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R4 DEAUVILLE [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE LA COUR ORIOT - 1300m (a6f1/2) - ALL WEATHER -
Handicap - Flat - EUR € 25,000**

- 1. CENDRE** - Consistent 6-start maiden with solid form references/credentials at a higher level (albeit without a victory), including a recent course-and-distance 2nd in a maiden on 10 January. Winning chance on handicap debut
- 2. ANOTHERMINE** - Unexposed filly with undeniable means/untapped potential and solid form references, including a last-start 3rd over 1600m in a Class 2 PSF conditions race at Chantilly on 30 December. Respected on handicap debut
- 3. LA FLUTE** - Lightly raced filly with references at a higher level, albeit on turf. Unplaced (8th) on her handicap debut over 1200m at Chantilly on 7 September but is open to improvement on her reappearance trying this surface
- 4. MONARCH HUNZA** - Caught the eye with a career-best 4th in a course-and-distance handicap on 3 January. Competitive for the podium
- 5. MIKEY** - Improving last-start winner at big odds of a 1500m PSF handicap at Marseille-Vivaux on 2 January. Attractive outsider under a 2,5kg penalty
- 6. LOVELY DREAM** - Unplaced in her last 3 PSF appearances, including her latest outing (7th) in a course-and-distance handicap on 3 January. Didn't go unnoticed on that occasion and can get into the picture here
- 7. SPICHOPE** - Soundly beaten in both handicap appearances, one on each surface - the latest (11th) on this course over 1400m on 13 December. Best watched for now
- 8. DOCTEUR SAFI** - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials, that include finishing 6th in consecutive PSF handicaps - the latest on this course over 1500m on 17 January. Minor role
- 9. YELLOW HAWK** - Improved recently in 3 starts with cheekpieces fitted and confirmed as much by finishing 2nd on this course in a 1400m PSF handicap on 13 December. High on the shortlist
- 10. MELLOW YELLOW** - Confirmed/built on the promise of his PSF and handicap debut (5th) here over 1900m with a last-start 2nd at this venue in a 1500m PSF handicap on 17 January. One to beat
- 11. KEY TO VICTORY** - Experienced filly with sound PSF references in claimers and handicaps, including a last-start 4th over 1300m in a claimer at Chantilly on 16 January. Place chance
- 12. LILAS TREZY** - Last-start winner of a 1300m PSF claimer at Chantilly on 16 January. Has more on her plate in her first handicap appearance but is improving
- 13. JEALOUS SKY** - Experienced 9-start maiden making her handicap debut. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 4th in a 1200m PSF maiden at Pau on 4 January

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14. LARMES D'OR - Consistent 7-start maiden with sound references/form credentials (albeit without a victory), including a recent 2nd in a course-and-distance handicap on 3 January. Candidate for success

15. AIR DE SAMBA - Soundly beaten in all 4 starts, including her latest (10th) on this course in her first handicap appearance over the same distance on 3 January. Others preferred

16. SURVIVOL - Unplaced in all 4 starts, the latest (8th) over 1500m on 17 January in his first handicap appearance on this course. Best watched for now

Summary: A wide-open 3-year-old handicap to begin proceedings. MELLOW YELLOW (10), runner-up here over 1500m a fortnight ago, gets the vote to go one better if not troubled by this shorter distance. CENDRE (1), in his first start at this level with Maxime Guyon in the irons, and YELLOW HAWK (9) are also genuine candidates for victory. LARMES D'OR (14), MONARCH HUNZA (4) and LOVELY DREAM (6) complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

MELLOW YELLOW (10) - CENDRE (1) - YELLOW HAWK (9) - LARMES D'OR (14)

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C2 - PRIX DU CAP DE LA HAGUE - 1300m (a6f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 23,000

