

# WEDNESDAY, 26/07/23

## R4 SAINT MALO [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX PONTAVICE - 3900m (a2 7/16m) - TURF - Condition Race -  
Class 3 - Hurdles - EUR € 26.000**

- 1. PARTICULIERE DREAM** - Consistent performer with solid form references. Has hit the ground running this year and wouldn't be winning out of turn
- 2. BE A NICE GIRL** - Versatile and in-form last-start winner at the top of her game currently. Up in class but has a role to play
- 3. IGLOO IGLOO** - Has maintained a fair level of form and consistency in steeplechase races but is probably more effective in that sphere
- 4. BLIND BUY** - Showed sufficient means on the flat class before joining a leading jumps stable. Of particular interest
- 5. INDIGO DES MOTTES** - Undeniably capable but appears to have gone off the boil in starts over hurdles recently. Must reaffirm
- 6. IRUN LORD** - Did not go unnoticed when last seen, finishing 6th over hurdles last year. Ought to improve on his return
- 7. PARIS BY NIGHT** - Showed little on the flat and has yet to spark any improvement over obstacles. Others make more appeal
- 8. JOSHKA** - Made an encouraging reappearance (2nd) in her first start over hurdles and is open to improvement. Has claims
- 9. DINER EN PAIX** - Absent since 2021 but did finish 4th in consecutive outings prior to the lengthy layoff. Just watch for now
- 10. IMAGINE NATION** - Caught the eye in her recent comeback on the flat so cannot be discounted switching to hurdles now. Keep safe

**Summary** : If adapting to life over the obstacles, which may well be the case given his physique and trainer, BLIND BUY (4) could make a winning start in this opening contest over hurdles. To do so, however, he will have to thwart the likely challenges of consistent PARTICULIERE DREAM (1) and BE A NICE GIRL (2), both of whom have the benefit of experience in such events and have both shown considerable means. Returning IRUN LORD (6) is not without a chance either and could stake a claim.

### SELECTIONS

**BLIND BUY (4) - PARTICULIERE DREAM (1) - BE A NICE GIRL (2) - IRUN LORD (6)**

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## C2 - PRIX PRESIDENT ROGER DU HALGOUET - 3900m (a2 7/16m) - TURF - Condition Race - Class 3 - Hurdles - EUR € 26.000

1. **HELLO PARK** - Vincent Chatellier-trained Elm Park newcomer with Stéphane Paillard booked to ride this four-year-old gelding. One to note
2. **DARKSTARHON** - Has nothing noteworthy to his name to warrant any consideration and can be ruled out. Others preferred
3. **BE SURE** - Honest performer on the flat with the ideal physique to flourish over the obstacles. Of particular interest
4. **EL PAPIO** - Pleasing last-start winner on the flat at Plestin-les-Grèves but is bred to thrive over obstacles. Should pay to follow his progress now switched to hurdles
5. **PIERRE ET PLUME** - Well beaten when unplaced on debut. Would've gained from that experience but is best watched for now
6. **JAGUAR DES ONGRAIS** - Has looked distinctly ordinary for some time now, so his chances are limited even at this level. Ignore
7. **BOJACK HORSEMAN** - Absent since 2021 having made no impression in either outing back then. Hard to make a case for here
8. **PEDROCHEC** - Has joined a very skillful jumps training outfit after a discreet start on the flat last year. Not taken lightly
9. **JEU ROYAL** - Was deemed good enough to debut at Auteuil and should have more to offer given that experience. Keep safe
10. **BLACK MILORD TAVEL** - Showed early promise on the flat but appears to have lost his way. Switched to hurdles now in the hope he can reaffirm
11. **VENIVICI** - Lost his way on the flat having performed to a decent level. Dangerous to dismiss on his reappearance in his first start over hurdles
12. **BURROWS DIANE** - Can only improve on her recent outing (7th) in this sphere, but has no more than a place chance. Outsider
13. **JULIA D'ELEMS** - Open to improvement after finishing 5th in her only starts this year but is best watched for now. Outsider
14. **BELARIA** - Ran well twice last year, finishing an improved 3rd when last seen. Warrants the utmost respect returning in this grade/company

**Summary** : It could pay to follow the progress of EL PAPIO (4) was an easy winner over 2600m at Plestin-les-Grèves last time and is more than capable of building on that success by making a winning introduction over hurdles. BELARIA (14) showed considerable means in two starts last year to warrant consideration on her reappearance and could fight for victory with improvement on the cards. JEU ROYAL (9), despite a timid start at Auteuil, and BE SURE (3) who ran honorably on the flat, cannot be ruled out.

