# **COMPIEGNE - 12 May**

### Race 1

1. **CEINTURE NOIRE** - 4.5L fourth in a class two conditions race over this trip at Chantilly 22 days ago. One from one at this venue. Not ruled out.

2. **PERLE D'IVOIRE** - 5L third in a similar course and distance event prior to a below par run dropped to 1600m at Saint Cloud. Shortlisted for a top trainer and jockey.

3. **JAMILYA** - 6.5L ninth in the Listed Prix Zarkava over 2100m at Longchamp a month ago. May have more to offer on handicap debut.

4. **TARA** - 4.5L fourth in a class two conditions race over 2200m at Fontainebleau eighteen days ago. One to note tackling this journey for the first time.

5. **ANGELISSIMA** - 1.25L winner of a class three 1600m handicap at Saint-Cloud three weeks ago. Considered back up in grade.

6. **PAPUA** - 2.75L fourth in a class two handicap over shorter at Saint-Cloud 23 days ago. Unexposed at this trip.

7. **BERNIE'S STAR** - 1.25L winner of a class three handicap over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly eighteen days back. Open to progress and dangerous to dismiss.

8. **AQUITAINE** - Safely accounted for over 2400m on both starts this campaign but this significant drop in journey looks a positive. Not discounted for a top trainer and jockey.

9. **CALACONTA** - Narrow margin winner of a class three handicap over 1850m at Longchamp 20 days ago. One to note under the same 1.5kg claimer.

10. **VIVI BONNEBOUILLE** - Held on both starts since resuming but has the form to find the frame in this grade.

11. **TARIDA** - 1.25L runner up in a 1600m class two handicap at Saint-Cloud 23 days ago. Top chance tackling 1800m for the first time with a leading jockey.

12. **LAYLA** - Back-to-back fourths over 1900m at Deauville AW the latest 130 days ago. Respected down in trip returning to turf following a break.



13. **INFINITE PASSION** - 0.75L fourth behind a subsequent winner in a class two handicap over 2100m at Chantilly AW. Considered returning to turf.

14. **MOASA** - 1L winner of a class three conditions race before struggling in a 1600m handicap at Chantilly last month. Each way claims.

15. **KARIOITAHI** - 1L class three claiming success at Chantilly AW prior to a below par run over 2000m at Fontainebleau 26 days ago. Others preferred on turf.

16. **ASTROLOGIA** - Back-to-back Saint-Cloud seconds the latest beaten 0.75L in a class three handicap eleven days ago. One to note down in trip.

#### Summary

TARIDA (11) finished 1.25L second in a 1600m class two handicap at Saint-Cloud. Top chance tackling this trip for the first time with a Mickael Barzalona retaining the ride. PERLE D'IVOIRE (2) produced a 5L third in a similar level course and distance event prior to a below par effort dropping to 1600m. Notable runner for a top trainer and jockey. BERNIE'S STAR (7) was a 1.25L winner of a 2000m class three handicap at Lyon-Parilly. Open to progress and dangerous to dismiss. JAMILYA (3) ran with credit in the Listed Prix Zarkava and cannot be dismissed on handicap debut. CEINTURE NOIRE (1) is not ruled out.

#### Selections

TARIDA (11) - PERLE D'IVOIRE (2) - BERNIE'S STAR (7) - JAMILYA (3) -CEINTURE NOIRE (1)



1. **MAGIC EDOUARD** - Back-to-back 1600m successes prior to 5L ninth over the same trip when upped in grade sixteen days ago. Not discounted having been supplemented.

2. **ATROMOS** - One placing from seven career starts but he remains unexposed on the turf after just one outing. Not entirely dismissed.

3. **KENDY TIME** - Beaten 11L in both career starts to date. Improvement needed.

4. **SLEDGE HAMMER** - Sole success came at this venue and ran with credit when 4.25L fourth in a 1300m claimer at Chantilly AW two runs back. One to note upped in journey.

5. **EVERSTORM** - Narrow margin runner up in a 1600m AW claimer at Chantilly eight days ago. Respected with the return to turf no issue. Supplemented runner.

6. **FLYING DAVINA** - 2L winner of a 1800m handicap at Chantilly 37 days ago. Open to progress over this journey. Top chance back in a claimer.

7. MA LOUTE - Moderate form since resuming this campaign. Others preferred.

8. **PRINCESSE VERA** - Running fairly of late and tackling this journey for just the second time. Not discounted at this suitable level.

