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C1 - PRIX DE LA STATION THERMALE DE VITTEL - 4200m (a2m1/2) - TURF - Handicap - Steeple Chase - EUR € 27,000

- 1. NORMANDE** - 5th two runs ago over 4300m in a handicap chase at Aix-Les-Bains on July 14th. Won four hurdle races last year. Ought to be thereabouts
- 2. FALKO DES FLOS** - Nice 2nd at Strasbourg in a Class 2 handicap chase 5 days ago. Quick return and can not be overlooked
- 3. PRINCE EXPRESS** - Credible 3rd last time at Vittel over 3800m in a handicap hurdle on July 25th. One to keep safe
- 4. TYPHOON WILMA** - 3rd last time at Pompadour over 4200m in a Class 3 chase on July 20th. Has outside place claims
- 5. GARE AU MARIN** - Decent 3rd last time over 3700m in a Class 3 chase at Clairefontaine on July 25th. Key chance
- 6. IZINO D'AIRY** - Fair 4th last time in a cross-country chase at Vittel over 5200m on August 2nd. Needs a few to falter
- 7. ZUCKERPRINZ** - Well beaten on both his runs this year over fences, the latter at Strasbourg over 4200m in mid-June. Hardly inspiring

Summary: Although not a frequent winner, GARE AU MARIN (5) is the selection after a solid effort when third at Clairefontaine in late July over fences. FALKO DES FLOS (2) is a threat after a good run in a Class 2 handicap chase at Strasbourg five days ago. He will not lack for match fitness. NORMANDE (1) looks to have a preference for hurdles, having won four times last year, but she can not be ruled out. PRINCE EXPRESS (3) also merits consideration.

SELECTIONS

GARE AU MARIN (5) - FALKO DES FLOS (2) - NORMANDE (1) - PRINCE EXPRESS (3)

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C2 - PRIX DE VALLEROY LE SEC - 3800m (a2m1/2) - TURF - Handicap - Hurdles - EUR € 29,000

- 1. BULIE** - Won two starts ago at Nimes in a Class 4 hurdle over 3400m on May 25th. One to play a lead role
- 2. VOYAGE PRIVE** - 3rd last time at Royan in a claiming hurdle on August 4th over 3500m. Has work to do
- 3. KATHLEEN** - Decent 3rd last time at Clairefontaine over 3600m on July 17th. Should be too smart for her rivals
- 4. L'EMPIRE VERT** - 3rd last time at Aix-Les-Bains over 3800m in a handicap hurdle on July 14th. Can be competitive
- 5. WYNOMA** - Four unplaced runs of late, 4th before that in a claiming hurdle at Auteuil over 3500m on April 11th. Out of form and best watched for now
- 6. AMILY** - Has several unplaced runs of late over hurdles and on the flat, the most recent was over 3800m at Vittel in a Class 2 hurdle on July 25th. Can be overlooked
- 7. KIFILE DU SEUIL** - Fair 3rd at Royan over 3500m in a claiming hurdle last time on August 4th. Can make the frame

Summary: KATHLEEN (3) ran a good race at Clairefontaine in mid-July when she was third on her latest start and she is preferred to BULIE (1) who won two starts ago at Nimes at the end of May in a Class 4 hurdle race. KIFILE DU SEUIL (7) is a capable performer in this type of race and warrants respect. L'EMPIRE VERT (4) is another to consider after a good third in a handicap hurdle last time on July 14th.

