

R1 DEAUVILLE [R-H]

C1 - PRIX FRANCOIS BOUTIN - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Gr3 Race - Flat - EUR € 80,000

1. HOUQUETOT - Is unbeaten from two starts. Won over 1400m at Complegne in Class 2 Conditional on 22 July 2024. He has class about him and can bring up the hat-trick

2. SCANDALO - Won on debut over 1400m at Chantilly in an Unraced Conditional on 14 July 2024. Takes on stronger but could be anything

3. HOT CASH - Winner on debut over 1400m at Epsom on 3 July 2024. Makes the trip to France and merits obvious respect

4. COWARDOFTHECOUNTY - Disappointing latest when 7th over 1260m at the Curragh in a Group 3 on 21 July 2024. Ryan Moore rides and will need to produce best

5. MADERO - Finished 3rd over 1400m on this course in Conditional Listed on 7 July 2024. He has ability and should pose a massive threat

Summary: Trainer Christopher Head holds a strong hand in this contest. HOUQUETOT (1) is unbeaten from two starts to date, the latest of which was over 1400m. Aurelien Lemaitre retains the ride and he can bring up the hat-trick. MADERO (5) was not disgraced when 3rd in a Listed race over 1400m on 7 July 2024. Maxime Guyon rides and he is one of the leading contenders. SCANDALO (2) won a good race on debut over 1400m at Chantilly. He could be anything and merits respect. HOT CASH (3) won on debut over 1400m at Epsom and could run a big race.

SELECTIONS

HOUQUETOT (1) - MADERO (5) - SCANDALO (2) - HOT CASH (3)



C2 - PRIX GONTAUT-BIRON HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Gr3 Race - Flat - EUR € 80,000

1. WOODCHUCK - Disappointing latest when 6th over 2000m at Vichy in a Group 3 on 17 July 2024. Will need to put best foot forward to be competitive

2. AL HAKEEM - Finished 2nd over 2000m at Parislongchamp in a Group 3 on 9 June 2024. He would have come on from the run and Cristian Demuro returns to the saddle

3. FEED THE FLAME - Was not disgraced when 2nd in a Group 1 over 2400m at Saint-Cloud on 30 June 2024. Drops to Group 3 Company and can go close

4. ELUSIVE PRINCESS - Finished 3rd over 2100m at Chantilly in Conditional Listed race on 14 July 2024. Mickael Barzalona rides and should be competitive

5. SACAYA - Won over 2100m at Chantilly in Conditional Listed on 14 July 2024. Chance if repeating that effort

Summary: AL HAKEEM (2) ran a good race when 2nd in his last start over 2000m in a Group 3. He is a consistent type and with Cristian Demuro in the saddle, he can return to winning ways. The biggest threat could come from FEED THE FLAME (3) who finished 2nd in a Group 1 over 2400m last time. He drops to Group 3 Company and is a big runner. ELUSIVE PRINCESS (4) finished 3rd in her return to France and would have come on from the run. She should give the males a run for their money. SACAYA (5) returned to winning ways over 2100m in a Listed event on 14 July 2024. Up in class but can show.

SELECTIONS

AL HAKEEM (2) - FEED THE FLAME (3) - ELUSIVE PRINCESS (4) - SACAYA (5)



C3 - PRIX DES CHENETTES - 1900m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 55,000

1. ARPENTEUR - Won over 1600m at Parislongchamp in Divided Handicap on 4 July 2024. Needs to repeat that effort to have a say

2. CHASUBLE - Is better than her last start when 7th over 2400m at Parislongchamp in Conditional Listed on 20 June 2024. Is a big runner on previous form

3. MONNA VANNA - Returned to form when 2nd over 1850m at Vichy in a Claimer on 18 July 2024. Needs to confirm that effort

4. TREIZE - Finished 2nd over 1700m at Marseille Borely in a Claimer on 21 June 2024. Takes on stronger and has a place chance at best

5. GEORGIAN STAR - Finished 6th over 2100m at Saint-Cloud in Conditional Listed on 16 March 2024. Would have strengthened up and chance if fit

6. BENIMARU - Has been disappointing in last two starts. Finished 6th over 1800m at Dieppe in Divided Handicap on 29 July 2024. Others have a stronger winning chance

7. HAMLET'S NIGHT - Finished 2nd over 1600m at Parislongchamp in Divided Handicap on 4 July 2024. He is coming along the right way and can go one better

8. CLIFFS OF MOHER - Decent recent form lines. Finished 3rd over 1600m at Vichy in Divided Handicap on 19 July 2024. Merits obvious inclusion

9. MODEL MAKER - Is better than her latest effort when 8th over 1600m at Vichy in Class 2 Conditional on 18 July 2024. She has scope and will not be a shock winner

10. TROPHANE - Comes into this contest in good form. Finished 2nd over 2000m at Vichy in Conditional Maiden on 15 July 2024. Faces winners but cannot be ignored

11. SPERA - Moderate latest when 8th over 2000m at Parislongchamp in Divided Handicap on 13 July 2024. May be outgunned in this field

12. HUMAN EVOLUTION - Finished 2nd over 2000m at Parislongchamp in Divided Handicap on 13 July 2024. Comes into this contest in good form but faces a competitive field

13. FEET OF FEAR - Fair latest when 4th over 2100m at Dax in a Handicap on 10 June 2024. Chance if finding form of penultimate run

14. CLASH ROYALE - Won over 1900m on this course in Divided Limited Handicap on 1 August 2024. Chance if this run has not come too soon

15. MON FLAMANT - Finished 5th over 2200m at Parislongchamp in Divided Handicap on 20 June 2024. Place chance at best in this line-up

16. CHAMBERI - Inconsistent form lines. Finished 12th over 1600m at Vichy in Divided Handicap on 19 July 2024. Place chance if putting best foot forward



Summary: HAMLET'S NIGHT (7) comes into this contest off a good 2nd. He does have plenty of scope and can go one better under Mickael Barzalona. CHASUBLE (2) is better than her moderate latest outing in a Listed event. On previous form, she should be involved at the finish. GEORGIAN STAR (5) ran a fair race in a Listed race over 2100m at Saint-Cloud on 16 March 2024. He can feature if fit and well. MODEL MAKER (9) has been a tad disappointing in her last two starts. However, if finding the form of her debut victory, she should have a say in the outcome of this contest.

