

# THURSDAY, 09/05/24

## R1 Longchamp [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE CHAMPERRET - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 3 Race - Flat - EUR € 23,000**

**1. EDOARDO** - Revealed sufficient means in his three outings before a disappointing 7th over 2000m on heavy ground at Salon-de-Provence on 3 April to not be hastily condemned for that performance. Keep safe

**2. AL DAAYEN** - Won once and finished 3rd twice in three outings on the PSF, though could only 7th in his first start on the turf over 1800m at Chantilly on 15 April. Open to improvement

**3. COL DU PRE'** - Improving sort with the form and experience to play a leading role, having won once and finished 2nd in another three of his four starts this year - including his latest over 2600m at Fontainebleau on 13 April

**4. BONNY WAY** - Won on heavy ground over 2150m at Cagnes in February and didn't go unnoticed when finishing 5th over 2100m at Saint-Cloud on 12 April. Attractive outsider

**5. GATTOPARDO** - Runner-up in consecutive starts on the PSF and probably didn't enjoy the heavy ground in his first outing on turf at that venue, finishing 5th over 2000m on 30 March. Redemption awaits

**6. KASPIA TRIP** - Winner on the PSF at Pau in February but unplaced in both outings on the turf and was soundly beaten in a 1900m PSF Quinte+ at Deauville on 28 March. Best watched for now

**7. PRIVATE DINNING** - Finished 4th twice and 3rd once in three PSF outings before a disappointing 8th on heavy ground in her first turf appearance over 2000m at Saint-Cloud on 12 April. Look for improvement

**8. MISSION ALPHA** - Consistent filly with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 2nd on her reappearance at Toulouse over 2100m on 8 April. Will be a factor

**Summary:** GATTOPARDO (5) finished 2nd in consecutive outings on the PSF at Chantilly but probably wasn't suited to the heavy ground at that course when only 5th over this distance last time. On the evidence of his previous performances, and with Christophe Soumillon engaged, he ought to make amends by opening his account. He will, however, have to thwart MISSION ALPHA (8), after an eye-catching 2nd on her reappearance at Toulouse, and COL DU PRE' (3), who has the form and experience to pose a threat.

### SELECTIONS

**GATTOPARDO (5) - MISSION ALPHA (8) - COL DU PRE' (3) - EDOARDO (1)**

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## C2 - PRIX DU PETIT BOIS - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 22,000

1. **ROMANELLO** - Unreliable of late and was not disgraced when fourth last time out in a handicap at Châteaubriant over 1950m. Capable of making the frame
2. **JOLI COUP** - Has struggled this year and was tenth last time out in a handicap at Strasbourg over 2000m on 22 April. Others are much preferred
3. **GOLD AND CASH** - Did not show his best when 12th in a handicap at Deauville over 1900m on 9 April. Likely to do a lot better back on the grass this time
4. **HOLLY COLOUR** - Has been kept to the PSF for some time now and was 5th last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 26 April. Place chance on best form
5. **LADY LOU** - Disappointing form this year and was 6th last time out in a handicap at Deauville over 2500m on 26 January. Could surprise back on the turf
6. **KARIOITAH** - Disappointing of late and was 7th last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 26 April. More is needed to win
7. **REMIX** - In good form of late and was third last time out in a handicap at Toulouse over 2400m on 20 March. Not out of it
8. **AGAMEMNON** - Unreliable but was victorious in a handicap last time out at Toulouse over 2000m on 8 April. Carries a penalty but has a place chance
9. **BLACK MORNING** - Very unreliable and was well beaten last time out in a handicap at Compiègne over 2000m on 16 April. Might place
10. **MAKTAVA** - Disappointing last run when 8th in a handicap at Compiègne over 2000m on 16 April. Unreliable and others are preferred
11. **ROYAL MONARCH** - On a very long losing run and was 9th last time out in a handicap at this course over 2800m on 28 April. Others are preferred
12. **CIVNYAN** - Unreliable but was third last time out in a handicap at Compiègne over 2000m on 16 April. Place chance
13. **NOTRE HISTOIRE** - Returned from a break in good form and was third last time out in a handicap at Toulouse over 2000m on 8 April. Go close
14. **COMTESSE VERA** - Unreliable and was 9th last time out in a handicap at Bordeaux-Le Bousca over 1900m on 22 April. Capable of an upset on best form
15. **SIXTINE BAAL** - Showed good improvement when trying the grass and runner-up in a Conditions race at Moulins over 2400m on 14 April. Can go one better back in a handicap
16. **CULTURE** - Much improved of late and was a winner of a handicap last time out at Toulouse over 2000m on 8 April. Tougher task this time but has a place chance