- 1. SPEZIAL** - Experienced filly with sound references and solid form credentials at a higher level, including a last-start 5th in a course-and-distance Class 3 conditions race on 27 December. Winning chance on her reappearance
- 2. PARISIAN LEAH** - Unplaced (9th) in a course-and-distance Class 3 conditions race on 27 December resuming after a 4-month absence. Best watched for now
- 3. CLANITHA** - Unplaced in all 4 handicap appearances, including 3 consecutive starts on PSF - the latest (10th) over 1400m at Pau on 14 January. Others preferred
- 4. LOYAL PRINCE** - Experienced hard-knocker with sound handicap references on both surfaces. Best watched for now after his last-start 7th in a course-and-distance Class 3 conditions race on 27 December - for another day
- 5. GOLDFIELD** - Inconsistent handicapper with undeniable means and on a competitive mark at present. Confirmed as much with a creditable course-and-distance 6th on 3 January
- 6. MRS HOLIDAY** - Eye-catching 2nd in a course-and-distance Class 4 event on 4 January in her first PSF appearance. Candidate for success for improvement expected
- 7. NEW YORK NEW YORK** - Relatively consistent performer with untapped potential and sound form references. Disappointing 7th over 1500m in a PSF handicap at Marseille on 7 December but reappears with headgear fitted - not taken lightly
- 8. RIYABOVKA** - Lightly raced filly with undeniable means, room for improvement and references at a higher level. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 10th in a course-and-distance handicap on 3 January - capable of better
- 9. KHARAMAZOV** - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 2nd at Marseille-Vivax in a 1500m PSF handicap on 2 January. Contender for the podium
- 10. PERLI CHOPE** - Unplaced in her last 7 starts, including back-to-back PSF handicaps - the latest (8th) at Pau on 14 January over 1400m. Others preferred
- 11. SNOW GHOST** - Last-start winner of a course-and-distance handicap on 3 January. Remains competitive for victory despite a 2kg penalty
- 12. ZEPLACETOBÉ** - Experienced filly with sound references in recent course-and-distance claimers, including back-to-back 4ths earlier this month - the latest on 24 January. Place chance
- 13. HAPPY AGAIN** - Typically fast-finisher with sound references/form credentials at this level in PSF handicaps, including a 2nd on this course in a handicap over 1500m on 23 January. Keep safe
- 14. NURTURE** - Consistent 8-start maiden with solid form references/credentials at this level (albeit without a victory). Good 3rd in a course-and-distance handicap on 3 January - should fight for victory if repeating that performance
- 15. STORMYGO** - Bounced back to form with a reassuring last-start 3rd in a course-and-distance handicap on 24 October. Respected on his reappearance

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Summary: Another trappy handicap, this time for 4-year-olds. NURTURE (14) wouldn't be winning out of turn and deserves to be rewarded for her consistency. She gets the nod ahead of returning SPEZIAL (1) and last-start course-and-distance SNOW GHOST (11), who ought to remain competitive for the leading positions, despite a 2kg penalty. MRS HOLIDAY (6), on her PSF debut, and recent runner-up here HAPPY AGAIN (13) also deserve a mention.

SELECTIONS

NURTURE (14) - SPEZIAL (1) - SNOW GHOST (11) - MRS HOLIDAY (6)

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C3 - PRIX DU CAP DE LA HEVE - 1300m (a6f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 21,000

- 1. LOLLIPOP STAR** - Unplaced in both PSF appearances, the latest (13th) in a 1300m handicap at Cagnes on 15 January. Others preferred
- 2. VEGA** - Won a 1400m handicap on this course 3 weeks ago and confirmed her competitiveness off this mark (under 2,5kg penalty) when finishing a respectable 6th here in a 1500m PSF handicap on 23 January. Dark horse
- 3. TANIS** - Out of sorts and soundly beaten in 4 consecutive recent outings but could resurface dropped to her current mark. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 9th in a 1500m handicap on this course on 23 January
- 4. BAILEYS ILLUSION** - Consistent 10-start maiden with solid form references at this level (albeit without a victory), including a 5th last time over 1400m on this course in a handicap on 13 December. Winning chance on her reappearance
- 5. FAVORY CHOP** - Inconsistent but undeniably capable handicapper on a competitive current mark. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 7th in a 1500m handicap on this course on 23 January
- 6. AERODYNAMIC** - Unplaced in both PSF appearances, the latest (11th) in a course-and-distance handicap on 3 January. Others preferred
- 7. GRAND ANGEL** - Experienced filly with sound references/form credentials in handicaps at this level on both surfaces. Didn't go unnoticed (7th) in a 1400m turf handicap at Strasbourg on 15 September - respected on her reappearance
- 8. COMMEAUX** - Inconsistent handicapper on turf but his means are undeniable. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for his 8th in a course-and-distance claimer on 24 January. Attractive outsider
- 9. COSTARMORICAIN** - Confirmed/built on a satisfactory first outing on PSF (9th) here over 1400m to finish an improved 4th in a course-and-distance handicap on 3 January. Will have a role to play with a repeat of that performance
- 10. BAILEYS VITESSE** - Improved in 3 recent starts and should have a role to play in current form/physical condition. Finished 4th on this course in a 1500m handicap on 23 January - high on the shortlist
- 11. BAILEYS BACHELOR** - Bounced back to form with a reassuring last-start 3rd in a course-and-distance handicap on 3 January. Dark horse
- 12. FIRE REBEL** - Last-start winner of 1400m handicap on this course last month. Regained freshness since that 13 December victory and remains competitive for victory despite a 2kg penalty
- 13. PIU DREAM** - Experienced and versatile colt with sound references in handicaps on both surfaces but is best watched for now after a recent failure (10th) in a 1200m PSF handicap at Pau on 10 January. For another day
- 14. RUM TUM TUGGER** - Unplaced in all 10 appearances last year and soundly beaten (11th) in a course-and-distance handicap early this month on 3 January. Others preferred