### SELECTIONS

EL PAPIO (4) - BELARIA (14) - JEU ROYAL (9) - BE SURE (3)

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## C3 - PRIX PRIX GENERAL MACON DE LA GICLAIS - 3200m (a2m) - TURF - Condition Race - Class 4 - Hurdles - EUR € 23.000

- 1. KIMY** - Finished an encouraging 4th on debut over hurdles at Clairefontaine and should improve. Will be a factor
- 2. KRAK GIRL** - Showed enough to work with on debut (5th) and would have gained plenty from that experience. Respect
- 3. ZOYA** - Won on the flat last time and her trainer has been successful with horses transitioning from the flat to the obstacles with his new recruits. Follow
- 4. THE CROWN** - Ran with promise on debut before being pulled up, which she must have had excuses for. Don't discount
- 5. PAULETTA** - Well-bred newcomer trained by Donatien Sourdeau de Beauregard. May well have a role to play on debut
- 6. KUNDALANI** - Finished 7th on her flat debut and 9th over hurdles last time. Can improve but has only a place chance
- 7. KING'S LADY** - Has appeared limited to this point and will need to raise her game to get a look in here. Others preferred
- 8. KAP TAILLAT** - Ought to improve with the benefit of an introductory outing, but showed little to warrant consideration in this race
- 9. KAHOOLAWÉ** - Nicely bred debutante who it would be unwise to ignore. Dylan Lecomte ride for trainer Laurent Viel
- 10. KOUKLAMOU** - Could have more to offer switched to this sphere but has shown little on the flat. Best watched for now
- 11. STAR FLYING** - Showed little on that flat and finished a well-beaten 8th on her hurdles debut. Others make more appeal
- 12. NICAHYA** - Ought to improve with the benefit of an introductory outing but showed little on that occasion to warrant any consideration here
- 13. KASAYA SPORT** - Offered little in her sole start on the flat and is sent hurdling now. Could have more to offer but cannot be recommended
- 14. PEARLE** - Erwan Grall-trained Scissor Kick filly who needn't be special to have a say here. Alexandre Seigneul rides on debut

**Summary :** ZOYA (3) won on the flat recently and has since been meticulously prepared by Joël Boisnard for her debut over hurdles. THE CROWN (4) was pulled on debut but hadn't gone unnoticed to that point and would've benefitted from that experience, so is likely to improve and cannot be written off just yet. KIMY (1) and KRAK GIRL (2) ought to make their presence felt too.

### SELECTIONS

ZOYA (3) - THE CROWN (4) - KIMY (1) - KRAK GIRL (2)

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## C4 - PRIX DE LA CHALOTAIS - 1100m (a5 1/2f) - TURF - Condition Race - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 16.000

- 1. STORMYGO** - Runner-up on debut but has failed to confirm that promise, finishing unplaced in subsequent outings. Needs to reaffirm
- 2. TANIS** - Has maintained a good level of form and consistency to this point. Capable of getting into the picture
- 3. LILY OFTHE KINGDON** - Has shown little to date, finishing unplaced in both outings. Must raise her game to get a look in here
- 4. PICANES** - Improved to finish 4th and ahead of three re-opposing rivals at Deauville last time. Will have more to offer
- 5. IHOA** - Didn't go unnoticed at Chantilly last time (5th) but ought to fare better in this grade/company. Has claims
- 6. JEEZ LOUISE** - Has the benefit of experience, which should stand her in good stead, but needs to improve to have a say
- 7. GODAKA** - Finished a well-beaten 8th on debut and, while likely to improve for that experience, is best watched for now
- 8. BLUE RIBBON** - Finished an improved last time and has maintained a good level of form and consistency. Will be a factor
- 9. YOLLILAL** - Was behind PICANES (4) when only 5th last time after finishing 2nd in both previous outings. Keep safe

