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R2 VITTEL [R-H]

**C4 - PRIX JEANNE D'ARC - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR €
16,300**

- 1. BUDOKAN** - Finished 5th in a Maiden at Nantes over 1,600m on 1 July 2026 when last seen. Second try in a handicap and warrants close attention
- 2. OCEAN STAR** - Finished 5th in a Class 3 at Vittel over 1,600m on 19 July 2026. Reasonably well handicapped and can be competitive
- 3. LIVERPOOL** - Unplaced last time in a maiden on June 22, 4th previously at Baden-Baden (DEU) on June 4 in a conditions race. Hard to trust
- 4. DAKOTA GRACE** - Three unplaced efforts this year, the most recent over 1800m at Longchamp on June 15 in a handicap. Place contender
- 5. ST KILDA** - Unplaced last time in a handicap on June 15, a win before that over 1700m in a claimer at La-Roche-Sur-Yon on June 6.
- 6. ASPRILA** - Finished 5th last time over 1600m at Compiègne in a handicap on July 16. Lacks consistency and can be opposed
- 7. ZENATA** - Showed promise and was third in a Maiden at Aix Les Bains over 1,800m on 7 July 2026. More needed in a better race
- 8. MARANELLO** - Creditable 5th last time over 1800m at Clairefontaine in a handicap on July 3. Among the leading chances
- 9. CAPOUCHINE** - Numerous unplaced runs recently, well held at Clairefontaine in a handicap on July 3 over 1800m when last seen. Hard to fancy

Summary: In a race lacking depth it may pay to side with OCEAN STAR (2), who was a creditable fifth over this track a week ago. He is preferred ahead of BUDOKAN (1), who was fifth in a maiden at Nantes at the start of this month. MARANELLO (8) is another to pay attention to and makes the trip from Germany having been a close fifth in a handicap 24 days ago at Clairefontaine. DAKOTA GRACE (4) is also worth a mention.

SELECTIONS

OCEAN STAR (2) - BUDOKAN (1) - MARANELLO (8) - DAKOTA GRACE (4)



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C5 - PRIX DE L'HIPPODROME DE STRASBOURG - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 8,200

- 1. WINNER HORSE** - Successful last time out in a Conditions hurdle at this course over 3800m on 6 July. Can be a threat back on the flat
- 2. MONTAIGNE** - Finished third in a Maiden at Aix Les Bains over 2,000m on 14 July. Has run well in both starts and should fight out the finish
- 3. BRIGHTON SPORT** - Finished 8th on debut in a Maiden at Compiègne over 2,400m on 13 June. Capable of improvement and could make the frame
- 4. BEETHOVEN** - Threatening to win and was runner-up in a Maiden at Nancy over 2,500m on 20 May 2026. Capable of going one place better
- 5. KAYSA** - Finished 3rd in a Class 4 at Wissembourg over 2,400m on 25 May. Has shown improvement of late and has a place chance
- 6. CLAIRE** - Has some fair form and finished fourth at Haras du Pin over 2200m on 26 October. Could need this run returning from a break
- 7. ARRASAGE** - Has struggled of late and finished 8th in a Maiden at Compiègne over 1,800m on 9 June. Needs to find a few lengths to score
- 8. BEAUTY MAGIC** - Finished 8th in a Maiden at Aix Les Bains over 2,000m on 14 July. Has not shown much so far and others are preferred
- 9. BETISE** - Only modest of late, finishing 9th in a Class 4 Handicap at Strasbourg over 2,350m on 16 June. Needs to do plenty more to beat these rivals
- 10. CHINCA BONITAS** - Fifth in a Class 3 Condition Chase at Castéra-Verd. over 3,800m on 2 November 2025. Returns from a break and could need this run.
- 11. MARIE VA** - Has been consistent of late and finished third in a claiming chase at Auteuil over 3600m on 8 May. Might play a minor role back on the flat
- 12. AVEC PLAISIR** - A four-year-old filly by Taj Mahal out of A Sunday Dream who is making her debut. Her Dam won once in 14 starts. Might play a minor role

Summary: BEETHOVEN (4) looked very much at home over 2,500 metres at Nancy and, in this open contest, can play a leading role; MONTAIGNE (2) has done little wrong in his first two starts and remains a strong contender. BRIGHTON SPORT (3), a Suborics-bred runner fitted with blinkers for the first time, could take a step forward. WINNER HORSE (1), although better known over jumps, still has enough ability on the flat to make his presence felt.

