a role to play given familiar surroundings. One to note

**14. MERI LILOU** - Stéphane Wattel-trained Lawman filly who will benefit from her rider Alison Massin's 1,5kg allowance

**15. HALFDAY** - Loe De Vega filly bred and owned by the Wertheimer brothers. Christophe Soumillon rides for trainer Carlos Laffon-Parias

**Summary** : PELLEGRIN (2), trained by André Fabre, is closely related to Group-placed Tygress so gets the nod in this event for unraced two-year-old fillies. BALTIC EMPRESS (8) cost €350,000 as a yearling and should be watched closely, despite jumping from an unfavourable No 14 starting stall. Jean-Claude Rouget runs JANASHA (3), who cannot be underestimated either, while HALFDAY (15) has claims too with Christophe Soumillon engaged to ride.

## SELECTIONS

**PELLEGRIN (2) - BALTIC EMPRESS (8) - JANASHA (3) - HALFDAY (15)**

# SUNDAY, 03/12/23

C5 - PRIX DU HOGUENET - 1400m (a7f) - ALL WEATHER - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 23.000

1. **ITHAQUE** - Has been enjoying a good spell, winning two of her last three starts including her most recent outing. Keep safe
2. **J'ACCLAME** - Consistent filly in good form and physical condition. Finished 4th here last time out and has a shout on return to the handicaps
3. **SEASCAPE GIRL** - Unreliable although not incapable of having a say in a race of this nature, given a favourable inside stall and her early toe/gate speed. Dark horse
4. **DZARINA** - Consistent sort sound form credentials and Christophe Soumillon in the irons. Unconvincing in her previous outings on this surface, though
5. **LILY ROSE** - Hasn't fulfilled her early promise but has dropped significantly in the weights/ratings. Ought to resurface sooner rather than later
6. **HADYA** - Represents a stable in good form and did win a claiming race at this track back in August. Not taken lightly
7. **FURI DE LA HOUSSAY** - Returned to form with an improved 2nd last time out but will need to confirm that progress if she is to have a say here
8. **AL ULA** - Out of sorts, struggling to regain form or spark the improvement needed to be competitive here, so not likely to trouble the judge
9. **GREEN SEA** - Inconsistent filly who continues to blow hot and cold. Finished a reassuring 2nd last time but needs to raise her game to be competitive here
10. **SAY AGAIN** - Lightly raced filly who has not been seen since June but is open to improvement. Has shown enough to warrant respect on her reappearance in a race of this nature
11. **KENDAYA** - Unplaced in both starts this year and unlikely to trouble the judge on the evidence of those 2 outings. Can be ruled out
12. **DADDY'S GIRL** - Doubled her tally with a last-start success at a lower level in Germany (Dresden). Has more to do here
13. **SHINE ON ME** - Unreliable but not incapable of getting into the picture judged on her best references. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out

**Summary** : LILY ROSE (5) won on debut in 2021 and maintained a good level of form/consistency for most of last year, even placing in a Quinte+ event back in August of 2022, but has since lost her way off higher ratings. However, she's dropped to an attractive mark now so ought to fare better and this represents a good opportunity for her to get back on track. HADYA (6) has rediscovered her form recently and Stéphane Cérulis has his stable in good order, so his charge is likely to fight for victory. Consistent J'ACCLAME (2) has legitimate claims back in a handicap, as does last-start winner ITHAQUE (1) who ought to remain competitive after her recent Strasbourg success.

## SELECTIONS

LILY ROSE (5) - HADYA (6) - J'ACCLAME (2) - ITHAQUE (1)

# SUNDAY, 03/12/23

C6 - PRIX DE VADALLIERE - 2500m (a1 9/16m) - ALL WEATHER - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16.000

