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R3 NANTES [L-H]

C1 - PRIX DE L'OUTIL EN MAIN NANTES (PRIX DE GRASLIN) - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 15,000

- 1. LOVE AFFAIR** - Has four unplaced runs since a 2nd placed effort over 1600m at Chantilly on February 16th. Can not be dismissed
- 2. MAGIC MERCURY** - 2nd three runs ago over 1700m in a Class 4 race on May 1st. Can get back on track and is a threat
- 3. KOULIKOFF** - 4th two runs ago was a pleasing effort over 1900m in a Class 4 handicap at Argentan on April 11th. Among the leading chances
- 4. LORD POST OFFICE** - Has five unplaced runs so far, the latter over 1900m in a Class 4 handicap at Deauville on April 9th. Has work to do
- 5. SHANNA ROSE** - Has a few unplaced runs of late, 4th in a Class 4 handicap at Compiègne on June 24th over 1800m was a solid effort. Has dropped to a nice handicap rating
- 6. STRANGER** - 2nd three runs ago over 1600m in a Class 4 handicap at Nantes on April 18th. Can make the frame
- 7. HYPNOTIZED** - Two nice 2nd placed runs of late, the latest over 1600m at Compiègne on May 24th in a Class 3 handicap. Can get her second win
- 8. SHAMABEND** - Won last time over 1650m in a Class 4 race on April 28th. One of the leading chances each way
- 9. URAL** - Has several unplaced runs since winning over 1700m at Pornichet on January 7th in a Class 4 handicap. Opposable
- 10. COASTER** - 5th last time over 1800m in a Class 4 race on May 20th. Needs to be more consistent
- 11. UP TO THE MOON** - Has not shown much form of late, the latest unplaced run was over 1200m in a Class 4 race on May 22nd. Can be avoided
- 12. KIASTEP** - Three unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that over 1700m on the PSF on March 27th in a Class 4 handicap. Might find this difficult
- 13. RED THE WEST** - Two unplaced runs this year, the latter at this track over 1600m in a Class 4 handicap on April 18th. Did win in October at Le Mans. Opposable
- 14. CALY ROSAY** - Four unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that over 1300m at Deauville on February 2nd in a Class 4 race. Others rate higher
- 15. LE GITAN** - Has four unplaced efforts of late, 2nd before that over 1700m on the PSF in a Class 4 race on December 27th. Others preferred
- 16. FALIMAX** - Has shown very moderate form of late, the latest unplaced run was over 1950m in a Class 4 race on May 12th. Hard to recommend

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Summary: HYPNOTIZED (7) is given the vote after two nice efforts of late when second on both runs. She looks ready to score. SHANNA ROSE (5) will do her best to beat the selection and has dropped to a rating that will make her competitive. STRANGER (6) has won six times so far and although he can blow hot and cold he warrants respect on his best form. KOULIKOFF (3) is one to include in all of the place bet permutations.

SELECTIONS

HYPNOTIZED (7) - SHANNA ROSE (5) - STRANGER (6) - KOULIKOFF (3)

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C2 - PRIX C-PIA (PRIX DE LA VENDEE) - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 17,000

