R5 CLAIREFONTAINE [R-H]

C1 - PRIX FRANCE TRAVAIL HONFLEUR (PRIX OFFEMONT) - 3400m (a2m1/8) - TURF - Handicap - Hurdles - EUR € 40,000

- **1. OUPSS -** Three promising runs over hurdles, the latest when 2nd at this track in a Class 2 race on August 5th. Sets the standard
- **2. BON PRINCE -** Won a Class 2 hurdle over 3400m at La Teste on June 3rd when last racing. Has improved with race experience and has top four claims
- **3. KASHS -** 4th on his latest start over 3000m at Auteuil in a Class 3 hurdle on May 8th. Can place at attractive odds
- **4. MADEMOISELLE MIA -** Ran well when 3rd at this track in a handicap over 3600m on August 19th. Can not be overlooked
- **5. BONNY LOVE -** Unplaced last time, 2nd before that at Auteuil over 3000m in a claiming hurdle on May 28th. Others seem more likely
- **6. GRAND DISCOURS -** Won over 3400m at this track last time in a claiming hurdle on July 25th. Might find a few of these too smart
- **7. ELEKTRIX -** Improved effort when 3rd at Royan in a Class 3 hurdle over 3500m on August 18th. She looks progressive and is the each way angle
- **8. LUCKI BLUE -** Nice 2nd last time in a Class 3 hurdle at Dieppe over 3400m on August 11th. Can make presence felt
- 9. LA LOUISIANE Has four unplaced runs of late, 2nd before that over 3200m in a claiming hurdle at Compiegne on April 3rd. Can be overlooked
- **10. LOYALE ST GEORGES -** Showed more when 3rd over 3300m at Vittel in a Class 4 hurdle last time on July 21st. Has a light weight and is worth considering each-way

Summary: A large number of the field are making their handicap debut, the top-weight OUPSS (1) has been promising on all three of his runs and has good track form. He is a marginal choice ahead of LUCKI BLUE (8) who has more experience and looks the type to keep improving. MADEMOISELLE MIA (4) also has recently been placed on this track and is sure to give a good account of herself. ELEKTRIX (7) makes her handicap debut and is worth considering each way.

SELECTIONS

OUPSS (1) - LUCKI BLUE (8) - MADEMOISELLE MIA (4) - ELEKTRIX (7)

C2 - PRIX ALTERNATIV'EMPLOI DEAUVILLE (PRIX GRAND CROC) - 3600m (a2m1/4) - TURF - Class 4 Race - Hurdles - EUR € 35,000

- **1. VALSE DU NORD -** 3rd last time over 3500m in a Class 4 race over fences at Loudeac on April 1st. Might find a few of these too smart
- **2. SWING THE RING -** 5th last time, 3rd before that at this track over 3600m in a Class 3 hurdle on August 19th. Should get the first hurdle win
- **3. KIMBALA DE COTTE -** Nice 2nd over 3500m at Rochefort-Sur-Loire in a Class 4 hurdle on August 5th when last racing. Top three chance
- **4. SUGAR GLIDER -** Unplaced last time, 4th before that on her debut over 3150m at Uttoxeter(GBR) on April 24th. Makes limited appeal
- **5. KLARINA -** Unraced filly by Prince Gibraltar, the dam won five races on the flat and over hurdles and fences and was placed in Listed chases. One to watch in the betting for clues
- **6. PHAM -** Three unplaced runs so far over hurdles, the latest over 3400m in a Class 3 hurdle at this track on August 19th. Needs to show a lot more to be involved
- **7. ECLIPSE VERTE -** Unraced filly by Buck's Boum , the dam won three races over jumps. Will be well-schooled for this debut run. Bold show expected
- **8. PATE MOLLEE -** Unplaced last time on her hurdle race debut at this track on August 19th over 3400m in a Class 3 race. Showed promise on the flat last year and is one to consider each-way
- **9. DON'T LET ME DOWN -** Ran with some promise on her debut on the flat over 2400m at Beaupreau in a Class 4 race on August 25th. Bred to do well over hurdles and is one to pay attention too
- **10. ROSE DU RAZ -** Three unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that over 3450m at Les Sables in a Class 3 hurdle on June 10th,2023. Hard to fancy

Summary: SWING THE RING (2) has shown ability in her three runs over hurdles and was a winner on the flat on the PSF in February. She can score from the nicely bred newcomer ECLIPSE VERTE (7) who has a taking profile and her trainer can ready one to strike at the first time of asking. KIMBALA DE COTTE (3) has been placed on two of her three completed starts over hurdles and looks assured as an each-way option. PATE MOLLEE (8) should also show more on her second run over hurdles.

