

WEDNESDAY, 09/10/24

R4 PONT DE VIVAUX [L-H]

C1 - PRIX DE LA GARDE - 1500m (a7f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Claiming - Flat - EUR € 12,500

1. AMORE MIA - Has won before, finished 4th over 1400m at Compiègne on the 17th of September in a claimer and has a strong place chance

2. MARVELOUS BY NIGHT - Placed 4th over 1200m at Marseille Borely on the 16th of September and can go very close to winning. First choice

3. CLOSE COMBAT - Won four races back, finished 5th over 1200m in a weak claiming race at Dax last time and should run well. Good each way chance

4. IDYLLE DU FRAISSE - Will need to build plenty on latest effort when 9th over 1600m at Vichy. Unlikely winner. No

5. TAVULLIA - She is testing the patience for the win, finished 4th over 1000m at Vichy last time and should get it all right soon. Strong place claims

6. COTE D'OR - Has shown very little in all four runs and is therefore hard to fancy. Would be a shock winner and can be ignored

7. LADY KOSTAS - Improved in second run, finished 3rd over 1600m at Royan in a claimer and can get even closer this time. Big chance

8. SIXTTINA - Finished 6th on debut, 7th over 1200m at the second run and needs huge progression to threaten here. Pass by

9. TREVI - Brings very weak form into the race and will find the opposition a bit stiff. Placed 5th over 1100m last time and cannot be selected

10. DIMANCHE SOIR - Only managed 11th place last time when racing at Tarbes over 1500m, placed 3rd in penultimate run but way more needed for the win. No

11. REVE PAREILLE - Run five times for five blanks and is not giving much hope. Pass by

12. FRUITION - Ignore last run when 9th, was victorious in penultimate over 1200m at Pompadour and is one for the shortlist. Good chance

Summary: MARVELOUS BY NIGHT (2) is lightly raced, finished 4th over 1200m last time and can be expected to get much closer today. Strong each way chance. CLOSE COMBAT (3) was a winner four starts back and has not been far off since. He has to be taken very seriously. Big chance. FRUITION (12) can be forgiven for the last run and judged on penultimate win. Chance. LADY KOSTAS (7) more than likely has more to give and has a first four chance.

SELECTIONS

MARVELOUS BY NIGHT (2) - CLOSE COMBAT (3) - FRUITION (12) - LADY KOSTAS (7)

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C2 - PRIX DU PORT DE BANC - 2000m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 15,000

- 1. MORNING SPIRIT** - Placed only 6th over 3000m in a Handicap at Vichy on the 24th of September and way more is required for the win. Pass by
- 2. STADE VELODROME** - He boasts seven victories, ignore last run, finished 5th over 2000m at Compiègne on the 9th of July in a claimer and can go close. Each way chance
- 3. SEKКУ** - Finished 6th over 2400m in a competitive Handicap at Lyon Parilly on the 17th of last month. Respect and include. Good chance
- 4. SURPRIZE ME** - Would be a surprise winner based on current form and is taking time to get it all right again. Happy to dismiss from all bets
- 5. DAYAK** - Brings erratic form to the race, finished 13th last time but 2nd over 2400m at Montignac before that. Hard to assess and therefore hard to like
- 6. FLORIDA SPRING** - Taking time for next win, finished 6th over 1700m at Marseille Borely on the 28th of last month in Handicap class. Include in quartet perms
- 7. KARIBBEAN DREAM** - Holding form, won penultimate and placed 3rd over 1700m last time. Huge runner and can win
- 8. COME TI AMO** - Lightly raced, finished 5th over 1800m in a Handicap at Salon Provence on the 9th of September and might have a tad more to offer. Include
- 9. BALAGAN** - Placed 7th over 1700m at Marseille Borely late last month and will need to serve up plenty more before being considered. No
- 10. PRINCE LOS** - Will need to build on last run when 4th over 2000m at Vichy in a Handicap and might be able to, however, prefer others. No
- 11. MOUDIR** - Placed 4th over 2200m at Zonza on the 11th of August and based on that should be able to run well again. Strong claims
- 12. VOLCAN** - Long time, battling maiden that finished 13th at Clairefontaine over 1800m in a Handicap in August. No
- 13. PRETTY WARRIOR** - She is taking forever to win but did make a huge threat last time when 2nd over 1700m in a Handicap. Deserves the win but for today, place chance
- 14. WAYNE** - Current form has been on the severe decline and over various distances and is therefore hard to fancy. Would be a shock winner

Summary: STADE VELODROME (2) is a tad erratic but has won seven times before. His last run was not good but his penultimate was fair. He was a winner before that over 1850m at Hyeres in a weak claiming field. He can win a race of this class. MOUDIR (11) like most in this line up, is battling to regain very best form but did show last time that there is some hope. Each way chance. KARIBBEAN DREAM (7) is holding form and is more than likely the one they all have to fear the most. Bright chance.

