

NANCY - 16 May

Race 5

1. **ARCTIC GIRL** - Well held on handicap debut when making seasonal reappearance but worth another chance second up. Unexposed.
2. **ROCCA YOU** - Three fair runs in class three handicaps despite finishing held. Each way player edging down the weights.
3. **ART OF FUSION** - 2L third in a class three handicap over this trip at Lyon-Parilly a weeks ago. Key player over this suitable journey.
4. **EMBAJADORES** - Well beaten the last twice but holds a fair record at the trip. Place claims down 1kg.
5. **MATTINA FORZA** - 1L success over 1950m at this venue just under two weeks ago. Top chance back up in trip off a 2kg higher mark.
6. **SIMANO** - Held in class three handicaps recently but may show more dropped back in journey.
7. **AJMANY** - Solid record over the trip but likely to need more in an event of this nature.
8. **SHOWERSOFBLESSING** - 3L seventh in a class three handicap over 1900m at Chantilly AW. Supplemented runner. Not discounted.
9. **PONT AU CHANGE** - Well beaten on last three outings including when pulling up here 13 days ago. Dangerous to dismiss if bouncing back to best form.
10. **MAKENZO** - Mixed class three handicap form of late but capable of going close off this mark. One to note.
11. **STRIKE BOMBER** - Well beaten on reappearance but should strip fitter. Outside place claims back up to 2400m.
12. **COMMANDEUR** - Each way player on his 1L third over 2350m at Strasbourg two back.
13. **NORDGOLD** - Well held when eighth over 3100m at Saint-Cloud 27 days ago. More needed second up.

14. **SILVERHAWKS** - Recent form requires progress. Others hold stronger claims.

15. **ARCHITECT** - Held on latest form and best watched currently.

Summary

MATTINA FORZA (5) produced a 1L success over 1950m at this venue just under two weeks ago. Leading player back up in distance off a 2kg higher mark. ART OF FUSION (3) finished 2L third in this grade tackling this trip at Lyon-Parilly. Key contender attempting this suitable journey. The unexposed ARCTIC GIRL (1) was well beaten on seasonal reappearance but might be worth another chance on just her second handicap start. May strip fitter. ROCCA YOU (2) is gradually edging down the weights and holds each way claims.

Selections

**MATTINA FORZA (5) - ART OF FUSION (3) - ARCTIC GIRL (1) - ROCCA
YOU (2)**

LONGCHAMP - 16 May

Race 1

1. **TOUR TO PARIS** - 4.75L seventh in the G3 Prix du Petit Couvert over course and distance last September. One to note having been gelded since that effort.
2. **SESTILIO JET** - Making his seasonal debut when 2.5L third in the Listed Prix Servanne over 1200m at Chantilly (good) just under three weeks ago. Of note in this race.
3. **BERNEUIL** - Victorious by 1.5L in a 1000m conditions race at Chantilly (soft) just over a month ago. Stepping up in grade.
4. **BATWAN** - Fourth when beaten 1.5L in the Listed Prix Cor de Chasse over 1100m at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) on seasonal debut. Has won over this track and trip in the past.
5. **KEN COLT** - Absent since finishing 8.25L sixth in the G2 King George Qatar Stakes over 1006m at Goodwood (UK) in July last year. Claims on best form.
6. **TERTIUS** - Winner of the Listed Prix Cor de Chasse over 1100m at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) by 1.5L at the end of March. Notable runner.
7. **AIR DE VALSE** - Faded late on when 2.75L fourth over 1200m in the Listed Prix Servanne at Chantilly (good) 20 days ago. Drop in trip is in her favour.
8. **BAVARIA BABY** - Held 2.5L seventh in the Listed Prix Cor de Chasse over 1100m at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) on seasonal debut. Supplemented for this race.
9. **KALAHARA** - Fifth when beaten 5.5L over 1100m in the G3 Prix Sigy over 1100m at Chantilly (good-to-soft) in April. Winner of her only previous start over this distance.
10. **IDEAL BEAUTY** - 4.75 third in the G3 Prix Sigy over 1100m at Chantilly (good-to-soft) just under four weeks ago. Strong claims.
11. **ISLE OF MAY** - Tried to make all when finishing 3.5L second in the G3 Prix Sigy over 1100m at Chantilly (good-to-soft) last month. Leading contender.
12. **HASTALAVISTABABY** - Fair 5.5L fourth in the G3 Prix Sigy over 1100m at Chantilly (good-to-soft) 26 days ago. More required.

13. **ACAPULCO GOLD** - Listed winner at two and ran well when 3.5L fourth in the G1 Darley Prix Morny over 1200m at Deauville (soft) in August. Open to improvement down in trip on three-year-old debut.