SELECTIONS

KATHLEEN (3) - BULIE (1) - KIFILE DU SEUIL (7) - L'EMPIRE VERT (4)

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C3 - PRIX DE LA SOURCE DES DEMOISELLES - 3800m (a2m1/2) - TURF - Handicap - Hurdles - EUR € 27,000

- 1. OBIDOS** - Unplaced on the last two runs, 2nd before that over 3800m at Lyon Parilly in a Class 2 handicap hurdle on April 20th. Opposable
- 2. THE LIKELY LAD** - Has won his last two races, the latter over fences over 3600m at this track on July 21st in a Class event. Player
- 3. EADREAM** - Won a Class 2 handicap chase at Strasbourg last time over 4200m on July 8th. Ought to be in the shake-up
- 4. ESPOIR ROYAL** - Well beaten last time at Strasbourg over hurdles on July 8th in a handicap, 2nd at Nancy before that on May 5th over 3800m in a Class 3 hurdle race. Others preferred
- 5. HAVANIA** - Has won her last two hurdle race, the most recent at this track in a handicap hurdle over 3800m on July 25th. The hat-trick is possible
- 6. FABULOUS PRETENDER** - Nice 2nd last time at this track over 3800m in a handicap hurdle on July 25th. Can make presence felt
- 7. IVAN WILL** - Three unplaced runs of late, the latter over hurdles at Strasbourg over 3800m in a handicap. Unlikely to feature

Summary: THE LIKELY LAD (2) has been in top shape of late with a win over hurdles and on his latest start over fences at this track in late July. He is likely to start as the market leader and looks like the one to beat. EADREAM (3) will be in a good frame of mind after a win at Strasbourg over fences in early July when last racing. FABULOUS PRETENDER (6) and HAVANIA (5) are both capable of having a say in proceedings.

SELECTIONS

THE LIKELY LAD (2) - EADREAM (3) - FABULOUS PRETENDER (6) - HAVANIA (5)

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C4 - PRIX NORROY SUR VAIR (PRIX BERNARD CHABOT) - 2100m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 17,000

- 1. CYNIC** - Unplaced last time, 3rd before that over 2000m in a handicap at Compiègne on June 7th. Has place claims
- 2. HIMYAN** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that at Strasbourg in a Class 3 race over 2000m. Might find this difficult
- 3. RUBY IN THE ROCKS** - Unplaced last time, 3rd before that over 2000m at Aix-les-Bains in a handicap on June 27th. Player
- 4. DIAMOND STAR** - Fair 4th last time on her handicap debut over 2400m on the PSF on April 6th. Good run expected on turf debut
- 5. GRAND LILI** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that at Saint-Malo over 2500m in a handicap on July 15th. Looks vulnerable
- 6. A L'HEURE** - Won last time in a Class 3 race at Morlaix on June 16th. Handicap debut and she can make the top three
- 7. PASSAGE MESLAY** - Won last time over 2400m in a handicap at this track on July 25th. Ought to have a presence
- 8. SPEEDY GONZALEZ** - Well beaten on all three runs so far, the latter over 2400m at Clairefontaine in a maiden on August 2nd. Looks of limited ability
- 9. GAUD** - Four unplaced runs so far, the latter over 2200m at Clairefontaine in a handicap on July 31st. Hard to fancy

Summary: RUBY IN THE ROCKS (3) gets the marginal vote, she was below par last time but was a good third at Aix-Les-Bains in late June before that and can score at likely nice odds. PASSAGE MESLAY (7) will be a threat, he won over slightly further at this track when last seen 18 days ago in a handicap. DIAMOND STAR (4) looks like a solid option each way. A L'HEURE (6) will be in a good frame of mind after a win last time at Morlaix in June.

SELECTIONS

RUBY IN THE ROCKS (3) - PASSAGE MESLAY (7) - DIAMOND STAR (4) - A L'HEURE (6)

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C5 - PRIX DE LA VILLE DE CONTREXEVILLE - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 3 Race - Flat - EUR € 19,000

