

THURSDAY, 02/01/25

R3 PONT DE VIVAUX [L-H]

C1 - PRIX ELIE PICONE - 1500m (a7f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- 1. IZASTEP** - Fifth in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 10 December. Can play a minor role at best
- 2. HOXTON** - A runner-up in a Handicap at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 1500m on 7 February. Been on a long break but has sufficient means to fight for a place on the podium
- 3. MANAROLA** - Fourth in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 10 December. A consistent sort who is track-suited and can contest the finish again
- 4. IDEE DE CHEVAL** - In very good form and was runner-up in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 10 December. A consistent sort who can go one better
- 5. ALEXEJ** - Finished fifth in a Conditions race at Vichy over 1600m on 14 August. Performs well on the sand and has been victorious on this track. Can contest the finish returning from a break
- 6. WAZIERS** - A runner-up in a Handicap at ParisLongchamp over 1400m on 20 October. Holding form and is seldom far off them
- 7. BLANC BLEU** - Holding form and was third in a Claimer at this track over 1500m on 7 December. Track-suited and has a winning chance in this line-up
- 8. BELL SONG** - A winner at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Track suited and has confidence. Not out of it
- 9. BLUFF** - Well beaten 9th in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 9 October. Needs improvement to feature
- 10. EXPERTISE** - Fifth in a Handicap at Deauville over 1300m on 19 December. Needs to find a few lengths
- 11. JOYEUSE DE ROMAY** - Fifth at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Might of needed the latest and can get closer
- 12. EKTORIA** - Well beaten 10th at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Others are preferred in this line-up

Summary: BLANC BLEU (7) is in good form and gets a narrow vote to score in a very difficult opening event. IDEE DE CHEVAL (4) remains in very good shape and will not go down easily. ALEXEJ (5) returns from a break but does well on this surface and is not out of it. HOXTON (2) has not been seen since February but she is capable of getting into the thick of things despite the layoff.

SELECTIONS

BLANC BLEU (7) - IDEE DE CHEVAL (4) - ALEXEJ (5) - HOXTON (2)

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C2 - PRIX JEAN NUCERA - 1500m (a7f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16,000

- 1. SPORT COUPE** - Fourth at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Can play a minor role at best in this line up
- 2. COLBY CHOP** - Improved effort when third at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Can confirm that effort and contest the finish again
- 3. ESTOKENIA** - Well beaten 8th in a Handicap at this track over 2000m on 10 December. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 4. OCEAN** - Finished 6th in a Handicap at Toulouse over 1400m on 24 November. Poor form and is unlikely to be involved in the finish
- 5. RED TORCH** - Finished 6th at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Twenty-nine career placings and can earn minor money
- 6. ETERNEL** - Finished 9th in a Handicap at Marseille-Borely over 1700m on 28 September. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 7. VANILLE BLEUE** - Finished 10th at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Needs to find a few lengths to be competitive
- 8. TOUTELUSIVE** - Showed some improvement when fifth at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Finished off the latest well and is not out of it
- 9. SOAN** - Holding form and was third at this track over 1500m on 17 December. The last two efforts on this track have been good and he has sufficient means to fight for victory
- 10. POLIVATE** - Fourth in a Handicap at Deauville over 1300m on 19 December. Unreliable but does have a winning chance
- 11. EXPLORAR** - Well beaten 9th in a Handicap at Nimes over 1200m on 1 December. Unreliable and untested over this distance
- 12. HAARICIA** - Well beaten 8th at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Struggling and needs to improve
- 13. PELUSIVE** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Deauville over 1300m on 19 December. Unreliable but has a place chance if repeating her penultimate start
- 14. NIGHT OF THE OPERA** - Finished 9th at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Well drawn and is capable of a surprise

Summary: COLBY CHOP (2) showed improvement when third at this track last month. It is a very competitive handicap today but he can score if he turns up at the top of his game. POLIVATE (10) ran well at Deauville two weeks ago and will be a threat to these runners. SOAN (9) is threatening to win at this course and deserves respect. TOUTELUSIVE (8) bounced back with a reasonable effort last time out and could do even better this time.

