

Saint-Cloud [L-H] - 23 September

Race 1 - CHMPT PARIS TURF DES APPRENTIS & JEUNES JOCKEYS - PRIX BILL WI - 1500m CLM CL3. Purse EUR €19,000.

1. **AUTUMN TWILIGHT** - Out of character performance last time out when tenth over 800m at Chantilly beaten 10 lengths. Better than that last effort.
2. **MAGIC SWORD** - Last appeared when he finished second over 1200m at Les Sables on July 26. Harder but can be considered.
3. **BIG BOOTS** - Finding it hard to break through this time in but not far away the latest when third over 1400m at Le Lion-d'Angers. Can be in the finish.
4. **RED TORCH** - Went close last time when second over 1300m at Deauville All Weather. Expected to feature. Good chance.
5. **AVRILOMANOIR** - Has been very ordinary since winning at Longchamp four starts back. Beaten 5 lengths when sixth over 1400m at Le Lion-d'Angers last start. Prepared to overlook.
6. **DUFOUR** - Was a placegetter first-up last start over 1400m at Longchamp beaten 3.5 lengths. Back in good shape and is among the chances.
7. **ELECTROSCOPE** - Beaten 3 lengths into fourth when resuming last start over 1200m at Nimes. Tougher here.
8. **SELKET** - Filled a minor placing first up this campaign then missed last time when fourth over 1500m at Deauville All Weather. Won't find this easy.
9. **PASSALITO** - Struggling to break through this campaign beaten 5.5 lengths last start when seventh over 1400m at Le Lion-d'Angers. Will need to improve.

Summary: DUFOUR (6) was always prominent when third in a Class Three handicap over 1400m at Longchamp. Notable claims with two wins from four starts over this trip. RED TORCH (4) was beaten a head in a Class Three claiming handicap on the AW at Deauville last outing. Key chance. MAGIC SWORD (2) is interesting upped in trip following a 5.5L second over 1200m at Les Sables. BIG BOOTS (3) is respected following back-to-back placings at Deauville AW and Le Lion-d'Angers.

Selections

DUFOUR (6) - RED TORCH (4) - MAGIC SWORD (2) - BIG BOOTS (3)

Race 2 - PRIX ESMERALDA - 1500m CL2. Purse EUR €34,000.

1. **BETWEEN** - Has not raced since finishing 5 lengths away in sixth over 1400m at Dieppe on June 17. Will take a lot from this run and is included.
2. **LADY FRASQUITA** - Won her maiden two back at Longchamp then could only manage fourth last start over 1600m at Vittel. Useful type. Harder but consider.
3. **ELOUNDA QUEEN** - Lightly raced filly who was beaten a head into second last start over 1500m at Deauville. Leading trainer. One of the main chances.
4. **THIOSSANE** - Made an ideal start to her career last time out scoring by 0.8 lengths over 1600m at Longchamp. Logical progression should go close.
5. **ABELIA** - Pushed forward on debut last time but could only manage sixth beaten 4.5 lengths over 1600m at Longchamp. More needed at this level.
6. **KALEOBAYANE** - Finished second over 2000m at Divonne-les-Bains two back then missed the frame last time out over 2000m at Marseille-Borely. Might struggle again.
7. **ROMINA POWER** - Started at a big quote on debut last start and didn't do a great deal when sixth over 1300m at this track. Prefer to see her again.

Summary: THIOSSANE (4) created a nice impression when making a winning debut over 1600m at Longchamp. Expected to follow up for a top trainer. The chief threat is likely to come from ELOUNDA QUEEN (3) who was denied a head in this class at Clairefontaine on her second career start. LADY FRASQUITA (2) was sent off favourite when a 2L fourth in a Class Two conditions event over 1600m at Vittel. Hard to ignore on ratings. BETWEEN (1) is also noted.

Selections

THIOSSANE (4) - ELOUNDA QUEEN (3) - LADY FRASQUITA (2) - BETWEEN (1)

1. **MANDEGA** - Brought up a hat-trick of minor placings last start when second over 1600m at Chantilly. Major player on recent form.
2. **PONTY** - Made steady improvement last time out at his second career start to finish third over 1600m at Clairefontaine. Promising type who gets his chance to win again.
3. **IFACH** - Last raced when he broke through for a maiden win over 1200m at Toulouse on June 28 by one length. Capable of another bold run while fresh. Respect trainer.
4. **COLBY CHOP** - Finished second on debut last start at Strasbourg. Place at best.
5. **TWIN SCAT** - Was beaten a fair way on debut last time out when fifth over 1600m at La Teste De Buch. Tested in this line-up.
6. **LAS DES BOIS** - Yet to fill a placing in eight runs most recently when 6 lengths back in fifth over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly.
7. **HANGRY** - Well bred expensive colt by leading sire Galileo making debut for leading trainer. Don't dismiss.