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Summary: BAILEYS ILLUSION (4) will shed her maiden tag sooner rather than later and she may finally be rewarded for consistency here at the expense of improving COSTARMORICAIN (9) and last-start winner FIRE REBEL (12), who has regained freshness and remains competitive on his reappearance, even under a 2kg penalty. BAILEYS VITESSE (10) and BAILEYS BACHELOR (11) appeal most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

BAILEYS ILLUSION (4) - COSTARMORICAIN (9) - FIRE REBEL (12) - BAILEYS VITESSE (10)

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C4 - PRIX DE BALME - 1500m (a7f1/2) - ALL WEATHER - Maiden Race - Flat - EUR € 18,000

- 1. SUHAAS** - Improved in first-time headgear to finish 5th in a 2400m turf claimer at Dieppe on 29 May 2024. Switches to PSF with a change of equipment on his reappearance - watch for now
- 2. ITAO DE BOUSSAY** - Unplaced in all 4 starts, including his latest (11th) in his first PSF appearance over 1800m at Lyon-La Soie on 9 January. Others preferred
- 3. BRAVO PAPA** - Featured prominently in the betting on debut but only managed to finish 8th at Fontainebleau over 1200m on 30 April last year. Highly regarded and is unexposed so may be worth siding with on his reappearance
- 4. PIEMONT** - Career-best 2nd (only narrowly beaten) in the 1400m benchmark/reference race on this course on 4 January. Candidate for success
- 5. ICE CLIMBER** - Lightly raced gelding with undeniable means and room for improvement. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 8th in a course-and-distance handicap on 24 January - redemption awaits
- 6. SHOWBOATED** - Consistent performer on turf and PSF across the Channel, albeit with success (12-start maiden). Shouldnt be hastily condemned for finishing 7th in a 1000m turf handicap at Musselburgh on 27 August - not taken lightly
- 7. L'ARDECHOISE** - Absent since her failure at Compiegne on 12 June 2024 but boasts sound form references, especially on PSF. Respected on her reappearance
- 8. IRIDIA** - Experienced 10-start maiden unplaced in 9 appearances, including her latest outing (10th) on this course on 4 January over 1400m. Best watched for now
- 9. EYOTA TECA** - Unplaced in 3 appearances, all on PSF - the latest (12th) over 1900m at Chantilly on 11 January. Just watch for now
- 10. KINEMATICA** - Caught the eye when finishing 4th in a 1400m PSF claimer at Chantilly on 20 December in her first start on French soil. Keep safe
- 11. ANAHERA** - Soundly beaten (17th) on debut in a 1900m PSF maiden at Chantilly on 11 January. Best watched for now
- 12. FAMILY SILVER** - Bounced back to form with a reassuring 5th in the reference race on this course over 1400m on 4 January. High on the shortlist
- 13. L'HIRONDELLE** - Soundly beaten in both appearances at Pornichet, on debut (11th) over 2400m and over 2100m (13th) earlier this month on 5 January. Hard to recommend

Summary: Better was expected of BRAVO PAPA (3) on his debut last year but it could pay to side with him on his reappearance in what is a winnable race in his first start on this surface. PIEMONT (4) was only touched off in the key references race earlier this month, so he needs only to repeat the performance to fight for victory. ICE CLIMBER (5) and FAMILY SILVER (12) could improve to make life difficult for the principals, while KINEMATICA (10) and L'ARDECHOISE (7) are others with legitimate podium aspirations.