SELECTIONS

COLBY CHOP (2) - POLIVATE (10) - SOAN (9) - TOUTELUSIVE (8)

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C3 - PRIX DE LA REINE JEANNE - 2600m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 18,000

1. **INTERSTELLA** - Fourth in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 17 December. Track suited and is capable of contesting the finish. A five-time winner this year
2. **SAINTE RITA** - Fourth in a Conditions race at this track over 2700m on 10 December. Has won twice this year and is not out of it
3. **BEIJINHO** - Third in a Handicap at this track over 2000m on 7 December. Stepping up in distance and this might suit
4. **INTO FAITH** - Fifth in a Handicap at Salon-de-Provence over 2400m on 28 November. Others are preferred in this line-up
5. **BOOGIE** - A runner-up in a Handicap at this track over 2000m on 10 December. Performs well on this track and deserves some respect
6. **POP LIFE** - Third in a Handicap at this track over 2000m on 10 December. Improved latest effort but is unreliable
7. **DOCTEUR TOURNESOL** - Finished 6th in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Performs well on this track and is not out of it
8. **I'M ON MY WAY** - A winner in a Handicap at Lyon-La Soie over 3200m on 9 December. Can confirm the effort and contest the finish
9. **ANTARES** - A runner-up in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 17 December. Holding form well and is capable of going one better
10. **ALAMSAR** - Fifth in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Needs to find a few lengths to be competitive
11. **CAVANI KAIZEN** - Third in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Not far off them in the last two efforts and the last victory was on this track
12. **DREAM OF EMERAUDE** - A winner in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Despite the penalty is capable of going back-to-back
13. **MISS ROAZHON** - Non partante
14. **JONH FOR ALWAYS** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Deauville over 3400m on 14 December. Poor form since winning three on the trot

Summary: ANTARES (9) likes this course and is in good shape. She takes on her elder counterparts this time but gets a confident vote to score. INTERSTELLA (1) had a very good last year, winning five times and can start 2025 earning more money. DREAM OF EMERAUDE (12) carries a penalty for a nice handicap win but could have what it takes to defy the penalty. DOCTEUR TOURNESOL (7) likes this track and can make the frame too.

SELECTIONS

ANTARES (9) - INTERSTELLA (1) - DREAM OF EMERAUDE (12) - DOCTEUR TOURNESOL (7)

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C4 - PRIX DU GENERAL BONNAFE - 2600m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16,000

- 1. VOILA POURQUOI** - Well beaten 9th in a Handicap at Saint-Cloud over 3100m on 9 September. Last placed in June and others are preferred
- 2. GAMECHANGER** - Finished 6th in a Handicap at Toulouse over 2400m 1 December. Needs to find a few lengths
- 3. SOLTANA BELIEVE** - Finished 6th in a Claimer at this track over 2600m on 10 December. Needs to improve on the recent efforts
- 4. VICTORY D'OR** - Fifth in a Claimer at this track over 2600m on 10 December. Wearing cheek-pieces for the first time and this could suit
- 5. SURPRIZE ME** - A runner-up in a Handicap at this track over 2000m on 10 December. In solid form and is capable of going one better
- 6. MATGIWELL** - Finished 6th in a Conditions race at Durtal over 2900m on 15 December. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 7. MORNING SPIRIT** - Fourth in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Seldom far off them and can contest the finish
- 8. DREAM ANGEL** - A winner in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Received a 2Kg penalty but is capable of making the frame again
- 9. MAVALA** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Lyon-La Soie over 2400m on 16 December. Unreliable but was third in the penultimate on this track
- 10. SANBER** - Well beaten 8th in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Must improve to feature here
- 11. DOWN TOWN** - Unplaced in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Unlikely to contest the finish
- 12. LE KAKOU** - Fifth in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Finished the latest off well and can get closer
- 13. SUCCUBA** - Finished 6th in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Will be fitter having had three runs back and is not out of it

Summary: SURPRIZE ME (5) is in good form and only found one a bit better on the day last time out at this track. The step up in distance can suit her. DREAM ANGEL (8) scored over this course & distance last time out and would not be a surprise winner once again. MORNING SPIRIT (7) was not disgraced last month when fourth and can contest the finish. SUCCUBA (13) is fit and can earn some money.

