

PAU [R-H] - 20 January

Race 1 - PRIX D'ARAUJUZON - 2400m CLM CL4 HCP. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **ROCK AND ROLL** - Held 6.75L eighth over 2000m here earlier this month. Capable of better.
2. **THECLIMB** - Below par 7L ninth at this venue seventeen days ago. More needed.
3. **ZASTER FOR ALL** - 6.25L ninth over 2000m here just under six weeks ago. Claims on earlier form.
4. **HOLYMPICA** - Good placed efforts prior to a 15L thirteenth over 2000m here seventeen days ago. Top chance.
5. **SELLY** - Down the field ninth over 2400m here earlier this month. Others preferred.
6. **WILBUR** - Held 7.25L twelfth in a 2000m handicap here last month. Notable contender having finished 0.5L third in an 1850m claimer at Agen prior.
7. **MADINA** - Below par 13L eleventh over 2400m at Pornichet three weeks ago. Others make more appeal.

Summary: HOLYMPICA (4) can take this having finished 3.25L third over course and distance on her penultimate start. Likely player back up in trip. WILBUR (6) could go well having placed third tackling 1850m at Agen prior to a disappointing effort here. ZASTER FOR ALL (3) holds claims upped in distance having been beaten 6.25L into ninth over 2000m at this venue. ROCK AND ROLL (1) may prove capable of putting some disappointing efforts behind him.

Selections

HOLYMPICA (4) - WILBUR (6) - ZASTER FOR ALL (3) - ROCK AND ROLL (1)

Race 4 - PRIX DE MAZEROLLES - 1400m CLM CL4 HCP. Purse EUR €14,000.

1. **CHOP VAL** - Held 5.25L eighth over 1300m at Deauville AW 24 days ago. Capable of better.
2. **UNTITLED** - Good 1.75L fourth over 1200m here twelve days ago. Bold show expected.
3. **PASTICHOP** - Yet to hit top form this spell including when 7L eighth over 1600m here two weeks ago. Has won twice at this course in the past.
4. **SALSA DOLOISE** - Fair 6.25L sixth over 1600m at this track earlier this month. Claims if at her best.
5. **MISSY CHOPE** - 5.75L twelfth over 1600m here twelve days ago. Minor role likely.
6. **HONG KONG STAR** - Struggled 10L eleventh over 1600m here earlier this month. Poor wins to runs record.
7. **ASCENSION DIRECTE** - Fair 6.25L sixth at this venue tackling 1600m two weeks ago. Strong claims.
8. **BESTING** - Given a break and changed trainer since an 8.25L eleventh over 1400m tackling a Le Mans claimer in October.
9. **TORANCIA** - Good 2.5L fourth over 1600m at Toulouse at the start of last month. Top chance.
10. **PRETTY SUZIE** - Held 6.25L eighth in a 2000m event at Pont-de-Vivieux. Debuting for a new stable.

Summary: TORANCIA (9) makes plenty of appeal following a 2.5L fourth tackling 1600m at Toulouse. Major chance. UNTITLED (2) is shortlisted having finished 1.75L fourth over 1200m here. ASCENSION DIRECTE (7) enters calculations on the back of a 6.25L sixth attempting 1600m at this track. CHOP VAL (1) has won at this course in the past. Can take a step forward following a 5.25L eighth over 1300m at Deauville AW.

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Race 7 - PRIX DE SAINT-PALAIS - 1400m MDN. Purse EUR €19,000.

1. **BADASS** - Held 9.5L seventh over 1300m at Deauville AW five weeks ago. Claims on earlier form.
2. **ATLANTIGO** - Good 2L third over 2000m in a Pont-de-Vivax claimer five weeks ago. Notable contender.
3. **PICWOCKY** - Faded late on when 3.25L fifth over 1600m here six weeks back. Strong claims.
4. **AKRIA** - 10L ninth over 1600m in a newcomers race here last month. Likely capable of better for a trainer worth noting.
5. **ALIYAHJONH** - Good 4L third over 1300m at Deauville AW last month. Bold show expected.
6. **TAKE IT EASY** - Changed trainer since finishing 14L tenth over 1600m in a newcomers race here last month. Cheekpieces tried for the first time.
7. **JOVIALE BERE** - Good 2L fourth over 1600m in a Chantilly AW maiden last month. Leading contender.
8. **MOGWAI** - Runner-up beaten 1L over 1600m here last month. Top chance.
9. **SPAIN SAGE** - Held 14L twelfth over 1300m at Deauville AW earlier this month. More required.
10. **HOLY ZAL PASSION** - Unraced Zelzal colt. Likely to improve for the experience.
11. **VILLA POMPEYA** - Unraced Whipper filly. Others hold more obvious claims.

Summary: MOGWAI (8) can go one place better than when 1L second over 1600m here. Top chance with further progress possible. JOVIALE BERE (7) could deliver a big effort on the back of a 2L fourth tackling 1600m at Chantilly AW. Include. ALIYAHJONH (5) is considered following a 4L third over 1300m at Deauville AW. PICWOCKY (3) is shortlisted having finished 3.25L fifth in a 1600m maiden at this circuit.

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<p style="text-align: center;">MOGWAI (8) - JOVIALE BERE (7) - ALIYAHJONH (5) - PICWOCKY (3)</p>