SELECTIONS

HAMLET'S NIGHT (7) - CHASUBLE (2) - GEORGIAN STAR (5) - MODEL MAKER (9)



C4 - PRIX DU HARAS DE FRESNAY-LE-BUFFARD JACQUES LE MAROIS - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Gr1 Race - Flat - EUR € 1,000,000

1. MARHABA YA SANAFI - 2023 French Guineas winner. In good form heading into this race. Finished 2nd in a Group 3 over 1600m at Chantilly on 14 June 2024. May find it difficult up in grade

2. QUDDWAH - Won a Group 2 over 1600m at Ascot on 13 July 2024. He takes on stronger but will be looking to keep his unbeaten record intact

3. CHARYN - Won the Group 1 Queen Anne Stakes over 1600m at Ascot on 18 June 2024. Always gives of his best and can follow up

4. KING GOLD - Inconsistent type. Finished 9th over 1300m on this course in a Group 1 on 4 August 2024. Look elsewhere

5. BIG ROCK - Has been disappointing in both runs this year. Finished 10th in a Group 1 at Ascot over 1600m on 18 June 2024. Has peak run

6. INSPIRAL - Won last runnings of this contest. Finished 6th over 2000m at Ascot in a Group 1 on 19 June 2024. The booking of Ryan Moore is a big plus and she can return to winning ways

7. METROPOLITAN - . French Guineas winner. Good latest when 3rd in a Group 1 over 1600m at Ascot on 18 June 2024. He is a talented sort and merits healthy respect

8. HAATEM - Won a Group 3 over 1400m at Ascot on 22 June 2024. James Doyle rides but may be outclassed in this line-up

Summary: INSPIRAL (6) is better than her last start in the Group 1 Prince Of Wales's Stakes at Ascot. It is encouraging that Ryan Moore is booked to ride and she is capable of returning to winning ways. CHARYN (3) won a good race in the Group 1 Queen Anne Stakes at Ascot. He always gives of his best and should pose the biggest threat. METROPOLITAN (7) was far from disgraced when 3rd in the Group 1 St James's Palace Stakes behind Rosallion. He has plenty of ability and he should be competitive. QUDDWAH (2) won a Group 2 at Ascot last time. Takes on much stronger but should give a good account of himself.

SELECTIONS

INSPIRAL (6) - CHARYN (3) - METROPOLITAN (7) - QUDDWAH (2)



C5 - PRIX NUREYEV - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Listed Race - Flat - EUR € 55,000

1. WAIKATO - Unexposed Shalaa colt with undeniable means - won his first turf appearance over this distance at Chantilly and confirmed that form/improvement by finishing 4th in a 2000m Listed race at ParisLongchamp on 9 June. Beware

2. WAR ROOMS - Finished 3rd in the Group II Dante Stakes at York over this distance before finishing unplaced (9th) in a Group II at Ascot over 2400m on 21 June. Will appreciate this shorter trip and wears first-time headgear - not taken lightly

3. OMBUDSMAN - Undefeated Godolphin-owned Night Of Thunder colt who confirmed the promise of his 1600m Newmarket debut success by following up with another win over 2000m at Leicester on 18 July. Exciting prospect, must be followed

4. SONS AND LOVERS - Won his only start as a two-year-old and was 3rd in a 1600m Group III at Sandown on his reappearance (18 April). Finished 3rd in subsequent Listed races over 1600m (in May at Sandown) and over 2000m at Newbury on 20 July

5. INVOLVEMENT - Last-start winner of a lucrative Class 2 handicap at Newmarket over 2000m on 12 July. Has the form/experience to acquit himself well stepping up in class

6. STROMBERG - Talented Iffraaj colt with sound form references/credentials in Ireland. Unplaced (11th) in 2000m Hampton Court Stakes (Group III) at Ascot on 20 June - capable of better and best kept safe with Christophe Soumillon engaged

7. SOLDIER'S GOLD - Has confirmed the promise shown as a two-year-old by maintaining good form/consistency this year - was 3rd in a 1600m Doha Group II and placed in consecutive Listed races back on French soil before a last-start 2000m win at La Teste on 10 July. Dark horse

8. SOFT WINDS - Finished 5th in a 1600m Listed race at Saint-Cloud in March - hasn't been seen since finishing a well-beaten 9th of 10 in a Group III over 1800m at ParisLongchamp on 7 April. For another day

9. SHIFFRIN - Consistent Godolphin filly 4th in a 2000m Listed race at Mülheim on 14 July. Improvement needed to trouble the principals here but remains unexposed and open to progress

Summary: The raiding British contingent will likely dominate this Listed event, with the vote going to exciting and undefeated OMBUDSMAN (3) whose progress it could pay to follow. WAR ROOMS (2) was 3rd in the Group II Dante Stakes early this season and unplaced at Ascot in a Group II last time but shouldn't be hastily condemned and ought to pose more of a threat at this level. STROMBERG (6) also fluffed his lines when finishing downfield at Ascot last time but is another with the undeniable means to play a leading role eased in grade. SONS AND LOVERS (4) completes the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

OMBUDSMAN (3) - WAR ROOMS (2) - STROMBERG (6) - SONS AND LOVERS (4)