SELECTIONS

SURPRIZE ME (5) - DREAM ANGEL (8) - MORNING SPIRIT (7) - SUCCUBA (13)

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C5 - PRIX DES PRIMEVERES - 2000m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR € 21,000

- 1. TEPITO** - Finished 7th in a Conditions race at Lyon-La Soie over 1800m on 16 December. Must improve on the first three efforts
- 2. SUNNY** - Fifth in a Conditions race at Lyon-La Soie over 1800m on 16 December. Improving and this will be the third attempt. Will be fitter this time and steps up in distance
- 3. PIERO THE BEST** - Finished 7th on debut in a Conditions race at this track over 1500m on 25 November. Stepping up to 2000m and can improve on the debut effort
- 4. GET BARAKA** - Fourth in a Conditions race at this track over 2000m on 17 December. The last two efforts on this track have been fourth and can get closer this time
- 5. OUREA** - Fifth in a Conditions race at Lyon-La Soie over 1800m on 16 December. Needs to find a few lengths
- 6. THE WASP** - Unplaced in a Conditions race at Lignieres over 1600m on 30 November. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 7. ANTICIPATION ZERO** - Fourth in a Conditions race at this track over 1500m on 25 November. Two decent efforts and could be ready to score
- 8. READY** - A 2-year-old gelding by Chachnak out of Red Love who makes his debut. Watch the betting
- 9. MIVANA** - A 2-year-old filly by Attendu out of Tout Une Histoire who makes her debut. Receiving weight and any betting support deserves to be respected

Summary: ANTICIPATION ZERO (7) has only had just the two runs and she was not disgraced in both of them. She does set the standard for those runners that have raced before. MIVANA (9) makes her debut and she could prove to be a lively danger if ready for this. GET BARAKA (4) has been fair at this track and can contest the finish. SUNNY (2) showed improvement last time out and could have more to offer.

SELECTIONS

ANTICIPATION ZERO (7) - MIVANA (9) - GET BARAKA (4) - SUNNY (2)

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C6 - PRIX ECLAIR - 2000m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Claiming Handicap - Flat - EUR € 12,000

- 1. PIERRE LE GRAND** - Fifth in a Handicap at Deauville over 1900m on 4 December. Fit and comfortable on the sand. Place prospects in this line-up
- 2. PICNIC ROYAL** - Finished 9th in a Handicap at Salon-de-Provence over 2400m on 28 November. Needs to find a few lengths on the last two efforts
- 3. FRENCH DEFENSE** - Unplaced in a Handicap at this track over 2000m on 10 December. Capable of a surprise being down in category
- 4. TRUE BOY** - Fourth in a Claimer at this track over 2600m on 10 December. Faced stronger rivals in the latest and deserves to be respected
- 5. STADE VELODROME** - Finished 6th in a Handicap at this track over 2000m on 10 December. A penultimate start winner on this track and is not out of it
- 6. JUSSIFER** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Chantilly over 1900m on 12 November. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 7. HEYTESBURY LANE** - A winner in a Handicap at this track over 2000m on 10 December. Has confidence and can be earning again
- 8. A L'ANNEAU** - Finished 12th in a Handicap at Salon-de-Provence over 2400m on 28 November. Needs to improve to be involved
- 9. SELKET** - Finished 10th in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Returning to a Claimer and is capable of contesting the finish
- 10. CROCUS BORGET** - Finished 6th in a Handicap at Lyon-La Soie over 1800m on 9 December. Unreliable and is best watched for now
- 11. VITTVITT** - Finished 11th in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 7 December. Poor form and others are preferred
- 12. ANASITA** - Well beaten 8th in a Handicap at this track over 2600m on 17 December. Unlikely to be involved in the finish

Summary: SELKET (9) has been a disappointment of late but should make a bold bid at victory returning to a claimer. TRUE BOY (4) was not disgraced in a stronger version of this division last time out and will be a real threat if in the same form. PIERRE LE GRAND (1) is fit and does well enough on this surface to hold a winning chance. STADE VELODROME (5) has won at this course before and is another to consider.

