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R4 CHANTILLY [R-H]

C1 - PRIX DE LA FOSSE AUX BICHES - MERCEDES-BENZ SAINT-MAXIMIN - 2000m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR € 27,000

- MARTIN** - Finished an eye-catching 2nd on debut over 1500m at Saint-Cloud last year and 4th on his reappearance over 2000m at Compiègne on 31 May. Would've tightened up with the benefit of that comeback outing - follow
- GATTOPARDO** - Boasts solid form references/credentials, including a last-start 3rd over 1800m at ParisLongchamp on 13 June. Will make his presence felt
- HAWK POWER** - Has finished 2nd in 3 of his 5 appearances, including his latest over 2000m at Compiègne on 31 May. Will have a role to play
- PAPARAZZO** - Made no impression on debut at Chantilly over 1600m on 17 May when finishing a tailed-off last of 8 runners. Best watched for now
- LORD ASRIEL D ALME** - Wasn't beaten far when an encouraging 4th on debut over 2000m at Compiègne on 12 June. Should improve with experience
- OAK LAHOMA** - Confirmed the promise of his Dusseldorf debut 4th over 2100m by finishing 3rd over the same trip at Angers on 21 May. Dark horse
- ALEMANIA** - Acquitted herself well on debut at Fontainebleau, finishing 5th over 1800m on 25 November. Likely to improve on her reappearance
- ZANZIA** - Made a pleasing introduction (4th) over 2000m at ParisLongchamp on 26 May and would've benefitted from that experience. Attractive outsider
- MAGNETICQUEEN** - Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 6th on debut at Saint-Cloud over 2400m on 20 May. Ought to improve
- ALCALA** - Finished an encouraging 5th on debut over 2100m at Chantilly on 29 April - finished ahead of Lemsairbat, 4th in a subsequent Listed race
- LA VENEZZIA** - Improved with the benefit of an introductory outing (9th) to finish 4th over 2000m at Compiègne on 31 May. Not taken lightly
- OLERON** - Caught the eye on debut when finishing 3rd over 2000m at ParisLongchamp on 26 May. Should play a leading role with improvement expected

Summary: MARTIN (1) looked a winner in waiting when an eye-catching 2nd on debut last year and he would have come on appreciably with the benefit of a pleasing comeback outing at Compiègne late last month, so it could pay to follow his progress. HAWK POWER (3) finished ahead of the selection that day and wouldn't be winning out of turn either. They are likely to find themselves fighting for victory in this opening event. OLERON (12) and ALCALA (10) are others open to progress after encouraging introductions, while GATTOPARDO (2) has the form and experience to make his presence felt too. Good race!

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MARTIN (1) - HAWK POWER (3) - OLERON (12) - GATTOPARDO (2)

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C2 - TATTERSALLS PRIX DE SAINT-PATRICK - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Listed Race - Flat - EUR € 55,000

