R5 LA TESTE DE BUCH [R-H]

C1 - PRIX BARNES BASSIN D'ARCACHON - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Flat - EUR € 27,000

- **1. SWEET CHOP -** Decent 2nd last time in a Class 2 race over 1200m at this track on June 28th. Ought to be in the shake-up
- **2. KEANU -** Fair 4th in a Class 2 race at this track on June 28th, won before that in a maiden at this track on June 3rd. Player
- 3. C EST COOL Won at this track over 1400m on the sole run so far on June 7th. One to pay attention too
- **4. THE BLACK SKY -** Unplaced last time, won before that over 1200m on debut at Bordeaux Le Bouscat. Others preferred
- 5. MOOREA Won last time over 1200m at Aix-Les-Bains on July 4th on her second run. Needs a few to falter
- **6. SO CLOSE -** Won on debut at this track on June 27th over 1400. She will improve and looks like the one to beat
- **7. KENDJA -** Won at this track last time over 1400m on July 3rd on her second start. Others look more likely

Summary: Although only a narrow winner at this track on her debut SO CLOSE (6) looked like a smart prospect and one to follow. She can edge this over her main rival KEANU (2) who ran a pleasing race last time when fourth in a Class 2 race in late June. C EST COOL (3) is also a winner at this track on debut and can once again have a say in proceedings. SWEET CHOP (1) likes this track and can not be ruled out.

SELECTIONS

SO CLOSE (6) - KEANU (2) - C EST COOL (3) - SWEET CHOP (1)

C2 - PRIX DE L'AFAC - 1900m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Condition Race - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- **1. ALLIE SAINT LON -** Nice debut 3rd at this track over 1900m on July 10th. Can improve from that outing and score
- 2. CAID DU SOLEIL Ran well when 4th at this track on debut over 1400m on July 3rd. Should improve and have a say
- **3. SONGE AL MAURY -** Unplaced on the only run so far over 2000m at Toulouse on June 19th. Hard to recommend
- **4. ARENTEIRO -** 4th on the sole start to date over 2000m at Toulouse on June 19th. Will make progress for that outing and is an each way option
- **5. ITALY -** Was last of 16 on his debut over 2000m at Toulouse on June 19th. Needs vast improvement to feature
- **6. LINO -** Well beaten on his debut run over 2000m at Toulouse on June 19th. Others make more appeal
- **7. MAQBOOL -** Credible 3rd over 2000m at Toulouse on June 19th on his sole start. Will be sharper this time and can feature
- **8. MIDHAL -** Unraced colt by Mister Ginoux, from a respected stable who knows the time of day. Monitor the betting for clues
- **9. RAJAAZ -** Newcomer by Al Mourtajez, stable runners warrant respect on debut. Watch the betting for clues
- **10. RUMZ -** Unraced colt by Azadi, should be well prepared for this debut run. Any market support should be noted
- **11. KHALIJ -** Newcomer by Al Mourtajez, should improve for this debut run. The betting can be the best guide
- **12. MIQDAAM -** Unraced colt by Mushrae, stable runners are respected in these type of races. Monitor the betting market for clues
- **13. RA'ASHID -** Unraced colt by Muniz, can be expected to need this outing. Any market interest will be informative

Summary: ALLIE SAINT LON (1) ran a promising debut at this track on his sole start when third earlier this month. He will improve for that outing and is a marginal choice ahead of another promising colt MAQBOOL (7) who caught the eye when third on his sole start to date at Toulouse in mid-June. RAJAAZ (9) has a nice profile and is from a good stable that can prepare newcomers well. He should be watched in the betting as should RUMZ (10) who will be nicely tuned by connections and can make the frame.