**Summary:** SIXTINE BAAL (15) looked the winner for much of the way at Moulins last time but was dominated in the finish by Pleasman. He only needs to repeat that performance to win a race of this nature. NOTRE HISTOIRE (13) made an encouraging reappearance last time and is also a candidate for success judged on that display. GOLD AND CASH (3) ought to acquit himself competitively in this company, along with REMIX (7) who is in good form and physical condition.

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## SELECTIONS

SIXTINE BAAL (15) - NOTRE HISTOIRE (13) - GOLD AND CASH (3) - REMIX (7)

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**C3 - PRIX DES TERTRES - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Flat - EUR  
€ 28,000**

**1. TOKYO DREAMER** - Consistent performer on both the turf and PSF in England last year and hasn't gone unnoticed in her two starts (both at Chantilly) on French soil, finishing 5th on PSF and 3rd on turf over 1600m on 29 April

**2. LA MANDALA** - Impressive wide-margin winner on debut over this trip at Saint-Cloud in March before finishing 7th in an 1800m Group III on very heavy ground at this venue on 7 April. Keep safe

**3. ABSTRACT** - Debut winner over 1500m on PSF at Deauville and wasn't disgraced when finishing 6th in a Group III over 1400m on heavy ground at that venue on her reappearance (9 April). Should have more to offer

**4. WHILAND** - Won consecutive outings last month, a 1400m Class 3 conditions race at Moulins and a 1600m claimer at Fontainebleau last time out (30 April). More needed to be competitive in this race/company

**5. OBSESS** - Has made encouraging improvement in two starts (both over 1300m on PSF) this year. Finished 2nd at Deauville in January and confirmed that progress by winning at Chantilly on 14 March - not taken lightly

**6. SOLINAH** - Wertheimer-owned Siyouni filly scored on debut over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 19 April. Would've gained plenty from that experience, so shouldn't be underestimated

**7. THE FIRST DANCE** - Debut winner on this course over 1800m last year (15 October) and confirmed that promise with a 2nd on PSF at Chantilly in November. Well-beaten 10th in an 1800m Group III here on her reappearance (7 April)

**Summary:** ABSTRACT (3) beat a field that included recent Group III runner-up Almara when winning on debut last year, so shouldn't be judged solely on her reappearance (6th on very heavy ground in a 1400m Group III at Deauville last month). This step up to a mile should unlock improvement and it could pay to follow her progress. LA MANDALA (2) fits a similar profile after finishing unplaced (7th) at Group III level after an impressive winning debut over this trip and, as such, could pose a threat. Last-start winner OBSESS (5) and exciting first-start scorer SOLINAH (6), one of 4 debut winners in the race, aren't underestimated.

