

## CLAIREFONTAINE - 31 July

### Race 1

1. **EMPIRIC** - Long-neck second 1400m handicap Le Lion-d'Angers (good-to-soft) just over a fortnight ago. Strong claims.
2. **WINSTON WOLF** - Below par two most recent starts and looks up against it in this company.
3. **JACKSON EN BOIS** - Came good when winning by 1L at Marseilles Borely in a 2100m handicap earlier this month. One to note upped in grade.
4. **CHIEF HAWKEYE** - Down the field twice since winning 1400m handicap at Le Mans (good) early last month. Best watched at present.
5. **MINNEHAHA** - Fair 6.6L ninth 1850m handicap at Longchamp (good-to-soft) eight days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
6. **KENSAI** - Decent 3L sixth in a big field course and distance handicap earlier this month. May surprise a few better fancied rivals.
7. **PREMIER AVRIL** - Not beaten far 3L ninth 1400m handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers just over a fortnight ago. Interesting to see how he fares.
8. **DANAROSA** - Struggled 7.6L 12th in a course and distance handicap earlier this month. Yet to hit top form this campaign.
9. **MAHARAD** - Back from a break when 20L 13th 1400m handicap at Dieppe (soft) nine days ago. Minor role likely.
10. **MOCKLERSHILL** - Good 2L second course and distance handicap earlier this month. Bold show expected.
11. **NUIT DE MAI** - Struggled on return from more than 12 months off the track when 16th of 17 over this course and distance three weeks ago.
12. **RAVEN RIDGE** - Beaten 10L sixth in a provincial 1800m handicap 19 days ago. Stepping up in grade.
13. **RIVERET** - First start in over 14 months when 34L 17th in a big field 1600m claimer at Compiègne last month. More needed.
14. **STEMSTER** - Beaten 7L seventh in a soft ground 1400m handicap at Dieppe nine days ago. Others make more appeal.
15. **ELOAVE DES GOATS** - Struggled so far this year including when 31L last of 15 in an 1800m provincial handicap last month.

## Summary

EMPIRIC (1) has been going well. Holds strong claims of going one better than a runner-up effort earlier this month. Good chance. JACKSON EN BOIS (3) won on good ground and is of interest upped in grade. MOCKLERSHILL (10) wasn't beaten far in a big field here and is another to consider. KENSAI (6) showed signs of a return to form when sixth three weeks ago. Can build on that.

### Selections

**EMPIRIC (1) - JACKSON EN BOIS (3) - MOCKLERSHILL (10) - KENSAI (6)**

## Race 2

1. **FURTHER MEASURE** - Beaten 11L eighth 1600m maiden at Deauville (good) in May. Others make more appeal.
2. **WELCOME MOON** - Faded when 7L fifth 1600m AW event Chantilly in February. Turf debut following a break.
3. **TELEMAQUE** - Improved on debut effort when head second 1600m maiden at Deauville (good) in May. Bold show expected.
4. **GLANEUR** - Ran well when neck second 1600m conditions event in the provinces at the start of this month. One to note.
5. **STAR LAD** - Struggled 25L tenth 2000m event Compiègne (soft) when debuting earlier this month. Others make more appeal.
6. **DYAMI** - Showed good form 2L second 1400m novice race in the UK last month. Can go well in this event.
7. **DEVERELL** - Absent since 3L fourth 1400m AW maiden in the UK in January. Likely more needed upped in trip.
8. **MR DE POURCEAUGNAC** - Fair 8L seventh 1500m AW race at Chantilly on debut last December. Represents a top yard.
9. **DREAM FOR ALL** - Improved on debut effort when 6L ninth 1400m maiden at Compiègne just over a fortnight ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
10. **WHAZE** - Placed all three starts including neck second 1800m maiden here just over a month ago. Leading contender.
11. **LEJMAYL** - Unraced Siyouni colt represents a useful yard and is of interest on debut.
12. **CIMA DES PLACES** - Unraced Silver Frost gelding is probably best watched on first start.

### Summary

WHAZE (10) has gone well on all three previous attempts and can record another big effort in this maiden. Close to a win. TELEMAQUE (3) returns from a break having placed at Deauville. DYAMI (6) represents a useful overseas trainer and placed second in latest. GLANEUR (4) showed improved form placing on his second outing and is also worth considering.