SELECTIONS

BRAVO PAPA (3) - PIEMONT (4) - ICE CLIMBER (5) - FAMILY SILVER (12)

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C5 - PRIX DES DOCKS VAUBAN - 3400m (a2m1/8) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 30,000

- 1. BLACK HAWK** - A winner in the last two, the latest in a Handicap at this track over 3400m on 4 January. Looking for the hat-trick and can achieve it
- 2. NASDAQ** - A runner up in a Handicap at this track over 3400m on 24 January. Track suited and has sufficient means to fight for victory
- 3. LOR BLANC** - Third in a Conditions race at Marseille-Vivaux over 2600m on 10 December. Holding form well and was fourth in the penultimate on this track. Shortlisted
- 4. ACT OF WISDOM** - Finished 9th in a Handicap at Chantilly over 3200m on 12 December. Ignore the latest. Capable of contesting the finish
- 5. YEMASKA** - Finished 10th in a Handicap at this track over 3400m on 4 January. Others are preferred in this line up
- 6. ROSETTA STONE** - Fourth in a Conditions race at Pornichet-La Baule over 3100m on 29 December. Well weighted and can make the frame
- 7. ANAGALLIS** - Finished 6th in a Conditions race at Pornichet-La Baule over 3100m on 29 December. Was supported in the latest and deserves another chance
- 8. KEEP AWAY** - Finished 7th in a Handicap at Chantilly over 2700m on 30 December. Unreliable but was a runner up on this track three runs back
- 9. RISE AND SHINE** - Fifth in a Handicap at this track over 3400m on 4 January. Seldom far off them and can have place prospects
- 10. BRAMESHOT** - Well beaten 9th in a Conditions race at Pornichet-La Baule over 3100m on 29 December. Others are preferred in this line up

Summary: BLACK HAWK (1) defied the handicaper in his last two runs and could just do that again despite the harsh penalty for his last success. NASDAQ (2) is also very effective over the track & trip and should not be too far off the action. LOR BLANC (3) has been holding form well and ships a long way for this race so he must be closely monitored. ACT OF WISDOM (4)'s last run is too bad to be true and he is best judged on his previous outings.

SELECTIONS

BLACK HAWK (1) - NASDAQ (2) - LOR BLANC (3) - ACT OF WISDOM (4)

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C6 - PRIX DE LA VILLA MARITIME - 3400m (a2m1/8) - ALL WEATHER - Class 3 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 23,000

- 1. GREASE** - Fourth in a Handicap at this track over 2500m on 17 January. Not far off them in the last two and has sufficient means to fight for victory
- 2. PRINCESS ANNE** - Finished 6th in a Conditions race at Chantilly over 2700m on 11 January. Maxime Guyon is in the saddle and will give every assistance
- 3. RED JOY** - A runner up in a Handicap at this track over 3400m on 4 January. A consistent sort who is in good form and can go close again
- 4. MAC LA TAMBOUILLE** - Finished 9th in a Handicap at Fontainebleau over 3000m on 14 November. Has won the only previous attempt on this track over today's trip
- 5. CHARLES LEGEND** - Unplaced in a Handicap at Saint-Cloud over 2500m on 10 October. Might need the run
- 6. FRENCH DIVA** - Third in a Handicap at this track over 2500m on 23 January. Track suited and has won over this trip in December. Deserves to be respected
- 7. KEMOON** - Unplaced in a Handicap at this track over 2500m on 23 December. Unreliable and needs to find a few lengths
- 8. CHECKPOINT CHARLIE** - Finished 6th in a Handicap at this track over 2500m on 17 January. Unlikely to be involved in the finish
- 9. PARFAITE MERILL** - Finished 8th in a Handicap at this track over 2500m on 17 January. Others are preferred in this line up
- 10. MAESTRO CHOP** - A runner-up in a Handicap at this track over 2500m on 17 January. Capable of making the frame