**Summary** : PICANES (4) finished ahead of several re-opposing rivals when improving to finish 4th last time and is capable of confirming that superiority by building on that progress to open her account. IHOA (5) has been far from disgraced in good company, at Chantilly last time, and could pose a bigger threat. YOLLILAL (9) and BLUE RIBBON (8), who was supplemented for this race, ought to make their presence felt too.

### SELECTIONS

**PICANES (4) - IHOA (5) - YOLLILAL (9) - BLUE RIBBON (8)**

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**C5 - PRIX ROBERT SURCOUF - 2500m (a1 9/16m) - TURF - Condition  
Race - Maiden - Flat - EUR € 17.000**

- 1. CELTIC JABAAR** - Was 7th on debut but failed to improve with the benefit of that experience when making no impression last time. Outsider
- 2. ZHUYRIK** - Has struggled to find form or spark any improvement to this point so is hard to make a case for. Outsider
- 3. BEL ET BIEN** - Finished an encouraging 2nd on debut despite being inconvenienced late on. Capable of going one better
- 4. GOT LAND** - Confirmed the improvement of his previous outing by finishing 3rd last time. Should have a role to play
- 5. JADE VINE** - Made a very timid introduction but, like many of André Fabre's charges, should have more to offer now in her second outing. Beware
- 6. ARMENTIERES** - Ran well to finish 2nd in a Parisian handicap last time and on that form should play a leading role here. Chief threat
- 7. CRASY DAY** - Made no impression on debut and, while likely to have come on for that run, is best watched for now
- 8. SHALAKA** - Open to improvement with the benefit of an introductory outing but did little to warrant consideration. Others preferred
- 9. SECRET CONTACT** - Consistent for the most part and boasts the form and experience to stake a claim in a race of this nature. Respect

**Summary :** After an excellent debut 2nd at Sennones, BEL ET BIEN (3) needn't improve a great deal to go one better and is likely to prove a popular choice. ARMENTIERES (6) finished runner-up in a handicap last time so ought to give cheek to the selection, along with JADE VINE (5), who ought to be better than her modest introduction suggests. Improving GOT LAND (4) could also have a say.

## SELECTIONS

**BEL ET BIEN (3) - ARMENTIERES (6) - JADE VINE (5) - GOT LAND (4)**

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**C6 - PRIX ANNE DE BRETAGNE - 1800m (a1 1/8m) - TURF - Claiming - Flat - EUR € 12.000**

- 1. DOM DUARTE** - Convincing winner of his most recent outing at Nantes and is well placed here to follow up. One to beat
- 2. EMOZIONE** - Unreliable sort but remains quite capable of staking a claim in a race of this nature. Not one to take lightly
- 3. VILLEMACHO** - Unreliable but ought to be more comfortable back on a right-handed track so could improve. Dark horse
- 4. CATCH THE BLUES** - Has finished unplaced and well beaten in both outings, so cannot be recommended even at this level
- 5. APASH** - Has maintained a fair degree of form and consistency, but has more of a place chance than a winning one
- 6. RAYJO** - Sparked some improvement last time to finish 3rd but needs to confirm/build on that improvement here. Outsider
- 7. SNUGGLES** - Lost her way toward the end of last season and made no impression in her only start this year either. Must reaffirm with headgear now fitted
- 8. KASSAR SAID** - Inconsistent but capable filly who seldom finishes far off the mark. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- 9. PITRIZZA** - Made no impression on debut and, while open to improvement, is best watched for now. Others preferred
- 10. KENDOHA** - Has appeared very limited, showing little both on the flat and over hurdles. Cannot be made a case for

**Summary** : DOM DUARTE (1) was a convincing last-start winner at Nantes recently and is capable of repeating that feat here in what is a very similar contest. KASSAR SAID (8), dropped significantly in class, and EMOZIONE (2), even after a disappointing last start, are likely to give him most to fear. VILLEMACHO (3) could also have a say back on a right-handed track.