Summary

ISLE OF MAY (11) may go one better than when runner-up in the G3 Prix Sigy over 1100m at Chantilly. Top chance dropping back to 1000m. IDEAL BEAUTY (10) can play a role in the finish. Ran 4.75L third that day and is a key player for a leading trainer and jockey. TERTIUS (6) warrants respect upped in grade having won the 1100m Listed Prix Cor de Chasse at Fontainebleau by 1.5L. ACAPULCO GOLD (13) is considered on his first start since a 3.5L fourth in the 1200m G1 Prix Morny last August. Open to progress in three-year-old campaign.

Selections

**ISLE OF MAY (11) - IDEAL BEAUTY (10) - TERTIUS (6) - ACAPULCO
GOLD (13)**

Race 2

1. **QUEEN OF LOVE** - Runner-up when beaten 2.5L in the Listed Prix Servanne over 1200m at Chantilly (good) 20 days ago. Leading contender.
2. **ALPEN ROSE** - Last of nine in the 1600m G3 Prix Edmond Blanc at Saint-Cloud (good) at the start of last month. Capable of better.
3. **SPEAK OF THE DEVIL** - Successful by 0.5L in the 1400m Listed Prix de Saint-Cyr on very heavy going at this track in October. Strong claims on seasonal reappearance.
4. **SAGAMIYRA** - Winner of four of her six previous starts including by 1.25L in a 1600m handicap at Saint-Cloud (good) on seasonal debut. Bold show expected stepping up in grade.
5. **TROPBEAU** - 7.25L eighth over 1600m in the G2 Prix du Muguet at Saint-Cloud (good) 15 days ago. Top chance down in grade and trip.
6. **IRSKA** - Absent since finishing 4.25L fifth over 1600m in the Listed Prix Tantieme over 1600m at Saint-Cloud (heavy) in November. Claims if sharp for her reappearance.
7. **MADemoiselle Emma** - Successful by a head in a 1650m conditions race at Sable-sur-Sarthe (good-to-soft) two weeks ago. More needed upped in grade.
8. **LIKE A CHARM** - Held 7.75L eighth in a 1600m handicap at Saint-Cloud (good) just under four weeks ago. Others make more appeal.

Summary

TROPBEAU (5) looks up to playing a role in the finish dropping in trip following a 7.25L eighth at Saint-Cloud in the 1600m G2 Prix du Muguet. Top chance down in grade. QUEEN OF LOVE (1) is open to improvement for a top yard. Ran 2.5L second in the 1200m Listed Prix Servanne at Chantilly. SAGAMIYRA (4) searches for a five-timer. Delivered a 1.25L victory in a 1600m handicap at Saint-Cloud. Notable runner with more to come. SPEAK OF THE DEVIL (3) is another of note on the back of a 0.5L triumph in the Listed Prix de Saint-Cyr on very heavy going over track and trip.

Selections

TROPBEAU (5) - QUEEN OF LOVE (1) - SAGAMIYRA (4) - SPEAK OF THE DEVIL (3)

Race 3

1. **WEETAMOO** - Tried to make all when a head second over 2100m at Saint-Cloud (good) just over six weeks ago. Notable runner.
2. **ATALANTE** - Held 5.25L fifth in the Listed Prix Finlande over 1800m at Longchamp (good-to-soft) two weeks ago. More needed.
3. **BURGARITA** - Debuted with a 1L victory in a 2100m newcomers race on good going here four weeks ago. One to note for a top yard.
4. **NATSUKASHI** - Successful by 8L when debuting in a 2400m maiden at Chantilly (good) just under three weeks ago. Top chance.
5. **SABOOR** - Head second in a 2400m conditions contest at Chantilly (soft) last month. Of note in this race.
6. **DARY CI** - Broke her maiden by a short-head over 2400m at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) last month. Stepping up in grade.
7. **ADHAFERA** - Off the mark at the second attempt when scoring by 1.5L in a 2000m maiden at Chantilly (good) early last month. Claims for a top yard.
8. **ROMAN BAMB** - Neck third in the 1800m Listed Prix Finlande on good-to-soft going here two weeks ago. Strong claims.
9. **LOIRE** - Successful by 1L in a 1900m conditions race at Cholet (soft) 25 days ago. Improvement needed.
10. **URBANIA** - Victorious by 0.75L in a 2200m maiden at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) just under a month ago. Bold show expected.

