

C1 - PRIX DE LA PISTE SEA BIRD - 1800m (a1m1/8) - ALL WEATHER - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 40,000

- 1. AMERICAN LAWYER** - Caught the eye on his return from a 4-month absence when 5th on this course in a 1600m conditions race earlier this month (12 December). Would've tightened up since and will appreciate this extended distance - keep safe
- 2. MON FLAMANT** - Progressive 3-year-old gelding at the top of his game and ideally suited to the PSF. Won 3 in a row on this surface before finishing 2nd in an 1800m conditions race on this course on 7 December - may well resume winning ways
- 3. ZELMAN** - PSF specialist with 2 wins, a 2nd and a 3rd in 4 starts on this surface. Runner-up in a Class 1 conditions race over 1600m on this course on 12 December - candidate for success
- 4. PRINCE A RIO** - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials on the PSF, so shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 9th in a turf handicap over 1800m at ParisLongchamp on 13 June. Best watched on his reappearance
- 5. SEREMINI** - Lightly raced and versatile sort with undeniable means (sound references/form credentials) and scope for further improvement. Finished 4th in a similar course-and-distance event on 9 February - not taken lightly on his return
- 6. EVERSTAR** - Back to best recently, winning 2 of his last 3 starts - the latest a 1600m PSF handicap at Pau on 5 December. Could play another leading role under a 2,5kg penalty
- 7. CALYPSO KING** - Bounced back to form with a reassuring 5th on this course in a 1900m handicap on 21 November. Place chance

Summary: MON FLAMANT (2) and ZELMAN (3) are progressive sorts with the form and experience to play leading roles. Both finished close-up last time so they could find themselves fighting for victory. AMERICAN LAWYER (1) caught the eye with an encouraging reappearance on this track and needn't improve much to join that fight. EVERSTAR (6) is back to his best and should make his presence felt too.

SELECTIONS

MON FLAMANT (2) - ZELMAN (3) - AMERICAN LAWYER (1) - EVERSTAR (6)

**C2 - PRIX DE LA CHAMBRE DE MARBRE - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Class 2 Race - Flat - EUR €
34,000**

- 1. PURE LEGEND** - Impressive wide-margin winner of a course-and-distance event for unraced colts and geldings on 12 December. It could pay to follow his progress
- 2. BEAU GARS** - Improving young colt with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 4th in a 1300m conditions event on PSF at Deauville on 26 November in his first start on this surface. Open to further progress, keep safe
- 3. ANOTHERMINE** - Built on the encouragement of a pleasing course-and-distance debut (6th) in November to open her account last time in a 1500m PSF claimer at Deauville on 14 December. Should have more to offer
- 4. LE TYCOON** - Placed (3rd) in a 1500m PSF claimer at Deauville in November but finished unplaced in both subsequent outings, the latest (8th) in a course-and-distance conditions race on 20 December. Place chance
- 5. UMINOKO** - Runner-up on debut at Saint-Malo in July but unplaced/soundly beaten in 3 subsequent appearances, the latest (7th) at Limoges over 1400m on 30 November. Others preferred
- 6. LA FERRETCAPIENNE** - Experienced 12-start maiden with sound references, albeit without success. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 5th in a course-and-distance handicap on 26 December

Summary: A small field in which debut winner PURE LEGEND (1) and improving BEAU GARS (2) make the most appeal. The former is open to any amount of improvement and it could pay to follow his progress, so he is the one worth siding with here. Last-start winner ANOTHERMINE (3) has more to do in this grade/company but will make her presence felt if building on that claiming success at Deauville a fortnight ago.

SELECTIONS

PURE LEGEND (1) - BEAU GARS (2) - ANOTHERMINE (3) - LE TYCOON (4)