#### Summary

Cheekpieces aided FLYING DAVINA (6) delivering a 2L victory in an 1800m handicap at Chantilly. Open to further improvement tackling this trip. Leading player back in a claimer with cheekpieces retained. The supplemented EVERSTORM (5) finished a narrow margin runner up in a 1600m AW claimer at Chantilly eight days ago. Notable contender back on turf. SLEDGE HAMMER (4) secured a only victory at this venue. Ran well when 4.25L fourth in a 1300m claimer at Chantilly AW two starts ago. Warrants thought attempting this trip for the first time. MAGIC EDOUARD (1) cannot be discounted into a claimer for the first time.

#### Selections

FLYING DAVINA (6) - EVERSTORM (5) - SLEDGE HAMMER (4) - MAGIC EDOUARD (1)



1. **FUTURE HISTORY** - 2.5L runner up over 2100m at Longchamp on debut 24 days ago. Top chance with progress expected for a good yard.

2. **SECOND TO NONE** - Beaten 15L on debut over 1400m at Saint-Cloud. Should improve upped in trip but will need too.

3. **TOPCITY** - Well beaten on both career starts to date. Happy to oppose.

4. **ESSAI TRANSFORME** - Well held eighth here on debut last October but he remains in good hands. May progress.

5. **SAN CRISTOBAL** - Showed ability in three starts to date including 4.5L fourth over 2000m at Chantilly last month. Key player tackling this trip for the first time.

6. **MANZON** - 12L eighth over 2100m at Longchamp on debut. Progress needed dropping in journey.

7. **ALAFDHAL** - Showed promise when 6.75L eighth behind Friendly Face at this track and trip nineteen days ago. Represents a top yard and progress is expected.

8. **FRIENDLY FACE** - Denied a long-neck when runner up over this course and distance last month. Top chance for a leading trainer and jockey combination.

9. **VON FERSEN** - Showed ability in both starts to date but this looks tougher and more is needed in first-time cheekpieces.

10. **AUGUSTINUS** - 3.25L fourth behind Friendly Face over this track and journey nineteen days ago. In the mix.

11. **PRINCE DE MONTFORT** - Held in two handicaps recently but had showed up well in a pair of maidens prior. Place claims if bouncing back.

12. **GOLDEN TWIST** - Beaten 12L over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly on debut eighteen days back. More needed.

13. **NIPPER** - Unraced three-year-old colt by Whipper. Market can guide.

14. LOUP ROYANS - Unraced gelding by Anabaa Blue. Likely to need the run.

#### Summary

FRIENDLY FACE (8) was beaten a long-neck second at this course and distance. Can be considered representing a leading trainer and jockey.



FUTURE HISTORY (1) shaped with promise when 2.5L runner up tackling 2100m at Longchamp on debut. Key contender with improvement expected for a good stable. AUGUSTINUS (10) produced a 3.25L fourth behind Friendly Face over this track and trip in the aforementioned contest. One to note. The supplemented ALAFDHAL (7) finished eighth in the same event. May be capable of progress for a top yard.

#### Selections

## FRIENDLY FACE (8) - FUTURE HISTORY (1) - AUGUSTINUS (10) -ALAFDHAL (7)



1. **KAABA STONE** - 2.25L seventh in a class three handicap over this journey at Bordeaux two weeks ago. Each way player with cheekpieces reinstalled.

2. **TWO WEEKS** - 1.25L runner up in a class three handicap over this journey at Saint-Cloud 23 days back. Key player with a good record at the trip and Mickael Barzalona retained.

3. **VIBRANT CHORDS** - 1.25L fourth in a class three claimer over this distance at Saint-Cloud three weeks ago. Each way player.

4. **INSIGHTFUL** - Denied a head in a class four claimer over 1350m at Nancy last month. Not discounted back up in trip on stable debut.

5. **PUTUMAYO** - Competing in class three handicaps of late but arrives out of form. More needed.

6. **PERSIAN** - 1.25L third in a 2000m class three conditions race at this venue nineteen days ago. Key player with a top jockey booked.

7. **GIMS** - 3.25L sixth in a class three handicap over this journey at Bordeaux just over two weeks ago. Place claims.

8. **AIKIDO GAME** - Safely accounted for in a class three conditions race over 1700m at Pornichet AW in January. Not ruled out on return to turf following a break.