SELECTIONS

BEETHOVEN (4) - MONTAIGNE (2) - BRIGHTON SPORT (3) - WINNER HORSE (1)



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C6 - PRIX MINNIE DE BEAUVAU CRAON - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 10,100

1. ALLEZ FRERES - Improving and finished 3rd in a Maiden at Chantilly over 2,400m on 19 June. Should make a bold bid at victory

2. ZAFES - Finished 7th on debut in a Conditions race at Clairefontaine-Deauville over 1800m on 3 July. Should improve and might play a minor role

3. SMOLAR - Has really struggled so far and finished 9th in a Maiden at Lyon-La Soie over 1,800m on 17 November 2025. Returns from a break and could need this run

4. WHITE MIRACLE - Has some fair form and finished 5th in a Conditions race at Lyon-Parilly over 2400m on 21 June. Can be competitive in this line-up

5. SORELINO - Not disgraced when third in a Maiden at Nancy over 2,500m on 5 June. Clearly not out of it if building on that debut performance

6. MAIRI POWER - Finished 8th in a Class 3 over this course and distance on 6 July. Has only been moderate so far and others are preferred

7. CARRERA - Finished 8th on debut at Cologne over 1850m on 11 July. Capable of improvement but others make more appeal

8. NOVA MOON - A runner-up on debut in a Conditions race at Clairefontaine-Deauville over 2400m on 6 July. Can be a threat once again with improvement likely

9. BLOOM - Has only been modest so far and was unplaced in a Maiden at Dieppe over 1,400m on 13 July. Needs to do plenty more to score

10. FILLE DE LOUISE - Finished 10th in a Maiden at Aix Les Bains over 1,800m on 7 July. Needs to do a lot more to beat these rivals

11. LIONESSE - Has only been modest so far and was 7th in a Conditions race at this course over 1600m on 19 July. Plenty more is needed to score

12. PROVOCATRICE - A three-year-old filly by Galiway out of Twisting who is making her debut. Her dam won twice in just three starts. Monitor the betting

13. ROSE DU MOULIN - A three-year-old filly by Montgolfier out of Yellow Rose who is making her debut. Her dam never won a race after 12 starts. Could need this experience

Summary: ALLEZ FRERES (1) faced a much stronger field at Chantilly last time and should find this assignment more suitable. A repeat of this last effort would make him a leading contender. NOVA MOON (8) finished with plenty of purpose at Clairefontaine, suggesting there is more to come. She will be aiming to build on that encouraging performance and could take another step forward. WHITE MIRACLE (4) is still searching for her optimum trip, but connections have elected to supplement her for this race which a positive sign of confidence. SORELINO (5) has now joined the yard of Yvonne Vollmer following a promising debut run and is fitted with blinkers for the first time.



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ALLEZ FRERES (1) - NOVA MOON (8) - WHITE MIRACLE (4) - SORELINO (5)



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C7 - PRIX DU GRAND BALLON DES VOSGES - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 13,400

