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C1 - PRIX DE BALEIX - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 21,000

1. SHERKANE - Not disgraced when 3rd on debut in a Conditions race at Durtal over 2000m on 17 December. Can contest the finish again

2. SPIELMAN - Showed good improvement when runner-up in a Conditions race over this track and trip on 8 January. Should go one better this time

3. THOR LIGHTNING - Did not show much on debut but has improved since then and was 5th last time out in a Conditions race over this track and trip on 22 January. Place chance

4. KHELJOST - Probably better on the turf and was 10th last time out in a handicap over this course and distance on 31 December. Others are preferred

5. FARINELLI - Holding form well and was 4th last time out in a Conditions race over this track and trip on 22 January. Go close

6. LOR LAGOON - A three-year-old colt by Kool Kompany out of Haruka who is making his debut. Watch the betting

Summary: SPIELMAN (2) showed good improvement when runner-up over this track and trip earlier this month and really should go one better against these rivals. FARINELLI (5) has been consistent in three starts so should fight out the finish once again. SHERKANE (1) drops in distance and tries the PSF after a fair debut and deserves some respect. THOR LIGHTNING (3) is another more likely to place than win.

SELECTIONS

SPIELMAN (2) - FARINELLI (5) - SHERKANE (1) - THOR LIGHTNING (3)

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C2 - PRIX LOUIS-ALEXANDRE SERS - 4000m (a2m 1/2) - TURF - Class 3 - Steeple Chase - EUR € 37,000

- 1. MANITOPARK AA** - Fit and holding form and was 4th last time out in a Conditions chase at this course over 4700m on 14 January. Not out of it
- 2. HARDI BLUE TROIS AA** - Disappointing last run when 6th in a Conditions chase over this track and trip on 25 December. Could earn some money
- 3. JAZZ DE CANDALE AA** - Consistent without scoring before fluffing his lines last time out at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat on 9 April. Returns from a break but is not out of it
- 4. LIZZANO AA** - Battling to regain best form and was only modest when 5th last time out in a Conditions chase at this course over 4700 on 14 January. Place chance
- 5. REDDINGTON AA** - Experienced in chases and was 3rd last time out in a Conditions chase at this course over 4700m on 14 January. Be right there at the finish
- 6. ISKIA BIBOULET AA** - Consistent but has not won in 12 starts and was 3rd in a Conditions hurdle race at Dax over 3500m on 21 May. May play a minor role
- 7. U PALATINU AA** - Disappointing chase debut at this course over 3900m on 4 January. Capable of better but others are preferred
- 8. JUS DE POMME FOREZ AA** - May have needed last run when 6th in a Conditions chase at this course over 3900m on 16 January. Capable of contesting the finish
- 9. JADE DE LA BRUNIE AA** - Has been consistent apart from the last start dislodging of jockey on chase debut at this course on 16 January. Can bounce back to score

Summary: JADE DE LA BRUNIE AA (9) dislodged the rider on chase debut but a clear round of jumping could see a victory this time. REDDINGTON AA (5) is very experienced in chases and will be right there at the finish once again. MANITOPARK AA (1) was not disgraced last time out and can do even better this time around. JUS DE POMME FOREZ AA (8) seems better than the last run would suggest and is not out of it.

SELECTIONS

**JADE DE LA BRUNIE AA (9) - REDDINGTON AA (5) - MANITOPARK AA (1) - JUS DE
POMME FOREZ AA (8)**

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C3 - PRIX BILLERE HANDBALL (PRIX D'ANGLET) - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 21,000

1. HOPEFULLY - Not disgraced when 5th on debut in a Conditions race at La Teste-de-Buch over 1400m on 3 July. Might need this run returning from a break

2. JAKIMA - Likes this course and has been runner-up on last two starts in Conditions races over this track and trip. Place chance

3. FRONDAISON - Has improved with each run and was runner-up last time out in a Conditions race at La Teste-de-Buch over 1600m on 1 September. Can contest the finish if fit from a break

4. HILLSBORO - Showed some improvement when 4th in a Claimer at Deauville over 1900m on 28 December. Not out of it

5. ROSE OF THE CITY - Knocking hard on the door with two runner-up performances in Conditions races at Marseille-Vivaux over 2000m. Can go one better this shorter distance

6. SWEET NEBULA - A three-year-old filly by Almanzor out of Azora whos is making her debut. Can win on debut

Summary: ROSE OF THE CITY (5) has been unlucky not to win either of her first two starts and get the job done over this shorter distance. SWEET NEBULA (6) catches the eye on breeding and could be a threat on debut. FRONDAISON (3) returns from a break but has improved with each run so must be considered. HILLSBORO (4) was fourth in a claimer last time out and could contest the finish.