- 1. ETERNAL OPTIMIST** - Rediscovered his form and consistency in four starts early this year but has been absent since March. Best watched for now
- 2. MON RICIN** - Inconsistent although not incapable of staking a claim in a race of this nature. Finished 3rd at this track last time having led for much of the way, so warrants respect here
- 3. LA BARILLETTE** - Honest mare, at home on this track and in this category. Must not be condemned following a recent failure at Fontainebleau
- 4. CRIN NOIR** - Last-start winner who improved to register a second victory in his 11th start, having made a winning debut in June last year. Has no references on PSF
- 5. MUNAADRAM** - Unreliable but is capable of getting into the picture judged on her best references, including a victory at this venue. Dark horse
- 6. INATTENDU** - Inconsistent but has sufficient means to play a role here. Unreliable but cannot be ruled out either
- 7. ROSETTA STONE** - Has lost his way recently, finishing unplaced in three consecutive outings. Has the means to bounce back dropping to this grade
- 8. BADEN ROCKS** - Finished 5th in a tougher/stronger claiming race two starts back and didn't go unnoticed in a handicap last time (7th). Ought to play a leading role
- 9. ROYAL MONARCH** - Has proven his competitiveness at this level and is likely to bounce back from a recent failure by fighting for victory here
- 10. RUE DE VOLGA** - Has looked rather ordinary for some time now so her chances are limited, even at this level. Finished unplaced (8th) in her first start on this surface last time out

**Summary** : A hard race to assess, though it could pay to take a chance on BADEN ROCKS (8) who has a great opportunity to make a name for himself again, especially at this level and having dropped to an attractive mark. However, the fight for victory is likely to include ROYAL MONARCH (9), who has never finished worse than 4th in two starts at this venue, and veteran mare LA BARILLETTE (3) whose effectiveness at this level and on this surface is beyond doubt.

## SELECTIONS

**BADEN ROCKS (8) - ROYAL MONARCH (9) - LA BARILLETTE (3) - MON RICIN (2)**

# SUNDAY, 03/12/23

C7 - PRIX DE FERGAND - 1300m (a6 1/2f) - ALL WEATHER - Condition Race - Flat - EUR € 28.000

1. **DEMAIN** - Talented colt who made a winning debut on this surface. Has been absent since finishing 2nd in a Listed race five months ago but cannot be underestimated on his reappearance

2. **WHISTLE AND FLUTE** - Unreliable but not incapable of getting into the picture judged on her best references. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out

3. **IT'S CHICO TIME** - Finished a somewhat reassuring 2nd in his last start but will need to build on that progress to have a say here

4. **CIAO PA'** - Finished 2nd four starts back but has regressed with each outing since, so needs to reaffirm. Best watched for now

5. **KIZMAMBO** - Inconsistent but capable sort who opened his account recently with a last-start success. More to do upped in class here but has a place chance

6. **HAYEJOHN** - Finished 3rd in a Quinte+ on 5 October under a heavy weight and has run well again since. Not taken lightly

7. **ZOOM** - Won his latest start with authority on this track and, under the conditions, ought to follow up here with another victory

**Summary** : ZOOM (7) is the highest rated of the seven runners engaged here and receives 2kg from four of his six rivals, so ought to capitalise on these favourable conditions by following his recent success with another victory here. DEMAIN (1) returns from a break but seems the most likely to pose a threat, in spite of a 2kg concession. Of the remainder, HAYEJOHN (6) and KIZMAMBO (5) are the two most capable of filling the minor positions.

## SELECTIONS

**ZOOM (7) - DEMAIN (1) - HAYEJOHN (6) - KIZMAMBO (5)**

# SUNDAY, 03/12/23

**C8 - PRIX DU CHANTIER NAVAL - 1300m (a6 1/2f) - ALL WEATHER - Condition Race - Flat - EUR €  
22.000**

**1. SIXTINE BAAL** - Made no impression on debut but would have gained from that experience, so should have more to offer

**2. SIXTUS** - Bounced back to form last time when finishing 3rd at this venue, having led for most of the way. Will be a factor once more

**3. NEOWISE** - Improved to finish 4th in her second outing on French soil last time. Ought to have a say here if confirming that progress

**4. SADIA** - Runner-up in two of her last four starts, including at Chantilly last time out. Good value to go one better

**5. FINDON ROSE** - Improved to finish 4th behind SIXTUS (2) at this venue last month and has room for further progress. Keep safe

**6. MAGICAL LOVE** - Failed to confirm the improvement of her previous outing (4th) by finishing unplaced last time. Others preferred

**Summary** : Having finished 2nd over 1500m on this surface in her last start, it could pay to side with SADIA (4) opening her account here over this shorter trip. SIXTUS (2), who bounced back to form last time out (3rd), has the form and experience to pose a threat, which could also be said of NEOWISE (3) who showed signs of improvement when 4th at Chantilly over 1600m last time. FINDON ROSE (5) is on the up and ought to make her presence felt too.

## SELECTIONS

**SADIA (4) - SIXTUS (2) - NEOWISE (3) - FINDON ROSE (5)**