Summary: RED JOY (3) was a game second in a competitive handicap last time out at this track and seems to face a slightly easier task today. This could see her resume winning ways. A winner of her sole run over the track & trip, PRINCESS ANNE (2) posted a very promising effort last time out and is worth some serious consideration. GREASE (1) is as consistent as they come and can make a big splash on his first run at this course. FRENCH DIVA (6) boasts a sound record over the course & distance and is another one making up the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

RED JOY (3) - PRINCESS ANNE (2) - GREASE (1) - FRENCH DIVA (6)

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C7 - PRIX ROGER POINCELET (CHMPT PARIS TURF DES APPRENTIS & JEUNES JOCKEYS) - 1900m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 4 Claiming Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16,000

1. **SCHWENDI** - Fifth in a Claimer at this track over 1900m on 3 January. It has sufficient means to fight for a place on the podium

2. **EDEN** - Finished 10th in a Handicap at this track over 1900m on 28 December. Poor form and needs to improve

3. **LETTYT FIGHT** - A runner-up in the last two, the latest in a Claimer at this track over 1900m on 3 January. Track-suited and is capable of going one better

4. **VYBORG** - Unplaced in a Conditions race at this track over 2500m on 4 January. Poor form and others are preferred

5. **CHIEF MAMBO** - Unplaced in a Conditions race at this track over 1900m on 27 November. The penultimate start was a runner-up on this track and is not out of it

6. **PANGAEA** - Fifth in a Claimer at this track over 1900m on 10 January. Seldom far off them and can make the frame

7. **SOUL AND ROMANCE** - Finished 8th in a Claimer at this track over 1900m on 23 December. Ignore the latest. Capable of bouncing back to contest the finish again

8. **POWER PAPERS** - Fifth in a Claimer at Pau over 2400m on 14 January. Can play a minor role at best

9. **THE CHARMER** - Well beaten 9th in a Conditions race at this track over 1500m on 4 January. Others are preferred in this line-up

Summary: LETTYT FIGHT (3) is always very effective at this track and comes in the race on the back of two solid placed efforts. SOUL AND ROMANCE (7) is well entered and should leave behind her last below-par performance. PANGAEA (6) is not exactly a winning machine but has scored over the course & distance before so is best to be kept on the shortlist. CHIEF MAMBO (5) can be erratic but is not out of it.

SELECTIONS

LETTYT FIGHT (3) - SOUL AND ROMANCE (7) - PANGAEA (6) - CHIEF MAMBO (5)

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C8 - PRIX CARO - 1900m (a1m1/4) - ALL WEATHER - Class 2 Race - Flat - EUR € 28,000

- 1. AZ ZEIVA** - A winner on debut in a Claimer at this track over 1900m on 27 December. Showed well on debut and can make the frame again
- 2. EL PEQUENIO** - Third in a Conditions race at Chantilly over 1600m on 10 December. A consistent sort who was a runner-up on this track in October
- 3. CHAUMIERE DE PRE** - A winner of the last two, the latest in a Handicap at this track over 1900m on 3 January. In good form and is not out of it
- 4. SIRIUS BROWN** - A winner in a Conditions race at this track over 1900m on 28 December. Improved effort on this track over today's trip and can follow up
- 5. YUKAI** - A winner in a Conditions race at Lyon-La Soie over 2150m on 22 January. Has the confidence and is capable of contesting the finish
- 6. RAOULE** - A winner on debut in a Conditions race at this track over 1900m on 28 December. With natural improvement, it can contest the finish
- 7. SI SEULEMENT** - A winner in a Conditions race at Pornichet-La Baule over 2100m on 5 January. A filly behind her in the latest has come out to win. Respected

Summary: This is a very competitive last race with six of the seven runners turning up on the back of a success. SIRIUS BROWN (4) was very impressive over the course & distance on 28 December and has more to offer. He can follow up at the expense of SI SEULEMENT (7), a sound winner at Pornichet in a race whose form has worked out well. YUKAI (5) is from a top-yard and should be shortlisted as well. Claimed after his last success, AZ ZEIVA (1) could have more to offer.

SELECTIONS

SIRIUS BROWN (4) - SI SEULEMENT (7) - YUKAI (5) - AZ ZEIVA (1)