

SAINT CLOUD [L-H] - 12 October

Race 1 - PRIX DU VAL D'OR - 2400m HCP CL2. Purse EUR €50,000.

1. **WHIZZ KID** - Seventh beaten 6.25L at Longchamp in a handicap over 2400m. Dropped 0.5L and might not be far away.
2. **BID ADIEU** - Made all to win at Deauville (AW) in a handicap two starts back by 8L over 2500m. Struggled on comeback after a 13 month break recently. Could bounce back.
3. **SHAMSABAD** - Eighth beaten 2.25L at this venue over 2000m in a handicap. Has two wins and two placings from eight starts over this trip.
4. **CRESSIDA** - Sixth beaten 3.25L at Compiegne in a Class Two over 2400m. Still 3kg higher than last winning mark.
5. **BREATH OF FIRE** - Sixth beaten 6L at Longchamp over 2400m in a handicap. Consistent at this level and has a win and a placing from five course/distance starts.
6. **GALDAN** - Third beaten 2.75L at Deauville over 2500m in a handicap. Should not be far away.
7. **MAGICAL FOREST** - Resuming after a 161 day break. Ended last campaign with a eighth beaten 3.5L at Chantilly over 3000m. Two wins and a placing from four starts over this trip.
8. **SAN SALVADOR** - Third beaten 4.75L here over 2500m in a handicap in a Class Two. Well beaten off this mark three starts back.
9. **PLAIN BEAU** - Won by 2L at Baden-Baden (Germany) over 2400m in a handicap. Only beaten 1L off a 3kg lower mark two starts back in France.
10. **ELECTRON LIBRE** - Has been in the frame on last five outings. Beaten 1.5L at Longchamp in a handicap over 2400m. Interesting off the same mark.
11. **TIRANO** - Fourth beaten 3.75L at Cologne (Germany) in a handicap over 2100m. This is stronger and may need more.
12. **TENNESSEE SONG** - Won by 1.5L here over 2800m in a Class Three a month ago. Could place back to a handicap.
13. **BY MY SIDE** - Second beaten 1.25L at Longchamp in a handicap over 2400m. Should go close off this mark once more.
14. **NAISHAN** - Ninth beaten 4L at Lyon-Parilly over 2400m in a handicap. Dropped a further 0.5kg but may need to find more.
15. **PICNIC ROYAL** - Tried to make all at Longchamp over 2400m in a handicap when third beaten 4.5L. Second has since won and will not be the easiest to pass.
16. **CANNELLO** - Seventh beaten 7.25L at Longchamp in a handicap behind a couple of these. May need help from the handicapper.

Summary: BY MY SIDE (13) finished 1.25L second at Longchamp tackling a 2400m handicap with PICNIC ROYAL (15) back in fourth after attempting to make all. Both could go well once more. SHAMSABAD (3) ran eighth beaten 2.25L at this venue over 2000m. Has two wins and two placings from eight starts over this trip. Interesting. BID ADIEU (2) was easily beaten following a long break. Two starts ago won by 8L at Deauville in a 2500m handicap leading throughout. Could improve second up. BREATH OF FIRE (5) is not dismissed.

Selections

BY MY SIDE (13) - PICNIC ROYAL (15) - SHAMSABAD (3) - BID ADIEU (2) - BREATH OF FIRE (5)

Race 2 - PRIX D'ECQUEVILLY - 1600m CLM. Purse EUR €24,000.

1. **SCREEN SHOT** - Well beaten on debut over 1300m here in a newcomers race. Dropping to a claimer but needs improvement.
2. **JUSKA** - Seventh in a bid for a hat-trick over 1600m in a course and distance handicap. Now into a claimer and can go close.
3. **PEDRO CHOP** - Won a claimer two starts back at Clairefontaine over 1600m by a head. Well beaten here since. Can bounce back.
4. **JUSTE BERE** - Back to back fifths in Class 2's. Dropping to a claimer and needs to improve.
5. **KATALENA** - Fifth beaten 9.25L in a Listed contest at Cologne over 1500m. Big drop in class.
6. **ELVIRIA** - Fourth beaten 3L at Fontainebleau over 1400m in a maiden. Into a claimer for the first time and shouldn't be far away.
7. **JOLIEMOMEDUHOULEY** - Well beaten on debut at Craon in a maiden over 1650m. Needs to improve second up.
8. **DALAKHOVA** - Ninth beaten 12L here over 1300m in a newcomers race. Tough ask.
9. **LA BAROCHE** - Second beaten 8L over course and distance in a claimer. Interesting once again.
10. **BAILEYS BELLE STAR** - Won by 1.75L at Fontainebleau over 1600m in a claimer. Shouldn't be far away.