- 1. SHADIZI** - Consistent, versatile colt with undeniable means and sound references/form credentials, including a last-start victory in a 1400m PSF handicap at this venue on 26 April. Ought to remain competitive
- 2. TIMBER LIGHT** - Consistent for the most part and has references at Listed-race level, including a 3rd over 1600m at Toulouse in April. Must bounce back from a last-start 7th in a 1400m Listed race at ParisLongchamp on 16 May
- 3. AGAT** - Built on the encouragement of his December 2023 debut 5th to win consecutive comeback outings this year before finishing a creditable 4th in a 1400m Listed race at ParisLongchamp on 16 May
- 4. SAIDI EL FAL** - Improving last-start winner who opened his account over 1600m at Chantilly on 17 May having finished 3rd in back-to-back previous outings
- 5. SUPERCOOLED** - Acquitted himself well to finish a commendable 6th in the Group I Poule d'Essai des Poulains over 1600m at ParisLongchamp on 12 May. Sets the standard
- 6. MEMPHIS TENNESSEE** - Showed promise in each of 3 outings on PSF and has translated that in 2 starts on turf (both over 1600m) at Lyon-Parilly, winning his first start on the surface and finishing 2nd in his latest on 8 May. Not taken lightly
- 7. SUCHET** - Hasn't finished worse than 3rd in 4 appearances - won a newcomers' event on debut and twice 3rd before a last-start 2nd (all in Class 1 conditions races), the latest at ParisLongchamp over 1600m on 30 May. Keep safe
- 8. GRAND SON OF CALYX** - Finished 2nd in a 1400m Listed race at ParisLongchamp on 16 May and wasn't beaten far when 6th of 9 in a 1400m Group III at that venue on 9 June. Dark horse
- 9. GEORGES VILLE** - Capable colt with undeniable means. Has confirmed the promise of his debut win last year by maintaining his form and consistency this year - finished 3rd in a 1600m Class 1 conditions race at ParisLongchamp on 30 May
- 10. BAYAMOON** - Progressive colt on a steep upward trajectory - confirmed as much with an impressive Class 1 conditions race victory over 1600m at Lyon-Parilly on 8 May. His limits remain unknown
- 11. NO LUNCH** - Confirmed the promise of his debut 5th over track and trip by winning his next/last start at Saint-Cloud over a mile on 11 June. Open to further improvement
- 12. RETOUCH** - Won and finished 2nd in 3 starts last year and built on the promise of his comeback 2nd this year by winning a Class 2 conditions race over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 20 May. Not taken lightly

Summary: SUPERCOOLED (5) finished a commendable 6th in the Group I Poule d'Essai des Poulains and need only repeat that performance to take advantage of this drop in grade. BAYAMOON (10) is an unknown quantity on a steep upward trajectory and could improve to make life difficult for the selection. MEMPHIS TENNESSEE (6) is held by the latter on recent form but has the means to make his presence felt, although SHADIZI (1) and NO LUNCH (11) are likely to pose more of a threat.

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SUPERCOOLED (5) - BAYAMOON (10) - SHADIZI (1) - NO LUNCH (11)

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C3 - PRIX DE L'HERMITAGE - GUEUDET YOKOSO - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR € 27,000

- 1. MASSIMO MERIDIO** - Ran on well once the penny had dropped to finish an encouraging 3rd on debut over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 11 June. Would've benefitted appreciably from that experience
- 2. LANZELOT GOLD** - Built on the promise of his debut 4th by finishing 2nd over track and trip last month. Failed to improve on that form when only 5th over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 11 June
- 3. BULLANT** - Finished last of 8 on debut over 2000m at Compiegne on 31 May. Headgear worn that day is dispensed with
- 4. TRENO** - Finished 2nd on debut at Nancy but failed to confirm that promise when only 6th over 1400m at Compiegne on 24 May. Races with a tongue-tie now fitted
- 5. GRETZKY** - Consistent colt with sound references/form credentials, which include finishing 4th in 3 of his 4 starts - the latest over 1600m at ParisLongchamp on 12 May. Dark horse
- 6. KAHOOT** - Finished last of 8 on debut over 1600m at ParisLongchamp on 31 August. Absent/gelded since, so is on to keep an eye on
- 7. EXCEEDING QUEEN** - Didn't go unnoticed when 5th on debut over 1600m on the PSF at this venue in February but failed to build on that encouragement when only 8th over 1600m at ParisLongchamp on 18 April - for another day
- 8. OTHERWORDLY** - Confirmed the promise of her debut 2nd over 1500m at Saint-Cloud in October last year by finishing 2nd again on her reappearance over 1600m at that venue on 11 June. Wouldn't be winning out of turn
- 9. SILHAM** - Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 5th on debut in the coveted Prix de La Cascade at ParisLongchamp over 1600m on 31 August 2023. Open to any amount of progress on her reappearance - not to be underestimated
- 10. BALTIC EMPRESS** - Improving filly who has progressed with each outing - confirmed as much by building on a pleasing comeback 4th at Lyon-Parilly to finish 2nd over this course and distance on 17 May. Keep safe
- 11. GALAXIE VEGA** - Finished 2nd on debut over this track and trip in March and acquitted herself well in defeat when 4th over this course and distance on 26 April. Needn't improve much to fight for victory
- 12. LACY FASHION** - Caught the eye when finishing 4th on debut over this track and trip on 28 September. Open to any amount of improvement on her reappearance - not taken lightly
- 13. SEEYOUAGAIN** - Finished a well-beaten 11th on debut over 1600m at Saint-Cloud on 7 March. Open to improvement but best watched for now
- 14. EXPERT ADVICE** - Consistent filly with sound references/form credentials and whose experience will stand her in good stead. Finished 3rd (with headgear fitted) over 1400m at Le Mans on 15 May - headgear now dispensed with
- 15. EVER KATE** - Flavie Bresson-trained Goken debutante to be ridden by Sébastien Maillot - is probably best watched for now