- 1. INTEMPORELLE** - Unplaced on the last two runs, 2nd before that over 1650m in a Class 3 race on October 22nd. Hard to fancy
- 2. DELTA SPIRIT** - Placed on the three runs this year, the latter when 3rd at Chateaubriant on April 27th in a Class 4 handicap. Can feature
- 3. STORMY AIR** - 2nd three runs ago over 1800m at Chantilly on March 1st in a Class 4 race. Looks vulnerable
- 4. KER WELEN** - Fair 4th last time at Chantilly over 1800m on May 7th in a Class 4 race. Among the leading chances
- 5. CHUBASCO** - Unplaced last time, 2nd before that over 1950m in a Class 4 handicap on April 27th. Player
- 6. AINTREEGIRL** - 3rd two runs back over 1600m at Nantes in a Class 4 handicap. Has decent placed form at this track and is one to consider
- 7. NEOWISE** - Two unplaced runs recently, 4th before that over 1800m at Le Croise Laroche in a Class 4 race on March 22nd. Others rate higher
- 8. SANPEDRO** - Three unplaced runs since a win over 1600m at Compiègne in a Class 3 handicap on July 4th last year. Best watched for now
- 9. TIME TO PARLEY** - Has several unplaced runs of late, the latest over 1950m at Le Mans on May 15th in a Class 4 handicap. Pass over
- 10. DEAU COEUR** - Four unplaced runs of late, 4th before that over 1800m at Morlaix on March 24th. Looks vulnerable
- 11. MADMOISELLECHANG** - 2nd last time over 1500m at Vannes in a Class 3 race on June 3rd, 2023. Will benefit from this return run after a long absence
- 12. SENEPARK** - Two unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that over 1700m on the PSF in a Class 4 race on February 16th. Place chance
- 13. TOOCOOLFORSCHOOL** - 2nd last time over 1400m at Le Lion d'Angers on May 9th in a Class 4 handicap. Among the leading place chances
- 14. GALALITHE** - 4th last time over 1600m in a Class 4 handicap on May 9th. Has outside place chance
- 15. JERIMADETH** - 2nd last time was over 1800m in a claimer on May 20th. Will not lack for fitness and can not be discounted
- 16. PIPER'S HILL** - 4th last time over 1800m in a Class 4 race on May 20th. Seems to be of modest ability

Summary: CHUBASCO (5) is the tentative selection in an open handicap. He was a decent second two runs ago over 1950m in late April and can be involved at the business end. DELTA SPIRIT (2) will likely give the selection something to think about. He has been placed on all three starts this year and is not to be overlooked. KER WELEN (4) is probably the best each-way option. AINTREEGIRL (6) is another that ought to make the frame.

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SELECTIONS

CHUBASCO (5) - DELTA SPIRIT (2) - KER WELEN (4) - AINTREEGIRL (6)

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**C3 - PRIX DE LA CHEZINE - 2200m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Flat -
EUR € 22,000**

- 1. BOLIDE PORTO** - Nice 2nd last time in a Class 2 race at Saint-Cloud over 1600m on May 20th. Should be fine on the step up in trip
- 2. COLGAN SENORA** - Dead heated when scoring on debut at Le Mans over 2300m on April 23rd on the sole run to date. Can improve and be competitive
- 3. MENDRISIO** - Won last time at Haras Du Pin over 2100m on his second start on April 21st. Can improve further and has place claims
- 4. ZORLO FAL** - Fair 3rd last time in a Class 1 race at Bordeaux Le Bouscat on May 4th over 1900m. Up in trip and can feature
- 5. LA GUERCHE** - Won on debut over 2850m on April 28th on the sole run to date. Down in trip and others preferred in a better race
- 6. ESTELLA MOBROY** - Unplaced on the one run so far over 1950m on May 12th. Needs vast improvement to have a say
- 7. CHASUBLE** - 4th last time in a Class 1 race over 1900m at Chantilly on March 14th. Should be fine over this extra 300m and is in the mix

Summary: COLGAN SENORA (2) dead-heated for a win on his debut at Le Mans last month and can improve a good bit for that run. He is given marginal choice ahead of the experienced BOLIDE PORTO (1) who has form in better races and should like this extra distance today. ZORLO FAL (4) ran well in a Class 1 race last time when he was third and can not be discounted. CHASUBLE (7) is also one to keep safe, he looks the type to keep improving with race experience.

SELECTIONS

COLGAN SENORA (2) - BOLIDE PORTO (1) - ZORLO FAL (4) - CHASUBLE (7)

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C4 - PRIX ALEXANDRE LEMERCIER - 2200m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 14,000

- 1. KAPTAIN NORDIK** - 5th two runs ago over 2300m at Angers in a Class 4 handicap on May 4th. Among the leading place chances
- 2. PHILOSOPHY** - Unplaced last time, 3rd before that over 2300m in a Class 4 handicap at Angers on May 4th. In the mix
- 3. ARGYRON** - 4th two runs back over 2850m in a Class 4 race at Loudeac on April 21st. Has won 8 times before and can be involved on his best form
- 4. SILVER SILK** - Has dropped to a reasonable rating after a few unplaced runs, 5th two starts ago at Parislongchamp on April 28th in a Class 3 handicap over 2800m was a good effort. Player
- 5. GUADALEST** - 4th two runs ago over 2400m at Saint-Brieuc in a Class 4 race is the best form of late on March 10th. Others seem more likely
- 6. PREFERENCIA** - Two unplaced runs of late, 2nd before that over 2400m at Fougères in a Class 4 handicap on April 9th, 2023. Not seen since May last year and will likely need this run
- 7. UN SOIR D'ORAGE** - Has four unplaced runs since a 2nd over 2400m on the PSF on January 18th. Needs to get back on track
- 8. GOT FROST** - Unplaced on the last two runs, he won before that over 2000m at Compiègne in a Class 3 handicap on March 29th. Live chance
- 9. PEYTON PLACE** - Has several unplaced runs since a 2nd over 1700m at Pornichet on January 31st in a Class 4 race. Opposable