SELECTIONS

ROSE OF THE CITY (5) - SWEET NEBULA (6) - FRONDAISON (3) - HILLSBORO (4)

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C4 - PRIX SECTION PALOISE BEARN PYRENEES (PRIX RENAUD DE TAUZIA) - 3900m (a2m 1/2) - TURF - Class 3 - Steeple Chase - EUR € 37,000

- 1. KRAKAN** - Returned to form with a good runner-up performance in a Conditions chase over this track and trip on 23 December. Big winning chance in this line-up
- 2. KAMONDO** - Unreliable and has yet to win but was not disgraced when 3rd in a Conditions hurdle at this course over 3500m on 26 January. Did well in his only chase and can get involved again
- 3. POLO DANCER** - Has run well in both chases and was 5th last time out over this course and distance on 4 January. Place chance
- 4. TWIST OF ART** - Returned from a break and ran well on chase debut when runner-up at this course over 3700m on 16 January. Should challenge for the win
- 5. LE CHARDONNAY** - Showed improvement in second start when 5th in a Conditions hurdle race at Argentan over 3600m on 19 November. Can improve trying a chase
- 6. JEUELOIE** - Runner-up on debut in a hurdle race but did not repeat it last time out when 6th in a Conditions hurdle race at this course over 3500m on 22 January. Not out of it on chase debut
- 7. STELLOMAKER** - Finished 6th in both starts including last time out in a Conditions chase over this track and trip on 4 January. More needed to win
- 8. MISS KENT** - Only win was a Claimer hurdles race in April and was only 5th last time out in a Conditions hurdle race at this course over 3500m on 22 January. Might play a minor role

Summary: A lot of in-form runners but it is KRAKAN (1) that is expected to win. He returned to his best when only finding one better last time out. TWIST OF ART (4) ran well on chase debut and should have more to offer so deserves respect. KAMONDO (2) did well the only time he tried the larger obstacles and is not out of it. JEUELOIE (6) showed promise on debut but did not repeat it second time around but tries chasing.

SELECTIONS

KRAKAN (1) - TWIST OF ART (4) - KAMONDO (2) - JEUELOIE (6)

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C5 - PRIX ETALON LAVELLO (PRIX DE GARLIN) - 3500m (a2m 1/4) - TURF - Class 2 - Hurdles - EUR € 40,000

- 1. FOLKER** - Disappointing last run when 6th in a Conditions hurdle race over this track and trip on 1 January. Did better in penultimate start when runner-up and can bounce back to score
- 2. BEAU CASTLE** - A winner of a claimer on debut at this course over 3300m on 19 January. Tougher task this time but is not out of it
- 3. LE LION D'ANJOU** - A four-year-old gelding by Balko out of Line Garry who is making his debut. Watch the betting
- 4. KABOUTI** - Disappointing four starts so far and was needs to improve on last run in a Conditions chase at this course over 3700m on 16 January. Best watched for now
- 5. KOBI BAIE** - Well beaten in both starts and was 9th in a Conditions hurdle race over this course and distance on 19 January. More needed to win this race
- 6. KHODINOV** - Has not shown much including last time out over this course and distance on 31 December. Others are much preferred
- 7. QUEL JOLI KOKO** - A four-year-old gelding by Cokoriko out of Quality Controlled who is making his debut. Can win
- 8. TWO FIFTY TWO** - Only modest on the flat so far and was 8th in a handicap at La Teste-de-Buch last time out over 2000m on 23 July. Returns from a break and could need this run
- 9. NOSMALLCHANGE** - A four-year-old gelding by Saint des Saints out of Neverchangeartner who is making his debut. Watch the betting

Summary: FOLKER (1) is clearly better than the last run would suggest and gets a confident vote to score. BEAU CASTLE (2) did all that was asked when winning on debut but will find this a tougher task. QUEL JOLI KOKO (7) and LE LION D'ANJOU (3) are both making their debut and catch the eye but the betting will be the best guide to their chance.