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Summary: GALAXIE VEGA (11) has caught the eye in both outings and performed well enough in competitive races to suggest that this is well within her compass. She shouldn't be a maiden for too much longer and is good value to open her account here at the expense of OTHERWORDLY (8), who fits a similar profile and should improve after an encouraging comeback 2nd. MASSIMO MERIDIO (1) also has legitimate claims with progress expected following a pleasing debut 3rd. BALTIC EMPRESS (10), SILHAM (9) and the returning LACY FASHION (12) complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

GALAXIE VEGA (11) - OTHERWORDLY (8) - MASSIMO MERIDIO (1) - BALTIC EMPRESS (10)

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C4 - PRIX DE L'AIRE CANTILIEENNE - B.P.E LECIEUX - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 23,000

- 1. LIYA CHOPE** - Has benefitted from the addition of headgear and improved with each handicap appearance - confirmed as much by winning a 2500m Nantes handicap on 22 May. A 2,5kg penalty shouldn't halt her momentum
- 2. VINO** - Has demonstrated commendable consistency, especially in both handicap appearances - finished 4th over 2500m on handicap debut at Nancy last month and (4th) over 2500m at Argentan on 5 June. Keep safe
- 3. LUCY GALESTE** - Acquitted herself well enough (6th of 13) in a 2400m Dieppe maiden on 14 June to suggest that she could have a role to play on handicap debut off her opening mark. Not taken lightly
- 4. LA STRANEZZA** - Unplaced in all 3 turf handicap appearances, including both comeback outings this year - the latest (11th) over 2000m at Compiègne on 7 June. Headgear reached for in the hope of sparking some improvement
- 5. AARON** - Has made significant improvement in the claiming category recently, finishing 2nd over 2500m at Evreux in April and 4th over 2400m at Moulins on 20 May. More needed pitched into a handicap for the first time
- 6. E BASTA LA** - Held his own in competitive maiden races/fields and shouldn't be condemned for his latest failure (10th) over 2000m at this venue on 11 May. Could have more to offer in the handicaps, especially off this mark
- 7. ALGOT** - Won a 2400m claiming race at Wissembourg in April and showed his form/well-being by winning a Class 3 conditions race over 2500m at Nort-sur-Erdre on 2 June. Should have a role to play on his handicap debut
- 8. FIRST DIVA** - Last-start winner of a Class 3 conditions race over 2250m at Niort on 9 June. Makes her handicap debut off a 1,5kg higher mark
- 9. L'INITIE** - Improving colt whose competitiveness at this level off his current mark was confirmed by a last-start 2nd in a 2500m handicap at Argentan on 5 June. Dark horse
- 10. BIRDSONG** - Has improved considerably in two claiming races over 2400m at Dieppe recently - finished 4th on 13 May and 3rd on 29 May. Ought to remain competitive on her handicap debut
- 11. HEAREN** - Showed her limitations at this level when 9th on her handicap debut over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly, albeit off a 2kg higher mark. Could do better off a reduced mark
- 12. BIMBO** - Impeded and brought down by a faller in her latest outing at Lyon-Parilly in a 2400m claimer on 8 June. Has scope to improve
- 13. LADYSHOW** - Experienced 21-start maiden with sound references in handicaps, including a respectable 4th in her only start with headgear fitted. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th over 2400m in a Nantes handicap in 18 June
- 14. ROYAL SOPRANO** - Improved to finish a career-best 3rd on his handicap debut over 2000m at Compiègne on 7 June. Drawn in the widest starting stall which only complicates matters
- 15. ROSE BAY** - Unplaced and soundly beaten in each of her 4 appearances, the latest (9th) on handicap debut over 2500m at Argentan on 5 June. Others preferred