SELECTIONS

SELKET (9) - TRUE BOY (4) - PIERRE LE GRAND (1) - STADE VELODROME (5)

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C7 - PRIX DE PLAN DE CAMPAGNE - 1500m (a7f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- 1. LOLA MONTES** - A runner-up in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 7 December. Track-suited and can go one better
- 2. ELUSIVE BELARDO** - Third in a Conditions race at this track over 1500m on 10 December. Improved effort in the latest and can confirm that
- 3. SICILIAN THREAT** - Fourth in a Claimer at this track over 1500m on 17 December. On Handicap debut and can surprise
- 4. DJOAHNA** - A winner in a Conditions race at Limoges over 1400m on 30 November. Facing stronger rivals and others are preferred
- 5. MIKEY** - Fifth in a Conditions race at Pau over 1600m on 5 December. Needs to find a few lengths
- 6. TREVI** - A winner in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 7 December. Has confidence and despite the penalty is capable of making it two in a row
- 7. TAVULLIA** - Third in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 7 December. Holding form and is capable of contesting for victory
- 8. TIBERIANA** - Finished 10th in a Claimer at Saint-Cloud over 1600m on 6 September. Poor form and is unlikely to be involved in the finish
- 9. SHUTTERWOOD** - Fifth in a Claimer at this track over 1500m on 17 December. Finished off the latest well and is not out of it
- 10. PAINT CHOP** - Unplaced in a Conditions race at Pau over 1400m on 19 October. Poor form and is best watched for now
- 11. TAGA** - Finished 6th in a Claimer at this track over 1500m on 17 December. At best can play a minor role
- 12. DIMANCHE SOIR** - Well beaten 9th in a Claimer at ParisLongchamp over 1700m on 15 December. Debuts in a Handicap and might struggle
- 13. BAI TU LONG** - Well beaten 9th in a Conditions race at Lyon-La Soie over 1800m on 16 December. Others are preferred in this line-up

Summary: TAVULLIA (7) looked a bit of an unlucky loser last time out when finishing third last month. She looks ready to score in a handicap. LOLA MONTES (1) was just ahead of that rival last time out and will challenge for top honours again. TREVI (6) beat both those rivals last time out but carries a 2.5 kgs penalty for that win and it will be tougher for her this time around. ELUSIVE BELARDO (2) showed improvement last time and deserves respect.

SELECTIONS

TAVULLIA (7) - LOLA MONTES (1) - TREVI (6) - ELUSIVE BELARDO (2)

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C8 - PRIX DES CANDOLLES - 1500m (a7f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- 1. ELDIO** - Fifth in a Conditions race at Marseille-Borely over 1700m on 10 November. Debuts in the Handicaps and needs to find a few lengths
- 2. KING PATH** - Finished 6th in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 7 December. Unplaced since winning in February
- 3. MESSINA** - Finished 6th in a Claimer at Chantilly over 1400m on 20 December. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 4. WILD CITY** - A winner in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 7 December. Performs well on this track and can defy the penalty
- 5. TASHANKA** - Fifth in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 7 December. Improving sort who has won at this track and has sufficient means to fight for victory
- 6. VICE CAPTAIN** - Third in a Claimer at this track over 2000m on 7 December. Seldom far off them in Claimers and is not out of it
- 7. KHARAMAZOV** - A winner in a Claimer at this track over 1500m on 7 December. Track and trip suited and has won at this level. Capable of contesting the finish again
- 8. EMBRACE ADVERSITY** - Well beaten 8th in a Claimer at this track over 1500m on 25 November. Track and trip suited. Three victories last winter and deserves to be respected
- 9. DELPHINE** - Third in a Handicap at this track over 1500m on 7 December. On the latest effort can be competitive again
- 10. HINAT** - Fifth in a Handicap at Vichy over 1400m on 23 September. Might need the run-back

Summary: KHARAMAZOV (7) has improved of late tp score in a claimer at this track in his last run. He has also won a handicap off a mark not much lower than this and he could win this lucky last race. TASHANKA (5) boasts winning form at this course and should fight out the finish. WILD CITY (4) carries a 2.5 kg penalty for his maiden win but can follow up. VICE CAPTAIN (6) has been competitive in claimers and is also not out of it.

SELECTIONS

KHARAMAZOV (7) - TASHANKA (5) - WILD CITY (4) - VICE CAPTAIN (6)