- 1. MYKISS** - 5th last time, won a claimer before that over 2700m at Le Touquet on July 1st. Needs to be respected
- 2. TREATWOOD** - 5th last time over 2800m in a Class 3 handicap at Vichy on July 18th. Among the leading chances
- 3. SAINTE RITA** - Decent 3rd last time over 2500m at Aix-Les-Bains in a Class 3 race on June 27th. Hard to rule out
- 4. MON VIEUX LEON** - Unplaced last time in a Listed race at Vichy over 2400m on July 16th. Others make more appeal
- 5. ORION ROCK** - Three unplaced runs of late, 2nd before that over 2400m in a Class 3 claimer on June 7th at Compiègne. Needs to get back to form to feature
- 6. JAZZMEN** - Nice effort to be 4th in a Class 2 handicap at Compiègne on June 22nd. Leading chance
- 7. MALKA** - 5th last time in a Class 2 race at La Teste over 2400m on June 27th. One to pay attention too

Summary: JAZZMEN (6) put in a good effort when fourth in a competitive Class 2 handicap in late June at Compiègne on his latest run. He can get back in the winning groove. SAINTE RITA (3) will make the selection work hard for success and looks like the biggest threat. TREATWOOD (2) warrants respect and will be expected to play a lead role at the business end. MALKA (7) is also worth a mention.

SELECTIONS

JAZZMEN (6) - SAINTE RITA (3) - TREATWOOD (2) - MALKA (7)

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C6 - PRIX DE SAURIAUVILLE - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 15,000

- 1. SWEET BETSY** - Won last time over 2500m in a Class 4 race at Nancy on May 22nd. This will be harder but she can not be ruled out
- 2. SCORPIO** - Unplaced on the last four runs, won before that at this track over 2100m in a Class 4 race on July 31st, 2023. Needs to get back on track
- 3. RONALDO** - 4th last time at this track over 2100m in a Class 4 handicap. Capable of making his rivals work hard
- 4. ROCH** - Two unplaced runs recently, 3rd before that over 2400m at Wissembourg in a Class 4 race on April 14th. Unlikely to be a threat
- 5. SILVER MAGIC** - 5th last time, won before that over 2350m at Strasbourg on July 8th in a Class 4 handicap. Ought to be in the shake-up
- 6. ZILCOVER** - Won last time over 2900m in a Class 3 handicap on July 11th. In good form of late and has leading claims
- 7. THE ROOM** - 4th on the last two runs, the latest over 3400m in a Class 4 handicap at this track on August 2nd. Strong stayer who should be involved
- 8. WONDER HOPE** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 2350m at Strasbourg on July 8th in a Class 4 handicap. Others more likely
- 9. MURMILLO** - Has no form to go, the latest poor run was at this track in a Class 4 handicap on July 25th over 2100m. Avoidable
- 10. ACATANA** - 5th last time over 2100m in a Class 4 handicap at this track on July 25th. Has yet to win and is best watched
- 11. LADYBUG** - 5th last time at Saint-Cloud over 2100m in a Class 4 handicap on June 21st. One to consider
- 12. GO FOR IT** - Has four unplaced runs of late, the latest run at Strasbourg on July 8th in a Class 4 handicap. Hardly inspiring

Summary: ZILCOVER (6) is the tentative selection in what looks to be an open handicap. He won well last time in early July and has been in good shape before that success. RONALDO (3) will try to make a race of it with the selection having run a pleasing race when fourth in a sixteen-runner handicap at this track 18 days ago. SWEET BETSY (1) and SILVER MAGIC (5) can fight it out for minor honours.

SELECTIONS

ZILCOVER (6) - RONALDO (3) - SWEET BETSY (1) - SILVER MAGIC (5)

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C7 - GRAND PRIX DE LA VILLE DE VITTEL - 2400m (a1m1/2) - TURF - Class 4 Divided Handicap - Flat - EUR € 17,000

