

FONTAINEBLEAU - 16 October

Race 1

1. **BOIS D'ARGENT** - Victorious by a head over 2000m at Chantilly (yielding) on debut in May. Bold show expected.
2. **SI SENORITA** - Below par 9L 11th in the Listed Prix De Bagatelle over 1600m at Chantilly (good) in July. Stepping up in trip and dropping in grade.
3. **L'AIGLE** - Disappointing 22L eighth in the Listed Grand Prix De Clairefontaine over 2400m at Clairefontaine (heavy) in August. Capable of better.
4. **TURKISTAN EXPRESS** - Successful by a head in a 2100m conditions race at Evreux (good) just under five weeks ago. Interesting contender.
5. **RIVER ROCK** - Beaten 3L fourth in a 2100m maiden at Saint-Cloud (good) last month. Interesting in this higher grade.
6. **HOLLYWOOD** - Held 5L fourth in a 2000m conditions race at Chantilly (soft) three weeks ago. Step forward required.

Summary

BOIS D'ARGENT (1) debuted with a head victory in a 2000m maiden at Chantilly. May play a part in the finish upped in grade. L'AIGLE (3) came home 2L second in a 2500m conditions race at Deauville on penultimate start. Can put a subsequent disappointing effort in a higher grade behind him. RIVER ROCK (5) hails from a top yard. Could take a step forward following a 3L fourth in a 2100m maiden at Saint-Cloud. SI SENORITA (2) is also considered upped in trip following a 9L eleventh in the Listed Prix De Bagatelle over 1600m at Chantilly.

Selections

BOIS D'ARGENT (1) - L'AIGLE (3) - RIVER ROCK (5) - SI SENORITA (2)

Race 2

1. **ISRAAJ** - Placed both starts to date including 2L third 1600m maiden at Longchamp (yielding) early last month. Bold show expected.
2. **PAMOUSCHANA** - Improved on debut effort when neck second in a 1650m maiden at Craon (soft) last month. One to note.
3. **AIMEF** - Held 12L fourth in a 1600m conditions race at Chantilly (good) on debut last month. Improvement required.
4. **LADY DAY** - Promising 3L fourth in a 1600m newcomers contest at Longchamp (yielding) start of last month. Strong claims.
5. **HARDANCE** - Runner-up first two starts and given a break since a disappointing 10L tenth in a 1600m maiden at La Teste (good) in August.
6. **RED NUDE ROUGE** - Failed to build on a promising debut when 7L fifth in a 1600m maiden at Saint-Cloud (good) last month. Others preferred.
7. **SOLASHENKA** - Unraced Fastnet Rock filly. Interesting contender for good connections.

Summary

LADY DAY (4) can be involved in the finish following a 3L fourth in a 1600m newcomers contest at Longchamp on debut. ISRAAJ (1) placed on both previous starts including when 2L third over this trip at Longchamp in a maiden event. Shortlist. PAMOUSCHANA (2) can take a further step forward following a neck second in a 1650m maiden at Craon. HARDANCE (5) maintains claims on her first two efforts. Capable of putting a disappointing 10L tenth over 1600m at La Teste (good) behind her.

Selections

LADY DAY (4) - ISRAAJ (1) - PAMOUSCHANA (2) - HARDANCE (5)

Race 3

1. **RAKEEZ** - Good 1L second in a 1600m newcomers event at Saint-Cloud (good) just under four weeks ago. Bold show expected.
2. **BABY RIDER** - Good 2L second in a 1600m event at Longchamp (yielding) early last month. Leading contender.
3. **SENSIBLE** - Promising 4L fifth 1400m maiden at Chantilly (soft-to-heavy) when debuting end of last month. Interesting.
4. **WOODY CAT** - Fair 10L fourth in a heavy ground 1400m event at Compiègne when debuting start of this month. Improvement required.
5. **SKYCUTTER** - Stays well having finished 2L second in a 2000m conditions race at Angers (soft) just under a fortnight ago. Notable runner down in trip.
6. **IF MEMORY SERVES** - Unraced gelded son of The Gurkha. Interesting to see how he performs.

