

MONDAY, 01/05/23

C1 - PRIX ROYAL HAMPTON - 1200m (a6f) - TURF - Condition Race - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 30.000

1. IRTYCH - One of several likely improvers in the race given the benefit of an introductory run. Finished 6th on debut over 900m and should be wiser to the task now

2. STARZO FAL - Showed a willing attitude when 3rd behind FASNY (8) on debut, stuck to task gamely from a handy position. Has a bit to find but Maxime Guyon now

3. GRAND SON OF CALYX - Was an encouraging 4th of 13 over 900m at this course on debut and is likely to know more about it now. Could have a role to play

4. MIST OF LIR - Built on his debut 6th to finish an improved 4th next time out and experience should stand him in good stead. More needed but has a place chance

5. LORD MIESQUE - Held on the form his debut 7th but is open to improvement with that experience under his belt. Outsider

6. COSTARMORICAIN - Finished in midfield when 8th of 15 on debut at Chantilly. Will need to take a big step forward to get a look in here

7. BLUE RIBBON - Finished an encouraging 5th of 15 in a 1000m beginners' race at Chantilly and should have more to offer with that experience under the belt. Respect

8. FASNY - Showed promise when finishing 2nd on debut at Le Lion-d'Angers and ought to have gained plenty from that experience. Include

9. TANIS - Stéphanie Nigge-trained Zelzal newcomer who will be ridden by Dorian Provost. Watch

10. GRADE MAKER - Edouard Monfort-trained Goken filly who is one to note on debut with Théo Bachelot booked to ride. Keep safe

11. TILILA - Well-related Saxon Warrior debutante trained by Andre Fabre. Alexis Pouchin rides this half-sister to Listed winner Toliman

Summary : André Fabre-trained newcomer TILILA (11) is a Saxon Warrior half-sister to the well-performed Listed winner Toliman, so it wouldn't come as a surprise if she was to make a winning debut. To do so, she will have to thwart the challenge of likely improver FASNY (8) who will be wiser to the task after a promising 2nd on debut at Le Lion-d'Angers. Goken filly GRADE MAKER (10) is another newcomer to note, as the booking of Théo Bachelot bodes well for her chances on debut. The shortlist is completed by STARZO FAL (2), BLUE RIBBON (7) and GRAND SON OF CALYX (3) who are all open to improvement after encouraging introductions.

SELECTIONS

TILILA (11) - FASNY (8) - GRADE MAKER (10) - STARZO FAL (2)

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**C2 - PRIX GREFFULHE - 2100m (a1 5/16m) - TURF - Group 3 - Group - Flat
- EUR € 80.000**

1. HARRY WAY - Smart sort who has never finished worse than 2nd in 7 starts, winning 3 of them. Narrowly beaten in a Group III last time and likely to be in the shake-up again

2. RASHFORD - Consistent colt with solid form references to his name. Was behind GREENLAND (3) when finishing 4th in 1800m Group III last time, so has a bit to find

3. GREENLAND - Progressive Saxon Warrior colt who stayed on to finish 3rd in an 1800m Group III at ParisLongchamp on his reappearance. Step up in trip could bring improvement

4. FORTUNE - Exciting prospect who was unbeaten last year but lost his 100% record when 3rd in a Group III on his reappearance last month. Can get back to winning ways here

5. ZALAMO - Well-beaten 7th in an 1800m Group III last time and is held on that form by both GREENLAND (3) and RASHFORD (2). Outsider, place chance only

Summary : FORTUNE (4) and HARRY WAY (1) are closely matched on the form of a recent Group III contest over this trip which the latter edged. It could, however, pay to follow the progress of the former who was making his seasonal reappearance that day, so likely to turn the tables with improved fitness on his side. GREENLAND (3), who also finished 3rd in a Group III on his reappearance, would've tightened up since and could have more to offer going this distance for the first time - Christophe Soumillon rides for Aidan O'Brien. Consistent RASHFORD (2) completes the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