9. **CHAMBONAS** - Held last three starts and sole success came on the AW. Others preferred.

10. **NICKOS** - 4L sixth in a class three claimer over this trip at Saint-Cloud 23 days ago. Each way player on first start at this venue.

11. **CLOUD** - Held seventh on reappearance over 1900m on the AW at Chantilly last month but this drop in journey looks a positive. Outside place claims.

12. **ARCO GRANDE** - Solid efforts in class three handicaps the last twice including beaten 4.5L over 2000m at Fontainebleau. Shortlisted with a good track and trip record.

13. **BLACK CESS** - Held in handicaps when last seen in January but has the form to be involved at this level. Dangerous to dismiss fresh.

14. **SUAVE STORY** - Held in class three handicaps over this trip on her last trio of outings but is two from two at this course and distance. One to note.



15. **KEA** - Remains a maiden after 15 starts and likely to need this after 203 days off.

#### Summary

TWO WEEKS (2) finished 1.25L second in a class three handicap over this trip at Saint-Cloud. Top chance with a good record at this journey and Mickael Barzalona is retained. PERSIAN (6) shaped nicely when 1.25L third in a 2000m class three conditions race here. Key contender with a top rider booked. SUAVE STORY (14) is two from two at this course and distance and may show more revisiting these conditions. INSIGHTFUL (4) was denied a head when runner up at Nancy and cannot be dismissed on stable debut.

#### Selections

TWO WEEKS (2) - PERSIAN (6) - SUAVE STORY (14) - INSIGHTFUL (4)



1. **CALDIRANA** - 6.5L fourth over this course and distance on debut nineteen days ago. Open to progress representing top connections. Respected.

2. **SUSU'S DIMPLES** - 1.75L third to a pair of subsequent winners over 2000m at Saint-Cloud 44 days ago. Top chance for a leading trainer and jockey.

3. **ITALIA** - Showed up well on debut prior to a disappointing run at Deauville AW in March. Each way claims in first-time blinkers.

4. **AKUA'BELLA** - Long-neck third on debut over 1600m at Saint-Cloud. Top chance upped in trip with more to come for a leading in-form stable.

5. **YOUM'S FLOWER** - Well beaten on initial outing at Le Croise-Laroche in March. Major improvement needed.

6. **UTHOPIAN PHAROAH** - Daughter of American Pharoah making debut. Not discounted especially if strong in the market.

7. **LA CHEFFE** - 4.75L sixth over this trip at Fontainebleau 33 days ago when returning from a break. Should strip fitter and one to note for a good yard.

8. **SI J'AILELA** - Showed up well when 4.25L fourth over 2100m at Cholet on debut three weeks ago. Each way player with progress likely.

9. **BISANNE** - Well beaten over 2500m at Deauville five weeks ago on debut but remains in good hands. Requires improvement.

10. **APARNA** - Beaten 21L over 1600m on debut at Saint-Cloud five weeks back. More needed.

11. **MITRYEVA** - Showed little when beaten 28L on her first career start at Saint-Cloud. Opposed.

12. **ZASTER FOR ALL** - Unraced filly by Dabirsim. Market can guide.

#### Summary

AKUA'BELLA (4) was denied a long-neck when third on debut tackling 1600m at Saint-Cloud. Top chance upped in journey with progress expected for a top in-form stable. SUSU'S DIMPLES (2) finished 1.75L third to a pair of subsequent winners in a 2000m contest at Saint-Cloud. Key player for a leading trainer and jockey. CALDIRANA (1) shaped well when 6.5L fourth over this track and trip on debut. Could have more to offer representing top connections. Respected. LA CHEFFE (7) may strip fitter and completes the shortlist. SI



J'AILELA (8) ran with promise when 4.25L fourth over 2100m at Cholet on debut. Each way player.

#### Selections

## AKUA'BELLA (4) - SUSU'S DIMPLES (2) - CALDIRANA (1) - LA CHEFFE (7) - SI J'AILELA (8)



1. **RIGHT MIND** - Showed ability when fourth in a pair of class four conditions races of late. Each way claims on handicap debut.

2. **COME ON LOTTI** - One placing from seven career starts but has the ability to find the frame in this grade.

3. **RHIOLA ROSEA** - 3.5L fifth behind re-opposing rivals over this track and trip nineteen days ago. Each way player.