Summary: In a race that is not very competitive, it may pay to take a chance on PHILOSOPHY (2) who ran well two starts ago at Angers when third and won at this track last June over 2200m in a Class 2 handicap. GOT FROST (8) could be the main threat having won at Compiègne three runs ago over 2000m and can be on the premises. KAPTAIN NORDIK (1) is the each-way option, he has been supplemented for this race. SILVER SILK (4) heads the remainder.

SELECTIONS

PHILOSOPHY (2) - GOT FROST (8) - KAPTAIN NORDIK (1) - SILVER SILK (4)

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**C5 - PRIX GROUPE ATLANTIC - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Handicap - Flat -
EUR € 20,000**

- 1. BANSHIE** - 2nd last time over 1800m at Chantilly on December 9th. Handicap debut and is best watched for now
- 2. LA HARENGERE** - Won last time over 2350m on May 8th at Haras Du Pin. Looks promising and will be hard to beat
- 3. HIMYAN** - Won two starts ago over 1700m in a maiden race on April 14th. Below par on handicap debut last time and others are preferred
- 4. RAMSES CHOP** - 3rd last time over 2300m in a handicap at Tarbes on May 11th. Outside place chance
- 5. BORGHAL** - Won the last two runs, the latest in a claimer at Durtal on April 21st over 2300m. Ought to be thereabouts
- 6. WAR OF THE ROSES** - Fair effort to be 2nd at Nantes over 2400m in a handicap last time on May 6th. Can once again be involved
- 7. MISS INCOGNITO** - Won last time over 2100m at Limoges in a maiden on May 5th. Makes her handicap debut and others rate higher
- 8. WOOTTON WARRIOR** - 3rd last time over 2350m in a maiden race on May 8th. Tries a handicap and is one to consider
- 9. FARY** - 3rd at Dax last time over 2100m in a maiden race on May 1st. More is needed on his handicap debut

Summary: LA HARENGERE (2) won nicely by three lengths at Haras Du Pin last time and looks the type to keep improving. She gets the vote ahead of WAR OF THE ROSES (6) who has been consistently placed without winning. He can not be ignored. BORGHAL (5) will need to improve to win but arrives after two successes and will be full of confidence. WOOTTON WARRIOR (8) looks best of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

**LA HARENGERE (2) - WAR OF THE ROSES (6) - BORGHAL (5) - WOOTTON WARRIOR
(8)**

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C6 - PRIX KERIVON - 3500m (a2m1/4) - TURF - Class 2 Race - Hurdles - EUR € 30,000

1. KARASTIC - Nice 2nd last time over 3700m in a Class 3 hurdle at Le Lion D'Angers on May 9th. Ought to be in the shake-up

2. KNOXVILLE - Has won her last two races, the latter a Class 3 hurdle at Moulins on May 20th over 3500m. Live chance

3. JARZE - Fair 2nd at Pau over 3300m in a Class 3 hurdle last time on January 4th. Has placed form in a Class 1 chase before that. Consider

4. BEAU DINO - 5th last time over 3600m in a Class 3 hurdle at Compiegne on May 7th. Can make the frame

5. LITTLE HEART - 5th on the sole run on the flat over 2850m on April 28th. Makes her hurdling debut and is best watched

6. LITTLE LOULOUTTE - 4th last time over 3800m in a Class 5 chase on May 5th at Pontivy. Hard to make a case for her

Summary: KNOXVILLE (2) can get a hat-trick of wins. She has done all her winning at Moulins so far and looks ready for the step up in class. KNOXVILLE (2) will make the selection work hard for success. He is improving and will be competitive. BEAU DINO (4) is also worth considering. He was not quite up to a Class 1 handicap two runs ago but ran well in a Class 3 hurdle at Compiegne earlier this month when last seen. JARZE (3) is also worth a mention.