Summary: JUSKA (2) won a Class 2 two starts back at Saint Malo over 1600m. Midfield in a handicap since and interesting dropping to a claimer. PEDRO CHOP (3) won by a head at Clairefontaine however has struggled since. Entitled to improve. BAILEYS BELLE STAR (10) found success tackling a 1600m claimer at Fontainebleau in September. Could go close once more. KATALENA (5) drops back after a racing in a Baden Baden Listed event. May improve.

Selections

JUSKA (2) - PEDRO CHOP (3) - BAILEYS BELLE STAR (10) - KATALENA (5)

Race 3 - PRIX SANCTUS - 2400m CL2. Purse EUR €31,000.

1. **BOTANIK** - Made all to win here over 2500m in a Class 2 by 1L with Chernak back in third. Should go close once more.
2. **CHERNAK** - Third behind Botanik in a C2 here over 2500m. Is now 2kg better off with this rival and could reverse form.
3. **ARMENIO** - Second beaten a neck at Compiègne in a Class 3 over 2400m. Up a level but not ruled out.
4. **MARTIAL EAGLE** - Resuming after a 126 day break. Second beaten a long-neck in a Class 1 over course and distance. Down a level and can win.
5. **GONAMIRA** - Won by 1.75L at Longchamp in a maiden over 2200m. Going up a level but can go well once more.
6. **ROSE DE PHLIZZ** - Third beaten 2L here over 2100m in this class. The winner has won again since and won't be far away.
7. **CASTILLE** - Beaten distances on last two outings and easy to rule out.

Summary: MARTIAL EAGLE (4) drops in class after finishing second beaten a long-neck over 2400m in a Class 1. Interesting resuming from a break. BOTANIK (1) won in this class over 2500m here with CHERNAK (2) who was back in third and is now 2kg better off at the weights. Both are expected to go close. ROSE DE PHLIZZ (6) was third in a 2100m Class 2 recently beaten 2L. May feature again.

Selections

MARTIAL EAGLE (4) - BOTANIK (1) - CHERNAK (2) - ROSE DE PHLIZZ (6)

Race 4 - PRIX GLORIEUSE - 2500m OPEN. Purse EUR €40,000.

1. **GAZELLE D'AUTHIE** - Runner-up beaten 1.75L at Longchamp over 2400m in the G1 Prix de Craon. Top chance down in grade.
2. **HESTER D'ATHON** - Fifth beaten 7.25L at Longchamp in the G1 Prix de Craon. Has a bit to find with a couple of these.
3. **GENOLA** - Third behind Gazelle d'Authie in the G1 Prix de Craon over 2400m beaten 4.25L. Strong claims once more.
4. **HURRICANY** - Sixth beaten 6.75L at Les Sables d'Olonnes in a conditions race. Big class rise.
5. **GOLDIE STAR** - Sixth beaten 8.25L in the G1 Prix de Craon. Needs to find more to reverse form with a couple of these.
6. **GRENADE D'ALENE** - Seventh beaten 9L in the G1 Prix de Craon at Longchamp. More needed
7. **GIGA STAR** - Third beaten 0.5L at Les Sables-d'Olonnes in a conditions event. Likes to make the running but going up in class.
8. **HAYMINA** - Well beaten on last two races and now going up in class.
9. **HEROINE CORSE** - Second beaten a head behind Hoola Hoop at Les Sables-d'Olonnes over 2700m. Only third outing so open to further improvement.
10. **HOOLA HOOP** - Beat Heroine Corse at Les Sables-d'Olonnes in a conditions race recently. Going well but up in class.

Summary: The G1 Prix de Craon at Longchamp in September appears to be the key form going into this race. GAZELLE D'AUTHIE (1) and GENOLA (3) were second and third respectively and look the most likely winners. HESTER D'ATHON (2) and GOLDIE STAR (5) were both midfield in that contest but are dropping class.

Selections

GAZELLE D'AUTHIE (1) - GENOLA (3) - HESTER D'ATHON (2) - GOLDIE STAR (5)

Race 5 - PRIX DE L'OISE - 2400m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €16,000.