Summary

BABY RIDER (2) performed well when 2L second in a 1600m newcomers contest at Longchamp on debut. May play a leading role. SKYCUTTER (5) holds strong claims on the back of a 2L second in a 2000m conditions race at Angers. RAKEEZ (1) registered a 1L second over 1600m at Saint-Cloud. Could show up well once more. Yet to race The Gurkha gelding IF MEMORY SERVES (6) hails from a top yard. Notable newcomer.

Selections

BABY RIDER (2) - SKYCUTTER (5) - RAKEEZ (1) - IF MEMORY SERVES (6)

Race 4

1. **KINGDOR** - Successful by 1L in a 2000m claimer at Toulouse (good) last month. Can be considered.
2. **AL MOKHTAR** - Struggled both starts to date including 16L ninth in a 2000m maiden at Argentan (soft) just under three weeks ago. More needed.
3. **SHIRAZ** - Down the field 10L tenth in a newcomers event over 1600m at Saint-Cloud (good) just under four weeks ago. Others preferred.
4. **MAISONCELLES** - Held 9L seventh in a 1600m maiden at Tours (soft) 19 days ago. Needs to put that effort behind her.
5. **FLAMENGO POKER** - Beaten a total of 82L in two starts to date including last of ten 1600m claimer at Compiègne (heavy) a week ago. Hard to recommend.
6. **RIMO OSCURO** - Promising 4L sixth in an 1800m claimer on soft ground here when debut 17 days ago. One to note.
7. **CHIC VENDOME** - Improving with racing and performed well when 3L fourth in a 1600m claimer at Clairefontaine (soft) in August. Notable runner.
8. **THORIN OAKENSHIELD** - Down the field 22L ninth in a 1200m claimer at Argentan (soft) last month. Others preferred.
9. **IMAGINE CLERMONT** - Below par 14L eighth in an 1800m maiden at Compiègne (heavy) 15 days ago. Others hold more obvious claims.
10. **LA MARQUE** - Signs of ability in a couple of claimers prior to finishing 12L fifth in an 1800m conditions race at Marseilles Borely (good) 25 days ago. Interesting contender.
11. **DONA VIVA** - Disappointing 10L fifth in a 1600m maiden at Mont-de-Marsan (soft) 27 days ago. Better expected switched to a claimer.

Summary

KINGDOR (1) registered a 1L victory in a 2000m claimer at Toulouse. Can play a leading role once more. CHIC VENDOME (7) was competitive in this grade when 3L fourth in a 1600m contest at Clairefontaine. LA MARQUE (10) receives a drop in grade following a 12L fifth in an 1800m conditions race at Marseilles Borely. MAISONCELLES (4) showed ability when 7L second over 1600m at Saint-Malo on debut. May put subsequent disappointment behind her.

Selections

KINGDOR (1) - CHIC VENDOME (7) - LA MARQUE (10) - MAISONCELLES

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Race 5

1. **DUTCH CHOP** - Good 2L third in an 1100m claimer at Dieppe (soft) in May. More needed on return from a break.
2. **HURRICANE IVOR** - Successful by 1L in a 1200m conditions race at Chantilly (good) just under five weeks ago. Top chance.
3. **CREW DRAGON** - Beaten 6L third in the Listed Prix Matchem over 1400m at Saint-Cloud (heavy) two weeks ago. Strong claims down in trip.
4. **GOLD STEP** - Good 2L third in a similar race to this over course and distance on soft going end of last month. Leading contender.
5. **ABAMA** - Beaten 3L fourth in a 1200m conditions contest on soft ground at this venue end of last month. Interesting.
6. **SWEET ZEN** - Successful by a head in a course and distance claimer on soft ground 17 days ago. This a tougher affair.
7. **JOLIE** - Beaten 4L fifth in a similar race to this on soft going last month. Interesting to see how she fares.

Summary

GOLD STEP (4) showed good form when 2L third in a similar race at course and distance on soft going. Could be involved in the finish. HURRICANE IVOR (2) steps up in grade following a neck success in a 1200m conditions event at Chantilly. Capable of registering another big effort. CREW DRAGON (3) finds an easier opportunity following a 6L third in the 1400m Listed Prix Malchem at Saint-Cloud. JOLIE (7) is also considered following a 4L fifth in a 1200m conditions race on soft going at this venue.