SELECTIONS

SWING THE RING (2) - ECLIPSE VERTE (7) - KIMBALA DE COTTE (3) - PATE MOLLEE (8)

C3 - PRIX PROMAN HONFLEUR (PRIX CHRISTIAN DE L'HERMITE) - 3600m (a2m1/4) - TURF - Class 4 Race - Hurdles - EUR € 35,000

- **1. MICKDEBOMEC -** Won over 3700m at Le Lion D'Angers in a Class 2 hurdle on August 18th when last seen. Can keep improving and has a key chance
- **2. MAITRE D'HOTEL -** 2nd last time over 3900m at Pompadour on his seasonal return in a Class 3 hurdle. Won over fences last year and will strip fitter today. Player
- **3. DARK WATER -** Unplaced last time, won before that over 3500m in a claiming hurdle at Royan on June 2nd. Has work to do
- **4. ZEN MASTER -** Won on his hurdle race debut at Rochefort-Sur-Loire on August 5th over 3500m in a Class 4 event. Can improve and can not be overlooked from a leading trainer
- **5. NOE -** 4th on his latest run over 3550m at Fontainebleau on December 12th in a handicap hurdle. Might find this difficult
- **6. CTE D'ESCARBAGNAS -** Fair 4th over 3400m on his third run over hurdles at Dieppe. He was quite useful on the flat, winning and placed in a Listed race. One to pay attention too
- **7. ALMOST UNREAL -** Unplaced on sole start over hurdles in a Class 2 race on August 18th. Won before that on the flat at Miesau (DEU) on May 31st. Place chance
- **8. RELAX HAS -** Unplaced on his sole run over 3400m in a Class 3 hurdle at this track on August 19th. Looks vulnerable
- **9. CHARMAVEL -** Promise when 2nd over 3100m at Saint-Brieuc on March 10th in a Class 4 race on the flat. Hurdle debut and is one to consider
- **10. CLO DES FLOS -** Two unplaced runs so far, the latter over 3550m in a Class 4 hurdle at Fontainebleau on March 29th.Opposable
- **11. BY EXETER -** Two unplaced runs last time, the latter over 3400m in a Class 3 hurdle at this track on August 19th. Can make the frame

Summary: MICKDEBOMEC (1) got off the mark on his third start in a Class 2 hurdle at Le Lion D'Angers last month and holds a solid chance of following up. MAITRE D'HOTEL (2) is versatile and will strip fitter for a second-placed effort at Pompadour last month on his seasonal return over hurdles. He is the main danger. CTE D'ESCARBAGNAS (6) was decent on the flat and has run well on his three hurdle race runs. He can make the top three. ZEN MASTER (4) won on hurdling debut and could be a nice prospect.

SELECTIONS

MICKDEBOMEC (1) - MAITRE D'HOTEL (2) - CTE D'ESCARBAGNAS (6) - ZEN MASTER (4)

C4 - PRIX AFASEC (PRIX D'ANGLET) - 3400m (a2m1/8) - TURF - Class 3 Race - Hurdles - EUR € 37,000

- **1. MAITRE EN SCIENCE -** Won nicely on his latest run at Dieppe in a Class 2 hurdle over 3400m on July 13th. Can keep improving and is in the mix
- **2. KLAMPENBORG -** Won on his debut at Vittel over 3300m in a Class 4 hurdle on August 2nd. Will improve and has place claims at nice odds
- **3. MAJDAME -** Ran a good race when 2nd at this track on August 19th over 3400m in a Class 3 race. Looks a nice prospect and can not be discounted
- **4. LE RIVAGE -** Unplaced on his sole run over 3000m at Auteuil over hurdles on April 16th. Should know more for that outing but others seem better equipped
- **5. MOLLY DE BURGE -** Won on the sole start over 3800m in a Class 3 hurdle at Senonnes on August 3rd. Should improve and has place claims in a stronger race
- **6. LAFAYETTE -** Won on her hurdling debut at Dieppe over 3400m in a Class 3 race on August 11th. A winner on the flat in April, she looked at home over hurdles on debut and can follow up
- **7. TRIPELTIN DEBELAIR -** Placed on both runs so far, 2nd on the last one over 3200m at Saint-Malo in a Class 4 hurdle on July 24th. Has more to come
- **8. MOODY RISK -** Unraced by No Risk At All, the dam won one race. Stable runners warrant respect on debut. Any market support should be noted

Summary: In a race where a large portion of the field has some sort of chance, the filly LAFAYETTE (6) seemed to like the switch to hurdles from the flat on her debut at Dieppe last month. She sauntered home by seven lengths that day and will be hard to beat. MAJDAME (3) showed improvement when second on her second start at this track last month and rates a threat. TRIPELTIN DEBELAIR (7) and MAITRE EN SCIENCE (1) are both promising and can fight it out for minor honours.

