

VICHY [R-H] - 19 May

Race 1 - PRIX DE LA MOTTE SERVOLEX - 2000m CLM. Purse EUR €15,000.

1. **BOARDING TIME** - Fifth in a newcomers event at Saint-Cloud over 1600m. One to note raised in distance.
2. **OSMOY** - Improved victory in this company over 1400m thirteen days ago. Progressing nicely with a new distance to aim at.
3. **LOUNA CHOPE** - Consistent type who has scored in this class over the same distance. Top claims.
4. **SO RELIABLE** - Improved runner-up at this level nineteen days ago. Among the contenders.
5. **TOUTE CHIC** - Two places behind Louna Chope at Saint-Cloud when sent off favourite 20 days ago. Capable of better.
6. **BOUDICA WARRIOR** - Yet to offer any worthwhile form in five UK starts. May improve on stable debut.
7. **MY RIVER** - 11L seventh debuting in a moderate 1850m event. Hard to fancy.

Summary: A tricky opener where many have chances including the consistent LOUNA CHOPE (3) who ran a solid second at Saint-Cloud in similar company. Leading hope. TOUTE CHIC (5) could improve after a close-up fourth behind the main selection when strong in the market. Capable of better. OSMOY (2) won third up in a weak affair but has scope for further progress. Include. BOARDING TIME (1) may come forward after a fair fifth debuting at Saint-Cloud.

Selections

LOUNA CHOPE (3) - TOUTE CHIC (5) - OSMOY (2) - BOARDING TIME (1)

Race 2 - PRIX JEAN COURTINAT - 1400m CLM CL4 HCP. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **RED TORCH** - Good fourth behind a future winner in a stronger Le Lion-d'Angers last month. Key player.
2. **BARDO** - Yet to find any form over this trip in the current campaign. Well treated but others preferred.
3. **SAUZON** - Down the field at Nantes on reappearance. Fitter now and worth considering.
4. **HOOK** - Placed in this class twelve days ago at Dax. Among the frame contenders.
5. **KANDERAS** - Improved with each start this term culminating with success at Marseille-Borely over 1700m. Firmly in the mix.
6. **BOLT WIN** - Fair fifth over 1600m at Bordeaux last month. May benefit from the drop in trip.
7. **JASMINA** - Dual winner over this journey and sure to be thereabouts eased in standard.

Summary: An open handicap despite the small field. RED TORCH (1) delivered an honest fourth behind a subsequent winner in better company at Le Lion-d'Angers. Likely to play a leading role in the finish. JASMINA (7) rates highly as a dual winner over this journey. Sure to be firmly involved at the business end. KANDERAS (5) is an improving type who scored at Marseille-Borely third up. Notable claims. HOOK (4) holds place appeal on the pick of his form.

Selections

RED TORCH (1) - JASMINA (7) - KANDERAS (5) - HOOK (4)

Race 3 - PRIX DAMOISEAU - 1600m MDN. Purse EUR €19,000.

1. **ALLURRE** - Beaten a long way debuting at Lyon-Parilly. Significant improvement required.
2. **ULTIME NONANTAISE** - Midfield efforts in both starts to date. Qualified for handicaps after this.
3. **NAJIBA** - Good third on debut over this trip last term. One to note.
4. **LICORNE** - Close second third up in a Lyon-Parilly maiden over 1600m. Key player.
5. **BRANA** - Ninth in a newcomers event at Saint-Cloud over 1600m. Progress likely.
6. **AGENT SONYA** - Shaped with promise when sixth first up at Saint-Cloud. Capable of improvement.
7. **LES BELLES SOEURS** - Fourth debuting in a Saint-Cloud newcomers race over 1600m. Strong claims.
8. **DANERA** - Fifth in a Lyon-la-Soie maiden over 1800m on penultimate outing. Others more persuasive.
9. **GALANTHUS** - Quiet debut over 1600m at Saint-Cloud. Likely to take a big step forward for a notable stable.
10. **SUNRAY** - Improved sixth behind a future scorer at Nantes over 1600m. Place.

Summary: LICORNE (4) went close on third outing in a Lyon-Parilly maiden over this trip. Expected to take this out with experience under her belt. LES BELLES SOEURS (7) delivered a promising run first up when fourth at Saint-Cloud. Rates highly for a powerful stable. GALANTHUS (9) can leave behind a quiet debut effort. Among the frame chances for notable connections. NAJIBA (3) is another to consider after a pleasing debut fourth.

Selections

LICORNE (4) - LES BELLES SOEURS (7) - GALANTHUS (9) - NAJIBA (3)

Race 4 - PRIX THAOUKA - 1600m MDN. Purse EUR €19,000.