## SELECTIONS

**DOM DUARTE (1) - KASSAR SAID (8) - EMOZIONE (2) - VILLEMACHO (3)**

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C7 - PRIX DE SAINT-IDEUC - 1800m (a1 1/8m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat -  
EUR € 20.000

**1. LADIES LAW** - In good form of late and did win a nice claimer but has struggled in three handicaps. Deserves respect

**2. SCAT LADY** - Fair form in 2022 without winning. Disappointing this year but was third in a claimer last time out and has a place chance

**3. BALAKOVNA** - Much improved last run when runner-up over this distance. Has a winning chance on handicap debut

**4. MADALIE** - Disappointing so far and has only been modest in two handicaps. Needs to do more to win this race

**5. IANOVKA** - Good win over this distance in penultimate run but struggled in a handicap last time out and others are preferred

**6. TRIESTE** - Good third on handicap debut when stepped up to this distance. Improvement expected and looks the one to be with

**7. MARIE TREZY** - Fair third on handicap debut but has struggled twice in handicaps since then. Capable of bouncing back to score

**8. SURICATE** - Only fair form of late. Probably needs to do a bit more to win but could play a minor role

**Summary :** A small field and not too many to write off. TRIESTE (6) struck form with a promising third on handicap debut and could be ready to score. BALAKOVNA (3) is improving and ran well when runner-up and would not be a surprise winner on handicap debut. LADIES LAW (1) has struggled in handicaps but is in good form at the moment and could put that behind her. MARIE TREZY (7) has been disappointing in two starts since a good handicap debut.

## SELECTIONS

TRIESTE (6) - BALAKOVNA (3) - LADIES LAW (1) - MARIE TREZY (7)

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## C8 - PRIX DES ILES ANGLO-NORMANDES - 1800m (a1 1/8m) - TURF - Handicap - Class 4 - Flat - EUR € 14.000

1. **HEY MAN** - Not disgraced when fourth over this distance last time out. Better over a bit shorter but does have a winning chance
2. **BOBBY'S WAY** - On a long losing streak since only win on the PSF, Has run well on the turf as well but others are preferred this time
3. **ARGENTEA** - Has yet to win a race and has regressed of late. She needs major improvement to win this race
4. **COMTESSE VERA** - Not disgraced when fourth in her penultimate start but that was her only good run of the year and is best watched for now
5. **OK BOOMER** - On a very long losing streak but has been runner-up her last two starts off this mark and can go one better
6. **AZABA** - Disappointing last two runs but did run well off this mark in previous start and could pop up in a place
7. **ANDROS GIRL** - Fair fourth on debut but has regressed since then and was well beaten in last three starts, Others are preferred
8. **MELIZABETH** - Has yet to win a race but was not disgraced in last two starts and improvement is expected this time. Respect
9. **NORWEGIA** - Has yet to win after 20 starts and she has been well beaten in both starts this year. Others are preferred
10. **GOT FROST** - On a very long losing streak but has been fair of late and has winning chance over a distance that suits
11. **GORMLAITH** - Very unreliable but did run well when third in penultimate start. Not likely to win but could play a minor role
12. **LLOYD** - Showed some improvement when seventh last time out. Improvement expected and could contest the finish
13. **COMMANDEUR** - Has lost his way of late and has been well beaten in his last five starts. Probably best watched for now
14. **PAINT ISLAND** - On a very long losing streak and was well beaten last time out but did run well in two previous starts and is clearly not out of it

**Summary** : A very weak race and any type of result can be expected. OK BOOMER (5) deserves a win after two good runner-up races. GOT FROST (10) is distance suited and in fair form of late and could break a long losing run. MELIZABETH (8) can improve and deserves respect. LLOYD (12) is capable of doing better and could be the surprise package of the race.

### SELECTIONS

**OK BOOMER (5) - GOT FROST (10) - MELIZABETH (8) - LLOYD (12)**