**C3 - PRIX DES BUTTES - 2700m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR €
13,000**

- 1. MONTGINO** - Inconsistent 11-start maiden with sound references in turf handicaps. Unplaced (9th) in his first start on the PSF in a 2700m handicap on this course on 22 November - shouldn't be hastily condemned
- 2. THUNDER DREAM** - Soundly beaten in all 4 comeback appearances this year after a lengthy 25-month absence. Well-beaten 14th in a 2100m handicap on this course on 12 December - for another day
- 3. ARMORIGENE** - Unreliable veteran blowing hot and cold - failed to confirm the form/improvement of his 3rd at Pau in a handicap over 2400m in November when finishing 13th in a 2400m PSF handicap at Pornichet on 8 December - minor role
- 4. AIRA** - Runner-up in a 22 November course-and-distance handicap off her current mark - need only repeat that effort to fight for victory. Winning chance
- 5. PENSE A MOI** - Yet to find the frame in 10 starts but hasn't been beaten far in recent handicap appearances, the latest (5th) over 2100m on PSF at Pornichet on 30 November off her current mark. Dark horse
- 6. MAESTRO CHOP** - Runner-up in a course-and-distance handicap off this mark on 7 December and probably found his next/last start come too soon - finished 12th in a 3200m handicap here on 12 December. Shouldn't be hastily condemned
- 7. ELEGANTIA** - Finished a career-best 2nd in a 3400m PSF handicap at Deauville on 14 December in first-time blinkers (retained). May well open her account if confirming that form/improvement
- 8. FAN ZONE** - Unplaced in 3 consecutive PSF handicaps recently, the latest (well-beaten 12th) over 2400m on PSF at Pornichet on 8 December. Best watched for now
- 9. PREFERENCIA** - Hard-knocking handicapper unplaced in her last 10 appearances/handicaps, though seldom finishes far off the mark. Didn't go unnoticed (7th) in a 2400m PSF handicap at Pornichet on 8 December - attractive outsider
- 10. DANCE THE BLUES** - Out-of-sorts veteran gelding whose 3rd at Mons on PSF over 2300m in November was achieved at a considerably lower level. Well-beaten 8th in a 3400m PSF handicap at Deauville on 14 December - others preferred
- 11. PRINCESSE SCARLET** - Rarely seen on the PSF but finished an eye-catching 4th in a 3400m handicap on this surface at Deauville recently (14 December). Keep safe
- 12. POWERKISS D'OROUX** - Unplaced in 3 recent comeback outings after a 5-month break, though did show signs of improvement when 7th in a 2500m PSF handicap at Deauville on 20 November. More needed off a 0,5kg lower mark
- 13. RUE DAUPHINE** - Veteran mare ineffective on PSF and soundly beaten in consecutive handicaps on this surface recently - the latest (17th) on this course over 3200m on 12 December. Improvement needed
- 14. FIVE BY FIVE** - Experienced but inconsistent veteran who is seldom far off the mark on a going day and didn't go unnoticed (5th) in a 3100m PSF handicap at Pornichet on 22 December. Will appeal to lovers of outsiders
- 15. PENNYWELL** - Unplaced in all 20 appearances, the latest (14th) in a 3100m PSF handicap at Pornichet on 22 December. Hard to recommend
- 16. HEART BRAKER** - Soundly beaten in all 9 starts this year after a lengthy 21-month absence. Well-beaten 12th in a 3100m handicap on PSF at Pornichet on 22 December - can be ruled out

Summary: ELEGANTIA (7) improved to finish a career-best 2nd last time out in first-time blinkers and needs only to confirm that form/progress, with the headgear retained, to open her account. She gets the nod ahead of AIRA (4), runner-up in a course-and-distance event last month. MAESTRO CHOP (6) is better than his disappointing last start suggests but will acquit himself competitively if bouncing back to earlier form. PRINCESSE SCARLET (11), PREFERENCIA (9) and MONTGINO (1) complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

ELEGANTIA (7) - AIRA (4) - MAESTRO CHOP (6) - PRINCESSE SCARLET (11)