1. **ZIMMER** - Placed in previous couple of AW maidens over this distance. Firmly in the mix after a break.
2. **PONT AUDEMÉR** - Fair third debuting at Le Mans over 1950m. Obvious each-way contender.
3. **CLIFTON BAY** - Dramatic improvement second up when fourth behind a future winner at Nantes. Firmly in the mix.
4. **JUST RUN** - No threat in both maidens. Handicaps beckon after this run.
5. **USER KINDLY** - Flattered to deceive in numerous AW maidens this term. Place claims.
6. **ATI SHADREVANI** - Yet to win in twelve starts but solid sixth in the Listed Prix Aymeri de Mauleon. Vulnerable to improvers but place appeal.
7. **NORTH SOUND** - Excellent nose second debuting at Saint-Cloud over 1600m. Top pick.
8. **AD LIBITUM** - Behind future scorers in each of his three maidens runs. Genuine contender.

Summary: NORTH SOUND (7) is expected to get off the mark following an excellent nose second in a newcomers Saint-Cloud event. Top pick for a leading stable. AD LIBITUM (8) has finished behind subsequent winners in all three maiden starts. Rates among the chances. CLIFTON BAY (3) improved dramatically at Nantes second up. Solid frame credentials along with Le Mans third PONT AUDEMÉR (2) who has scope for progress. Include.

Selections

NORTH SOUND (7) - AD LIBITUM (8) - CLIFTON BAY (3) - PONT AUDEMÉR (2)

Race 5 - PRIX JEAN BOULARD - 2000m CL2. Purse EUR €22,000.

1. **THAT'S MY POWER** - Fourth in this class at Chantilly over 2400m. Thereabouts eased in trip.
2. **SEAGALI** - Off the mark third up in a Marseille-Borely maiden over 1700m. Notable claims.
3. **CARMELITO** - Huge improvement to win second up with blinkers applied at Salon-de-Provence. Respected.
4. **DOLOMIT** - Impressive 4L winner debuting at Le Mans over 1950m. Obvious appeal raised in grade.
5. **FORCE TRANQUILLE** - 2L Marseille-Borely maiden scorer over 1700m 20 days ago. Place.
6. **INDYA** - Solid third in this grade at Le Mans over 1950m 21 days ago. Among the place options.
7. **WINEMA** - Held eighth in the Listed Prix Caravelle. Not written off at this lower level.

Summary: CARMELITO (3) got the better of SEAGALI (2) when improving sharply to score second up at Salon-de-Provence in first-time blinkers. Could take this class rise in his stride. The latter rates highly following a victory at Marseille-Borely. Could find further progress. DOLOMIT (4) was impressive in making a winning debut by 4L. Respected. INDYA (6) completes the shortlist.

Selections

CARMELITO (3) - SEAGALI (2) - DOLOMIT (4) - INDYA (6)

Race 6 - PRIX DE CUSSET - 2400m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €17,000.

1. **BALMORAL** - Downfield effort in a stronger Lyon-Parilly handicap over this trip. Each-way.
2. **IDEE FIXE** - Shown ability in both handicap outings. One for the placings.
3. **LANGRE** - Scored ahead of a future winner in an easier handicap at Chantilly AW. Respected.
4. **MORWENE** - Mixed handicap form over 2000m this term. Likely to find a few too strong.
5. **GOT FROST** - Scored in an easier Marseille-Borely 2100m handicap earlier this month. More on plate here raised 2kg.
6. **FASHIONSPAN** - Dual winner at this trip and bounced back to form with a Lyon-Parilly victory. Key player.
7. **RUE JONAS** - Downfield run at Longchamp over 2100 last month. Capable of better.
8. **CHELSEA DU NINIAN** - Improved runner-up in a country-track handicap last month. Thereabouts on stable debut with blinkers applied.
9. **MUNAADRAM** - Solid handicap runs this campaign. Among the chances for a trainer in good form.
10. **PUMPY GIRL** - Shaped well into fourth reappearing at Nancy. Fitter now and an obvious contender.

Summary: FASHIONSPAN (6) bounced back to winning form at Lyon-Parilly. Top pick to complete a double with a strong record at this journey. PUMPY GIRL (10) is fitter after a pleasing reappearance fourth at Nancy. Likely to offer a bold showing. Among the main contenders is recent Chantilly AW scorer LANGRE (3) while IDEE FIXE (2) is progressing nicely in handicaps. Keep safe.

Selections

FASHIONSPAN (6) - PUMPY GIRL (10) - LANGRE (3) - IDEE FIXE (2)

Race 7 - PRIX DE CHANTILLY - 2400m HCP CL3. Purse EUR €18,000.