4. **IRISH RAMBO** - 1L winner of a class four conditions race over 2850m at Loudeac last month. Place claims back in a handicap.

5. **GOLD PALACE** - Held seventh over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly and yet to find the frame in five starts. Others preferred.

6. **GRAND YAKA** - Showed improved form when making all for a head success at this course and distance nineteen days ago. Key player if replicating.

7. **AMARIGOOD** - 5.5L fifth in a 2500m class four handicap at Evreux eleven days ago. Place claims.

8. **DRIVE CHOPE** - Well beaten in four career starts to date. Major improvement needed on stable debut following a 330 day absence.

9. **AVEC MENTION** - 1L fourth behind a trio of re-opposing rivals at this track and trip two and a half weeks ago. One to note with Maxime Guyon taking over.

10. **SUNSET LOVER** - Safely accounted for in both starts this campaign including over this course and distance last month. Best watched.

11. **BADR** - 0.5L third behind two of these when coming from off the pace at track and trip nineteen days ago. Respected.

12. **MONTIGA** - 4L sixth over this track and journey two and a half weeks ago. Place claims in first-time cheekpieces.

13. **SWAPAN** - Denied a head behind Grand Yaka at this course and journey nineteen days ago. Key player under the same rider.

14. **SIGNORINA GINA** - Well beaten in class three handicaps the last twice. Others preferred.

15. **VALHAIE** - Well held in seven career starts to date. Impossible to recommend.



#### Summary

A race that may revolve around the form of a course and distance class three handicap that took place nineteen days ago. BADR (11) finished 0.5L third in that event. Appeared to come from further back than ideal and might be capable of reversing the form with a stronger gallop to aim at. GRAND YAKA (6) showed improved form when making all for a head success in that contest. Respected especially if deploying similar front-running tactics. SWAPAN (13) was second and cannot be dismissed under the same 1.5kg claimer. AVEC MENTION (9) recorded a fourth. Comes with the added benefit of Maxime Guyon in the saddle this time. Each way player.

#### Selections

BADR (11) - GRAND YAKA (6) - SWAPAN (13) - AVEC MENTION (9)



1. **FAKE** - Best form so far has come in easier grades. Has to prove she is not outclassed at this level.

2. **SOLKIA** - Made it four placed finishes from nine starts when 1.25L second at Lyon Parilly. Remains a maiden but certainly has the ability.

3. **RAJA LUNA** - Uninspiring recent form figures and happy to oppose.

4. **FOUR GENERATIONS** - Good jockey booked and has won at this track previously. Expect sharp improvement.

5. **BEST STEP** - Returned to form in a big way when a head winner at Saint Cloud. Conditions likely to suit and is hard to rule out.

6. **BIGMOUTH** - Has needed first start back in the past. Drawn well however and was improving rapidly before absence. Potential threat to all.

7. **ELYSEE D'OSVIN** - Only previous attempt at this distance resulted in a victory. Shaped well when just missing the placings at Saint Cloud. Can progress.

8. **LA BARILLETTE** - Placed in a similar grade on the all weather twice of late but disappointed switched to turf last month. Worth another chance.

9. **DESTINEE DU BOIS** - Modest reappearance but goes well at this journey and can improve now. Great record for this jockey and has winning claims.

10. **PIKES PEAK** - Goes well for this jockey and has drawn the plum stall. Not in the best of form but is very fit. Can improve and play a role.

11. **POMPOGNE** - Won five starts ago but struggled since. Happy to oppose at present.

12. **GRACE OF CLIFFS** - Modest winning record a concern but has placed on three of last six starts. Each way chance.

13. **LA MIRADA** - Let down favourite backers at Saint Cloud when well beaten. Placed on two previous starts. Threat to all if bouncing back.

#### Summary

SOLKIA (2) was a close second on reappearance. That form reads well and can only improve. The one to beat. ELYSEE D'OSVIN (7) stayed on well when just missing the placings. Might be suited to the extra distance. Keep safe. GRACE OF CLIFFS (12) is in good form having placed on two of the past three



starts. In the mix. DESTINEE DU BOIS (9) can improve upon reappearance. Potential threat to all. LA MIRADA (13) let down favourite backers at Saint Cloud. In better form prior however and no surprise were she to bounce back.

#### Selections

SOLKIA (2) - ELYSEE D'OSVIN (7) - GRACE OF CLIFFS (12) - DESTINEE DU BOIS (9) - LA MIRADA (13)