**C4 - PRIX DES CANTERS - 2700m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR €
15,000**

- 1. AND WE DANCED** - Inconsistent performer who continues to blow hot and cold - failed to confirm the form/improvement of her 5th in a 2500m PSF handicap at Deauville when finishing 16th in a course-and-distance PSF handicap on 7 December
- 2. MYKAN** - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials in handicaps on both surfaces. Unplaced (11th) in a 2500m PSF handicap at Deauville on 26 November for Philippe Van de Poële - has since joined Gilles Pannier
- 3. ZOUBAREVA** - Unreliable filly whose best references/performances were achieved on this surface - won 1800m handicap on this course in September. Unplaced in all 4 subsequent starts, the latest (14th) over 1800m here on 20 December
- 4. RUE DE VOLGA** - Versatile hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials in handicaps on both surfaces, including a recent 4th in a course-and-distance handicap on 7 December. Candidate for success
- 5. SIXTINE BAAL** - Inconsistent 16-start maiden with references in handicaps on both surfaces - seldom finishes far off the mark. Unplaced (8th) in a 3100m PSF handicap at Pornichet on 23 November so is probably best just to watch for now
- 6. PARFAITE MERILL** - Thriving veteran mare, rewarded for her consistency with a last-start victory in a course-and-distance handicap on 7 December. Has another winning chance, despite a resultant 2,5kg penalty
- 7. MONT STEELE** - Veteran handicapper who improved with a tongue-tie fitted to finish a reassuring 2nd in a 3100m PSF handicap at Pornichet on 22 December. Must confirm that form/improvement to play a leading role
- 8. FELIX FELICIS** - Progressive handicapper whose last 4 starts have yielded 2 wins and two 2nds. Winner of a course-and-distance handicap on 22 November and a 3kg shouldn't halt his momentum
- 9. ON A SOUFFERT** - Unreliable but has dropped to a competitive mark and confirmed as much with a reassuring 4th in a 2100m PSF claimer at Pornichet on 15 December. Confirmation expected
- 10. OSER** - Inconsistent performer with sound references/form credentials in handicaps on this surface, including a last-start 4th on this course over 2100m. Will be competitive with a repeat of that performance
- 11. MOMOUR** - Consistent veteran hard-knocker with 10 wins from 85 starts. Hasn't been seen since finishing 3rd on 14 July in a 2500m Aix-les-Bains turf handicap, so best watched for now
- 12. EL INGRATO** - Honest hard-knocking veteran of 102 appearances (10 wins) but out of sorts at present - unplaced in consecutive recent handicaps (8th in both), the latest at Pau on PSF over 2000m on 21 December. Minor role
- 13. BRAMANTE** - Made a winning start to the year in a 2400m turf handicap on heavy ground at this venue on 10 March. Unplaced in all 4 subsequent starts/handicaps, the latest (7th) in a course-and-distance event on 7 December - outsider
- 14. BALGEES TIME** - Took advantage of a career-low (current) mark to finish an eye-catching/reassuring 2nd in a 2600m PSF handicap at Marseille-Vivau on 7 December when resuming after a 3-month absence. Confirmation expected
- 15. FALWUKAIR LAUJAC** - Absent since finishing 11th in a 2100m turf handicap on heavy ground at Argentan on 9 October. Others preferred
- 16. DIAMOND FOR REEL** - Returned from a 13-month absence when finishing 8th on this course in a 2100m handicap on 12 December. Best watched for now

Summary: Thriving hard-knocker PERFECT MERILL (6) is in rude health and needs only to repeat the performance of her last-start course-and-distance success to thwart RUE DE VOLGA (4), who finished 4th last time but is weighted to pose more of a threat to her last-start conqueror. Veteran MONT STEELE (7) and progressive FELIX FELICIS (8) aren't taken lightly and have legitimate podium prospects. BALGEES TIME (14) capitalised on her career-low mark to finish a reassuring 2nd last time and will make her presence felt too, if confirming that form/improvement. MYKAN (2) appeals most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

PARFAITE MERILL (6) - RUE DE VOLGA (4) - MONT STEELE (7) - FELIX FELICIS (8)