SELECTIONS

ALLIE SAINT LON (1) - MAQBOOL (7) - RAJAAZ (9) - RUMZ (10)

C3 - PRIX LOUIS DU CHEYRON - HANDICAP CHALLENGE - 1900m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 4 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 14,000

- **1. CHAAM -** 4th last time, 2nd before that over 1600m in a Class 4 race at Langon-Libourne on June 9th. Place chance
- **2. CORO CHOP -** 2nd three tuns ago over 2650m in a Class 4 race on May 1st at Carcassonne. Hard to recommend
- **3. BECQUANON -** Unplaced last time, won before that over 1900m at this track on April 25th in a Class 4 handicap. Player
- **4. PREMIERE ETOILE -** Two unplaced runs recently, 2nd before that over 2100m in a Class 4 race at Parislongchamp on May 16th. Ought to feature
- **5. SHANGRI LA -** Three unplaced runs of late, 4th before that over 1800m at Gabarret on May 13th in a Class 4 race.
- **6. SO RELIABLE -** Two unplaced runs of late, 4th before that over 2500m at Langon-Libourne on June 9th in a Class 4 race. Looks vulnerable
- **7. GO FAST -** Fair 2nd last time over 2100m at Savenay on July 14th in a Class 4 race. Can make the top four
- **8. DE QUEVEDO -** Has dropped in the ratings after some unplaced efforts of late, 6th two runs ago at Vichy was a better effort in a Class 4 handicap on July 15th. Consider
- **9. LIEBE KINDER -** 3rd last time over 2300m at Pompadour on July 13th in a Class 4 race. Others make more sense
- **10. ZASTER FOR ALL -** 5th last time over 1700m in a Class 4 race on July 14th was an improved effort. She can make her rivals work
- **11. BILWAUKEE -** Three unplaced runs of late, the latter over 1900m in a Class 4 race on May 16th. Can be overlooked

Summary: BECQUANON (3) is a course and distance winner two starts ago in late April and has strong claims of winning again at a course he likes. PREMIERE ETOILE (4) was a decent second two runs ago at Parislongchamp and a repeat of that effort makes her competitive. ZASTER FOR ALL (10) is a good option for the each-way backers to latch on to. DE QUEVEDO (8) has dropped in the weights and can be involved if recapturing his form of old.

SELECTIONS

BECQUANON (3) - PREMIERE ETOILE (4) - ZASTER FOR ALL (10) - DE QUEVEDO (8)

C4 - PRIX MANGALIE D'ALBRET - WATHBA STALLIONS CUP - 1900m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Condition Race - Flat - EUR € 20,000

- **1. RICH IN LOVE -** Unplaced on her sole start over 2250m at Montauban on June 18th. Should improve and can make the frame
- **2. LA MAMOUNA -** Unplaced on her debut run over 1400m at this track on July 3rd. Will know more this time and can make the top four
- **3. ZAKYNA AL ZARAYAN -** Unplaced on her sole start over 2250m at Montauban on June 16th. Others make more appeal
- **4. LABESS DE BOZOULS -** 4th at Pompadour on the only run so far over 1200m on June 30th. Has work to do to feature
- **5. INDEPENDENCE -** Two unplaced runs so far, the latter over 1900m at this track on July 10th. Looks vulnerable
- **6. YASAT -** Nice debut at Toulouse when 2nd over 2000m on June 19th. She will improve and play a lead role
- **7. LACARO DU CROATE -** Newcomer by No Risk Al Maury, is likely to need this run. Monitor the betting for clues
- **8. LABWA DE CARRERE -** Unraced by Af Albahar, stable runners tend to need a run or two. The betting can guide
- **9. GAEEDA AL SHAHANIA -** Newcomer by Mared Al Sahara, from a leading trainer who will have this filly well -tuned for a bold show on her debut
- **10. GENEVA -** Unraced by Azadi, top stable who has three runners in the line-up. Will know what is required and can be involved
- **11. AL MOUNA DU LOUP -** Unraced by Af Al Buraq, can step forward form this debut run. Any market support should be noted
- **12. SIDRA -** Newcomer by Al Mamun, has a nice profile and should be watched in the betting market for any support
- **13. HIZIA DE MONLAU -** Unraced filly by Runner, should improve for this debut run. The betting can be the best guide
- 14. HAMAYIM Unraced by Munjiz, looks good on paper and is one to watch in the betting for clues

Summary: YASAT (6) ran a good race when she was second at Toulouse in mid-June on her sole start to date. She will improve for that outing and will be expected to get off the mark this time. GAEEDA AL SHAHANIA (9) looks good on paper and could be the one who gives the selection the most to think about. GENEVA (10) and SIDRA (12) are also making their debuts and could be smart.