FORTUNE (4) - HARRY WAY (1) - GREENLAND (3) - RASHFORD (2)

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C3 - PRIX DES COTEAUX DE LA SEINE - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Class 2 - Flat - EUR € 53.000

1. **CLEVER CANDY** - Last-start winner of a Listed race in Germany. Has already distinguished herself at Quinté+ level so warrants respect with Stéphane Pasquier engaged to ride
2. **FEEL YOUR POWER** - Made an encouraging comeback at Fontainebleau and ought to improve for that outing stepped up in distance on his return to Saint-Cloud, where he won on debut
3. **LANAKEN** - Consistent sort who made a first-class reappearance on the PSF at Chantilly, finishing 2nd to highly rated Fort Payne. Proven at Quinté+ level and is the one to beat here
4. **MAGIC VATI** - Most effective on the PSF but arrives here in good form with Théo Bachelot booked to ride. Better to have with you than against you
5. **MONTUSSAN** - Made an encouraging reappearance despite finishing 8th over 1200m at Chantilly. This longer trip is more to her liking and she did win her only start at Saint-Cloud
6. **TOIJK** - Unreliable of late but is quite capable of staking a claim in a race like this. Respect
7. **CICCIO BOY** - Regular in Quinté+ races and assured with an improved 3rd in this grade last time at ParisLongchamp. Will be competitive with if confirming that improvement here
8. **PEDRITO** - Caught the eye when 4th in a Quinté+ at ParisLongchamp last month. Drawn wide in gate 16 but remains capable of getting a look in. Place chance
9. **SEE YOU BOY** - Was 2nd in his first start for Alessandro & Giuseppe Botti at ParisLongchamp and ahead of CICCIO BOY (7) and PEDRITO (8) with whom he renews rivalry. Keep safe
10. **ZEROSTRESS** - Not disgraced at Group 3 level in Germany but doesn't seem to have much room to maneuver off his current mark. Will interest the lovers of outsiders
11. **WHITE PLATIN** - Won at Le Lion-d'Angers on his reappearance and has won on at this track already. Has been found wanting in two Quinté+ races though, so others are preferred
12. **SEE YOU PINK** - Has won her last 2 races, including one over this course and distance, but has gone up 6,5kg as a result. Still has a lively outside chance on her Quinté+ debut
13. **KOOL FIRST** - Recorded his first victory on the PSF in February and could not confirm in a Quinté+ at ParisLongchamp last month. Has also shown little in his starts on turf
14. **NOCE D'OR** - Should not be condemned after a recent failure at Chantilly, having finished 3rd in a Quinté+ behind MAGIC VATI (4) previously. Could get into the picture
15. **TWILIGHT** - Finished 3rd on her appearance last month and ought to strip fitter for that outing. Has a wide draw to contend with so has only a place chance at best
16. **RANCON ROYALE** - Won a lesser handicap race at Deauville in February before failing to distinguish himself in a Quinté+ last time. Probably more effective on PSF, so can be ruled out

Summary : LANAKEN (3) found only the smart Fort Payne, who contests a Group II in the next race, too good on his seasonal reappearance on the PSF at Chantilly and is likely to go one better here reverting to the turf with improved fitness on his side. CICCIO BOY (7) has been inconsistent recently but is capable of playing a leading role if confirming the improvement of his last start. SEE YOU BOY (9) was 2nd in a recent Quinté+ at ParisLongchamp and should also be competitive on that form. MONTUSSAN (5) ran a better race than her ranking (8th) suggests when returning from a layoff and could, on her best form, get into the picture too. Consistent PSFR performer MAGIC VATI (4), ridden by Théo Bachelot, and CLEVER CANDY (1), who won a recent Listed race in Germany, complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

LANAKEN (3) - CICCIO BOY (7) - SEE YOU BOY (9) - MONTUSSAN (5)