**C5 - PRIX DU PARC DES AIGLES - 2700m (a1m1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat
- EUR € 18,000**

- 1. KEEP AWAY** - Honest and versatile hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials in handicaps on both surfaces. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 15th in a 2500m PSF handicap at Deauville on 26 November
- 2. REVENTADOR** - An ultra-consistent performer who continues to run well on both surfaces in claimers, handicaps and conditions events. Showed his form/well-being with a close-up 4th in a 2500m Class 4 conditions race on PSF at Deauville on 19 December
- 3. GOLDYWAY DE SAON** - Improved in first-time headgear to win a 2100m PSF handicap on this course earlier this month (12 December). Ought to remain competitive under a 2m5kg penalty with the headgear retained
- 4. RADETSKY MARSCH** - Belatedly doubled his account when rewarded for consistency with a last-start victory in a 2500m Deauville handicap on the PSF last month (26 November). The resultant 2,5kg penalty shouldn't prevent another forward showing
- 5. SHANGHAI SPIRIT** - Honest hard-knocker on a competitive mark and in good form/physical condition - confirmed as much by finishing 3rd in a course-and-distance handicap on 7 December. Candidate for success
- 6. JUWEL** - Experienced 16-start maiden with sound references, albeit without a win - seldom finishes far off the mark in turf handicaps. Unknown quantity on PSF and a well-beaten 12th in a 3000m Strasbourg handicap on 8 September
- 7. GRAND LEON** - Won a course-and-distance handicap on 7 December before proving his competitiveness under a 2,5kg penalty (current mark) by finishing 4th in a 2500m PSF handicap at Deauville on 23 December. Not taken lightly
- 8. AGELKA** - Won a 2500m PSF handicap at Deauville on 20 November but struggled (well-beaten 12th) under a 2kg penalty in a subsequent PSF handicap at Pornichet on 8 December. For another day
- 9. JUFULL DU SEUIL** - Finished 2nd (Deauville, 2500m) and 3rd (Lyon-La Soie, 3200m) in 2 comeback outings on PSF after a 4-month absence before her recent failure (10th) in a 2500m PSF handicap at Deauville on 23 December. Capable but inconsistent
- 10. ATREUS** - Unreliable but lightly raced 6-year-old with sound references/form credentials in handicaps on both surfaces and scope for improvement. Unplaced (8th) in a 2400m conditions race at Lyon-La Soie on 6 December - can do better
- 11. ARGYRON** - Confirmed the improvement of his Deauville 2nd (2500m PSF handicap) last month with a creditable last-start 5th in a course-and-distance handicap on 7 December. On the shortlist
- 12. EARLY LIGHT** - Unplaced in all 3 comeback appearances after a 6-month absence. Well-beaten 11th in a 2000m PSF handicap at Pau on 21 December. Others preferred
- 13. MAYDANA** - Lightly raced mare whose last-start 6th in a course-and-distance handicap on 7 December (first PSF appearance) didn't go unnoticed - unable to secure clear running room, finished with running in her. Attractive outsider with headgear fitted
- 14. GOLD PALACE** - Consistent and versatile hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials in handicaps on both surfaces, including a last-start 3rd in a course-and-distance handicap on 7 December. Keep safe
- 15. PARABAK** - Won a 2400m PSF handicap at Pau in late November but struggled (finished last of 13) off his current mark/under a 2kg penalty in a 2600m PSF handicap at Marseille-Vivieux on 7 December. Best watched for now
- 16. SKIP CHOP** - Unplaced in his last 4 starts (3 claimers) back on French soil, the latest (7th) in a 2400m Pornichet PSF handicap on 8 December. Hard to recommend

Summary: RADETSKY MARSCH (4) scored a confidence-boosting handicap victory at Deauville last month and, with the headgear retained, seems likely to make another bold bid for success, SHANGHAI SPIRIT (5), in rejuvenated and on a competitive mark, ARGYRON (11), who usually performs well with Augustin Madamet aboard, and consistent REVENTADOR (2) have both the form and experience to challenge the selection for race honours. GOLD PALACE (14), GRAND LEON (7) MAYDANA (13), in first-time headgear, are attractive outsiders

SELECTIONS

RADETSKY MARSCH (4) - SHANGHAI SPIRIT (5) - ARGYRON (11) - REVENTADOR (2)