SELECTIONS

FOLKER (1) - BEAU CASTLE (2) - QUEL JOLI KOKO (7) - LE LION D'ANJOU (3)

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**C6 - PRIX CALIXTE BAYROU - 2000m (a1m 1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 2
- Flat - EUR € 22,000**

1. DARSHAM - Ran well when 3rd on debut and did even better in his second start when scoring over this track and trip in a Conditions race on 25 October. Go close if fit

2. POLANZOR - A winner on debut and was not disgraced when 3rd in a Conditions race at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 1900m on 19 November. Can contest the finish

3. CHARLUS - A winner on debut in a Conditions race over this track and trip on 13 December. Can follow up

4. SWING CITY - Very consistent so far and has been runner-up in last two races over this course and distance including last time out on 6 January. Be right there once again

5. SILPENY - Has done little wrong so far and won a Conditions race over this track and trip on 2 January. Not out of it

Summary: A competitive race for a very small field and none of them can safely be ruled out. CHARLUS (3) could prove best as he won well on debut but he will find this tougher. DARSHAM (1) is improving and won over this track and trip in October and if fit from a break will be big danger. SWING CITY (4) and SILPENY (5) are both proven over this course and distance and are possible winners.

SELECTIONS

CHARLUS (3) - DARSHAM (1) - SWING CITY (4) - SILPENY (5)

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**C7 - PRIX ELAN BEARNAIS (PRIX DE MAUCOR) - 2000m (a1m 1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3
Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 19,000**

- 1. LE QUEEN** - Only fair form since winning a Claimer in July and was 5th in a handicap over 2400m at this course on 10 January. Might play a minor role
- 2. MISTER GRENADINE** - Finished 7th in a handicap at Toulouse over this distance on 20 November. Needs to do more to win this race
- 3. PERROU** - Disappointing last run when 11th in a handicap at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 2000m on 17 January. Did better over this track and trip before that and is not out of it
- 4. AGAMEMNON** - Very consistent of late and was runner-up last time out in a handicap over this course and distance on 14 January. Big chance
- 5. BECQUANON** - Last win was on the turf and may prefer that surface as he was only 9th in a handicap at this course over 2400m on 10 January. Others are preferred
- 6. KARKHOV** - On a long losing streak but was not disgraced when 5th in a handicap over this track and distance on 17 January. Might place
- 7. LIEBE KINDER** - Modest last two runs and was 9th in a handicap at this course over 1600m on 31 January. Betetr this distance and could earn some money
- 8. GRISGRISES** - Last win was over this track and trip in 2022 but has struggled of late and was 12th in a handicap last time out on 23 December. Others are much preferred
- 9. A GIBRALTAR** - Only modest form of late and was 6th in a handicap over this track and distance on 17 January. Might place
- 10. CAFE SAIGON** - Battling form third win and was 6th in a handicap over 2400m at this course on 10 January. More needed to win but can sneak some money
- 11. LAUENEN** - Likes this course and was runner-up over it last time out in a handicap on 14 January. Go close
- 12. MISS AUARA** - Has struggled so far and was well beaten in a claimer at this course over 2400m on 19 January. Others are preferred
- 13. VERDINA** - Better on the grass and was 7th in a handicap at this course over 1400m on 12 January. Others are preferred
- 14. LA FILLE DE BERLIN** - Mostly disappointing form since winning a handicap in September but ran well when 3rd in a handicap over this course and distance on 23 December. Place chance
- 15. PEDROZIO** - Has yet to win a race but has been holding form well and was 3rd in a handicap over this course and distance on 17 January. Deserves a win
- 16. LEVANT** - Disappointing form of late and was 11th in a handicap at this track over 2400m on 10 January. Others are much preferred

Summary: AGAMEMNON (4) has been very consistent over this track and trip of late and can score again but it is a competitive handicap. LAUENEN (11) likes this course and will be a danger over this distance. PERROU (3) did not show his best last time out after having run well over this course and distance. He can bounce back. PEDROZIO (15) is holding form and deserves a win.