Summary

NATSUKASHI (4) can remain unbeaten following an impressive 8L debut success in a 2400m maiden at Chantilly. ROMAN BAMB (8) finished a neck third in the 1800m Listed Prix Finlande on good-to-soft going here. Strong claims in the same grade with a top jockey booked. URBANIA (10) enters calculations having seen off two subsequent winners when winning by 0.75L in a 2200m maiden at Fontainebleau. ADHAFERA (7) is considered after a 1.5L triumph in a 2000m maiden at Chantilly. Holds claims for a leading stable.

Selections

NATSUKASHI (4) - ROMAN BAMB (8) - URBANIA (10) - ADHAFERA (7)

Race 4

1. **VILARO** - Held 5.75L eighth in a 2000m conditions race at Fontainebleau (good) last month. Better expected back in a handicap.
2. **KHOCHENKO** - Down the field seventh over 2100m at Saint-Cloud (good) 18 days ago. More needed.
3. **NARCOS** - Successful by 2.5L in a 2100m handicap at Saint-Cloud (good) just over two weeks ago. Notable contender.
4. **SAVOIR AIMER** - Runner-up when beaten 3L in a 2400m conditions race at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) a month ago. Top chance.
5. **COUNT ROSTOV** - Midfield finish when 2.5L seventh over 1900m at Deauville AW last month. Claims on earlier form.
6. **ROC ANGEL** - 3L second in a 2000m conditions race at Fontainebleau (good) just over five weeks ago. More needed back in a handicap.
7. **GOYA SENORA** - 5.5L sixth over 2000m at Fontainebleau (good) last month. Others make more appeal switched to a handicap.
8. **MR DE POURCEAUGNAC** - Good 2.5L third in a 2200m conditions race at Fontainebleau (good-to-soft) just over three weeks ago. Bold show expected on handicap debut.
9. **SAN VALENTINA** - Improved effort 2.25L third in a 1600m conditions race at Nantes (good-to-soft) at the end of March. Notable contender.
10. **MARRAKECH EXPRESS** - Winner of two of his last three starts including by a neck in a 1900m AW handicap at Deauville last month. Strong claims.
11. **JUST A FORMALITY** - 2L third in a 2600m conditions race on the AW at Pont-de-Vivieux 16 days ago. Others preferred on return to a handicap.
12. **SKALLETO** - Consistent gelding who finished a 2L second in a 1950m conditions race at Chateaubriant (soft) 20 days ago. Of note switched to a handicap.
13. **LETTY'S MARVEL** - Returning from a break when 3.25L ninth over 1900m at Deauville AW last month. Switch to turf not certain to suit.
14. **HOPEFUL** - Third when beaten 3.5L in a 1950m conditions event at Chateaubriant (soft) 20 days ago. Step forward required.

15. **JACKSUN** - Fair 5L fourth in a 2400m conditions race at Lyon-Parilly (good-to-soft) a month ago. More needed.

16. **KOURKING** - Victorious by a nose in a 2400m handicap on good ground here four weeks ago. Claims with a 2.5kg rise in the weights fair.

Summary

SAVOIR AIMER (4) may take this on the back of a 3L second in a 2400m conditions race at Lyon-Parilly. Leading player in current form. NARCOS (3) won by 2.5L a 2100m handicap at Saint-Cloud. Notable runner over the same journey. MR DE POURCEAUGNAC (8) is noted for a top stable following a 2.5L third in a 2200m conditions contest at Fontainebleau. MARRAKECH EXPRESS (10) won by a neck a 1900m AW handicap at Deauville. Respected despite a 3kg rise in the weights. KOURKING (16) is considered having scored by a nose in a track and trip event on good going.

Selections

**SAVOIR AIMER (4) - NARCOS (3) - MR DE POURCEAUGNAC (8) -
MARRAKECH EXPRESS (10) - KOURKING (16)**

Race 5

1. **BREIZH EAGLE** - Unbeaten in three starts including by a head over this track and trip on good-to-soft going last month. Of note stepping up markedly in grade.
2. **POETIC FLARE** - Victorious by a nose in the G1 2000 Guineas over 1609m at Newmarket (UK) (good-to-firm) 15 days ago. Leading contender.
3. **ST MARK'S BASILICA** - Absent since winning the G1 Dewhurst Stakes by 0.75L over 1408m at Newmarket (soft) in October. Bold show expected.
4. **COLOSSEO** - Neck third in a course and distance conditions race on good-to-soft going last month. Step forward required.
5. **PRINCE LANCELOT** - Third when beaten 3.25L in the G3 Prix Djebel over 1400m at Deauville (good) last month. Step up in trip looks likely to suit.
6. **PARCHEMIN** - Suffered a first defeat when 1.5L fifth in the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau over this course and distance on good ground four weeks ago. Likely to have improved for that effort.
7. **POLICY OF TRUTH** - Made a winning seasonal debut when scoring by 0.5L in the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau on good going over this track and trip last month. Notable runner.
8. **MEHMENTO** - Runner-up when beaten a neck in the G3 Greenham Stakes over 1408m at Newbury (good) four weeks ago. Stepping up in trip.
9. **SEALIWAY** - Runner-up when beaten 0.5L in the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau on good ground over this course and distance 28 days ago. One to note.
10. **EASTER** - Fourth when beaten 1.25L in the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau over course and distance on good going here last month. Others make more appeal.
11. **SUMMITER** - 1.25L third in the 1600m G3 Prix de Fontainebleau on good going here last month. Others preferred.
12. **NORMANDY BRIDGE** - Slightly disappointing 3.5L fourth in the G3 Prix Djebel over 1400m at Deauville (good) last month. Return to this distance a positive.