SELECTIONS

LAFAYETTE (6) - MAJDAME (3) - TRIPELTIN DEBELAIR (7) - MAITRE EN SCIENCE (1)

C5 - PRIX TEMPORIS DEAUVILLE (PRIX DES ETANGS DE SAINT-PIERRE) - 3700m (a2m1/4) - TURF - Class 4 Race - Steeple Chase - EUR € 35,000

- **1. SACRED UNION -** 5th last time, 2nd before that over 3700m at this track in a claiming chase on September 11th. Might be in need of this outing
- **2. DEMON VERT -** Shaped well on his second try over fences when 3rd at Dieppe in a Class 3 race over 3500m on June 29th. Key chance
- **3. MEMORIES -** Unplaced last time, 2nd before that over 3600m in a Class 2 hurdle at Compiegne on March 13th. Chase debut and can be a threat
- **4. LIBYA -** Fair 3rd over 3600m at Vittel in a handicap chase last time on August 2nd. Can make the frame
- **5. KA FEE INN -** 3rd last time over 3450m in a claiming chase at Compiegne on May 27th. Capable but not straightforward
- **6. IMAGINATION -** Nice 2nd on her chase debut at Granville over 3600m in a Class 3 event on August 15th. Ought to be in the shake-up
- **7. TOP DAAY -** Unplaced last time, 2nd before that over 3800m at Vittel in a Class 2 hurdle on July 25th. Tries fences for the first time and is no forlorn hope
- **8. KALINE DES BOULLAT -** Unplaced over fences last time at this track over 3900m on August 19th. Has placed form in a Class 2 hurdle at Auteuil in March. Needs to reassure over fences

Summary: DEMON VERT (2) ran well on his second run over fences at Dieppe in late June when he was third and looks the type to do well over the larger obstacles. MEMORIES (3) has decent form, which includes a second in a Class 2 hurdle two starts ago and he could be the main threat to the selection on his chase debut. IMAGINATION (6) was only beaten by half a length on her chase debut at Granville in mid-August and can make the frame. LIBYA (4) heads the remainder.

SELECTIONS

DEMON VERT (2) - MEMORIES (3) - IMAGINATION (6) - LIBYA (4)

C6 - PRIX AIDE ET SOURIRE DEAUVILLE (PRIX COMMANDANT GUY DE PIBRAC) - 3700m (a2m1/4) - TURF - Claiming - Steeple Chase - EUR € 20,000

- **1. IT'S A GOOD DAY -** Fair 3rd over 3200m in a Class 4 hurdle last time at Rochefort-Sur-Loire on August 5th. Can play a lead role on switch to fences
- **2. BREEZE D'AUTEUIL -** 5th last time, 3rd before that over 3400m at this track in a claiming hurdle on July 25th. Needs a few to falter on chase debut
- **3. ROSE BAY -** Nice 4th over 3500m at Royan in a Class 3 hurdle on August 18th when last racing. Switches to fences after one run and warrants respect
- **4. FAMILIA -** 3rd in a claiming hurdle at Saint-Malo over 3200m last time on August 8th. Others rate higher
- BELISKA 3rd of only three runners at Questembert in a Class 4 chase last time over 3700m.Can not be overlooked

Summary: ROSE BAY (3) ran well on her hurdle race debut when fourth at Royan last month after several unplaced efforts on the flat. She makes her chase debut and is dropped in class. She is preferred to IT'S A GOOD DAY (1) who ran well himself on only his second run over hurdles in early August when he was third. He can make a race of it. BELISKA (5) has two placed runs over fences and looks the best of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

ROSE BAY (3) - IT'S A GOOD DAY (1) - BELISKA (5) - FAMILIA (4)

C7 - PRIX EQUIRESSOURCES (PRIX KAWAN) - 3600m (a2m1/4) - TURF - Class 3 Race - Hurdles - EUR € 37,000

- **1. NEVER RISK -** Credible 4th at Le Lion D'Angers over 3900m in a Class 3 chase on August 9th. Can be competitive
- 2. JORIS Two unplaced runs of late on the flat, won over hurdles at Angers in a Class 4 race on November 11th over 3400m. Will be fitter for the recent runs and can not be ruled out
- **3. SHOWLY -** Unplaced last time, 2nd before that in a Grade 3 chase at Auteuil on April 21st. He has still not won in 23 attempts and is not trustworthy
- **4. PEARL TREE -** 5th last time, 2nd before that over 3800m at Chateaubriant on July 16th in a Class 3 hurdle. Hard to recommend
- **5. MAGINO -** Two unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that over 3400m in a Class 3 hurdle at Aix-Les-Bains on July 4th. Ought to be in the shake-up
- **6. WEST MARTIN -** Fair 4th in a Class 3 hurdle over 3600m at this track last time on August 19th. Can get another win over hurdles
- **7. ICEBERG DU LARGE -** 3rd last time over 4400m in a Listed chase at Auteuil on June 15th. Back over hurdles and has place claims

Summary: WEST MARTIN (6) is the tentative selection in an open hurdle race, despite a handful of runners. He was a decent fourth last time at this track in mid-August and has the most to fear from NEVER RISK (1) who has been competing over hurdles and fences recently. JORIS (2) is top-rated and will be sharper for a couple of runs on the flat recently. He can make the frame. MAGINO (5) makes up the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

WEST MARTIN (6) - NEVER RISK (1) - JORIS (2) - MAGINO (5)