SELECTIONS

AGAMEMNON (4) - LAUENEN (11) - PERROU (3) - PEDROZIO (15)

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C8 - 137EME GRANDE COURSE DE HAIES DE PAU - PRIX MAX DE GINESTET - 4100m (a2m 1/2) - TURF - Listed - Hurdles - EUR € 90,000

- 1. CIRANO DE PAIL** - Consistent of late and was 4th in a Conditions hurdle at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 4300m on 7 January. Others are preferred
- 2. GET VINGT SEPT** - Not disgraced when 5th in a handicap hurdle at this course over 3800m on 22 January. More needed to win this race
- 3. IMPRENABLE** - Always gives of his best and returned to hurdles with a solid win in a Conditions race at this course over 3800m. Can follow up in a tougher race
- 4. GLORICE** - Won a Conditions chase at Auteuil over 3500m on 26 November but is just as good in hurdle races and can fight out the finish
- 5. IMPOSANTE D'AINAY** - Last win was on the flat but has been consistent of late in hurdle races and was runner-up in a Conditions race at this course over 3500m on 19 January. Place chance
- 6. COSMOS HARMONY** - Holding form very nicely and was runner-up in Conditions hurdle race at this course over 3800m last time out on 6 January. Not out of it
- 7. ZARAKHAN** - Much improved of late and is hat-trick seeking after some good wins including a Conditions hurdle at this course over 3500m on 25 December. Go close

Summary: IMPRENABLE (3) returned to form with a good win at this course last time out and could be the right one in a difficult race. ZARAKHAN (7) is improving and could pull off a hat-trick after some decent wins. GLORICE (4) won a chase last time out but has been just as reliable over hurdles and is clearly not out of it. COSMOS HARMONY (6) is consistent and can contest the finish yet again.

SELECTIONS

IMPRENABLE (3) - ZARAKHAN (7) - GLORICE (4) - COSMOS HARMONY (6)

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C9 - PRIX PAU FOOTBALL CLUB(PX DU CONSEIL GENERAL DES PYRENEES-ATLANTIQUES) - 2000m (a1m 1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 23,000

1. **FACE AU VENT** - Unreliable and last win was over 1600m on the turf but was not disgraced when 3rd in a handicap over this course and distance on 14 January. Place chance
2. **TASHAAR** - Likes this course and is coming off a claiming win over this track and trip on 8 January. Can follow up
3. **JUREER** - Struggling of late and was 11th in a handicap over 2400m at this course on 10 January. Others are preferred
4. **PIERRE LE GRAND** - Last win was a handicap a year ago and finished 7th in a handicap last time out over this course and distance. More needed to win
5. **VALINA** - Won over this track and trip in distance but has struggled twice since then including last time out when 10th on 14 January. Others are preferred
6. **GAHERIS** - Last two wins were in Spain and finished 10th last time out in a handicap at this course over 2400m on 10 January. Others are much preferred
7. **XARUN** - Unreliable and was 11th in a handicap over this track and trip on 14 January but has also won here before. Can surprise
8. **LOUIS SKI** - Last win was in 2022 but did not run badly when runner-up in a claimer at this course over 2000m last time out. Place chance
9. **JUBILE** - Last win was on the turf in July and was 11th last time out in a handicap at this course over 1600m on 31 January. Others are much preferred
10. **CHARM KING** - Has hit a purple patch of form with two solid handicap wins over this course and distance with the latest being on 18 January. Carries a 3kg penalty but can contest the finish
11. **MARCHELO** - Only modest in claimers of late and was 7th at this course last time out over 2400m on 19 January. Best watched for now
12. **LEXINGTON FORCE** - On a long losing run but did run well last time out when 3rd in a handicap over this track and trip on 14 January. Not out of it
13. **ASSIER** - Likes this course and was 5th in a claimer last time out over 2400m on 19 January but needs to do more to win this race
14. **IS SUR TILLE** - Very consistent at this course and was 4th in a handicap here on 14 January. Deserves respect in this line-up
15. **ALPHA KING** - Unreliable since only win and was 4th in a Claimer at Lyon La Soie over 2150m on 24 January. More needed to win
16. **ROGUE ROCKET** - Only win was in the UK on the turf and was sixth in a Conditions race at this course over 2400m on 16 January. Could be the surprise package of the race

Summary: Another tough race. TASHAAR (2) won well in his claiming win last time out and can follow up. LEXINGTON FORCE (12) has only the one win to his name but did not run badly when third over this track and trip last time around. CHARM KING (10) carries a 3kg penalty for his latest win but is improving and can score. IS SUR TILLE (14) is very consistent at this course and clearly not out of it.

