

# FRIDAY, 14/07/23

## R3 AIX LES BAINS [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DU SALEVE - 3800m (a2 3/8m) - TURF - Handicap - Hurdles -  
EUR € 28.000**

**1. JEU DE CARTE** - Nice 2nd at this track over 3800m on June 30th on the last run. Ought to have a major say

**2. GREENSCAPE** - Won nicely at Dieppe when last seen on July 1st over 3800m. Can score again

**3. CANAILLE DE NONANT** - 3rd at this track on June 30th, 4.5L behind JEU DE CARTE (1) who was 2nd over 3800m. Can be much closer today as that was her first run of 2023

**4. JUSTE ORIGINALE** - 5th at this track last time over 3800m on June 30th. Should not be overlooked

**5. JAMIE** - Out of the frame last time, 4th before that over fences at Montlucon in early April over 3500m. Others make more appeal

**6. VALSE ARDENTE** - Ran 4th on the last run over 3800m at this track behind three of today's rivals on June 30th. Makes limited appeal

**Summary** : This should go to GREENSCAPE (2) who scored nicely at Dieppe over 3800m last time on July 1st. She looks like the type to keep progressing. JEU DE CARTE (1) looks like the biggest rival, he was second at this track over 3800m in a handicap in late June, and 4.5L behind him that day in third was CANAILLE DE NONANT (3) who was making her seasonal return, she should improve a good deal for that although looks destined for minor honours.

### SELECTIONS

**GREENSCAPE (2) - JEU DE CARTE (1) - CANAILLE DE NONANT (3) - JUSTE ORIGINALE  
(4)**

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## C2 - PRIX DE SAINT-INNOCENT - 2000m (a1 1/4m) - TURF - Condition Race - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 15.000

- 1. ESPRIT JOYEUX** - He arrives on the back of a solid win over 2000m last time out and will be out to make it back to back wins. In very good form. Big runner
- 2. CORTEZ BANK** - Hasn't been too far off the action this year and we can expect another honest effort from him. Place chance
- 3. DADDY'S BLACK GIRL** - Last start winner at this track albeit over 2500m. Down in trip and will have work cut out. Others preferred
- 4. MONOGRAM** - Won on only effort to date but will need to step up significantly. Open to improvement
- 5. LIPS LEO** - Improving steadily but more to do here. Hard to fancy
- 6. TRES QUEEN** - Very useful performer that arrives here looking to notch up win number four from her short career thus far. Loves the trip and should be primed for this run. Go close
- 7. NIGHT HOLY** - Has tasted success over slightly further when based in Germany but will need to improve on those performances to challenge against this bunch. Place claims at best

**Summary :** TRES QUEEN (6) looks ready to strike again and rates the one to beat. ESPRIT JOYEUX (1) is in a very good space at the moment and looks to be the main threat to the top selection. These two should fight it out. CORTEZ BANK (2) is consistent but could just struggle to get past the top two. NIGHT HOLY (7) has her first run in France and could be one to follow.

### SELECTIONS

**TRES QUEEN (6) - ESPRIT JOYEUX (1) - CORTEZ BANK (2) - NIGHT HOLY (7)**

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## C3 - PRIX PAUL VALERIEN PERRIN - 3800m (a2 3/8m) - TURF - Handicap - Hurdles - EUR € 28.000

**1. HONNEUR D'ESTRIVAL** - 2nd at Niort over 3800m when last seen on June 25th. Can make an impact

**2. INVITE D'HONNEUR** - Fair 3rd over 3800m in a handicap on June 30th at this track. Among the top chances

**3. SKY GLORY** - Out of the frame when last seen in late June over 3800m at this track behind a few of today's rivals. Others make more sense

**4. VIOLET HILL** - Dead heated for 4th over 3800m at this track when last seen in late June. Form pick

**5. RAS EL HANOUT** - Unplaced last run, 2nd before that over 3400m at Wissembourg in late May. Looks safely held

**6. THE ROOM** - Dead heated with VIOLET HILL (4) when they met over 3800m in late June at this track. Can not be overlooked

**7. HAMANDIO** - Unplaced the last twice, 4th before that over 3600m at Compiègne in mid-May. Ought to be on the premises

**Summary** : VIOLET HILL (4) dead-heated for fourth last time over 3800m at this track in late June, he can get back in the winner's enclosure. HONNEUR D'ESTRIVAL (1) was a good second on his last run at Niort on June 25th when just beaten. He will not make it easy for his rivals. INVITE D'HONNEUR (2) was ahead of the main selection VIOLET HILL (4) when finishing third when they met at this track on June 30th and will make things interesting at the business end. HAMANDIO (7) looks best of the remainder.