Selections

GOLD STEP (4) - HURRICANE IVOR (2) - CREW DRAGON (3) - JOLIE (7)

Race 6

1. **GRAN GESTE** - Good 3L third in a 3000m handicap on yielding ground here 26 days ago. Notable runner down in trip.
2. **LORD GRISCHUN** - Victorious by 1L in a 2400m maiden at Lyon-Parilly (yielding) in June. Interesting upped in distance.
3. **MEDITERRANEA BLUES** - Disappointing 29L 15th in a 2500m handicap at Deauville (soft) in August. Down in grade on return from a break.
4. **RUZZINI** - Beaten 3L sixth in a 1900m handicap at Bordeaux (soft) last month. Step up in trip not certain to suit.
5. **PAINTER** - Sixth in a 2600m maiden at Chateaubriant (soft) in August. Others make more appeal.
6. **AKYO** - Held 19L sixth in a 2400m handicap at Compiègne (heavy) start of this month. Interesting upped in trip.
7. **GOT TOUCH** - Good 2L third in a 3000m conditions race on soft ground here end of last month. Top chance.
8. **MAKOTOTONBOKIRI** - Beaten 15L last of six in a 2500m conditions race on the AW at Deauville in August. More needed on return to turf.

Summary

GOT TOUCH (7) may play a leading role following a 2L third in a 3000m conditions race on soft ground at this track. LORD GRISCHUN (2) steps up in trip following a 1L success in a 2400m maiden at Lyon-Parilly. Could go well in this higher grade. GRAN GESTE (1) registered a 3L third in a 3000m handicap here. Holds claims switching to a conditions race. MEDITERRANEA BLUES (3) performed below par on his two most recent outings. Capable of better than he showed when 29L last of fifteen in a 2500m handicap at Deauville.

Selections

**GOT TOUCH (7) - LORD GRISCHUN (2) - GRAN GESTE (1) -
MEDITERRANEA BLUES (3)**

Race 7

1. **PEACEFUL CITY** - Beaten 4L fourth in a heavy ground 1800m handicap at Compiègne last week. More needed.
2. **FULL COURT PRESS** - Good 2L third in a 1400m handicap on soft ground here 11 days ago. Interesting back up in trip.
3. **KIWI GREEN SUITE** - Fair 6L ninth in a 2000m handicap at Longchamp (good) last month. Interest to see how he fares down in distance.
4. **SINBAD** - Fair 8L seventh in a 1600m handicap at Chantilly (soft) three weeks ago. Improvement needed.
5. **THINDY** - Beaten 1L second in a 1700m handicap at Pompadour early last month. Claims in this contest.
6. **ELYSEE D'OSVIN** - Registered a 1L success in a soft ground 1600m handicap at Chantilly 21 days ago. Strong claims.
7. **CHIEF'S APP** - Good efforts in defeat of late including 2L fourth in a 1600m handicap at Nantes (yielding) four weeks ago.
8. **SNOOZE BUTTON** - Down the field 6L tenth 1200m handicap at Argentan (soft) 20 days ago. Others preferred.
9. **RAPID TOMAJ** - Seasonal debut when 19L seventh in a 1700m conditions race at Saint-Brieuc (soft) six days ago. Improvement needed.
10. **CLORINDA** - Successful by a head in an 1850m handicap at Agen (soft) earlier this month. Interesting to see how she fares down in trip.
11. **ROSE ABELLA** - Held 13L fifth in a 1650m conditions race at Craon (soft-to-heavy) 25 days ago. Others preferred.
12. **BERLIN CALLING** - First start back from a break when 8L sixth in a 2200m claimer at Amiens (soft) six days ago. Others make more appeal.

Summary

ELYSEE D'OSVIN (6) may play a leading role following a 1L victory in a 1600m handicap at Chantilly. FULL COURT PRESS (2) placed third beaten 2L in a 1400m handicap on soft going here. Provided good form at this journey in the past. CHIEF'S APP (7) is considered after a staying on 2L fourth on yielding going over this trip at Nantes. THINDY (5) was runner-up in a 1700m handicap at Pompadour. Another to consider having won at this venue previously.

CLORINDA (10) holds each-way claims on the back of a head victory in an 1850m handicap at Agen (soft).

Selections

**ELYSEE D'OSVIN (6) - FULL COURT PRESS (2) - CHIEF'S APP (7) -
THINDY (5) - CLORINDA (10)**