

PORNICHET - 10th July

Trainer of the day : **Christophe Lotoux** (104, 301, 501, 804)

Jockey of the day : **Alexandre Roussel** (104, 504, 602, 704, 804)

Horse of the day : **Apilobar** (408)

Dark Horse : **Estonia Sport** (706)

Race 1

1. FIL CONDUCTEUR - Had demonstrated ability on the flat before failing to confirm over hurdles. Consider
2. FRANCO D'AUNOU - Fifth of eight behind Ecoutille on his debut in a conditions race at Plestin last month
3. FEE D'ANGE - Creditable third in two of her three career starts at Machecoul and Savenay
4. FASHION DAY - Fourth behind Fatima De Clerval on her debut in a conditions race at Savenay last month. Respected
5. FLORETTE DEURIE - By Gris De Gris and is the fourth foal to run out of a dam that has yet to produce a winner

Summary

(1) FIL CONDUCTEUR has been generally disappointing over jumps but had demonstrated some ability on the flat before that including second in a maiden at Les Sables this time last year. He can get the better of (4) FASHION DAY who can improve from her debut at Savenay last month and reverse placings with (3) FEE D'ANGE.

Selections

(1) FIL CONDUCTEUR - (4) FASHION DAY - (3) FEE D'ANGE - (2) FRANCO D'AUNOU

Race 2

1. FATIMA DE CLERVAL - Improving. Runner up here in March before winning her last three starts. Leading contender
2. EMERAUDE DE GRUGY - One win from nine career starts but has been placed on four other occasions. Respected here
3. ECLIPSE DU PLESSIS - Creditable third of eleven behind Elu Secret in a conditions race at Vannes on his penultimate start
4. FACE A FACE - By Network and is the first foal to run out of a dam that had just one career start
5. EVERYBODY - Still a maiden after six career starts and is likely to remain one after this race

Summary

Since finishing runner up in a maiden here in March (1) FATIMA DE CLERVAL has gone on to win her last three starts including a conditions race at Savenay last month. She steps up in trip but can continue on her winning ways. (2) EMERAUDE DE GRUGY has been consistent since her debut and looks the main danger. (3) ECLIPSE DU PLESSIS is next best.

Selections

(1) FATIMA DE CLERVAL - (2) EMERAUDE DE GRUGY - (3) ECLIPSE DU PLESSIS - (4) FACE A FACE

Race 3

1. DUNGANNON - Four time winner from sixteen starts and a good fourth in a Class 2 handicap at ParisLongchamp last time out. Consider
2. DROIT AU REVE - Has won twice so far this year including a Class G handicap at Pornichet in January. Place prospects
3. TETE RAIDE - Won a condition race at Angers in May. Capable enough sort on his day. Can have a say
4. REBEL QUEEN - Has not won for some time now but would have a reasonable chance in this company
5. SIRPARYS - Has been placed in three of his six starts so far this year. More needed to feature today
6. INSOUMIS - Just the one win from twenty nine starts which came in a claiming hurdle back in 2016
7. WOODLANDS - Very average sort who has just one win from thirty career starts. Not recommended today
8. GRAND BEAU FORT - Fourth in a conditions race at Plestin last time out but will need to improve on that here
9. FLYING ROSE - Only win from forty two career starts was way back in September of 2017. Others preferred here
10. EMILINE - Last win was over hurdles in June of 2016. Hard to recommend today on her return to the flat

Summary

A four time winner from sixteen career starts (1) DUNGANNON was a close fourth behind Golden Buck in a Class 2 handicap at ParisLongchamp last time out. He should have too much for this opposition. (4) REBEL QUEEN has not won for some time now but looks the main danger to the selection. (3) TETE RAIDE and (2) DROIT AU REVE can make the frame.