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16. LORD MIESQUE - Consistent for the most part and seldom finishes far off the mark. Has references in handicaps, including a last-start 6th over 2000m at Compiegne on 7 June. For lovers of outsiders

17. SAINTEFOY LAGRANDE - Unplaced in each of 3 appearances, the latest (9th) in a 2400m claimer at Compiegne on 12 June. Hard to recommend

Summary: Improving LIYA CHOPE (1) opened her account by winning a 2500m Nantes handicap last month and, on the evidence on that victory, seems capable of defying a 2,5kg penalty by winning again. ALGOT (7) resumed winning ways at Nort-sur-Erdre earlier this month and has the means to pose a threat on handicap debut off his current mark. BIRDSONG (10), VINO (2) and E BASTA LA (6) are contenders for the remaining podium berth.

SELECTIONS

LIYA CHOPE (1) - ALGOT (7) - BIRDSONG (10) - VINO (2)

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C5 - TATTERSALLS PRIX DE BAGATELLE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Listed Race - Flat - EUR € 55,000

- 1. RIBALTAGAIA** - She finished 3rd over 1600m in a Group 2 at this course on the 2nd of June and should go very close to winning. Big danger
- 2. BRIGHT THUNDER** - Finished 4th over 1600m at York in a Listed race on the 17th of May and is selected to make a French winning debut. Win
- 3. ROSE BLOOM** - Will need to build on latest 9th place at Parislongchamp in Group 1 company in May, and can. Place value
- 4. FELICIA** - She won at this track over 1600m on the 17th of May against much weaker and is hard to fancy in this. Pass by
- 5. PARTIR** - Won over 1600m last time out against weaker and has plenty to do for the win. Pass by
- 6. WORDS OF PEACE** - Has been racing in Germany and might find this opposition first up in France tough. Happy to ignore
- 7. TEERAN** - Ran well when 2nd over 1800m at Parislongchamp but in much weaker company. An outsider that is hard to fancy for the win
- 8. SUNSHINE GIRL** - Finished 2nd over 1800m in a Listed race in Germany and could make the presence felt first up here
- 9. CETERA** - Ran a great 2nd over 1600m at this course in Group 2 class on the 2nd of June and has to be taken seriously. Bright chance

Summary: BRIGHT THUNDER (2) makes her local debut but has caught the attention at York and Haydock before. She is selected to make a winning start to her French campaign. RIBALTAGAIA (1) has been very competitive in some quality, competitive feature races recently and has strong each way claims. CETERA (9) gets a top rider, has finished second in her last two and can go one more. Serious chance. ROSE BLOOM (3) is the value suggestion for the quartet.

SELECTIONS

BRIGHT THUNDER (2) - RIBALTAGAIA (1) - CETERA (9) - ROSE BLOOM (3)

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**C6 - PRIX HAMPTON - 1000m (a5f) - TURF - Listed Race - Flat - EUR €
52,000**

- 1. VICIOUS HARRY** - Caught the eye in 5th over 1000m at this track on the 2nd of June and should go very close. Strong each way chance
- 2. BATWAN** - Fair 4th over 1000m last time and can progress on that. Include in the quartet
- 3. BERNEUIL** - Finished 4th over 1000m at Parislongchamp on the 10th of September last year and can place if not in need of this
- 4. MANOAMANO** - Makes his local debut and will have plenty to do to threaten here today. Happy to dismiss from all bets
- 5. RAYSTEVE** - Won well over 1200m at Chantilly in a Handicap and will find it tough to follow up but can place
- 6. LESSLEPASSER** - Hard to fancy based on recent 8th place over 1000m and far prefer others. Pass by
- 7. PRADARO** - Posted a great 3rd over 1000m at this venue on the 2nd of June in Group 2 class. Big chance
- 8. MGHEERA** - Nearly won a Group 2 over 1000m at this track last time and should take a ton of beating. Strong win
- 9. AMELLATA** - Will need to build on latest 7th over 1200m in Listed class at this track on the 2nd of May. Hard to fancy for the win. Pass by
- 10. WOOTTON MELODY** - Won penultimate at Lyon Parilly and finished 7th in a Listed after that. More needed and far prefer others
- 11. THE FIXER** - Will need to build on recent 10th finish at Parislongchamp over 1000m on the 12th of May and can. Place chance at best