### Selections

**WHAZE (10) - TELEMAQUE (3) - DYAMI (6) - GLANEUR (4)**

### Race 3

1. **CUBIT** - Beaten 6L fourth 1400m maiden here just over a month ago. One to note upped in trip.
2. **CONTE DE FEE** - Decent 4L fifth 1600m maiden Saint Cloud at the start of this month. Open to improvement.
3. **PIONEER OF THE SKY** - Ran well when 2L third 1500m AW event at Chantilly on debut last December. Bold show expected on first turf start.
4. **POLYNESIENNE** - Fair 6L ninth 1600m maiden Saint Cloud on debut at the start of this month. Better expected for top yard.
5. **BASSOLINE** - Down the field when 14L 15th 1600m maiden Saint Cloud earlier this month. Capable of better having placed on debut prior to that.
6. **PERLE D'IVOIRE** - Finished runner-up all three starts including 1L second 1600m maiden Saint Cloud start of this month. Strong claims of going one better.
7. **CORTESSA** - Stepped up on debut effort when 5L seventh 1600m maiden Saint Cloud four weeks ago. More needed here however.
8. **PRINCESSE ILIA** - Shown good form all three starts including 3L fourth 1600m maiden Saint Cloud at the start of this month. Notable runner.
9. **PLUS VALUE** - Performed well 1L third 1400m maiden Compiegne (yielding) when debuting just over a fortnight ago. Step up in trip likely to suit.
10. **PICCATA** - Held three starts at two including 11L seventh 1400m maiden Chantilly end of September. Others make more appeal.
11. **MISS VIENNA** - Tried to make all when placed 2L third in 1800m event at Longchamp (heavy) on debut last October. Likely to have improved for seasonal debut 15 days ago.
12. **VARKESHA** - Unraced Pivotal filly represents top connections.
13. **JANUARY** - Unraced Siyouni filly represents a leading stable.
14. **DARLING VALENTINE** - Unraced daughter of No Nay Never. Interesting runner on debut.

### Summary

PIONEER OF THE SKY (3) showed up well making the frame on debut and can build on that with another good run. POLYNESIENNE (4) made a promising debut at Saint Cloud earlier this month and can perform well in this contest. CUBIT (1) is improving with racing. Ran favorably when placing here. PERLE D'IVOIRE (6) placed second on all three previous outings and holds strong claims of going one better.

**Selections**

**PIONEER OF THE SKY (3) - POLYNESIENNE (4) - CUBIT (1) - PERLE  
D'IVOIRE (6)**

## Race 4

1. **EDISA** - Grade 1 winner in the US last year performed well when victorious by 2L over 2000m at Longchamp earlier this month. Leading contender.
2. **LUCKY LYCRA** - Ran well when 3L second 3000m event at La Teste last month. Performed in this grade in the past and is interesting down in trip.
3. **MASHAEL** - Good 3L second 2100m Group 3 at Saint Cloud (heavy) last October. One to note on seasonal debut.
4. **NETTE ROUSSE** - Beaten 7L when fifth in 2400m Listed race in the UK last month. Interesting in this contest.
5. **GODERVILLE** - Handicap winner by a neck over 2500m at Saint Cloud 18 days ago. Notable runner upped in grade.
6. **LIBERTY LONDON** - Placed third beaten 1L in a Listed race at Hannover just over a month ago. Include.
7. **EGO DANCER** - Well beaten 14L tenth 2100m Listed race Chantilly (good) 12 days ago. Others make more appeal.
8. **MUETTE** - Beaten 8L fifth 2800m Listed race Deauville (good) in May. Dropping back in trip.

## Summary

EDISA (1) has found success in a higher grade previously and can play a leading role having won a conditions race in latest. LIBERTY LONDON (6) ran well at this level in Germany and is capable of going well once more. MASHAEL (3) drops in grade following a G3 second at Saint Cloud last October. Secured victory off a break in the past. LUCKY LYCRA (2) stays further than this and was a winner at this level last year.

### Selections

**EDISA (1) - LIBERTY LONDON (6) - MASHAEL (3) - LUCKY LYCRA (2)**

## Race 5

1. **NORWEGIAN LORD** - Course and distance winner penultimate start and good 1L when fourth in a 2400m handicap at Vichy ten days ago. Interesting upped in grade.
2. **MARVELINA** - Out of form of late including 20L ninth in the provinces last month. More needed.
3. **L'AS DE GREE** - Victorious by a neck in a 2100m AW handicap at Pornichet 23 days ago. Bold show expected back on turf.
4. **OLIRODIGAN** - Decent effort 3L seventh in a similar race earlier this month. Capable of better.
5. **GALOUSKA** - Placed third two most recent starts including when beaten 2L over this course and distance 24 days ago. Strong claims.
6. **ANOTHERFORTHROAD** - Improving with racing since returning from a break including 4L ninth here 24 days ago. Further improvement needed.
7. **DANDY RIVER** - Solid form of late including 3L fourth 2000m handicap at Saint Cloud at the end of last month. Step up in trip no issue.
8. **GEORCO** - Below par 19L 12th 2500m handicap Argentan 16 days ago. Tougher task upped in grade.
9. **TEXAS BRIGHT MOON** - Out of form when last in action and best watched on first start since December.
10. **MARAPUAMA** - Improved effort 2L second course and distance handicap earlier this month. More needed upped in grade.
11. **HELIOBLU BARELIERE** - Struggled in recent starts including at Argentan when 11L tenth over 2500m 16 days ago.
12. **SAIDA** - Failed to figure in three starts this campaign and others hold more obvious claims.
13. **YAMS SPIRIT** - Beaten a head when runner-up 3000m handicap at Chantilly (soft) last month. Fair 5L fifth over this course and distance subsequently.
14. **BUBBLE BROOK** - Tailed off in a provincial conditions race earlier this month. Others make more appeal.
15. **ALFORROCHO** - Fair 3L eighth in a lower grade 2400m handicap at Vichy ten days ago. More needed.
16. **BOKER MAZAL** - Put a below par effort behind him when 7L fifth at Pont De Vivaux on the AW last month. Slight drop in trip no issue.