Selections

(1) DUNGANNON - (4) REBEL QUEEN - (3) TETE RAIDE - (2) DROIT AU REVE

Race 4

1. JUST SHERRY - A little disappointing on the turf after showing some good form on the PSF last Winter. Not without a chance
2. BALLDY D'AZE - Seven time winner from forty starts including a conditions race at Durtal in May
3. OLYMPIA - Placed in her two starts this year in conditions races at Chatillon and Cluny. More needed
4. SUNNY COAST - Has won three of his last four starts at this track. Loves the PSF but has not run since April 2018
5. TURN OF LUCK - A winner on the All Weather in the UK and won a conditions race at Lignieres last month
6. MONDE CHAT LUNA - Recorded his first career success in a conditions race at Rostrenen last month. Stiffer test today
7. SEZANNE - Won a maiden on her debut here in December of 2017. Has been off the track since then
8. APILOBAR - Has not run since June of 2017 when third in a Group Two race at Chantilly. High class performer
9. SHEPTON JOA - Has not run since January of 2018 when winning over hurdles at Pau. Best watched on return today

Summary

A class horse in his day, (8) APILOBAR makes his reappearance today after a long break. He was third to Silverwave in a Group Two race at Chantilly when last seen in June of 2017 and is the one to beat here. (1) JUST SHERRY some good form on the PSF last Winter and could be the main danger. (5) TURN OF LUCK and (4) SUNNY COAST can be in the mix.

Selections

(8) APILOBAR - (1) JUST SHERRY - (5) TURN OF LUCK - (4) SUNNY COAST

Race 5

1. MINISTRABLE - A triple winner from twelve runs including twice at this track last Winter. Respected today
2. BAFANA LINNGARI - Won two claimers over course and distance here earlier this year. Not ruled out today
3. USAIN BEST - Eleven wins from sixty three runs. Modest recent efforts and needs to reaffirm to feature here
4. FAST CHARLIE - Has won five of his last seven starts including four of them at this track. Leading player
5. MANDHARI - Placed one time in twelve runs and will need to do more here today to have any chance
6. NEIGE ETERNELLE - Three time winner from eighteen starts including two in claimers. Place claims here
7. BIG LETTERS - Four time winner from forty eight starts. Has had a few fair efforts this year
8. OKMOSS DES MOTTES - Disappointing in a claimer at Savenay last time out and will need to improve a lot from that here
9. FANTASTIC BERE - One win from fifteen on the level and has been disappointing in four runs over hurdles
10. VANISIA - Won two claimers in a row last Summer including one at this track. Two poor runs in claimers here in January
11. PYRAMID FIRST - Still a maiden after twenty six career runs and looks to have it all to do again today

Summary

Runner up at Chantilly last time out in April (4) FAST CHARLIE had won five of his previous six including four claimers at this track. He gets the vote ahead of (2) BAFANA LINNGARI who also won two claimers over course and distance here earlier this year and must be respected. (1) MINISTRABLE and (6) NEIGE ETERNELLE are next best.

Selections

(4) FAST CHARLIE - (2) BAFANA LINNGARI - (1) MINISTRABLE - (6) NEIGE ETERNELLE

Race 6

1. KENZOHOPE - Still looking for that elusive first win in twelve but unlikely to get it. Place material
2. SAAM - Runner up in the first three of his five runs. Will take all the beating here
3. GOLD DUBREAU - By Literato out of a Gold Away mare. Dam was a triple winner and this is her first foal to come racing
4. HISTORY CHOP - Unplaced on all three starts but has shown ability and should figure strongly
5. TOHOTTOTROT - Unplaced on both her starts to date and will have a better chance when handicapped
6. APOTHEOSE - Well beaten on her debut at Fontainebleau in May and has a lot to prove
7. LA GAETA - Finished tenth on debut at Le Pin Au Haras in May and needs to find a lot more
8. LOLANTA - Disappointing so far on all three runs for one with such a powerful pedigree
9. REINE DE LUNE - By Kingsalsa out of a Sinndar mare. Dam well beaten on only start but her first foal has been successful
10. EVA MALPIC - Very little ability in her two starts to date and is easily passed over here too

Summary

This maiden event for three year old's will take very little winning. (2) SAAM looks the standout contender having been runner up on his first three runs before disappointing somewhat at Chantilly last time out but is given another shot here. (4) HISTORY CHOP and (3) GOLD DUBREAU have lesser chances along with (8) LOLANTA.