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C4 - PRIX DU MUGUET - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Group 2 - Group - Flat - EUR € 130.000

1. FORT PAYNE - Lightly raced five-year-old entire who has been prolific on the PSF. Has won both his starts this year on the fibresand and is best watched until reverting to that surface

2. EREVANN - Regally bred, high-class colt. Was 3rd in last year's Jacques le Marois (Gr.1), his only defeat in 5 starts. Absent since winning a Group II over track and trip in October

3. THE REVENANT - Consistent veteran with solid Group form and race fitness under his belt. Continues to run well and should have a role to play again after his 2nd in Group III last time

4. FACTEUR CHEVAL - Prolific Group performer who has maintained a consistent and high level of form. Was 3rd in a 1600m Group III on his return and will have more to offer

5. TRIBALIST - Beat THE REVENANT (3) and FACTEUR CHEVAL (4) to win a Group III over the course and distance on his reappearance last month. Confirmation not out of the question

6. FIRE OF THE SUN - Well-traveled colt with creditable form references, although seldom wins his races. Will do well to play a role here

7. ROSACEA - Hugely talented filly who won Group III races at 2 and 3 years old before placing in consecutive Group I classics last year and a Group III over track and trip. Dark horse

Summary : The exciting EREVANN (2) makes his highly anticipated reappearance in this 1600m Group II, having been off since October when winning the Prix Daniel Wildenstein (Gr.2) over course and distance. On that occasion, he got the better of THE REVENANT (3), who is now 1,5kg better off, with FACTEUR CHEVAL (4) back in 4th. Those re-opposing rivals have the advantage of having already run this year and ought to mount a serious challenge but we may not have seen the best of the lightly raced colt who is taken to confirm his superiority by making a winning comeback. TRIBALIST (5), who beat the aforementioned pair in a 1600m Group III last month, should also make his presence felt.

SELECTIONS

EREVANN (2) - THE REVENANT (3) - FACTEUR CHEVAL (4) - TRIBALIST (5)

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C5 - PRIX BIRIBI - 2000m (a1 1/4m) - TURF - Condition Race Qualifier - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 23.000

1. **STORMY** - Unreliable veteran who has continued to blow hot and cold on the PSF recently. Dangerous to ignore back on the turf at this level
2. **DREAMS** - Has been in excellent form this year and at this track in particular, with a win and a 2nd to his name from 2 outings at this course in 2023. Will be in the fight for victory
3. **EARLY LIGHT** - Has shown his versatility by winning on both surfaces but has become inconsistent on the fibresand recently. Back on the turf now, cannot be ruled out
4. **PEGASUS** - Unreliable but capable sort who was 3rd at this track 3 starts back. Can play a role on that form but will need to bounce back from 2 indifferent subsequent outings
5. **MAN OF LAW** - Modest colt last year though did show signs of improvement in 2 starts fitted with blinkers. Returns after a layoff with the headgear removed but has been gelded
6. **NOSDARGENT** - Inconsistent veteran who is rarely seen but is effective on the turf. Hard to trust but as hard to rule out
7. **ROSETTA STONE** - Has been struggling for some time now so is hard to make a case for and unlikely to trouble the judge
8. **CALCUTTA CUP** - Nothing noteworthy to his name for a considerable period now. Can be ruled out
9. **WOZHYNA** - Blotted her copybook in a Quinte+ at Chantilly on her reappearance but is capable of a lot better and will strip fitter too. Not written off just yet, could make amends
10. **MADEMOISELLE ROSE** - Consistent filly who was making her first start for this trainer when finishing 2nd on her reappearance after a layoff. Should open her account with any improvement

Summary : MADEMOISELLE ROSE (10) bounced back to form in her first start for trainer Christopher Head when finishing 2nd at Chantilly on her stable debut when returning from a lengthy 7-month absence, and with improved fitness on her side should build on that progress. She gets 5,5kg from DREAMS (2) so makes more appeal than the in-form latter. WOZHYNA (9) is capable of a lot better than her last start suggests but would've tightened up with the benefit of that comeback run and could make her presence felt. PEGASUS (4) and NOSDARGENT (6) are inconsistent but not without a prayer either.