Summary

The feature G1 for three-year-old colts over 1600m may go to POETIC FLARE (2) who delivered a nose victory in the UK equivalent 1609m G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket. ST MARK'S BASILICA (3) is respected on his first start since

finishing 0.75L clear of his rivals in the 1408m G1 Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket in October. POLICY OF TRUTH (7) won the 1600m G3 Prix de Fontainebleau on good going here by 0.5L. One to note. Second that day was SEALIWAY (9) who scored among G1 company at this track last autumn. Shortlist. Unbeaten in three starts BREIZH EAGLE (1) is another to consider having won by a head a course and distance conditions race on good-to-soft going making seasonal debut.

Selections

**POETIC FLARE (2) - ST MARK'S BASILICA (3) - POLICY OF TRUTH (7) -
SEALIWAY (9) - BREIZH EAGLE (1)**

Race 6

1. **SILVESTRI** - Head second in the 1600m G3 Prix de La Grotte on good going here four weeks ago. Bold show expected.
2. **COEURSAMBA** - Third when beaten 1.5L in a track and trip conditions race on good-to-soft ground 24 days ago. More needed.
3. **LULLABY MOON** - Victorious by 2L in the G3 Prix Miesque over 1400m at Chantilly (heavy) at the end of October. Strong claims on seasonal debut.
4. **TIGER TANAKA** - Held 5.75L sixth in the G3 Prix Vanteaux over 1800m on soft ground here five weeks ago. Claims on the form she showed at two.
5. **MOTHER EARTH** - Winner of the G1 1000 Guineas over 1609m at Newmarket (good-to-firm) by 1L two weeks ago. Leading contender.
6. **SWEET LADY** - Good 0.5L fourth in the G3 Prix de La Grotte over 1600m on good going here last month. Of note in this race.
7. **PHILOMENE** - Unbeaten in two starts including the 2100m G3 Prix Penelope by 2.5L on good going at this track last month. Notable contender dropping in distance.
8. **ROUGIR** - Sixth when beaten 1.5L over 1600m in the Prix de La Grotte on good ground here last month. Needs to reverse form with a few of her rivals here if she is to take this event.
9. **KENNELLA** - Fifth when beaten 2L in the 1400m G3 Prix Imprudence at Deauville (good) last month. Others make more appeal.
10. **SEE THE ROSE** - 0.5L fifth over 1600m in the G3 Prix de La Grotte on good going here 28 days ago. Others preferred.
11. **STARDEVOTE** - Successful by 0.5L in a 1300m conditions race on good-to-soft ground here last month. Improvement needed.
12. **KING'S HARLEQUIN** - Neck third in the G3 Prix de La Grotte over this course and distance on good going four weeks ago. One to note.
13. **MISS AMULET** - Third when beaten 2.75L in the G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf over 1609m at Keeneland (good) in early November. Claims if sharp for seasonal debut.
14. **REINA MADRE** - Winner of the G3 Prix Imprudence over 1400m at Deauville (good) by a head last month. Notable runner.

Summary

The 1600m feature G1 race for three-year-old fillies. MOTHER EARTH (5) may record a second G1 success having won the G1 1000 Guineas over 1609m at Newmarket (UK) by 1L. SILVESTRI (1) makes the shortlist after finishing a head second in the G3 Prix de La Grotte at course and distance on good going. LULLABY MOON (3) is respected upped in trip following a 2L triumph in the G3 Prix Miesque over 1400m on heavy going at Chantilly. PHILOMENE (7) is another to consider as she bids to defend an unbeaten record having won by 2.5L in the 2100m G3 Prix Penelope at Saint-Cloud. MISS AMULET (13) is noted having been beaten 2.75L in the 1609m G1 Breeders Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf on her final start of last year.

Selections

MOTHER EARTH (5) - SILVESTRI (1) - LULLABY MOON (3) - PHILOMENE (7) - MISS AMULET (13)