**C6 - PRIX DU DONJON DE CLERMONT - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR
€ 19,000**

1. **BAYLINER** - Inconsistent but versatile 17-start maiden with sound references in handicaps on both surfaces - seldom far off the mark. Unplaced (12th) in a 1300m PSF handicap at Deauville on 19 December but shouldn't be hastily condemned - dark horse
2. **LE RAVI** - Unplaced in all 4 PSF appearances, the latest (12th) in a 1900m handicap at Deauville on 18 December after an 8-month absence. Improvement needed
3. **GOKORA** - Outrun late when finishing unplaced (8th) in a 1900m PSF handicap at Deauville on 18 December. On that evidence, this shorter distance will be more to his liking
4. **LARCIN** - Improved in 3 starts on PSF and is competitive off his current mark - confirmed as much by finishing 3rd in consecutive PSF handicaps earlier this month, the latest over 1900m at Deauville on 18 December. Winning chance
5. **GARD FOREST** - Modest 3-year-old gelding unplaced in all 6 appearances - the latest (well-beaten 12th) on this course in a 1900m maiden on 7 December. Hard to recommend
6. **IHOA** - Rediscovered form/momentum recently in 2 starts with headgear refitted - finished a good 4th in a 1400m PSF handicap at Deauville on 13 December. On the shortlist
7. **CITYDOR** - Improved to finish a reassuring (career-best) 4th in a 1700m PSF maiden at Pornichet on 22 December. More needed
8. **TIGER KING** - Unplaced in all 3 starts on this surface - finished 7th in a course-and-distance handicap on 10 December. Improvement needed
9. **BAWE ISLAND** - Soundly beaten (12th) in a 1400m PSF handicap at Deauville on 13 December in her first start on this surface. Outsider
10. **NORONHA** - Experienced 16-start maiden who didn't go unnoticed when 6th in a 1400m PSF handicap at Deauville on 13 December in her first start on this surface. Dark horse
11. **ALVAR** - Capitalised on a career-low (current) mark to finish an improved/eye-catching 2nd in a 1400m PSF handicap at Deauville on 13 December. Confirmation expected
12. **MOONWALKER** - Honest hard-knocker on a competitive mark with sound references/form credentials - seldom far off the mark on a going day. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th in a 1400m PSF handicap at Deauville on 13 December
13. **ESHBELIA** - Experienced 20-start maiden soundly beaten in all 5 appearances on this surface, including back-to-back PSF handicaps at Deauville - the latest (14th) over 1900m on 18 December. Others preferred
14. **JIJI MY LOVE** - Improved since dropping in the ratings - caught the eye with a good 3rd in a 1400m handicap on the PSF at Deauville on 13 December. Candidate for success

Summary: LARCIN (4) has taken to the PSF and should open his account sooner rather than later - today could be his day. He is preferred to JIJI MY LOVE (14), who has improved since dropping in the ratings, and ALVAR (11), whose eye-catching 2nd in a similar handicap at Deauville last time out will stand him in good stead. Familiar foes IHOA (6) and MOONWALKER (12) also have legitimate podium aspirations. BAYLINER (1) completes the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

LARCIN (4) - JIJI MY LOVE (14) - ALVAR (11) - IHOA (6)

**C7 - PRIX DE LA PORTE NOINTEL - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR €
21,000**

- 1. QUEEN SINGER** - Experienced filly with sound references on both surfaces but is currently out of sorts - unplaced in 4 consecutive outings, the latest (11th) in an 1800m turf handicap at Salon-de-Provence on 28 November. Best watched for now
- 2. ENTRE NOUS** - Unplaced in both starts on turf earlier this year but sparked improvement on his return from a 5-month absence in his first PSF appearance - finished 6th in a course-and-distance claimer on 19 November. Further progress likely in handicap
- 3. GOLDEN FLASH** - Relatively consistent performer with sound references, albeit only on turf - seldom far off the mark. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 6th in a 2000m Toulouse handicap on 1 December
- 4. BOLZANO** - Experienced 12-start maiden unplaced in back-to-back recent appearances/claimers, the latest (6th) over 1800m on PSF at Lyon-La Soie on 2 December. First-time blinkers need to spark improvement
- 5. CUBANISTO** - PSF specialist with sound references/form credentials on this surface, including a 1900m victory on this course and a 4th in a 1900m handicap at Deauville on 18 December. Keep safe
- 6. KELBOFRER** - Opened his account when winning a 1600m Class 3 conditions race at Lignières 2 starts back but finished unplaced (9th) in a 1900m PSF handicap at Deauville on 29 November in his first PSF appearance. Improvement needed
- 7. ELKABIER** - Inconsistent but versatile performer with references in handicaps on both surfaces. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 12th in a 1400m Deauville PSF handicap on 13 December following a 7-month absence (has scope to improve)
- 8. EN PLEIN AIR** - Experienced 16-start maiden with sound PSF references at a higher level. Unplaced (8th) in a 1400m Deauville handicap on PSF after a 3-month absence on 13 December but would've come on since and should have more to offer - keep safe
- 9. THUNDERHEART** - Touched off (narrowly beaten 2nd) in a course-and-distance handicap on 10 December. Needn't improve much to go one better
- 10. MAGNETICQUEEN** - Soundly beaten (15th) in a 1900m PSF handicap at Deauville on 1 August in her first PSF appearance. Hard to recommend
- 11. HAUTE GAMME** - Regained momentum recently, albeit in claimers on the turf - won a 1600m claimer at Mont-de-Marsan on 16 November. More needed back in a handicap
- 12. ELUSIVE GLORY** - Bounced back to form with a reassuring 4th in a course-and-distance handicap on 10 December. Will be competitive with a repeat of that performance
- 13. ROBIN** - Unplaced in 2 starts on PSF, both at Deauville - the latest (10th) in a 1900m handicap on 29 November. Others preferred
- 14. SI CAPO SI** - Runner-up in consecutive PSF handicaps at Deauville before his recent failure (10th) there in a 1400m PSF handicap on 13 December. Shouldn't be hastily condemned