### SELECTIONS

**VIOLET HILL (4) - HONNEUR D'ESTRIVAL (1) - INVITE D'HONNEUR (2) - HAMANDIO (7)**

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## C4 - GRAND PRIX D'AIX-LES-BAINS - 1800m (a1 1/8m) - TURF - Condition Race - Class 2 - Flat - EUR € 22.000

- 1. INDIAN PACIFIC** - Far from disgraced last time out against stronger. Down in Class, he should be able to make a bold bid. Each way chance
- 2. LAOS** - Last won towards the end of 2022 but recent performances suggest that he's getting closer to that next win. Include
- 3. LOUIS DE BAVIERE** - Won three starts back over 2000m but needs to bounce back. Improvement needed
- 4. ROCQUEMONT** - Last start winner over 1600m. Up in Class and will need to step up. More required
- 5. ZACAPO** - Debut run in France and is required to take a huge step forward. Others preferred
- 6. SOLIMAN** - His last two efforts have been below par but he is better than that and could improve here. Place chance
- 7. LOKMAN** - Can hardly put a foot wrong at the moment. Narrowly touched off last time out but looks set to bounce back. Strong claims
- 8. BAZOQUES** - Very inconsistent individual that won his penultimate start and if producing that level of form here he could have a chance. Place claims

**Summary :** LOKMAN (7) is a fairly talented sort that is in good heart currently and should make his presence felt in a big way here. INDIAN PACIFIC (1) is very capable and isn't one to take lightly despite not producing his best of late. LAOS (2) is the type that we've got to keep on the safe side as his next victory is not too far away. SOLIMAN (6) can build on recent form to run an improved race here.

### SELECTIONS

LOKMAN (7) - INDIAN PACIFIC (1) - LAOS (2) - SOLIMAN (6)

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## C5 - PRIX DE LA DENT DU CHAT - 3400m (a2 1/8m) - TURF - Condition Race - Class 3 - Hurdles - EUR € 26.000

- 1. TO GO** - Good 2nd over 3400m at this track on June 30th. Sets a decent standard
- 2. KAMARAD** - Looks like the type to keep improving, a fair 3rd over 3500m at Dax when last seen in early June. Ought to play a lead role
- 3. L'EAU DEAL** - 3rd at this track behind TO GO (1) who was 2nd over 3400m on June 30th. Place chance
- 4. MOZART DES BRIERES** - Out of the frame last time over 3400m in late June behind two of today's rivals. Has work to do to feature
- 5. KODAKARA** - Ran 5th at Vichy last time over 3300m in late May in a Class 3 hurdle. Ought to be in the shake-up
- 6. LARDER LAKE** - 5th over 3400m at this track last time in the same race as three of today's rivals in late June. Can be overlooked
- 7. YOU GOT NORTH** - Well beaten on the only run that TO GO (1) was 2nd in at this track over 3400m late in June. Hard to fancy
- 8. LADY GOLDY** - Has not completed the course in two runs over hurdles, the latest over 3400m at Dieppe on July 1st. Best avoided

**Summary :** TO GO (1) was a solid second in a Class 4 race at this track last time on June 30th, he was 9.5L ahead of the third that day and this looks like a good opportunity to get off the mark. KAMARAD (2) is a live danger, he is lightly raced and has plenty more progress to come. He shaped well when third at Dax on his latest outing and warrants plenty of respect. KODAKARA (5) has done nothing wrong in the three runs so far and she looks like the best each-way option. L'EAU DEAL (3) also merits consideration for a place position.

### SELECTIONS

**TO GO (1) - KAMARAD (2) - KODAKARA (5) - L'EAU DEAL (3)**

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## C6 - PRIX LOUIS DE ROUSSY DE SALES - 2500m (a1 9/16m) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Class 4 - Flat - EUR € 16.000

1. **WONDER HOPE** - Won with a bit in hand last time out over track and trip. Big runner
2. **CHONATA** - Maiden from 12 starts that needs to show more. Others preferred
3. **ISKANDAR** - His recent form isn't anything to write home about but retains the ability to win a race of this nature. Should run well
4. **CROCUS BORGET** - Finished 5th over track and trip last time out behind Wonder Hope and has a bit to find but could bridge the gap. Include
5. **FEDE GALIZIA** - No wins from 21 career runs but remains an honest sort. Place chance
6. **AMIATA** - Ignore last run, on her penultimate run behind Wonder Hope she could go well. Each way claims
7. **ALMAZORA** - Has not won a race since 2021 but is getting closer with each run. Finished 3rd behind the re-opposing Wonder Hope last time out. One for the shortlist
8. **DARENIX** - Moderate sort that remains win less from 34 runs. Would be a shock winner
9. **LADIE SALSA** - Not in the best shape of late and needs to up her game. Hard to recommend
10. **EVALAUR CHOPE** - Needs to build on recent efforts. Others preferred
11. **ARVINNI** - Comes into this with average form and would take a lot to get involved. Others inspire more confidence

**Summary** : A contest that won't take a lot of winning and therefore a chance is taken on ISKANDAR (3) who doesn't represent the strongest of form but has the class to win this. WONDER HOPE (1) won well last time out and looks to be on the up. CROCUS BORGET (4) has bits and pieces of form but on his last run, there is a chance he can go well. ALMAZORA (7) has not been too far off recently and could get into the mix.