SELECTIONS

STADE VELODROME (2) - MOUDIR (11) - KARIBBEAN DREAM (7) - SEKКУ (3)

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C3 - PRIX DES TROIS PONTS - 2000m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 17,000

- 1. LAOS** - Knocking loudly at the door and can go one more. Finished 2nd over 2200m at Cavaillon on the 22nd of September. Strong each way
- 2. MERCI ELIE** - Keeps running 2nd, banging loudly at the door and can finally win. Last run was over 1700m in Handicap class at Marseille Borely on the 28th of last month. Big win shout
- 3. BLANC BLEU** - Only managed a 9th place finish last time when racing over 2100m in a Handicap. Prefer others
- 4. ESTOKENIA** - She comes into the race fresh off a victory at Marseille Borely over 1700m in a Handicap and it would be no shock if she followed up. Big chance
- 5. USER KINDLY** - Hard to like on last run when 6th over 1700m at Marseille Borely on the 28th of last month in Handicap class. Way prefer others for the win
- 6. EKTORIA** - Ran a good race on the 28th of September over 1700m in a Handicap at Marseille Borely when finishing 3rd. Has to be included and taken seriously
- 7. SPORT COUPE** - Forget last run when 6th, placed 3rd over 1800m in a Handicap at Salon Provence on the 9th of last month and can win. Big chance
- 8. KADIYAC** - Taking time for next win, ignore last run and judge on penultimate 2nd over 1600m at Cavaillon. Big runner
- 9. BLACK FALCON** - Has not come near the first four places in last eight starts and purely based on that is impossible to fancy. Has been finishing way back. No
- 10. VENES** - Finished 5th over 2000m at Nancy on the 29th of September and will need to do way more than that to threaten here. Pass by
- 11. SOAN** - Current form has been on the decline and very erratic which makes it hard to assess. Happy to pass by and include others
- 12. SELKET** - She was a winner four starts back and has been okay thereafter. Placed 5th over 2600m in a Handicap last time and can get into the first four at best. Small chance
- 13. PIERRE LE GRAND** - Can be given a very small, outside place chance. Finished 4th over 1700m in a Handicap last time and 3rd before that. An outsider with a place chance at best
- 14. RABBAH** - Finished 2nd over 2400m at Biguglia on the 15th of last month but in a very weak field. Way more needed for the win and can be ignored from all bets

Summary: SPORT COUPE (7) knows what racing is all about and what it takes to win. He has raced 56 times for 5 wins. His most recent victory was three runs back over 1600m at Vichy. Ignore the last run when 6th at Salon Provence. He is the firm first choice. MERCI ELIE (2) gets the services of Antonio Orani and although this horse is taking time to win, is now banging loudly at the door. Can go one more. ESTOKENIA (4) is one for the shortlist and can be given a serious place chance. KADIYAC (8) can be expected to be right there at the finish. First four claims.

SELECTIONS

SPORT COUPE (7) - MERCI ELIE (2) - ESTOKENIA (4) - KADIYAC (8)

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C4 - PRIX DE L'ILE DE TIBOULEN - 2000m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- 1. MONNA VANNA** - Current form on the decline over various distances and would be a shock winner. Pass by
- 2. ROSE D'ETE** - Ignore last run when 12th, finished 8th in Listed class before that and was victorious over 2600m before that. Big runner and a must for all bets
- 3. TASHANKA** - Ignore last run, is capable and can build on penultimate 6th over 1900m at Deauville. Good chance
- 4. SKIMBLESHANKS** - Is ultra-consistent, finished 4th at Lyon Parilly on the 17th of September over 2000m in a Handicap and is the winning suggestion. Win
- 5. INSTANTANEMENT** - Last run was in a Listed field albeit finishing downfield. Attractive 2nd finish before that over 1800m in a Handicap at La Teste. Serious, strong, each way chance
- 6. MIRADERO** - Caught the eye when placing 3rd over 2000m at Salon Provence on the 30th of September and can build on that. Big runner. Big chance
- 7. MEASTER OWEN** - Has placed in last two starts, finished 2nd over 2000m in Handicap class at Lyon Parilly on the 17th of last month and has to be taken seriously for the minor money
- 8. HASHTAG JOA** - Finished 6th last time but a good 2nd before that over 2000m at Vichy albeit in a weak claiming race. Good chance
- 9. KYLOA** - Finished 6th over 1700m at Marseille Borely on the 16th of September and will need to do way more than that to feature here. Happy to ignore
- 10. SWEET DREAMS** - Placed 2nd over 1700m on the 16th of September and can be given an outside place chance based on that. Prefer others but could sneak a place
- 11. FOR WIN** - Taking time for the win, finished 4th over 1700m at Marseille Borely last time out and has an outside place chance. Prefer others for the win

