CHANTILLY - 20th February

Trainer of the day: **David Smaga** (403, 601)

Jockey of the day: **Maxime Guyon** (101, 307, 603, 803)

Horse of the day: **Roberto Mount** (303)

Dark Horse: Green Siren (714)

Race 1

1. VISION DE ROLAND - Half a dozen wins from forty nine. Good form and will take the beating here today

- 2. CARNAGEO Seven wins from fifty two. Has fair enough numbers and Boudot an excellent booking
- 3. BAMAXSAR Nine time winner from seventy five runs. Will bid for a frame position
- 4. MEDAYAG Just the one win from sixteen and makes very little appeal here for sure
- 5. MARCOUSSIS A dual winner from eight runs but has not been since August of 2017 so that a big problem
- 6. JARDIN FLEURI Half a dozen wins from seventy seven runs. May have a bigger chance than market suggests
- 7. ETALONDES Eleven time winner from eighty seven runs but will struggle to add another here
- 8. MISTER SMART Five time winning veteran from seventy seven runs but has a fair amount of work to do
- 9. KENNY Two wins from fifteen including penultimate start at Dortmund so in some form
- 10. REBEL QUEEN A dual winner from thirty runs but cannot be fancied on recent outings
- 11. MISERICORDIA Yet to win from sixteen runs but has placed on several occasions to be fair

Summary

(1) VISION DE ROLAND is the selection for this five year old and up claiming contest. He was a fine third in a similar event at Cagnes--sur-Mer last time and one place in front of (2) CARNAGEO. He can confirm the form with that one and

they should go one-two. (9) KENNY and (7) ETALONDES can fill the frame.

<u>Selections</u>

(1) VISION DE ROLAND - (2) CARNAGEO - (9) KENNY - (7) ETALONDES

- 1. JACQUES COEUR Unplaced on all four runs bt has shown some promise in those to be fair
- 2. BE THE MAM Out of the frame on all five runs and could well run well enough here
- 3. SPANISH TIME Still a maiden after nine runs and looks difficult to fancy here as well today
- 4. KARIOITAHI One win from five runs and basically has the form to go very close here
- 5. KILLING ZOE Won one of her six runs and has only been out of the frame on one occasion. Big shout here
- 6. ARTISAN DE PAIX Placed just the one time in four starts and has a mountainous task here
- 7. TIROLIENNE Just the three runs and was runner up on debut so could be well in the mix
- 8. GOLDEN WARRIOR Unplaced on both outings and will simply have to do better here today
- 9. SILVER STROEM Unplaced on all three starts and surely has way too much to do here to have any meaningful chance
- 10. MAX'S THUNDER Has hit the frame in four of nine runs so far. Has decent enough claims
- 11. APALTA Well beaten on debut and sole start at Deauville and surely has little hope
- 12. GET THE LOOK Placed in the last three of her five starts and has to be of some interest here
- 13. SUAVE STORY Finished eighth on debut at Chantilly and basically did not show much there
- 14. AGILMENTE One win from eight runs. Finished third at Pornichet last time out and may do well here
- 15. SHISO One success from seven outings. May struggle to land a blow in this here

Summary

The strangely named (5) KILLING ZOE might get the business done here in this three year old claiming apprentice affair. She was third here last time and has only been out of the frame one time in six tries. She is also a winner. (4)

KARIOITAHI will run well and be fancied in the market. Likewise both (12) GET THE LOOK and (10) MAX'S THUNDER.

Selections

(5) KILLING ZOE - (4) KARIOITAHI - (12) GET THE LOOK - (10) MAX'S THUNDER

- 1. DELTA SPIRIT Off the mark on seventh and last start at Saint Cloud in October. Never out of the frame and huge contender
- 2. THUNDERSPEED A dual winner from five starts last year and should take a hand here today
- 3. ROBERTO MOUNT Just the two runs which came at Deauville at the end of the year and he won both of those. Very big shout
- 4. CHAMBONAS Off the mark on fifth and last start which came here late last month so very much in form
- 5. SPEED CHANCE Off the mark on third and last start which came at Pau so obviously in grand form
- 6. AMMOBABY One win from a dozen runs which came here on latest start and should be in grand order
- 7. ALLUCINATION Placed on all three runs at this venue and twice at ParisLongchamp so every chance

Summary

This is an intriguing three year old contest. (3) ROBERTO MOUNT is unbeaten in both starts which came at Deauville at the back end last season and should improve even more now to take this at what will probably be shortish odds. (7) ALLUCINATION is also a nice sort and should take second. (2) THUNDERSPEED and (5) SPEED CHANCE can fill the frame.