SELECTIONS

KNOXVILLE (2) - KARASTIC (1) - BEAU DINO (4) - JARZE (3)

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C7 - GRANDE COURSE DE HAIES DE NANTES - 3900m (a2m1/2) - TURF - Class 1 Race - Hurdles - EUR € 41,000

- 1. ITAL CONTI** - Unplaced last time, won before that in a Class 1 hurdle over 3800m at Compiègne on March 25th. Among the leading chances
- 2. FOLBURG DE PALMA** - Won last time in a handicap hurdle at Moulins over 4100m on September 30th. Others preferred and fitness is a concern
- 3. CABOT CLIFFS** - Won last time at Nancy over 3800m in a Class 3 hurdle on May 5th and is sure to play a lead role
- 4. HAPPYDAY** - Won at this track in a Class 1 chase last time over 4300m on May 6th. Can follow up back over hurdles
- 5. REDNECK** - 3rd last time in a Class 1 chase at Nantes on May 6th over 4300m. Might prefer fences these days
- 6. HONOR ROYAL** - 2nd last time on July 1st in a handicap hurdle at Dieppe over 3800m. Should be sharper for this run after an absence
- 7. CHOUAN** - 2nd last time over 4200m at Nancy in a Class 1 chase on May 5th. Ought to be thereabouts
- 8. DESIRE FOR EVER** - Won last time on the flat over 3700m at Nantes on May 6th in a Class 3 handicap. 2nd when last seen over hurdles in January. Each way option
- 9. CHARMINO** - 2nd three runs back in a Class 1 hurdle over 3900m at this track on September 15th and won a Class 1 chase before that at this track. Can not be overlooked at this track
- 10. MONTABELLA** - 3rd last time on November 19th in a Class 2 chase over 3800m. Has been off the track for 6 months and may need this outing

Summary: HAPPYDAY (4) won at this track in a Class 1 chase earlier this month and has strong claims of following up on the switch back over the smaller obstacles today. CABOT CLIFFS (3) has won his last two races, the latter at Nancy on May 5th and he can once again give a good account of himself. DESIRE FOR EVER (8) has been racing on the flat of late and won at Nantes on May 6th when last seen. She is a useful hurdler and can be on the premises. ITAL CONTI (1) can also be involved in the shake-up.

SELECTIONS

HAPPYDAY (4) - CABOT CLIFFS (3) - DESIRE FOR EVER (8) - ITAL CONTI (1)

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**C8 - PRIX LAUNAY-VIOLETTE - CHALLENGE DE L'OBSTACLE WTW
HIPCOVER - 4300m (a2m1/2) - TURF - Class 3 Race - Steeple Chase - EUR
€ 26,000**

1. CELTIOR - Won last time in a Class 4 chase on May 12th over 4200m. Is looking for win number 15 and has strong claims

2. JOYVOL - Won two runs back over hurdles at Nantes in a Class 3 race over 3900m on May 6th. Fluffed his lines at Auteuil when last seen but can get back on track this time

3. JOCATA - Fair 4th over 3600m at Auteuil in a Class 2 handicap hurdle on April 27th when last seen. Placed 2nd before that over fences. Player

4. GARE AU MARIN - 4th last time over 3700m in a Class 3 chase on May 8th at Haras Du Pin. Needs a fe to falter

5. JOLY DE CIERGUES - Unplaced on the last three runs, 4th before that over 4000m at Durtal in a Class 4 chase on March 24th. Among the leading chances

6. SAURA - 3rd last time over 4250m in a Class 3 chase at Rostrenen on May 19th. Has work to do to feature

Summary: JOYVOL (2) won twice once over fences at Montlucon in April and over hurdles at this track in early May. His latest run at Auteuil when he parted company with his jockey can be excused and he can get back on track in this event. JOCATA (3) looks like the main danger, he shaped well in a Class 2 hurdle last time when fourth and was a good second before that over fences in April. CELTIOR (1) will be full of confidence after a win last time and can not be ruled out.

SELECTIONS

JOYVOL (2) - JOCATA (3) - CELTIOR (1) - JOLY DE CIERGUES (5)