1. **MAKI MAKI** - Seventh in a better Lyon-Parilly handicap over this journey. Key chance at this easier standard.
2. **MARCAN** - Down the field in a better Lyon-Parilly handicap a fortnight ago. Place appeal.
3. **LOUIS** - Fitter second up and worth each-way support on the pick of his handicap form.
4. **GOROCK OF SAINTS** - Seventh in a similar Fontainebleau handicap eight days ago. Best form has come on the AW.
5. **SMART COOKIE** - Scored on sole track and trip outing prior to mixed handicap form. Worth keeping safe.
6. **LINSOUMIS** - Chance to improve eased in distance with a favourable record at this journey.
7. **GREY D'ARS** - Held seventh reappearing over this trip at Lyon-Parilly. Well handicapped on old form.
8. **SADARAK** - Improved 2L fourth in this class at Longchamp last week. Key chance if replicating.
9. **ZINZICHERA** - Dual course and distance winner who ran fairly into sixth two weeks ago. Each-way option.
10. **TCHUCKY CHOP** - 1kg rise after winning over this trip at Saint-Cloud last month. Top pick.
11. **WILLY BOY** - Four consecutive handicap placings including over this distance. Hard to fault.

Summary: TCHUCKY CHOP (10) is up 1kg after winning over this distance at Saint-Cloud. Expected to go close with a repeat performance. WILLY BOY (11) maintains excellent consistency after four consecutive placings in handicap company. Hard to knock out of the frame. MAKI MAKI (1) ran seventh in a better handicap latest. Key chance at this lower standard. LOUIS (3) should strip fitter second up. Keep safe.

Selections

TCHUCKY CHOP (10) - WILLY BOY (11) - MAKI MAKI (1) - LOUIS (3)

Race 8 - PRIX DE MAISONS-LAFFITTE - 2400m HCP CL4. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **MORAL GAGNANT** - Reached the frame in this class two back at Evreux. Obvious candidate.
2. **MAVALA** - Scored ahead of Moral Gagnant at Evreux over 2500m. Genuine chance.
3. **MISS DE LA PLATA** - 20L defeat on handicap debut a fortnight ago. Improvement required.
4. **KING NONANTAIS** - No threat in both 2400m handicap runs this term. Hard to enthuse.
5. **HEART BRAKER** - Downfield effort reappearing at Angers over 2300m. Percentage call to oppose.
6. **KONGASTET** - 58 race maiden who is supplemented after a sixth at Longchamp over 2500m. Place at best.
7. **DANDY RIVER** - Three-time winner at this journey. Worth a frame chance under suitable conditions.
8. **LADIE SALSA** - Infrequent winner but running into form this campaign. Place claims.
9. **SUN DE L'ORME** - Drops in class after reaching the frame in two of previous three handicaps. Consider.
10. **SUPERIOR BADOLAT** - 2.5L sixth in a similar 2400m Lyon-Parilly handicap twelve days ago. May find a few too strong.

Summary: MAVALA (2) got the better of MORAL GAGNANT (1) at Evreux over 2500m. Expected to complete a double against a moderate bunch. The latter could go close with a consistent profile. Among the solid frame options is DANDY RIVER (7) who has scored three times over this distance. LADIE SALSA (8) has progressed with each outing this term. Keep safe for a place.

Selections

MAVALA (2) - MORAL GAGNANT (1) - DANDY RIVER (7) - LADIE SALSA (8)

LONGCHAMP [R-H] - 19 May

Race 1 - PRIX DU PONT ALEXANDRE III - 1400m HCP. Purse EUR €40,000.

1. **MAROON SIX** - Held 15L sixth over 1400m in the Listed Prix du Pont Neuf here at the start of the month. Better expected switched to a handicap.
2. **FOR ALL MANKIND** - Good 2.25L third having raced from the front over 1800m at Chantilly AW in March. Strong claims on handicap debut.
3. **IVORY SPRING** - Placed on all four starts this spell including when 4.5L third in a 1200m conditions event at Chantilly last month. Stepping up in trip on stable and handicap debut.
4. **NEPENTE** - Fourth on all three previous starts including when beaten 2.75L in a 1700m conditions event at Marseille-Borely. Handicap debut.
5. **KALGANOV** - Put a below par Listed effort behind him when a neck third over 1300m at this track a month go. Handicap debut.
6. **PERL** - Held 12L fifth over 1600m at Nantes on seasonal debut. Step forward needed on first handicap start.
7. **BLACK LIVES MATTER** - Failed to shine when 10L fourteenth over 1200m at Chantilly on handicap debut. Look elsewhere.

Summary: FOR ALL MANKIND (2) performed well when a 2.25L third to two subsequent winners over 1800m at Chantilly AW. Looks up to making a winning handicap debut. IVORY SPRING (3) rates a danger on the back of a 4.5L third in a 1200m conditions event at Chantilly. KALGANOV (5) is shortlisted following a neck third over 1300m at this venue. Thereabouts. MAROON SIX (1) is taken to show up better than when a 15L last of six in the 1400m Listed Prix du Pont Neuf here.

Selections

FOR ALL MANKIND (2) - IVORY SPRING (3) - KALGANOV (5) - MAROON SIX (1)