## SELECTIONS

**ABSTRACT (3) - LA MANDALA (2) - OBSESS (5) - SOLINAH (6)**

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## C4 - PRIX DU BOIS DU RUSSE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- 1. SAVILE ROW** - Improved with the benefit of a much-needed comeback outing to finish an eye-catching 5th in a 2400m handicap at Saint-Cloud on 5 April. Will be a factor
- 2. FALWUKAIR LAUJAC** - Lightly raced five-year-old who seldom finishes far off the mark but has better references on PSF, although could only finish 8th in a 1900m handicap on that surface at Deauville on 9 April. Outsider
- 3. ASLAN SENORA** - Has regained momentum recently and confirmed as much/his competitiveness off this mark by finishing 4th in a 2000m handicap at Compiègne on 16 April. Keep safe
- 4. NOBLE ANGEL** - Veteran handicapper whose recent performances suggest she has gone off the boil. Finished a well-beaten 11th in a 1900m handicap at Argentan on 11 April
- 5. KAHOUNA** - Won both starts last month with this headgear fitted - won a 1900m handicap at Argentan and a handicap over 1800m at Evreux on 24 April. Has to defy another 3kg penalty
- 6. ASPHODELE MIA** - Veteran handicapper who won an 1800m handicap at Compiègne in October off a 1,5kg higher mark. Lost her way since, unplaced in 4 starts - the latest (16th) in a 1900m PSF handicap at Chantilly on 26 April
- 7. CHARLES LEGEND** - Ultra-consistent veteran handicapper whose form and competitiveness at this level is beyond doubt. Runner-up in a 2800m handicap on this course recently (18 April)
- 8. LORD SPIRIT** - Veteran handicapper whose 2200m handicap victory at Amiens in June last year was off of a mark 2,5kg higher than his current rating. Best watched after his 7th in a 2000m handicap at Compiègne on 16 April
- 9. LISAYANE** - Has regained momentum with three comeback outings this year. Finished 3rd in her latest start in a 1900m handicap at La Teste on 25 April
- 10. SIBUYU** - Inconsistent handicapper whose better recent displays have been achieved in conditions races at a lower level, the latest over 1600m at Cavaillon on 4 May. Outsider
- 11. TENDER WINNER** - Returned to form with an improved/encouraging last-start 2nd in a 2600m handicap at Marseille-Borely on 3 May. Marie Waldhauser's 1,5kg allowance will aid his cause
- 12. MA BEREZINA** - Confirmed the improvement of her previous outing (5th) off this mark with a reassuring 3rd in an 1800m handicap at Evreux on 24 April. Dark horse
- 13. LADY VALOU** - Hard-knocking handicapper who rarely wins (just 1 victory from 46 outings) but has sound references and form credentials in this category, including an unlucky 5th over 1800m at Fontainebleau on 3 May. Respect
- 14. TAAL** - Veteran handicapper whose best references, including her only victory, have been achieved on PSF. Could only finish 8th in an 1800m handicap at Fontainebleau on 3 May
- 15. ANIMA ERAT** - A 29-start maiden mare with little/poor references on turf. Can be ruled out after finishing 8th in a 2100m minor handicap at Mons on 26 April

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**Summary:** Veteran CHARLES LEGEND (7) is enjoying a good spell and will again be ridden by Maxime Guyon, so constitutes a solid base. Older rival SAVILE ROW (1) caught the eye with a reassuring 5th last time and, along with consistent LADY VALOU (13), ought to give cheek to the selection. LISAYANE (9), with the aid of Anaëlle Mekouche's allowance, hard-knocker ASLAN SENORA (3), and resurgent MA BEREZINA (12) are competitive for a spot on the podium.

## SELECTIONS

**CHARLES LEGEND (7) - SAVILE ROW (1) - LADY VALOU (13) - LISAYANE (9)**

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**C5 - PRIX DE PICPUS - 1300m (a6f1/2) - TURF - Divided Handicap - Flat -  
EUR € 28,000**

**1. ANTICO** - Improving last-start winner over this distance on PSF at Chantilly on 14 March. Remains unexposed and is not to be underestimated in his first appearance on turf

**2. THOMAS SHELBY** - Unplaced in consecutive recent outings, the latest (7th) in a Quinte+ handicap over this track and trip on 18 April. Remains undeniably capable of better

**3. BLOOD DIAMOND** - Revealed early promise last year but has lost her way recently and finished unplaced in both appearances at Madrid since the turn of the year - the latest (7th) over 1400m on 7 April. Others preferred