1. **CORAL BOY** - Second beaten 4L in a Fontainebleau handicap over 2200m. Consistent at present and should be thereabouts.
2. **SADARAK** - Ninth beaten 7.75L at Lyon Parilly over 2400m in a handicap. Dropped 1kg.
3. **ASSIMINA** - Fifth beaten 4.75L at Chantilly in a handicap over 2400m. Lightly raced on sixth outing and should go close.
4. **TARCENAY** - Tenth beaten 7.5L at Fontainebleau in a handicap with Coral Boy in second. Needs a bit more.
5. **FLIGHT DE JUILLEY** - Back to back thirds at Nantes in handicaps. Most recently beaten 6L over 2400m. Interesting.
6. **LIBRE** - Beaten distances on last three outings in handicaps. Best watched.
7. **ZINZICHERA** - Third beaten 1L at Lyon Parilly in a handicap over 2400m in a handicap. Has been thereabouts in the last six. Solid.
8. **BOKRA FIL MISHMISH** - Second beaten 4L at Craon in a handicap over 2200m off a revised mark after winning. Shouldn't be far away.
9. **SIGNORINA GINA** - Well beaten on last three outings and needs more.
10. **TEXAS BRIGHT MOON** - Won by 3.5L at Nancy in a handicap over 2500m. Raised 3kg and can still be considered.
11. **MISTER GABRIEL** - Eleventh beaten 32L in a handicap over 2450m at Mont de Marsan. A lot more needed.
12. **SEEKING REVENGE** - Fourth beaten 2.5L at Chantilly over 2200m in a handicap. The third has won since to boost the form.
13. **VALHAIE** - Seventh beaten 4.5L at Clairefontaine over 2400m in a handicap. Struggled since at Fontainebleau.
14. **HEAVEN'S DOOR** - Out of form in last three and easily passed over.
15. **GOLDIFROST** - Fifth beaten 1.75L at Nantes in a handicap with Flight de Juilley. Could place.

Summary: BOKRA FIL MISHMISH (8) finished second beaten 4L at Craon in a 2200m handicap. More than capable of going close. ZINZICHERA (7) ran 1L third at Lyon Parilly in a handicap over 2400m. Consistent and likely to go well. TEXAS BRIGHT MOON (10) won by 3.5L at Nancy a 2500m handicap. Raised 3kg though is still likely to feature. SEEKING REVENGE (12) returned to form with a fourth beaten 2.5L in a 2200m handicap. The third has won again to boost form.

Selections

BOKRA FIL MISHMISH (8) - ZINZICHERA (7) - TEXAS BRIGHT MOON (10) - SEEKING REVENGE (12)

Race 6 - PRIX BUBBLES - 1600m CL3. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **ROYAUMONT** - Sixth beaten 2L at Saint Cloud in a handicap over 1600m. Runner up beaten 0.75L the time before in a higher class. Should go close.
2. **SAUZON** - Won by 3.5L at Dax in this class recently over 1400m. Always a danger at this level.
3. **SANDYSSIME** - Thirteenth but only beaten 4L at Deauville (AW) in a handicap over 1500m. Interesting down in grade.
4. **SCHANG** - Tenth beaten 5.5L at Longchamp in a handicap over 1400m. Into a Class 3 and placed at this level three starts back.
5. **WHELANS WAY** - Makes French debut after a disappointing effort in a Newbury handicap.
6. **IMPULSIF** - Out of his depth on comeback when ninth beaten 23L in a Listed event. Performed at a much higher level in the past.
7. **BIG BOOTS** - Second beaten 1.25L at Le Lion-d'Angers in this class over 1400m after trying to make all. Dangerous if finding the lead.
8. **LIKE A CHARM** - Fifth beaten 5.25L at Le Lion-d'Angers after a break in this class. Place.
9. **ROSALA** - Made all at Pornichet in this class beaten 3L. Not seen since March but needs a market check.
10. **SANTA PALOMA** - Well beaten in last two and now going up in class.
11. **ANCIENT CHARM** - No form in three career outings. Passed over.

Summary: ROYAUMONT (1) managed a solid sixth beaten 2L in a competitive handicap over course and distance. Down to a Class 3 and can win. SAUZON (2) won by 3.5L at Dax in this class tackling 1400m. Improved wearing cheekpieces and is open to more progress with these retained. BIG BOOTS (7) tried to make all at Le Lion-d'Angers in this class when second beaten 1.25L. Solid. IMPULSIF (6) was well beaten in March on comeback in a Listed contest here. Receives a big class drop on return.

Selections

ROYAUMONT (1) - SAUZON (2) - BIG BOOTS (7) - IMPULSIF (6)