SELECTIONS

YASAT (6) - GAEEDA AL SHAHANIA (9) - GENEVA (10) - SIDRA (12)

C5 - PRIX PIERRE & GERARD SCHOCRON - HANDICAP CHALLENGE - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 4 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 14,000

- **1. VIRIMOON ETOILE -** Two recent unplaced runs, 4th before that over 1600m at Pau in a Class 3 handicap on January 31st. Opposable
- **2. KHABESA -** 5th at Vichy 8 days ago in a Class 4 handicap over 1600m and a good 2nd before that in late June at Parislongchamp. Player
- **3. RICHMOND -** 4th two runs ago over 1800m in a Class 4 race on June 9th at Langon-Libourne. Needs a few to falter
- **4. VERDINA -** Two good 2nd placed runs of late, the latest over 1700m in a Class 4 race on July 14th. Can get another win
- **5. WYSPER -** Nice 3rd two runs ago over 1500m in a Class 4 handicap at Tarbes on June 5th. Among the leading each-way chances
- **6. MARVELOUS CAPRICE -** Three unplaced runs this year, the latter over 1700m in a Class 4 race on July 14th. Hard to fancy
- **7. FLYLEYF** Has four unplaced runs this year, the latter over 1400m at Niort on June 9th in a Class 4 race. Out of form and best watched
- **8. IMAGINE CHOP -** Three unplaced runs of late, 2nd before that over 1400m at Niort in a Class 4 handicap on June 9th. Place chance

Summary: VERDINA (4) has been in great shape of late with two wins and two second-placed efforts on her last five starts. She can win again from KHABESA (2) who ran a reasonable race when fifth in a handicap at Vichy only 8 days ago. WYSPER (5) looks like the logical option each way after a good third two starts ago at Tarbes. IMAGINE CHOP (8) is also worth considering.

SELECTIONS

VERDINA (4) - KHABESA (2) - WYSPER (5) - IMAGINE CHOP (8)

C6 - PRIX MC DONALD'S BASSIN D'ARCACHON - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR € 17,000

- **1. EUGENE SMITH -** Fair 2nd last time over 1700m on July 6th at Castera-Verduza in a maiden. Ought to be thereabouts
- 2. MASDREAM Unplaced on the sole start over 1400m at Dax on June 23rd. Makes limited appeal
- **3. BOETTI -** Unplaced last time, 3rd before that over 1900m on May 29th at Bordeaux Le Bouscat. Can make an impact
- **4. DRACO -** Unplaced last time, 3rd before that over 1700m on July 6th in a maiden race. In the mix
- **5. NATANSI -** Unplaced last time, 2nd before that over 2000m at Toulouse on her debut. Can score
- **6. LAS VEGAS DREAM -** Unplaced last time, 3rd on debut before that at Pau over 2000m on February 18th. Among the leading each-way options
- **7. VLASIKHOVA -** Has four unplaced runs this year, the latter over 1600m in a handicap on July 5th. Looks of limited ability
- **8. MAI KHON DIAO -** Two unplaced runs so far, the latter over 1400m at Dax on June 23rd. Unlikely to feature
- **9. ALLEE DE LA PLAGE -** Unplaced last time, 2nd before that over 1800m in a Class 3 race on June 9th. Place chances
- **10. MAHA DIVA -** Three unplaced runs of late, the latter over 1600m in a handicap on July 5th. Opposable
- **11. WINI STAR -** Three unplaced runs so far, the most recent when well beaten at Toulouse on June 19th over 2000m. Pass over
- **12. DENNIS LA MALICE -** Unraced colt by Wootton Bassett, has a nice profile and is one to watch in the betting market
- **13. PERSEVERANZA -** Newcomer by Recoletos, stable runners warrant respect on debut. Monitor the betting for clues