Summary: MGHEERA (8) is already a three time winner from only 12 starts and is holding form encouragingly. Her last run saw her in a Group 2 when finishing a cracking 2nd. Strong win chance. VICIOUS HARRY (1) won a Listed event three races back and has caught the eye since in two Group races. Strong each way chance. BERNEUIL (3) has the form to warrant serious inclusion and can finish in the first three. PRADARO (7) is a must for quartet permutations.

SELECTIONS

MGHEERA (8) - VICIOUS HARRY (1) - BERNEUIL (3) - PRADARO (7)

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C7 - PRIX DES LIONS - TROPHEE STUDIO HARCOURT - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 3 Race - Flat - EUR € 19,000

- 1. CITY OF HOPE** - Has won last two in impressive fashion and has a huge chance of following up. Last win was over 1300m at Parislongchamp. Good chance
- 2. ABSOLUTE POWER** - Finished 2nd over 2000m in a Handicap at this venue on the 16th of June and is confidently selected to go one more
- 3. ALPAGE** - Ignore last run, finished 4th at Compiegne before that in a Handicap and has a good chance
- 4. BLACK TRACK** - Has absolutely no form to recommend and would be an upset result if winning. Unlikely
- 5. MAX VERST** - Much better effort when 2nd over 1700m at Marseille Borely on the 7th of June and can go one more. Serious chance
- 6. O'SSITOT** - Current form has been on the alarming decline over various distances. Unlikely winner. No
- 7. PREWITT** - Finished 2nd over 1800m at Bratislava on the 2nd of this month. More needed for the win and happy to ignore
- 8. DONN CLIFS** - May need local run but could be worth following in the future, but, for today, can be passed by
- 9. MANWHATAMAN** - Hard to fancy on current form, finished 7th over 1600m in a weak claiming race at Saint-Cloud and would be a shock winner
- 10. FUEGO DEL AMOR** - Fair 5th over 1600m at Saint-Cloud in a competitive Handicap and can get much closer now. Bright chance
- 11. CROWDFUNDING** - Ignore last run, was a winner before that over 1700m at Saint-Brieuc and is worth considering. Good chance
- 12. LUNALA** - Cannot be fancied on current form as has to find many lengths to threaten. Pass by

Summary: ABSOLUTE POWER (2) is holding form encouragingly after some horrific runs and rates the one they all have to beat. His last run at this course was an attractive effort and is therefore selected to win. CITY OF HOPE (1) comes into the race fresh off back to back wins and has a huge chance of reeling off the hat trick. MAX VERST (5) ran a hugely improved race last time and based on that alone is a must for all bets. FUEGO DEL AMOR (10) is never far adrift the winners and has a strong place chance.

SELECTIONS

ABSOLUTE POWER (2) - CITY OF HOPE (1) - MAX VERST (5) - FUEGO DEL AMOR (10)

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**C8 - PRIX DE GASCOURT - C.P.N - 1200m (a6f) - TURF - Claiming - Flat -
EUR € 19,000**