SELECTIONS

MADEMOISELLE ROSE (10) - DREAMS (2) - WOZHYNA (9) - PEGASUS (4)

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C6 - PRIX DES ETANGS DE SAINT-QUENTIN - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 27.000

1. **FASTER** - Has run 2 pleasing comeback races and her rider takes off 1,5kg now. Still probably too high in the weights to win but has a place chance
2. **FORCHESTER** - Finished a good 2nd in a Quinte+ on the PSF last time and is capable of repeating switched to the turf now. Blinkers refitted could make the difference
3. **MILLFIELD** - Unreliable veteran of 79 starts but is quite capable of staking a claim in a race like this. Respect
4. **BOTAS** - Has won on both surfaces, including 2 of his last 4 starts. Most effective on the turf in claiming races though, so is best watched for now
5. **CALIFANO** - Consistent performer in this class and equally effective on both turf and fibresand. Can get into the picture
6. **MILLE SABORDS** - Reassured with an improved 3rd in his last start and will have a role to play here if confirming that improvement. Keep safe
7. **ESSAI TRANSFORME** - Has looked distinctly ordinary for some time now and must jump from the widest draw here. Chances limited even at this level
8. **SEIGNEUR** - Caused a stir when a big-price/shock winner over 1500m on the PSF last time. Hard to assess his chances back on the turf for the first time since his debut in October
9. **KEMOCO BELLO** - Sparingly raced, unreliable gelding but has references at a higher level, so capable of so much more. Dangerous to dismiss
10. **REGALIEN** - Seldom far off the mark and has steadily dropped in the weights/ratings. Blinkers on the first time and Christophe Soumillon booked to ride, cannot be discounted
11. **SHIELDING** - Finished an improved 3rd on his reappearance at Hyeres but at a lower level so will need to raise his game now. Others preferred
12. **JORDAN BAKER** - Inconsistent but capable gelding who did win a handicap over this trip off a higher mark last year. Could get a look in
13. **COCO LIGHT** - Has been struggling for some time now and is unlikely to trouble the judge here

Summary : FORCHESTER (2) is closing in on another career win and, back on the turf after finishing 2nd in a Quinte+ on the PSF, could do so here if the fitting of blinkers has the desired effect. MILLE SABORDS (6) bounced back to form last time in his second run of the year and will pose a threat with a repeat of that effort. KEMOCO BELLO (9) and MILLFIELD (3) are not getting any younger and have been out of sorts recently but remain capable of getting into the picture in a race of this nature. CALIFANO (5) has been holding his own in handicap races since going up 3kg after his last win and is another with obvious claims here.

SELECTIONS

FORCHESTER (2) - MILLE SABORDS (6) - KEMOCO BELLO (9) - MILLFIELD (3)

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**C7 - PRIX DUC D'ALBURQUERQUE - IJOCKEY GPA HANDICAP
CHALLENGE - 2500m (a1 9/16m) - TURF - Handicap - Class 4 - Flat - EUR
€ 18.000**

1. TYTAN - Was disappointing at Evreux last time but should not be condemned hastily. Can do better

2. SADARAK -

3. TARCENAY - Holding his form well better lately and, while slightly disappointing last time, could redeem himself here. Respect

4. RANNAN -

5. CIVNYAN - Has been in good form recently and did win at this track in his penultimate start. Will have a leading role to play

6. SRINOVA - Consistent performer in this class and has been in good form recently. Ought to play a role here

7. HALO ON FIRE - Winner on the flat last time after an unsuccessful stint over hurdles. Will be involved if confirming that improvement

8. ASPHODELE MIA -

9. PRINCESSE SCARLET -

10. SOTCHI -

Summary : On the form of his victory at this track back in March, consistent CIVNYAN (5) is taken to bounce back to winning ways here at the expense of HALO ON FIRE (7) who won his last start when reverting to the flat after an unsuccessful stint over hurdles. TYTAN (1) has been inconsistent since resuming this term but remains capable of staking a claim along with in-form SRINOVA (6) who has resumed after a long absence in good form this year. TARCENAY (3) and RANNAN (4) can fill the minor positions.