17. **JARDIN FLEURI** - Faces a tougher event having finished 6L fourth in a handicap in the provinces 11 days ago. Minor role likely.

18. **EVER ONE** - Back from a break when 11L 11th 2500m handicap at Saint Cloud 18 days ago. Likely to have improved for the run.

### **Summary**

NORWEGIAN LORD (1) showed a liking for this venue winning on his penultimate start. May go well once more. GALOUSKA (5) finished third at this grade and circuit and is set to deliver another big effort. L'AS DE GREE (3) recorded a fifth career success with an AW victory twenty three days ago. May play a leading role back on turf. DANDY RIVER (7) is versatile distance wise. Can perform favorably following a fourth over shorter in Paris.

### **Selections**

**NORWEGIAN LORD (1) - GALOUSKA (5) - L'AS DE GREE (3) - DANDY RIVER (7)**



## Race 6

1. **SPEED OF MOTIVATOR** - Absent since 9L tenth 2100m event Maisons-Laffitte in June last year. Best watched.
2. **NOBILDONNA** - Decent 5L sixth 2100m handicap Marseilles Borely earlier this month. Stepping up in grade.
3. **KENOHOPE** - Followed up 3L Chantilly victory over this trip with a 2L second over this course and distance 24 days ago. Bold show expected.
4. **MEISHO FELICITY** - Fair 4L fifth in provincial 2300m event on soft ground earlier this month. More needed on this occasion.
5. **BAY OF GIBRALTAR** - Good 3L fifth in similar race to this 24 days ago. Interesting to see how she fares.
6. **STROMBOLI** - Beaten 6L when sixth in lower grade 2400m handicap at Vichy (soft) ten days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
7. **BOWLING GREEN** - Step up in trip looked likely to suit when 4L fifth in a 2000m handicap at Saint Cloud (good) just over a month ago. Improvement likely.
8. **LILI SPIRIT** - Ended run of placed efforts when 8L ninth 2400m handicap here earlier this month. Can put that disappointing effort behind her.
9. **REBEL QUEEN** - Racing over further this campaign including 4L fifth 3100m handicap Longchamp (good) 22 days ago. One to note down in trip.
10. **GAILLEFONTAINE** - Won last two in the provinces including by 1L over 1900m end of last month. Step up in trip no issue but this looks much tougher.
11. **MAVILLA** - Struggled of late including 25L 16th in big field 2000m handicap at Saint Cloud (good) last month. Others make more appeal.
12. **JENILAT PEARL** - Came good with neck victory over this trip at Chantilly (yielding) last month. Below that form when 6L eight over this course and distance subsequently.
13. **ZATORIUS** - Well beaten 17L 14th course and distance handicap 24 days ago. Minor role likely.
14. **AD ACTA** - Beaten 28L when 16th 2400m handicap here earlier this month. More needed.
15. **DOUVILLE** - Decent 4L sixth competitive 3100m handicap Longchamp (good) 22 days ago. Interesting runner.
16. **TEXANITO** - Beaten 6L when seventh in a similar race to this 24 days ago. Looks up against it in this contest.

17. **TINARILLOU** - DQ'd at Dieppe earlier this month. Decent 4L sixth at Angers in a 2100m claimer prior to that. Others make more appeal.

18. **KISSING LIGHT** - Performed well when head second course and distance handicap earlier this month. Bold show expected.

### Summary

KISSING LIGHT (18) receives weight from most of her rivals and could go well having placed in a similar race earlier this month. BOWLING GREEN (7) will appreciate this step up in distance following good efforts over shorter. KENOHOPE (3) has been in good form of late including a runner-up effort here twenty four days ago. REBEL QUEEN (9) stays well and can play a hand in the finish dropping back in distance. GAILLEFONTAINE (10) is bidding to complete a hat-trick switching back from provincial racing.

### Selections

**KISSING LIGHT (18) - BOWLING GREEN (7) - KENOHOPE (3) - REBEL QUEEN (9) - GAILLEFONTAINE (10) TILLARD (11)**