- 1. MON SCHATZI** - Good debut, followed up by an encouraging 4th placing at Strasbourg over 1400m. Big runner
- 2. SOLAS** - Improving with racing, finished 4th over 1400m at Compiegne last time and has scope to get much closer. Big chance
- 3. SAITAMA** - Finished 7th over 1400m at Compiegne on debut and with natural progression, can do better and get closer. Place prospects
- 4. DALENDIA** - Placed only 6th over 1400m last time and will need to serve up plenty more than that to win this. Pass by
- 5. COTE D'OR** - Can improve on debut 8th finish over 1200m at Saint-Cloud but will need to prefer others and can be ignored from bets for today
- 6. FISFUL OF LOVE** - Is hard to fancy on efforts seen thus far, finished 7th at Saint-Cloud last time. Happy to ignore
- 7. NEW WAY BABY** - She has won her last two, most recent was over 1300m at Argentan on the 5th of June albeit in a weak claiming race. Big win chance
- 8. POFIGISTE** - Has shown absolutely nothing in both runs to date and will need serious improvement to feature. No
- 9. AMORE MIA** - Boasts a recent victory over 1350m at Lyon Parilly and can follow up. A must for all bets. Will be very competitive
- 10. LAHOMI** - Improving, placed 2nd over 1350m at Angers on the 20th of this month. Would be no shock if she were to go one more and win. Chance
- 11. ALGA CHOPE** - Has not really shone in both races thus far but still might have something to offer. Happy to wait for improvement

Summary: NEW WAY BABY (7) ran a cracker on debut and followed up with two impressive victories albeit in weak claiming races. She is the confident first choice. SOLAS (2) is improving with racing and should not be a maiden for too much longer. Each way chance. SAITAMA (3) has plenty of scope to build on the debut effort and can place. A must for the quartet permutations. LAHOMI (10) caught the eye last time and is one for the shortlist. Strong each way chance.

SELECTIONS

NEW WAY BABY (7) - SOLAS (2) - SAITAMA (3) - LAHOMI (10)

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C9 - PRIX DES LIONNES - TROPHEE STUDIO HARCOURT - 2200m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 3 Race - Flat - EUR € 19,000

- 1. ROSETTA STONE** - Finished 3rd over 3000m at Strasbourg on the 29th of the May in a Handicap. Is a tad erratic but has very strong each way claims
- 2. HOLLYWOOD AFRICANS** - Was a winner three races back but has let the side down since. Hard to asses but can do way better. Pass by for today
- 3. ROCK AND ROLL** - Finished 9th over 4000m at Cagnes-Sur-Mer in a Handicap on the 27th of December last year and should need this comeback run
- 4. REVAMP** - Can be expected to progress off local 7th over 2400m at Compiegne but will need to, to win this. Place chance at best
- 5. ONLY THE BRAVE** - Last two efforts have been concerning when finishing way downfield and is therefore hard to fancy. Happy to ignore
- 6. VALENTINO** - Outside place chance on every best efforts but far prefer others for the win
- 7. YELLOW LION** - Impressed when hitting the line solidly last time to win over 2100m at Limoges and can follow up. Good chance
- 8. POPORO** - Caught the eye when 2nd at Niort over 2250m on the 9th of June and could place again at attractive odds. Outside place
- 9. AMRITA** - Will need to build on recent 6th over 2650m at Chateaubriant to threaten here but can give a good account of himself. Chance
- 10. GET SET** - Is very hard to make a case for when looking at recent dismal form and has to be passed by. Would be a shock winner. No
- 11. JOYEUSE SAGE** - Finished 7th over 2000m in a Handicap at Saint-Cloud last time and will need to do more to win this. No
- 12. SPEEDY ANGEL** - Ignore last run when downfield in 11th place, was a winner three runs back and has claims. Respect and include
- 13. YES ZARA** - Placed 5th over 2400m in a Handicap at Parislongchamp last time and can be expected to get much closer. Big place chance

Summary: ROSETTA STONE (1) is a tad erratic but nevertheless, a four time winner and posted a fabulous run last time when 3rd at Strasbourg. He has strong each way claims. YELLOW LION (7) can be expected to be roaring home like he did last time at Limoges when winning. He can record back to back victories. YES ZARA (13) showed some spark when 5th at Parislongchamp. She has more of a place chance than a winning one. SPEEDY ANGEL (12) is a natural inclusion for most bets, especially the quartet.

SELECTIONS

ROSETTA STONE (1) - YELLOW LION (7) - YES ZARA (13) - SPEEDY ANGEL (12)