Summary: SKIMBLESHANKS (4) brings solid and consistent form into the race and rates the one to beat. His last race course appearance was at Lyon Parilly on the 17th of last month when running 4th in a similar Handicap. They may have to go some to peg him back. TASHANKA (3) is making us wait for the next win but has shown some spark that the next victory is near. He can do way better than he did last time. Chance. ROSE D'ETE (2) was a winner three starts back and has been in a Listed field since and a tough Handicap, back in a field as this, he can be very competitive. INSTANTANEMENT (5) was downfield at La Teste last time but in a fierce Listed race. She can go very close today, back down in grade.

SELECTIONS

SKIMBLESHANKS (4) - TASHANKA (3) - ROSE D'ETE (2) - INSTANTANEMENT (5)

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C5 - PRIX REINE LUMIERE - 1500m (a7f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- 1. JOSEPHINO** - Runner up over 1900m at Chantilly in a Class 3 claimer on the 21st of September 2024. Big runner
- 2. IZASTEP** - Finished 6th over 1700m at Marseille Borely in a Class 4 claimer on the 16th of September 2024. Others make more appeal
- 3. PEACE WARRIOR** - No type of effort in 10th over 1700m at Marseille Borely in a Class 4 claimer on the 16th of September 2024. Would be a surprise winner
- 4. MANAROLA** - Far from disgraced in 7th spot over 1400m at Vichy in a Class 3 divided handicap on the 16th of July 2024. Can earn a minor cheque
- 5. OLAF THE BIG ONE** - Winner over 1600m at Lyon Parilly in a Class 3 handicap on the 29th of September 2024. Each way claims
- 6. WAZIERS** - Held in 3rd spot over 1400m at Compiegne in a Class 3 handicap on the 25th of September 2024. Include in all bets
- 7. BLUFF** - Finished 3rd over 1600m at Cavailon in a Class 4 on the 22nd of September 2024. Winning claims
- 8. IDEE DE CHEVAL** - Moderate effort in 6th spot over 1200m at Marseille Borely in a Class 3 divided handicap on the 2nd of September 2024. One to pass by
- 9. GOLD PLAYER** - Finished 3rd over 2000m at Vichy in a Class 4 divided handicap on the 23rd of September 2024. Place chance
- 10. FEEL EMOTION** - Comfortably held in 8th over 1350m at Lyon Parilly in a Class 4 claiming handicap on the 11th of September 2024. Easy to look elsewhere

Summary: JOSEPHINO (1) produced a solid effort last time out and looks well placed to strike once again. He should have no issues with the drop in trip and rates the one to beat. BLUFF (7) showed a return to form last time out and if able to confirm that improvement, he should have a decent chance of getting back to winning ways. WAZIERS (6) has been running to a consistent level for some time and should be considered. OLAF THE BIG ONE (5) has won twice from his last three outings and will be a player.

SELECTIONS

JOSEPHINO (1) - BLUFF (7) - WAZIERS (6) - OLAF THE BIG ONE (5)

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C6 - PRIX DU CERCLE DES PHOCEENS - 1500m (a7f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Claiming - Flat - EUR € 12,000

- 1. PRETTY BERRY** - Finished 3rd over 1350m at Lyon Parilly in a claimer on the 4th of September 2024. Winning chance
- 2. HAPPY AGAIN** - Held in 6th over 1200m at Marseille Borely in a handicap on the 28th of September 2024. Others make more appeal
- 3. SUPER TIE BREAK** - Not disgraced in 5th position over 1700m at Marseille Borely in a Class 3 course qualifier on the 16th of September 2024. Minor money chance
- 4. SOUTHERN METEOR** - Well held in 6th position over 1200m at Mont-De-Marsan in a claimer on the 14th of September 2024. Could be well placed
- 5. ANASITA** - Finished 6th on local debut at Marseille Borely in a claimer on the 28th of September 2024. More to do
- 6. SUN PROJECT** - Finished 5th over 1600m at Toulouse in a maiden on the 25th of September 2024. Can run into the money
- 7. NIGHT ACTION** - No type of effort in 12th over 1600m at Lyon Parilly in a handicap on the 11th of September 2024. Potential to earn
- 8. DO IT FOR ME** - Runner up over 1600m at Royan in a claimer on the 15th of September 2024. Can upset

