

FONTAINEBLEAU [L-H] - 27 March

Race 1 - PRIX HUBERT DE CATHEU - 1200m HCP CL2. Purse EUR €53,000.

1. **MUBAALEGH** - Not raced since finishing one length away in third over 1300m at Deauville All Weather on January 6. Key player.
2. **LESSLEPASSER** - Resumed from a break with a long neck win over 1100m at this track last start. Player.
3. **O TRASNO** - Consistent but not won for a while. Good effort last time over 1400m at Mont-de-Marsan when second beaten a head. Rates highly and should feature.
4. **TERRITORYWAR** - Raced below his best last time when 16th over 1300m at Chantilly All Weather beaten 9 lengths. Worth another chance.
5. **IMPITOYABLE** - Looks close to a win following a sound second over 1100m at this track beaten one length. Rates highly and should feature.
6. **BACCHILIDE** - Beaten 1.5 lengths into third at Deauville All Weather two starts ago. Not dismissed.
7. **GORDON BREAK** - Safely held when resuming over 1300m at Chantilly All Weather finishing seventh and beaten 6 lengths. More needed.
8. **TARIDA** - Delivered a better run last time out when second over 1400m at Saint-Cloud beaten 3 lengths. One to note.
9. **CHILLI BOY** - Last appeared when he finished fourth over 1300m at Chantilly All Weather on March 1. No surprise if he was in the finish.
10. **BABA SIM** - Lines up for the first time since January 21. Closed the last campaign in lukewarm fashion with a ninth over 1300m at Chantilly All Weather the latest offering. Might need a run or two.
11. **HY DREAM** - Returned to winning form last time when she scored by a nose over 1100m at this track. Worth including.
12. **PILE OU FACE** - Resumed from a spell last start with a win over 1100m at this track. Back in fine order and a bold showing is expected.
13. **MONSIEURVALCHOP** - Finished fourth over 1100m at this track latest. Could place.
14. **CRISTAL MARVELOUS** - Solid race last time when one length back in third over 1200m at Agen. Upped in class.
15. **ISMAEL PAINT** - Solid performance to finish second at Agen last start over 1200m. This tougher.
16. **FAVARITX** - Finished sixth last start over 1500m at Chantilly All Weather. Opposed.

Summary: A competitive sprint to open the card. The booking of Soumillon catches the eye for MUBAALEGH (1) who made the running when third in a Class Two handicap over 1300m at Deauville AW eighty days ago. Notable chance after a break with a record of three from five at this course. LESSLEPASSER (2) narrowly prevailed in an 1100m Class Two conditions event here ten days ago and must be respected back in handicap company. First-time cheekpieces could eke out more from O TRASNO (3) while PILE OU FACE (12) won a Class Three handicap over 1100m at this venue latest and is not dismissed. IMPITOYABLE (5) could be thereabouts.

Selections

MUBAALEGH (1) - LESSLEPASSER (2) - O TRASNO (3) - PILE OU FACE (12) - IMPITOYABLE (5)

1. **LIMESY** - Fair second at Cagnes-sur-Mer AW in January. Not dismissed.
2. **VALCAVA** - Finished off last campaign with a fourth over 1600m at Longchamp on October 13. Others look to have the edge.
3. **COMING FRANCE** - Showed sharp improvement on her debut two runs back to score by 1.3 lengths over 2000m at Cagnes-sur-Mer All Weather last time. Progressing nicely and rates highly.
4. **AKAGERA** - Finished midfield in Listed company last start over 2000m at Saint-Cloud when resuming. One to note.
5. **ENCHANTRES** - Last appeared at Lyon-Parilly over 2000m when second four-and-a-half months ago. Can feature in the finish.
6. **LOFSONGUR ISLANDE** - Made debut last start at Pornichet and registered a 4.5 lengths win over 2100m. Open to improvement and expected to run well again.
7. **SUNBURN** - Broke through for her first win at Saint-Cloud over 2000m on November 9. Claims.

Summary: COMING FRANCE (3) was well on top at the finish when landing a maiden over this trip at Cagnes-sur-Mer second-time-out. Leading claims with further improvement on the cards for a top stable. Impressive debut Pornichet AW winner LOFSONGUR ISLANDE (6) is interesting with Soumillon booked and LIMESY (1) could go well having backed up a debut turf win with a sound second in this class at Cagnes-sur-Mer AW (2000m). ENCHANTRES (5) finished runner-up over this trip at Lyon-Parilly in November and cannot be ignored on reappearance.