SELECTIONS

CIVNYAN (5) - HALO ON FIRE (7) - TYTAN (1) - SRINOVA (6)

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C8 - PRIX DU CHATEAU DE BARRAL - 2400m (a1 1/2m) - TURF - Claiming - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 26.000

1. BLIND BUY - Showed early promise but has lost his way since resuming after a lengthy absence. Drops into claiming race for the time with blinkers removed, could redeem himself

2. PLAIN BEAU - Out of sorts recently in a higher grade but has not gone unnoticed so returns to this category with legitimate ambitions. Should have a role to play

3. QATAR RIVER - Well-traveled veteran with 10 race wins to his name. Has maintained his consistency in 4 starts this year and ought to be competitive once more

4. QUICK FLASH - Reassuring 4th on his reappearance last month and could get into the picture here if confirming that improvement

5. PALATINA - Consistent filly who has won both of her starts in claiming races recently. Will try to continue her momentum here

Summary : PLAIN BEAU (2) has been struggling to find form and consistency this year but in stronger races and is likely to find this ease in grade more to his liking, so gets the nod ahead of hat-trick seeking PALATINA (5) who has shone with consecutive wins at this level. BLIND BUY (1) ought to give a better account of himself dropping in class into a claiming race for the first time with improved fitness on his side after a much-needed comeback outing. QATAR RIVER (3) is consistent and cannot be ignored either.

SELECTIONS

PLAIN BEAU (2) - PALATINA (5) - BLIND BUY (1) - QATAR RIVER (3)

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C9 - PRIX DE LA GENEVRAYE - 2500m (a1 9/16m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 32.000

1. **NEKOLETO** - Consistent for the most part and has both the form and experience to get involved. Could also have more to offer stepped up to this trip for the first time
2. **CAPTAIN'S CHOICE** - Opened his account in good style on his reappearance at Fontainebleau and should have more to offer. One to beat
3. **ALCEDIMZOE** - Improving last-start winner over 2100m at ParisLongchamp. Could have even more to give over this extended trip
4. **ELLONIENNE** - Progressive filly who is unbeaten in 2 starts this year, both on the PSF, Makes her handicap debut but warrants respect stepping up in trip back on the turf
5. **HARALD** - Made a winning handicap debut on the PSF last time. Up 2,5kg but this extended trip could bring about further progress
6. **ONE POINT** - Unreliable sort but is quite capable of staking a claim in a race like this. Dark horse
7. **KHANWEILER** - Performed well in his first start on turf at ParisLongchamp and could show further progress. Shortlisted
8. **HANGRY** - Probably needed his last start after a layoff and is capable of better than that outing suggests. Should not be written off
9. **GREASE** - Has made improvement fitted with blinkers and could well get into the picture here on the form of his recent recent outings. Place chance

Summary : A tricky handicap, featuring 4 last-start winners, to conclude proceedings. It could, however, pay to follow the progress of CAPTAIN'S CHOICE (2) on the evidence of his comeback win at Fontainebleau. KHANWEILER (7) could prove the biggest danger, though, after he ran well at ParisLongchamp in his first start on turf recently. Top-weight NEKOLETO (1) has resumed in good form and should make his presence felt too, along with HANGRY (8) who ought to improve after a much-needed comeback run.

SELECTIONS

CAPTAIN'S CHOICE (2) - KHANWEILER (7) - NEKOLETO (1) - HANGRY (8)