Summary: IFACH (3) had a subsequent winner behind when taking out a 1200m maiden at Toulouse. Leading claims upped in grade for a notable yard. MANDEGA (1) could prove the likely pace angle and must be respected having finished a good second in this class over 1600m at Chantilly thirteen days ago. There should be more to come from PONTY (2) who shaped nicely when third behind a future winner at Clairefontaine. The Andre Fabre-trained newcomer HANGRY (7) is worth a market check having been supplemented.

Selections

IFACH (3) - MANDEGA (1) - PONTY (2) - HANGRY (7)

Race 4 - PRIX DU BOURBONNAIS - 2500m OPEN. Purse EUR €50,000.

1. **JET BLUE** - Was most recently seen when second behind Joueur Masque four months ago over 2400m at Vichy. Sure to be thereabouts.
2. **JUSQUICITOUVABIEN** - Finished fourth last start behind Jakarta Macalo over 2400m at Vichy beaten 2.75 lengths. Looks tested against this line-up.
3. **JACKO DES PLAGES** - Scored last start over 2400m at Moulins getting home by 3 lengths. Tough to beat on latest and can measure up again.
4. **JOYFUL STORM** - Finished sixth only start over 2400m at Vittel beaten 16 lengths. Others rate better this time.
5. **JUST D'AUMONT** - Saluted last start over 2650m at Saint-Jean-de-Monts getting home by 2.5 lengths. Chance on latest and can go on with it.
6. **JEANNETTE** - Winner of the G3 Prix de l'Isle Briand but needs to bounce back from a recent disappointment when sixth in the G3 Prix Antoine de Vazelhes. Include.
7. **JAINA KELLE** - Looking to improve on her last-start second over 2400m at Vichy a month ago. Looks a chance.
8. **JIMFA** - Comes here following success five-and-a-half weeks ago over 2500m at Argentan scoring by 8 lengths. Major player on latest. Worth including.

Summary: JAINA KELLE (7) could be the one to side with having got back on track when runner-up in the G3 Prix Antoine de Vazelhes over 2400m at Vichy. Notable runner. JEANNETTE (6) did finish in front of the former when winning the G3 Prix de l'Isle Briand but needs to bounce back from a recent disappointment when sixth in the aforementioned G3 Prix Antoine de Vazelhes. It was a taking display JIMFA (8) produced when winning by 8L over this trip at Argentan and she must be included. Stablemate JET BLUE (1) holds each-way claims.

Selections

JAINA KELLE (7) - JEANNETTE (6) - JIMFA (8) - JET BLUE (1)

1. **JILBAAB** - Made all to win a Class Three handicap on the AW at Chantilly when last seen 206-days ago. Player.
2. **WASACHOP** - Just denied in a Class Four conditions event at Nimes twelve days back. Chance.
3. **BEYOND MY DREAMS** - Fourth in a Class Three handicap on the AW at Deauville latest. Claims.
4. **SNOOZE BUTTON** - Runner-up in a similar type of event at Le Touquet two starts ago. Supplemented runner.
5. **ART PREMIER** - Tailed off on last two outings. Opposed.
6. **JASMINA** - Fair Class Four claiming handicap fourth over 1350m at Lyon-Parilly. Each-way.
7. **FOREVER COCO** - Held at Longchamp in June but has the form to find the frame.
8. **VEGA DREAM** - Second in a Class Four handicap at Le Lion-d'Angers three back. Disappointing subsequently but could bounce back.

Summary: JILBAAB (1) made all to win a Class Three handicap on the AW at Chantilly when last seen 206-days ago. Genuine hope on reappearance in what looks a suitable affair. BEYOND MY DREAMS (3) is a dual scorer over the trip and looks a strong contender on the back of a decent Class Three handicap fourth at Deauville AW. SNOOZE BUTTON (4) finished runner-up in a similar Class Four claiming handicap at Le Touquet on the penultimate outing. Thereabouts on that form. Another to note is WASACHOP (2).