Selections

COMING FRANCE (3) - LOFSONGUR ISLANDE (6) - LIMESY (1) - ENCHANTRES (5)

1. **DJERBANNI** - Third on debut at Longchamp over 1800m on October 16. Can play a major role.
2. **JUMEIRAH KING** - Good third over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly on November 3. Likely improver.
3. **COW BOY** - Second over 2150m at Cagnes-sur-Mer. This looks tougher.
4. **TWIN SCAT** - Resumed from a spell last start and did well to finish third over 2150m at Mont-de-Marsan. Place best.
5. **TRIOMPHE DE MAINE** - Well held on debut over 1900m Chantilly All Weather when eighth. Opposed.
6. **DE FLORIO** - Nice return last start when runner-up at this track over 2200m on March 8. Fitter and is a leading contender.
7. **PALAIS DU LOUVRE** - Progressive colt resuming today after two runs in his maiden campaign the latest effort a fourth over 1500m at Chantilly All Weather on November 15. Progressive and expected to measure up.
8. **DSCHINGIS SPECTRE** - Unraced colt by Dschingis Secret out of Belle Syrienne. Profiles nicely.

Summary: DE FLORIO (6) has found the frame in all three outings to date including when second over course and distance latest. Yann Barberot's runner should be in the mix but PALAIS DU LOUVRE (7) is preferred. He took a big step forward from his debut effort when fourth over 1500m at Chantilly AW in November. The Andre Fabre team have made an excellent start to the season and this son of Galileo should relish going up in trip. JUMEIRAH KING (2) finished second at Longchamp on debut and needs respect having backed that up with a good third at Lyon-Parilly in November. DJERBANNI (1) shaped nicely when third in that Longchamp event first-time-out and cannot be ignored for top connections.

Selections

DE FLORIO (6) - PALAIS DU LOUVRE (7) - JUMEIRAH KING (2) - DJERBANNI (1)

Race 4 - PRIX EUGENIE DE MONTIJO - 2200m MDN. Purse EUR €27,000.

1. **DEAUVILLE** - Made debut last time out when fifth over 2350m at Machecoul. Likely improver with top-three prospects.
2. **MA LIBERTE** - Fair effort last start when resuming beaten 2.25 lengths into third over 2200m at this track. Solid top-three chance.
3. **ISIS D'INOR** - Did very little on debut last start beaten by a big margin over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather. Hard to recommend.
4. **APANIWA** - Not raced since finishing 5 lengths away in fifth over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather on October 30. Place hope.
5. **GREY MELTON** - Failed to flatter at her only appearance back on November 16 finishing tenth over 1900m at Chantilly All Weather. Faces a tough task.
6. **HIGGLE** - Showed she has some talent on debut last start when she found one better at Chantilly All Weather over 1900m. Will take a lot from that run. Nicely placed.
7. **CELEBRATE** - Filly by Galileo on debut. Can run well.
8. **SIMPLY MARVELLOUS** - Unraced filly by leading sire Galileo out of Christmas Kid. Profiles nicely and looks a fascinating contender.

Summary: HIGGLE (6) made a highly-promising debut when second over 1900m at Chantilly AW and must enter calculations once more. However she faces an interesting challenger in the shape of SIMPLY MARVELLOUS (8) who just gets the nod. The Andre Fabre-trained daughter of Galileo looks like a fascinating contender on paper and can make a winning debut for top connections. Stablemate and fellow debutante CELEBRATE (7) is tough to ignore with an equally attractive pedigree and MA LIBERTE (2) needs to be considered.

Selections

HIGGLE (6) - SIMPLY MARVELLOUS (8) - CELEBRATE (7) - MA LIBERTE (2)

Race 5 - PRIX DES SAULES - 2000m CL2. Purse EUR €27,000.

1. **ANOBE** - Not raced since finishing seventh over 1600m at Saint-Cloud six months ago. Market will guide.
2. **LIKE MAGIC** - Last raced when successful by 5 lengths at Praha over 1800m on November 5. Interesting.
3. **CANTILENA** - At the latest outing she finished seventh over 1900m at Deauville All Weather on November 29. Chance down in grade.
4. **IN TIME** - Latest result was a seventh over 1800m in the G2 Balanchine at Meydan. Claims.
5. **MACHETE** - Not raced since finishing 5.5 lengths away in fifth over 2000m at Chantilly on October 30. Key player down in standard.
6. **LA PELEMOISE** - Won on debut by one length over 1700m at Pornichet. This will be a stiffer test.

Summary: MACHETE (5) produced a sound effort when fifth in the Listed Race Grand Prix du Nord over this distance at Chantilly in October. Leading hope with Soumillon up on reappearance. Fellow class dropper CANTILENA (3) shaped better than the bare result when beaten 4.5L into seventh in the Listed Race Prix Lyphard over 1900m at Deauville AW in November. Player. IN TIME (4) will find this easier than the G2 Balanchine Presented By Land Rover she contested at Meydan last month. Hard to ignore. Czech-raider LIKE MAGIC (2) requires a market check.

Selections

MACHETE (5) - CANTILENA (3) - IN TIME (4) - LIKE MAGIC (2)