Selections

(3) ROBERTO MOUNT - (7) ALLUCINATION - (2) THUNDERSPEED - (5) SPEED CHANCE

- 1. HOUSE CAPTAIN Five time winner from forty two but did blow out last time at Cagnes sur Mer
- 2. PREMIER AVRIL Half a dozen wins from seventy nine. Third at Pau last time and that was better
- 3. GAETANO DONIZETTI A three time winner from thirty five runs. Placed in two of last three but not so good last time
- 4. SINBAD Three wins from three dozen starts. Not so smart last time out however
- 5. FIDELIO Still a maiden after thirteen runs and could well remain that way after this
- 6. WOOLDIX Three wins from thirty eight runs and looks impossible to fancy as a result
- 7. UCEL Four wins from thirty eight. Good runner up at Pornichet last time out and is noted
- 8. PROST A three time winner from thirty two runs but maybe needs to pull out more
- 9. CREASY MIX A three time winner from twenty six. Is another that needs to buck up ideas here
- 10. LEFORTOVO A dual winner from twenty eight starts but is another that is struggling rather
- 11. FINCH HATTON Nine wins from fifty four. Won twice at Mons in last three so is in form
- 12. ARDASHIR Four wins from thirty two starts. Blew out in latest three including Dortmund last time
- 13. FANCIFY Four time victor from forty three. Runner up in latest two tries at Mons
- 14. HUDA Four wins from sixty nine runs. Looks hopelessly out of sorts however now
- 15. PRETTY STRANGE Just the one win from thirty seven runs but has run well on other occasions

Summary

Certainly not the most inspiring claiming apprentice race of all time. (3) GAETANO DONIZETTI gets a tentative vote only following two runner up spots in his last three and it looks safe enough to ignore a last time out disappointment.

(7) UCEL and (15) PRETTY STRANGE are also counted in alongside (1) HOUSE CAPTAIN. Many of the others are out of sorts.

Selections

(3) GAETANO DONIZETTI - (7) UCEL - (15) PRETTY STRANGE - (1) HOUSE CAPTAIN

- 1. LEONIO A three time scorer from twenty six starts. Has the overall form to go close
- 2. AL ARESH Just the five starts and did win on debut. Respectable enough since then
- 3. QU'HUBO A two time winner from eight runs and finished out last season in good style
- 4. TRUE ROMANCE Has won three of his eight runs including last two at Toulouse and Deauville. Huge chance
- 5. LUCKY TEAM Ten time scorer from forty seven starts. On the whole is very consistent
- 6. MAKSAB Four time winner from twenty seven. Runner up at Deauville last time and a definite player
- 7. MISTER MAGIC A dual winner from eighteen. Runner up in a claimer at ParisLongchamp when last seen in Septamber
- 8. KILFRUSH MEMORIES One success from eighteen runs. Will do well to double up on that tally here
- 9. DOCTOR SARDONICUS Eight time winner from thirty one runs in Britain. Goes well enough fresh and off big absence here
- 10. SOFT ICING Unplaced on her three runs to date and looks a pretty forlorn hope here

Summary

It looks impossible to oppose (4) TRUE ROMANCE here. The gelded son of George Vancouver has had issues in the past but has been flying high since coming back from another absence and is now on a hat trick after recent successes at Deauville and Toulouse. (3) QU'HUBO can make it a workable forecast. (6) MAKSAB and (5) LUCKY TEAM look strong for the frame.