- 1. MONEY MONEY** - Outclassed the opposition in a Class 4 Handicap over this course and distance on 6 July. Carries a penalty but can follow up
- 2. WETTERKOPF** - Successful last time out in a handicap over this course and distance on 6 July. Can be a lively danger carrying a penalty
- 3. AFTERGLOW** - Not disgraced when 5th in a Class 4 handicap at this course over 2,400m on 19 July. Can get involved with the finish
- 4. FETE JOYEUSE** - Not disgraced when fifth in a Class 4 at Aix Les Bains over 2,500m on 14 July. Can earn some minor money
- 5. PUMPY GIRL** - Finished 7th in a Class 4 Handicap at this course over 2,400m on 19 July. Will need to do a lot more to win
- 6. SECOND TO NONE** - Unplaced in a Class 4 Handicap at Strasbourg over 2,350m on 16 June. Battling to find best form and others are preferred
- 7. BREMONTIER** - Not reliable and finished 6th in a Class 4 Handicap at this course over 2,400m on 19 July. Has a place chance in this line-up
- 8. TRIPTAJIKA** - Has struggled of late and was 9th in a handicap at Aix-les-Bains over 1800m on 7 July. Needs to find a few lengths to score
- 9. VAS Y LEZ** - Holding form and finished 4th in a Class 4 at Vitteaux over 2,600m on 5 July. Might play a minor role once again
- 10. ACATANA** - Returned to form when runner-up in a Class 4 Handicap over this track and trip on 6 July 2026. Should contest the finish
- 11. ALVAR** - Finished 14th in a Class 4 Handicap at Saint-Cloud over 1,400m on 5 July. Yet to win a race and others are much preferred

Summary: MONEY MONEY (1) and WETTERKOPF (2) both scored convincingly over this track on 6 July and look set to dominate proceedings once again. With their recent course-winning form, they appear the standout contenders and are not easy to split. AFTERGLOW (3) returns to what looks a much more suitable distance and has the profile to trouble the leading pair if able to recapture his best form. ACATANA (10) may be able to take advantage of his draw in stall one and if she can secure a good early position, she could definitely outrun her odds.

SELECTIONS

MONEY MONEY (1) - WETTERKOPF (2) - AFTERGLOW (3) - ACATANA (10)



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C8 - PRIX DE L'UNION DES COMMERCANTS DE VITTEL - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 15,400

1. HANSOTTOGRUBER - In good form and finished fourth in a Class 4 Handicap at Strasbourg over 2,350m on 16 June. Should fight out the finish once again

2. DSCHINGIS ZANDEE - Finished 11th in a Class 3 Handicap at Dieppe over 1,800m on 18 July. Off form and needs to find a few lengths to score

3. LIKING - In good form and finished 3rd in a Class 3 Handicap at Compiègne over 2,000m on 13 June. Can play a minor role

4. LAMIRAL DARHAAN - Successful in a Maiden at Aix Les Bains over 2,000m on 14 July. Tougher task this time but has more to offer

5. SOLDIERS CHORUS - Not reliable but was third in a Conditions race at Compiègne over 2400m on 13 June. Can be a real threat if applied

6. CHRISTINE - Unplaced in a Class 3 Handicap at Clairefontaine over 1,600m on 11 July. Unlucky last time and could be a lively danger

7. GREEN GATE - Finished 12th in a Class 4 Handicap at Strasbourg over 2,350m on 16 June. Has struggled of late and others are preferred

8. MON SCHATZI - Not reliable and finished 6th at Cologne over 1850m on 11 July. Needs to do a lot more to score

9. RUE HELENE - Third in a Class 4 Handicap at Aix Les Bains over 2,000m on 30 June. Showed some improvement that day and has a place chance

10. ROMAN SKIES - Very consistent and was third in a Class 3 Handicap at Compiègne over 2,400m on 10 July. Should be competitive once again

11. DIEGO BELLO - Unplaced in a Class 3 Handicap at Strasbourg over 3,000m on 27 May, Battling to find best form and others make more appeal

Summary: HANSOTTOGRUBER (1) enjoyed a superb campaign at this venue last summer, recording a sequence of impressive victories. If back in similar form, he sets the standard. SOLDIERS CHORUS (5) looks the chief danger. She appears attractively treated for her handicap debut and has the profile to make an immediate impact in this division. LAMIRAL DARHAAN (4) deservedly opened his account last time after a string of consistent performances. That breakthrough success could prove the catalyst for further progress. CHRISTINE (6) is now very favourably weighted and has the opportunity to return to the winner's enclosure if rediscovering her best form.

SELECTIONS

HANSOTTOGRUBER (1) - SOLDIERS CHORUS (5) - LAMIRAL DARHAAN (4) - CHRISTINE (6)