SELECTIONS

TASHAAR (2) - LEXINGTON FORCE (12) - CHARM KING (10) - IS SUR TILLE (14)

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C10 - 137EME GRAND PRIX DE PAU - BIRABEN FOIE GRAS - PRIX ANDRE LABARRERE - 5300m (a3m 1/4) - TURF - Gr3 - Steeple Chase - EUR € 154,000

1. GESSY RAISELLE - Grade 1 Chase winner back in 2022. Posted a promising runner-up effort at the venue over hurdles on 14 January. Player with improvement likely

2. YOUTWO GLASS - Winner of this same race last year. Unbeaten in four starts over fences at the venue and will take all the beating

3. GENESIS AS - Very consistent of late and was 3rd in a Conditions chase over 4700m at this course on 6 January. A winner this distance so deserves some respect

4. INGA KAM - Unreliable of late but did score in a Condition hurdle race at this course over 3500m on 14 January. Steps in distance but deserves respect

5. LE LISTRAC - Grade 1 Chase winner at Auteuil back in 2021. Won only start at the venue last December and has been kept fresh for this. Enters calculations

6. IN LOVE - Very consistent and eas runner-up in a Conditions chase at this course over 4700m on 6 January. Can play a minor role at best

7. MARIE COASTALA - Throws in the odd modest run but was not disgraced when runner-up in a Conditions chase at this course over 4700m on 6 January. Can contest the finish

Summary: YOUTWO GLASS (2) won this race last year and has been very good at this course so gets the vote to complete a quick at-trick. GESSY RAISELLE (1) is a Grade 1 chase winner and he indicated he is well with a recent runner-up hurdle performance. INGA KAM (4) is coming off a nice win and deserves respect for that win as this distance could suit. MARIE COASTALA (7) was not disgraced last time out and can contest the finish again

SELECTIONS

YOUTWO GLASS (2) - GESSY RAISELLE (1) - INGA KAM (4) - MARIE COASTALA (7)

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C11 - PRIX JEAN ET RENE COUETIL - 4100m (a2m 1/2) - TURF - Class 3 - Cross - EUR € 32,000

- 1. IQUEM D'ERABLE** - Only win was a claimer hurdles in January 2023 but has been holding form in cross-country races and can contest the finish
- 2. JACK LUX** - Yet to win and dislodged jockey last time out in a chase at this course over 3900m on 8 January. Did well in some chases and has a winning chance
- 3. PADAM** - Yet to win a race after 16 attempts and was 5th in a claimer chase at this course over 4700m on 19 January. Others are preferred
- 4. J'ARRIVE DE L'EST** - Not disgraced when 4th in a chase at this course over 3900m on 22 January. Can score on cross-country debut
- 5. FREE LANO** - Has yet to win a race after 8 starts and was only 6th in a Conditions cross-country over this track and trip on 10 January. More needed to win
- 6. BABY BUSINESS** - Only win was a chase in May but did not run badly when 4th in a course and distance cross-country race on 10 January. Might play a minor role
- 7. JAZZY DU MESTIVEL** - Bounced back to form when 3rd in a cross-country over this course and distance on 10 January. Not out of it
- 8. FALKO DES FLOS** - Last run is best ignored when dislodging rider on cross-country debut over this track and trip on 10 January. Can bounce back to score
- 9. JOURNEE DE REVE** - Yet to win a race and has been best in hurdle races so far and needs major improvement on last run which was at this course over 3400m on 14 January
- 10. JEDDIE CONTI** - Yet to win and was only 7th in a chase at this course over 3400m on 14 January. Tries a cross-country and has a place chance

Summary: A competitive race and J'ARRIVE DE L'EST (4) makes his cross-country debut and has done enough in chases to suggest he can score against these rivals. FALKO DES FLOS (8) dislodged the rider last time out but was competitive and can bounce back to be a threat. JACK LUX (2) has yet to win but did run well in some chases and is clearly not out of it. IQUEM D'ERABLE (1) is holding form and has experience in cross-country races so deserves some respect.

SELECTIONS

J'ARRIVE DE L'EST (4) - FALKO DES FLOS (8) - JACK LUX (2) - IQUEM D'ERABLE (1)