Selections

(4) TRUE ROMANCE - (3) QU'HUBO - (6) MAKSAB - (5) LUCKY TEAM

- 1. SAPHIRSIDE Eight time winner from sixty nine runs. Runner up here last time out and is a big threat to all
- 2. AS D'ARTOIS Seven time scorer from fifty nine including beating several of these here last time out
- 3. INEVITABLE HERMANN Eight time winner from ninety six outings. Coming into this in excellent form
- 4. PRINCESS EMMA Five wins from seventy runs and solid fourth here last time out so is interesting
- 5. NEELANJALI Thrice a winner from fifty two but must better latest few appearances to have any hope
- 6. BROOKE Half a dozen wins from sixty runs. A bit disappointing at Pau last time out
- 7. CAMPIONE Nine wins from eighty six runs but recent form looks anything but good
- 8. STORMING OUT One win from twenty three starts. Another whose form is not that hot to be fair
- 9. GRISBI Is zero from twenty seven starts but was runner up here last time out which was better
- 10. SENZA FINE Remains a maiden after twenty nine starts and surely is best left alone here
- 11. BUTOT Just the one win from twenty two. Soundly beaten at Pornichet last time out
- 12. MATHIX A dual winner from fifty two starts. A bit better here last time but needed to be
- 13. NIKAKI Just the one success from seventeen and surely cannot be fancied in any way on recent numbers
- 14. IZEBA Five time victor from sixty one runs. Surely a place is very best hope here
- 15. PRIVATE SCHOOL Sole win from three dozen runs came on penultimate run but blew out last time
- 16. LA RACEUSE Four time winner from fifty one runs but may run well here at a very big price
- 17. SIGNS OF SUCCESS Two time winner from thirty one runs. Much better effort here last time out

Summary

It is a case of trying to find a needle in a haystack here. It is that difficult. Obviously, bets should be kept to the bare minimum as a result. Several are in form and have been at this venue to boot so maybe the veteran, (1) SAPHIRSIDE, can improve on a recent second. (2) AS D'ARTOIS and (9) GRISBI will go close with hopes for (3) INEVITABLE HERMANN and (4) PRINCESS EMMA also.

Selections

(1) SAPHIRSIDE - (2) AS D'ARTOIS - (9) GRISBI - (3) INEVITABLE HERMANN - (4) PRINCESS EMMA

- 1. TOIJK One win from a dozen starts. Finished sixth at Deauville last time out
- 2. HOUSE OF KINGS A winner in Britain from ten runs and a fair first effort in this country at this venue
- 3. FANGIO A dual winner from ten but has failed to complete course in his last four runs over jumps
- 4. ROI JULES Just the sole start which came in April back in 2018 so much best left alone
- 5. INFOX Placed in eight of his thirteen runs and did finish second in several of those
- 6. LUCKY BREAK Just the four runs which all came last year and placed on the last of those at Pornichet
- 7. MACUMBA Just the two runs so far and will need to find a lot more here to get involved
- 8. SHARQI Placed in four of her ten runs including here last time out so could well break duck
- 9. ORIENTAL ROAD Placed in three of her five runs and could well play a small part here
- 10. LITTLE FOLLY Just the two starts and finished third on the second of those and should be interesting
- 11. AFRICAN DREAM A newcomer by Dream Ahead and could be of some interest here at a biggish price
- 12. CAPE CORAL Placed in six of her nine starts but looks to have way too much on here
- 13. AGAPI MIA Fifth on debut and sole start which came at Deauville last month. Much more to come one suspects
- 14. GREEN SIREN All three runs came last season and was runner up in first two before disappointing at Fontainebleau. Will bounce back
- 15. FORTY WINKS A newcomer by Rip Van Winkle and his progeny are often best when fresh

Summary

(14) GREEN SIREN just has to be the selection here. She looked oh so promising in her first two runs last season when coming second at Deauville and Saint Cloud before disappointing at Fontainebleau on heavy. That effort is very easily forgiven and she is a confident choice today. (10) LITTLE FOLLY looks

worth a place bet as do (13) AGAPI MIA and (6) LUCKY BREAK.

<u>Selections</u>

(14) GREEN SIREN - (10) LITTLE FOLLY - (13) AGAPI MIA - (6) LUCKY BREAK