Summary: PRETTY BERRY (1) has to concede weight all round but brings the best form into this race and could be too good for her opposition with Mikael Barzalona set to take the ride. SOUTHERN METEOR (4) didn't fire last time out but with the step up in trip likely to suit, he could return to some of his earlier form. SUN PROJECT (6) is yet to taste success but has been fairly consistent and should earn. NIGHT ACTION (7) hasn't been at his best this year but drops into a suitable class which could see him running a lot better.

SELECTIONS

PRETTY BERRY (1) - SOUTHERN METEOR (4) - SUN PROJECT (6) - NIGHT ACTION (7)

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C7 - PRIX DE LA MADRAGUE - 2600m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Race - Flat - EUR € 16,000

- 1. NARCOS** - Finished 4th over 2400m at Divonne-Les-Bains in a Class 3 on the 1st of September 2024. Should be involved at the finish
- 2. AIXELLENCE** - Finished 8th over 2000m at Vichy in a Class 4 divided handicap on the 23rd of September 2024. Minor money chance
- 3. LOR BLANC** - Produced a fair effort in 6th position over 2600m at Marseille Borely in a Class 4 handicap on the 16th of September 2024. Include in the play
- 4. TCHAKOVA** - Finished close up in 5th spot over in a Class 3 handicap on the 13th of September 2024. Winning claims
- 5. WONDER OF YOU** - Well beaten in 3rd over 3000m at Toulouse in a Class 3 handicap on the 25th of September 2024. One to pass by
- 6. SPIRIT GREY** - Poor display in 10th position over 2100m at Marseille Borely in a Class 3 handicap on the 28th of September 2024. Others make more appeal
- 7. BEAUTIFUL MEMORY** - Not seen to best effect in 9th spot over 2400m at Lyon Parilly in a Class 3 handicap on the 11th of September 2024. Each way claims
- 8. RAJMAMAILLE** - Weak performance in 11th over 2100m at Marseille Borely in a Class 3 handicap on the 28th of September 2024. Would be a surprise winner
- 9. POP LIFE** - Finished 4th over 2000m at Toulouse in a Class 4 course qualifier on the 18th of September 2024. Distance a concern

Summary: NARCOS (1) gets the services of a claiming apprentice and is seldom far off the action which brings him into this race with a solid chance. TCHAKOVA (4) has been running well and should go very close to adding another victory to her tally. LOR BLANC (3) isn't the most reliable sort but has the ability to feature in a race of this nature. BEAUTIFUL MEMORY (7) drops in class and should be very effective.

SELECTIONS

NARCOS (1) - TCHAKOVA (4) - LOR BLANC (3) - BEAUTIFUL MEMORY (7)

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C8 - PRIX DU PORT DE L'EOUBE - 2600m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Race - Flat - EUR € 18,000

1. NO BAY - Finished 4th over 2400m at La Teste in a Class 2 on the 13th of August 2024. Winning chance

2. HASTA LA VISTA - Winner over 2000m at Saint-Cloud in a Class 3 course qualifier on the 13th of September 2024. Include in all bets

3. TERRE BLANCHE - Finished 6th over 2500m at Deauville in a claimer on the 20th of August 2024. Minor money chance

4. ALMANABAA - Finished 4th over 2000m at Vichy in a Class 2 on the 20th of July 2024. Runs as if the trip will suit

5. AL HABISSET - Held in 4th over 2100m at Parislongchamp in a claimer on the 5th of September 2024. Others preferred

6. GOOSEBUMPY - Poor display in 9th over 1700m at Marseille Borely in a Class 3 course qualifier on the 16th of September 2024. Would be a shock winner

Summary: ALMANABAA (4) has shown ability from the start of her career and now steps up in trip which could unlock quite a bit of improvement. The distance is a slight concern but the way she runs suggest that she could get it. NO BAY (1) stays well and drops in class for this assignment which should see him featuring strongly. HASTA LA VISTA (2) looks to reel off the hat-trick and could get the job done in a small field. TERRE BLANCHE (3) could fill up a minor spot.

SELECTIONS

ALMANABAA (4) - NO BAY (1) - HASTA LA VISTA (2) - TERRE BLANCHE (3)