**4. ABIAT** - Performed consistently in four PSF outings from January to March before finishing a well-beaten 10th in her first start on turf over 1600m at Chantilly on 26 April. Has scope to improve, so could do better

**5. DURYTHME** - Runner-up in all three outings, on PSF over 1700m on debut in February and both subsequent starts with blinkers fitted - the latest over 1200m at Nimes on 24 March. Headgear removed for this race

**6. YOKEN** - Consistent colt with sound references/form credentials, which include an encouraging last-start 3rd over this course and distance on 18 April. Attractive outsider

**7. ANIELSKA** - Unplaced in all three 2024 appearances, two in PSF handicaps and the latest (8th) in a 1600m conditions race at Chantilly on 26 April. Best watched for now

**8. IGNOL** - Runner-up over this distance on PSF behind ANTICO (1) in March and didn't go unnoticed when finishing 5th in a course-and-distance handicap on 18 April. Not taken lightly

**9. TANIS** - Consistent filly with sound references/form credentials, albeit without success. Finished 2nd in a 1400m PSF handicap at Chantilly on 18 March

**10. EN PLEIN AIR** - Ultra-consistent colt with the form and experience to play a leading role, especially after an encouraging 2nd in a course-and-distance handicap on 18 April. Dark horse

**11. TEMPO** - Last-start winner of an 1100m handicap at Le Croisé-Laroche on 20 April. Has more to do now here under a 2kg penalty

**12. MARQUISE VERA** - Has yet to find the frame in eight outings, including both handicap appearances on PSF. Soundly beaten (10th) over 1400m at Bordeaux in her last start on 22 April

**13. MILL LANE** -

**14. IHOA** - Experienced filly with just 4 places from 17 starts. Has shown her limitations in handicaps, which include a last-start 8th over 1800m at Le Croisé-Laroche on 20 April

**Summary:** THOMAS SHELBY (2) has been out of sorts lately but is better than his current form suggests and represents a stable in good form, so is worth siding with in a race of this nature off his current mark. ANTICO (1) is unexposed and ought to pose a threat if improving in his first outing on turf. DURYTHME (5), having finished 2nd in each of three starts, and IGNOL (8), who finished 5th over track and trip last time, have the means to make their presence felt too. TANIS (9) and EN PLEIN AIR (10) complete the shortlist.

**SELECTIONS**

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THOMAS SHELBY (2) - ANTICO (1) - DURYTHME (5) - IGNOL (8)



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**C6 - PRIX DU GROS CAILLOU - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 1 Race - Flat -  
EUR € 38,000**

**1. BREIZH SKY** - Finished 3rd in last season's Group I Poule d'Essai des Poulains but hasn't performed to that level in both comeback appearances. Finished last of 5 in a 1600m Saint-Cloud Group III on 1 April - capable of better

**2. PRIDE OF SPAIN** - Won a 1400m handicap at Southwell on 25 January when trained by Archie Watson. Makes his first start on French soil for a new stable

**3. BREIZH EAGLE** - Consistent and versatile performer with sound references on both surfaces, including a las-start 5th over 1800m on the PSF at Lyon-La Soie in a competitive race on 6 April. Not taken lightly

**4. APAX** - Last-start winner of a Quinte+ handicap over this course and distance on 28 April. Races off a career-high mark under a resultant 3,5kg penalty

**5. HALF HALF** - Consistent colt with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 3rd over track and trip in a Quinte+ on 7 April. Has a winning chance off an unchanged mark

**6. RAKAN** - Soundly beaten 15th of 17 runners in a Quinte+ handicap over course and distance on 7 April. Held on the form of that race by the top two selections

**7. LANAKEN** - Hard-knocking handicapper ideally suited to this distance. Finished 5th over this course and distance in a Quinte+ handicap on 7 April behind HALF HALF (5)