Summary: NATANSI (5) can score despite a slightly below-par run last time. She was a good second on her debut at Toulouse in mid-June and if emulating that run she will be hard to beat. BOETTI (3) was also a tad below par last time after a pleasing debut when third in late May. She can not be ruled out. EUGENE SMITH (1) showed improvement when second on his latest start and looks like a sensible option each way. DRACO (4) makes up the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

NATANSI (5) - BOETTI (3) - EUGENE SMITH (1) - DRACO (4)

C7 - PRIX HEMISPHERE SUD - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 3 Race - Flat - EUR € 19,000

- **1. HIGHBARI -** Fair 2nd last time in a Class 2 handicap at Chantilly on July 14th over 1800m. Can not be overlooked
- **2. CENTRAL PARK WEST -** Won last time in a Class 3 race over 1900m at Deauville on July 6th. Among the leading chances
- **3. CREW DRAGON -** 4th last time, won before that over 1400m in a Class 3 race at Parislongchamp on May 16th. Leading chance
- **4. MAROON SIX -** 4th last time over 1400m at Dax in a Class 3 race on July 8th. Needs to be more reliable
- **5. HAUSSEZ -** 5th last time over 1800m in a Class 2 handicap at this track on June 27th. Ought to be thereabouts
- **6. GRAND LARGE -** 5th last time over 1400m in a Class 3 race at Dax on July 8th. Others make more appeal

Summary: CREW DRAGON (3) has been in good form with two wins recently and a nice fourth last time at Parislongchamp in mid-May. He can make his rivals work hard. CENTRAL PARK WEST (2) is a threat and will be in a good frame of mind after a win at Deauville 22 days ago. HIGHBARI (1) also arrives off a good effort when second at Chantilly earlier this month and should not be discounted. HAUSSEZ (5) heads the remainder.

SELECTIONS

CREW DRAGON (3) - CENTRAL PARK WEST (2) - HIGHBARI (1) - HAUSSEZ (5)

C8 - PRIX HORSEA MASSAGE EQUIN - RACE AND CARE - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR € 17,000

- **1. SHERKANE -** Unplaced last time, 2nd before that on April 8th at Toulouse over 2100m. Has a live chance
- **2. XILOFONO -** Fair 2nd last time over 2450m at Mont-De-Marsan on July 5th in a maiden race. Can once again be involved
- **3. TRADE HONOR -** 3rd two runs ago at Madrid(ESP) over 2100m on May 15th. Others make more appeal
- **4. ES XARCU -** Four unplaced runs of late, the latest over 2200m at this track in a handicap on July 22nd. Opposable
- **5. SEE TO SEA -** Unplaced on the sole start over 3000m on July 19th at Mont-De-Marsan. Looks hard to recommend
- **6. AMADORA -** Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 2100m at Dax on July 8th in a claimer. Opposable
- **7. PRETTY STORM -** 3rd last time over 2450m in a maiden on her second start on July 5th. Can make the top three
- **8. ESPERANCE CHAUFOUR -** 4th last time over 2450m in a maiden on July 5th behind two of today's rivals. In the mix

Summary: SHERKANE (1) has shown more than enough to score in what does not look like a strong race. He was a decent second two starts ago at Toulouse and performed credibly last time when not beaten far into sixth at Salon Provence in late May. XILOFONO (2) looks like the main danger after a second-placed effort last time at Mont-De-Marsan earlier this month. PRETTY STORM (7) and ESPERANCE CHAUFOUR (8) were third and fourth in the same race and can fight it out for minor honours.

SELECTIONS

SHERKANE (1) - XILOFONO (2) - PRETTY STORM (7) - ESPERANCE CHAUFOUR (8)