Selections

(2) SAAM - (4) HISTORY CHOP - (3) GOLD DUBREAU - (8) LOLANTA

Race 7

1. DORA BRUDER - Four time scorer from twenty nine. May sneak into the frame at a value price
2. GOLD PENNY - One win from seventeen which came four runs back. Not so sharp since but still shortlisted
3. ZAROSE - A three time winner from forty one and definitely has a shout on best form
4. SECRET PEARL - Thrice a winner from thirty seven including penultimate run at Chateaubriant
5. SWEET BAY - Half a dozen wins from twenty and plenty to like about last time out success at Nantes
6. ESTONIA SPORT - Won half of his six career runs which all came last year and one of those was here. Ruled in on return
7. STORAYA - A dual winner from twenty five but has been absent for fourteen months now
8. NICOLCHOP - Four time scorer from thirty outings. Looks sure to play some sort of part here
9. ARES BLACK - A dual winner from nine runs including one of two runs this season. Back from short break
10. MALUPAU - Has won two from seventeen but shown nothing in both runs this term so far
11. PENNBLE - Still a maiden after twenty one runs but has run well on many occasions
12. VOLZAPONE - Not a bad strike rate with nine wins from sixty five. Dropped a long way in the ratings
13. MONSIEUR BANDIDO - A dual winner from thirty two and third at La Roche-Posay last time out
14. CREASY MIX - A three time victor from eighteen runs. Fourth in a small event last time out
15. QUEEN'S OF MARSHAL - Five time winner from forty six but a little more needed judged on recent evidence
16. BELLE DE CADIX - Just the seven runs and won on debut last season. Placed on all last three runs

Summary

If ever a big field handicap could be described as wide open then this one really fits the bill. Stakes must be kept to a minimum as anything could win it. (6) ESTONIA SPORT could be a real turn up though having won three of her six runs and a proven ability to go well fresh. This is her first start of the season so she will be primed. (2) GOLD PENNY and (3) ZAROSE might recapture some form while (4) SECRET PEARL and (13) MONSIEUR BANDIDO can be looked at too.

Selections

**(6) ESTONIA SPORT - (2) GOLD PENNY - (3) ZAROSE - (4) SECRET PEARL -
(13) MONSIEUR BANDIDO**

Race 8

1. JARDIN FLEURI - Half a dozen wins from sixty five and has a shout despite form figures
2. CHANGE OF GOLD - A seven time winner from sixty eight and is another that can go well even with recent poor numbers
3. CHE ESA - A dual winner from forty five runs. Can have a strong each way shout in this
4. WIND SONG - Just the one win from twenty two but was runner up in a small event two starts back
5. INCLUSIVE LADY - A dual winner from twenty eight and has placed in three of latest four runs
6. SPRITZ ORANGE - A triple winner from twenty seven and was third in a Chantilly handicap last time
7. FALKHAIR - Eight wins from ninety five runs but must better recent few runs to have a strong shout
8. IMAGE SECONDE - A five time winner from forty three and was third at Vannes last time out
9. SPEAK SOFTLY - Eight time victor from seventy eight including here two starts back so not ruled out
10. ALTESSE THAIS - A four time winner from forty nine and certainly ruled in here today at a price
11. LUNE DE VATI - Nine runs and won on debut last season. Has not gone to plan since however
12. MUHTATOP - One win from a dozen starts but will struggle to add another here in this
13. SHENDAIL - One win from eighteen which came in a small event. More is required here today
14. PAPA WINNER - One success from forty three and may well be better than likely odds suggest
15. SWINGING SONG - A seven time winner from sixty eight runs but a very unlikely contender here
16. ANADUN - A three time winner from sixty four runs but will need others to falter here

Summary

Recent form surely has to count for something in most races and moreover in this one as there is a distinct lack of same in evidence here. One who has shown something recently enough is (4) WIND SONG and therefore appeals as a value bet against the likes of (1) JARDIN FLEURI and (2) CHANGE OF GOLD. A second look at (3) CHE ESA and (6) SPRITZ ORANGE is advisable.

Selections

**(4) WIND SONG - (1) JARDIN FLEURI - (2) CHANGE OF GOLD - (3) CHE ESA
- (6) SPRITZ ORANGE**