**8. VERDANSK** - Consistent performer on both turf and PSF for two years/seasons in England and made a winning start on French soil when scoring on his reappearance over 1400m at Saint-Cloud on 5 April. Dark horse

**9. GAMESTOP** - One of 2 Wertheimer-owned runners in the race. This consistent Lope De Vega colt returns to French soil after finishing 4th in a 1600m Group III at Düsseldorf on 14 April

**10. ZOOM** - Talented individual who revealed considerable means as a two-year-old before confirming that promise throughout his three-year-old season. Off since his 3rd over 1300m on PSF at Deauville on 28 December

**11. SUVIANA** - Consistent filly with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 6th of 15 runners in a 1400m handicap on her reappearance at Newmarket on 18 April. One to note

**Summary:** Consistent HALF HALF (5) acquitted himself competitively (3rd) in a recent course-and-distance Quinte+ off his current mark, so could return to winning ways with a repeat of that performance in this similar contest. LANAKEN (7), who finished 5th in the same race, is likely to pose the biggest threat although highly regarded ZOOM (10) isn't incapable of doing so either on his reappearance. BREIZH SKY (1) and BREIZH EAGLE (3) complete the shortlist.

## SELECTIONS

**HALF HALF (5) - LANAKEN (7) - ZOOM (10) - BREIZH SKY (1)**

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## C7 - PRIX DU BEL AIR - 1300m (a6f1/2) - TURF - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 55,000

- 1. MCTENETT** - Made an encouraging French handicap debut, finishing 7th over track and trip in a similar contest on 18 April. Candidate for success
- 2. ON Y CROIT** - Hasn't finished worse than 3rd in five outings, winning once (over 1500m at Saint-Cloud in November). Makes his handicap debut off a high mark having finished 3rd over 1400m at Deauville on 10 April - lurker
- 3. TIFFANYLI** - Smart, consistent filly deemed worthy of participating in the Group II Prix du Calvados as a two-year-old. Has finished 5th in both comeback outings this year, the latest over 1800m at Marseille-Borely on 24 April
- 4. EGIATEGIA** - Consistent, lightly raced filly with sound references although could only finish 10th in the references race over track and trip on 18 April despite a favorable trip. Best watched for now
- 5. SERQUIGNY** - Consistent Shalaa colt, winner over 1600m at Saint-Cloud two starts back. Subsequently finished 4th in a competitive Class 2 conditions race over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly on 17 April - for another day
- 6. KOSLOVKA** - Last-start winner of the reference race over track and trip on 18 April. Should remain competitive under her 3,5kg penalty but a wide No 15 stall does her chances no favours
- 7. ALI** - Stablemate of last-start winner KOSLOVKA (6). Ran on well to finish 5th in the benchmark race over course and distance on 18 April, so has legitimate claims
- 8. GREY FIGHTER** - This colt trained in Germany made an encouraging reappearance at Le Mans, finishing 3rd over 1600m in a good field on 23 April. Has a place chance on handicap debut
- 9. SPEZIAL** - Last-start winner of the Prix de Sainte-Gemme over course and distance on 18 April. Carries a 3kg penalty but has scope for further improvement
- 10. LES REYS** - Showed promise as a two-year-old but has flattered to deceive this season - unplaced in both outings, the latest over 1400m at Bordeaux in a conditions race on 22 April. Dark horse
- 11. CONCERTATION** - Promising as a two-year-old, albeit without success, but has disappointed this season. Finished 6th over 1000m at Moulins on 14 April - best watched for now on her handicap debut
- 12. MANGAKEN** - Finished last of 5 in a 1200m Class 1 at Toulouse on 11 March but proved himself tenacious when finishing a creditable 4th on handicap debut over 1100m at Salon-de-Provence on 3 April. For another day
- 13. ZEPLACETOBE** - Held up for a long time before producing a good late effort, despite finishing unplaced (9th) over track and trip on 18 April. Competitive off this mark and well positioned in the stalls, she should play a leading role
- 14. ROSE ACADEMY** - Consistent and game frontrunner who acquitted herself well in a 1400m Deauville Class 2 conditions race on 10 April. Attractive outsider on her handicap debut
- 15. THE CAT'S** -