Summary: THUNDERHEART (9) was outrun late into 2nd in a course-and-distance event earlier this month but a repeat of that performance may suffice against this opposition. Experienced EN PLEIN AIR (8), ELUSIVE GLORY (12) and SI CAPO SI (14) seem best equipped to challenge the selection for race honours. CUBANISTO (5) and ENTRE NOUS (2) appeal most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

THUNDERHEART (9) - EN PLEIN AIR (8) - ELUSIVE GLORY (12) - SI CAPO SI (14)

**C8 - PRIX DE CLERMONT-DE-L'OISE - 1600m (a1m) - ALL WEATHER - Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR €
25,000**

- 1. DARI RIVER** - Unreliable and was 11th in a handicap at Deauville over 1400m on 13 December. Better judged on her penultimate start and has a winning chance
- 2. ZRYAN** - Very consistent so far and was victorious last time out in a Conditions race at Lyon-Parilly over 1600m on 20 April. Returns from a break but is not out of it
- 3. GODESSA** - Has improved of late and won a handicap last time out at Deauville over 1300m on 19 December. Carries a penalty but can make the frame
- 4. MARHARRY** - Not disgraced when 5th in a handicap over this course and distance on 19 November. Should contest the finish
- 5. ALI** - Needed the last run when 16th in a handicap at Deauville over 1400m on 26 November. Capable of better and is not out of it
- 6. BAGGALA** - Has struggled of late and was well beaten last time out in a handicap at Deauville over 1400m on 26 November. Others are preferred
- 7. MAYWE** - Modest recent form of late and was 9th in a handicap over this track and trip on 19 November. Others make more appeal
- 8. AURORA'S BEAUTY** - Yet to win a race but is consistent and was fourth last time out in a Conditions race at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 1600m on 22 November. Can be competitive in this line-up
- 9. CARTIMANDUA** - Did not run too badly when 5th in a handicap at Salon-de-Provence over 1800m on 28 November. Did disappoint on this surface before that
- 10. ZELORO** - Disappointing last run when 8th in a handicap at Deauville over 1900m on 29 November. Others are preferred
- 11. ANDARTIS** - Showed improvement when scoring last time out in a Conditions race at Pornichet-La Baule over 1700m on 30 November. Can follow up
- 12. FORCEFULL** - Yet to win a race but was not disgraced when 5th in a handicap at Deauville over 1400m on 26 November. Can contest the finish
- 13. TRUE VALUE** - Has lost her way of late and was tenth in a handicap over this course and distance on 10 December. Needs major improvement to win
- 14. OLYMPIC FLAMBEE** - Did not run too badly when 5th in a Conditions race at this course over 1900m on 7 December. Could do a bit better this shorter distance

Summary: DARI RIVER (1) had legitimate excuses for finishing unplaced last time but she is certainly worth another chance, especially on the evidence of her earlier form. She is taken to redeem herself at the expense of FORCEFULL (12), who sports first-time headgear, and ALI (5), who should've improved after a much-needed comeback outing. Consistent MARHARRY (4) and experienced maiden AURORA'S BEAUTY (8) are also potential place-getters.

SELECTIONS

DARI RIVER (1) - FORCEFULL (12) - ALI (5) - MARHARRY (4)