1. **FITZCARRALDO** - Unplaced last time, won before that over 2000m at Nancy on May 22nd in a Class 4 handicap. Looks vulnerable
2. **YES ZARA** - Has several unplaced runs of late, dropped in the handicap with the latest run over 2400m in a Class 3 race on July 9th. Can make the top four
3. **SPEEDY ANGEL** - Has dropped to a reasonable handicap rating after a few unplaced runs of late, the latest at Dieppe over 2200m in a Class 3 handicap on July 23rd. Each way angle
4. **SIYOUCHKA** -
5. **EVERSTORM** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that in a Class 4 handicap at Strasbourg over 1400m on June 13th. Ought to be thereabouts
6. **CATCH THE STARS** - Has not shown much form of late, well beaten at Vichy over 2800m in a Class 3 handicap on July 18th. Looks out of form and best avoided
7. **VASIGREEN** - Has been in good shape lately, nice 4th in a Class 3 handicap at Compiegne on July 9th. Sets the standard
8. **SECOND TO NONE** - 5th last time which was a better run at this track in a Class 4 race on August 2nd over 1600m. Merits consideration
9. **JUWEL** - 4th last time over 3000m at Dieppe on July 29th in a Class 3 handicap. Place contender
10. **NO BARRIER** - Has four unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that in a Class 4 handicap on May 16th. Pass over
11. **AUENWOLF** - Has several unplaced runs of late, the latest over 2400m in a Class 4 race on July 5th at Clairefontaine. Opposable
12. **HE'S A ROCK STAR** -

Summary: With a large number of the field out of form, it could pay to side with a filly who has been shaping well this year without a win. VASIGREEN (7) ran a good race last time when fourth in early July and she has a good chance of scoring. Her main rival could be EVERSTORM (5) who has faired well in two runs this term. SECOND TO NONE (8) and SPEEDY ANGEL (3) head the remainder, with the latter having dropped to a decent handicap rating.

SELECTIONS

VASIGREEN (7) - EVERSTORM (5) - SECOND TO NONE (8) - SPEEDY ANGEL (3)

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C8 - PRIX MAGNUM LA RADIO - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 4 Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16,000

- 1. GALALITHE** - Won last time at La Teste in a Class 4 handicap on July 22nd over 1600m. Live chance
- 2. KING'S CROWN** - Two unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that over Zweibrucken (DEU) over 1800m on April 20th. Hard to fancy
- 3. UNA NOVA** - Four recent unplaced efforts, 3rd before that over 2300m at Mons-Ghlin (BEL) on April 9th. Hard to recommend
- 4. CLEMENZA** - Fair 3rd last time over 2000m at Vichy in a Class 4 race on July 17th. One to pay attention to
- 5. MARGUNS** - 5th at this track in a Class 4 handicap over 2100m last time on July 25th. Capable of being competitive
- 6. DIRVANA** - Two unplaced efforts recently, 2nd before that over 1400m at Hassloch(DEU) on May 11th. Makes limited sense
- 7. ROHIRRIM LASS** - Has yet to trouble the judge in six runs so far, the latest poor effort was over 2000m in a Class 4 race at Compiègne on July 9th. Looks vulnerable
- 8. LONDON WAY** - Two nice 2nd placed runs of late, the latter over 2100m in a Class 4 handicap at this track on July 25th. Likes this track and can have a say
- 9. BOCA SPIRIT** - Two unplaced runs this year, the latest over 1300m at this track on August 2nd in a Class 4 handicap. Opposable
- 10. LOUVE PRECIEUSE** - Unplaced last time, 4th before that over 1600m in a Class 4 handicap at Parislongchamp on June 20th. Needs a few to falter
- 11. SABIANO** - 4th last time at Baden-Baden(DEU) over 1800m on June 1st. Among the leading each-way options
- 12. FILZMOOSERIN** - Credible 3rd at this track over 2100m in a Class 4 handicap on July 25th. Has each-way credentials

Summary: GALALITHE (1) won by over two lengths at La Teste three weeks ago and despite being top-weight, she can win again. SABIANO (11) is at the foot of the weights and could be the one to give the selection the most to do. LONDON WAY (8) is one to include in all of the place bet permutations. MARGUNS (5) ran an encouraging race when fifth at this track last time and can make the frame.

SELECTIONS

GALALITHE (1) - SABIANO (11) - LONDON WAY (8) - MARGUNS (5)