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**16. KINGSWOOD FLYER** - Made an encouraging start to his career in England under William Haggas but has finished 7th in all three outings on French soil, the latest over 1600m on yielding ground at Chantilly on 29 April. Watch for now

**Summary:** MCTENETT (1) performed well enough on his handicap debut in this category over the same course and distance, finishing an encouraging 7th despite an unfavourable trip. So, it could pay to take a chance on him opening his account on French soil in this Quinte+ event. ZEPLACETOBÉ (13) and ALI (7) also acquitted themselves well in the same race so, logically, should attract support too. KOSLOVKA (6), who beat the three aforementioned rivals last time, ought to remain competitive under a penalty. SPEZIAL (9), GRAY FIGHTER (8) and ROSE ACADEMY (14) appeal most of the remainder.

## SELECTIONS

MCTENETT (1) - ZEPLACETOBÉ (13) - ALI (7) - KOSLOVKA (6)

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## C8 - PRIX DES DEESSES - HANDICAP CHALLENGE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 4 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 18,000

- 1. ZIPPERE** - Holding her form well enough and was 5th last time out in a handicap at Deauville over 1400m on 10 April. Better this distance and could score this time
- 2. DOWNEVA** - Has struggled of late and was well beaten last time out in a handicap at La Teste-de-Buch over 1100m on 20 April. Capable of better and is not out of it
- 3. CHAAM** - Has struggled this year and was well beaten last time out in a handicap at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 1900m on 1 April. Needs major improvement to win
- 4. BEACON TOWERS** - Disappointing two starts this year and was tenth last time out in a handicap at Saint-Cloud over 1400m on 19 April. Others are preferred
- 5. PORTREATH** - Has yet to win and was well beaten last time out in a Conditions race at Fontainebleau over 2000m on 13 April. Best watched for now
- 6. JOAO** - Unreliable but did run well when runner-up last time out in a handicap at Cantilly over this distance on 15 April. Can go one better this time
- 7. HEATHERWOOD** - On a long losing run and was 11th last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over this distance on 15 April. Capable of better and has a place chance
- 8. KICK BOXING** - Disappointing recent form and was 8th last time out in a handicap at Argentan over 1900m on 11 April. More is needed to win this race
- 9. GALALITHE** - Unreliable of late and was 7th last time out in a handicap at Chantilly over this distance on 15 April. More if needed to win this race
- 10. ADEHAINE** - Proved in need of his only run of this year when 6th last time out in a handicap at Wissembourg over 1350m on 14 April. Might place
- 11. PRINCE GEORGE** - Yet to win a race but was not disgraced when third last time out in a Conditions race at La Roche-Posay over 1700m on 1 May. Might play a minor role
- 12. VICTORY CAT** - On a very long losing run and was runner-up last time out in a handicap at La Teste-de-Buch over this distance on 10 April. Likes the grass and can contest the finish
- 13. MOASA** - Well beaten in both starts this year with the latest being in a handicap at Chantilly over its distance on 26 April. Others are preferred
- 14. STORMY BABY** - In good form and was fourth last time out in a handicap at Compiègne over 1800m on 13 October. Likely to need this run returning from a break

**Summary:** ZIPPERE (1) has demonstrated commendable consistency in handicaps and benefits from the 2kg allowance of her rider, so is good value to resume winning ways. JOAO (6) finished a reassuring 2nd at Chantilly last time and should pose a threat to the selection if confirming that improvement. VICTORY CAT (12), DOWNEVA (2) and PRINCE GEORGE (11) are place-getters, though GALALITHE (9) isn't incapable of getting into the picture either.

### SELECTIONS

ZIPPERE (1) - JOAO (6) - VICTORY CAT (12) - DOWNEVA (2)