### SELECTIONS

**ISKANDAR (3) - WONDER HOPE (1) - CROCUS BORGET (4) - ALMAZORA (7)**

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## C7 - GRAND STEEPLE-CHASE D'AIX LES BAINS - 4300m (a2 11/16m) - TURF - Handicap - Steeple Chase - EUR € 40.000

- 1. CRAZY LUCA** - Won over hurdles at Lyon Parilly last time over 4000m on June 25th. Player
- 2. SAINT SONNET** - Fair 3rd over fences at this track last time on June 30th over 4300m when narrowly beaten. Can not be discounted
- 3. HIGHLANDER** - Fair 3rd in a Listed chase at Auteuil in mid-June over 4400m when last racing. Course winner over fences. One to be taken seriously
- 4. LE PETIT NICE** - 5th at Lyon Parilly behind CRAZY LUCA (1) last time over 4000m in a hurdle race. Won at Nimes over fences in mid-April. In the mix
- 5. QUINZE DE LA ROSE** - Out of the frame over fences at Strasbourg last time in early June. Others look more likely
- 6. AYRTON BANKS** - 5th in a Listed chase last time over 4100m at Lyon Parilly on June 25th. Outside place chance
- 7. BABY FOOT** - 4th two runs back at Strasbourg in a chase over 4200m in late May. Others seem better equipped

**Summary :** CRAZY LUCA (1) scored over hurdles last time on June 25th at Lyon Parilly. He has won over fences before and looks the best option. LE PETIT NICE (4) was fifth in the Lyon Parilly race behind CRAZY LUCA (1) and should be more competitive now back over fences. He looks to be the main threat. HIGHLANDER (3) like this track having won here in 2021. He ran well when third at Auteuil in a Listed chase last time on his second run of this year, obviously he is fragile as he was absent for all of 2022, but he should be thereabouts at the finish. SAINT SONNET (2) was not beaten far when third at this track last time and can have a say.

### SELECTIONS

**CRAZY LUCA (1) - LE PETIT NICE (4) - HIGHLANDER (3) - SAINT SONNET (2)**

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## C8 - PRIX DE BELLEY - 2500m (a1 9/16m) - TURF - Divised Handicap - Class 3 - Flat - EUR € 19.000

- 1. INTERIEUR** - Winner of his last start over 2000m. Goes further now which could be a concern given all wins have been over shorter. Big player nonetheless
- 2. GOOD QUESTION** - Below par last two runs but if putting those behind him, he could run an improved race. Place chance at best
- 3. MDRACAFEU** - Best to ignore his most recent effort and judge him on previous form. Each way claims
- 4. TRICK OF THE MIND** - Solid performance when finishing 2nd at his last start. One for the shortlist
- 5. ZLARA** - Got that overdue second career win last time out and with confidence on her side she could go in again. Should make a bold bid
- 6. TAPETEN TONI** - Significant step up in trip and if he stays then he could well get involved. Place claims
- 7. BEB'S** - Has got fair form. Winner three starts back and if producing that form here could well get into it. Don't ignore
- 8. INNIS** - In and out sort that bears close watching. If he pitches up on the day then he could be a player. Hard to follow
- 9. DARLYVI** - Won over 2000m last time out and now steps up in trip which could suit. Dark horse here
- 10. EUSTACHE** - Not at best of late and doesn't inspire much confidence. Hard to recommend
- 11. SCHERWOOD** - Brings moderate form into this event. Would be a shock winner
- 12. ULTIME NONANTAISE** - Winner three starts back but has not confirmed that form in two previous outings. Improvement needed

**Summary :** ZLARA (5) won her most recent outing and her confidence would have been done a world of good. She should give a good sight. INTERIEUR (1) goes over further and if it doesn't affect him then he should run a huge race. TRICK OF THE MIND (4) put in a good display when running a close up 2nd last time out and can't be dismissed here. TAPETEN TONI (6) has been very effective over shorter but now takes a big rise in distance and if he sees out the extra yardage then he could be one to follow.

### SELECTIONS

ZLARA (5) - INTERIEUR (1) - TRICK OF THE MIND (4) - TAPETEN TONI (6)