Selections

JILBAAB (1) - BEYOND MY DREAMS (3) - SNOOZE BUTTON (4) - WASACHOP (2)

Race 6 - PRIX CORONATION - 1600m OPEN. Purse EUR €55,000.

1. **ATAARED** - Genuine black-type performer who was too good last start winning the over 1500m at Tarbes by 1.3 lengths. Going well and looks hard to beat again here.
2. **ABHAYAA** - Taking on an easier race this time after finishing eighth in the G1 Preis Diana at Dusseldorf (Ger) beaten 8 lengths. Can be considered each-way.
3. **CHILI FLAG** - Comes here after a fifth three weeks ago over 1900m at La Teste De Buch. Looks a strong top-three prospect.
4. **HOT QUEEN** - Comes back in grade beaten 5.5 lengths into ninth in the Prix De Lieurey over 1600m at Deauville. Ran well in G1 in USA two starts ago. Looks hard to beat in this easier level.
5. **LA ESTRELLITA** - Comes here fresh from a second over 1800m at Baden Baden (Ger). In form and could measure up.
6. **TASK** - Comes here after a fifth three-and-a-half months ago over 2000m at Longchamp. Could surprise first up.
7. **INDIAN WISH** - Quality performer who as not been presented since she closed last prep with a fourth the G2 Prix Chloe over 1800m at Chantilly. Lower level race and has some claims.
8. **LIFE IN MOTION** - Looking to improve on her last-start second in the G2 Prix De Sandringham over 1600m at Chantilly three-and-a-half months ago. Looks a top chance.
9. **SOLDANELLE** - Looking to improve on her last-start third over 2100m at Dusseldorf (Ger) three months ago. Looks tested against this line-up.

Summary: The form of LIFE IN MOTION (8) good second in the G2 Prix de Sandringham at Chantilly in June took a boost with the third winning since. Top claims on ratings with a perfect two from two record at this venue. ATAARED (1) looks a leading player having made all the running to beat a pair of subsequent winners in the 1500m Listed Prix La Sorellina at Tarbes. HOT QUEEN (4) would hold strong claims on her excellent sixth in the G1 Belmont Oaks Invitational two starts ago while ABHAYAA (2) is considered on stable debut.

Selections

LIFE IN MOTION (8) - ATAARED (1) - HOT QUEEN (4) - ABHAYAA (2)

Le Croisé-Laroche [L-H] - 23 September

Race 1 - PRIX WWW.CROISE-LAROCHE.FR - 1800m CLM CL4 HCP. Purse EUR €12,000.

1. **GIFT OF THE G** - Good third last start over 1600m at Compiègne. Player.
2. **LEX LUTHOR** - Scored over 1400m at Clairefontaine two back then missed the frame last time out over 1400m at Baden Baden. Terrific chance to return to form.
3. **WILD EMOTION** - Last start was 15 lengths adrift in tenth over 1800m at Compiègne. Unreliable and needs to do more.
4. **BOOMERANG** - Last appeared when he finished tenth over 1650m at Craon on September 3. Better suited here.
5. **AZABA** - Not raced since finishing 6 lengths away in ninth over 1600m at Compiègne on June 10. Place.
6. **OLYMPIANA** - Continued the disappointing campaign last start when 13th beaten 16 lengths over 1800m at Dieppe. Others preferred.
7. **ANOTHER HOT TOPIC** - Tailed off when resuming over 2100m at Le Touquet eight weeks ago. Not keen.
8. **GALOP CHOP** - Fair seventh over 1300m at Le Touquet eight weeks ago when beaten 4.5 lengths. Chance if at his best.
9. **ESPRIT DE CORPS** - Finished fifth over 1400m at Krefeld (Ger). Interesting contender.
10. **POMELA LAUJAC** - One placing from 22 starts. Cannot recommend.

Summary: GIFT OF THE G (1) has run well to finish third in Class Three claiming handicaps at Clairefontaine and Compiègne on his last two starts. Notable runner in what is a winnable affair. LEX LUTHOR (2) won a similar event at Clairefontaine over 1400m two starts ago. Key claims having been supplemented. BOOMERANG (4) is hard to ignore on ratings while GALOP CHOP (8) holds place claims back up in trip following a fair seventh at Le Touquet.

Selections

GIFT OF THE G (1) - LEX LUTHOR (2) - BOOMERANG (4) - GALOP CHOP (8)