

R3 LE MANS [L-H]

C1 - PRIX REINE BERENGERE - 1400m (a7f) - TURF - Class 2 - Flat - EUR € 24,700

- 1. FARADAY** - Won in a Maiden at Strasbourg over 1,400m on 13 September on his second start. Looks progressive and can feature
- 2. TIMUR** - Runner-up in a Class 2 at Deauville over 1,200m on 25 August when last seen. Ought to be in the shake-up
- 3. MISS CHOCO** - Won on her debut over 1600m at Lyon Parilly on September 8. Open to improvement and can have a say
- 4. KALIMAAT** - Finished 6th in a Group II at Longchamp over 1,600m on 6 September after winning on debut at Deauville in August in a maiden. Key chance
- 5. HARMONY IN BLUE** - Fourth in a Maiden at Saint-Cloud over 1,200m on 18 September when last seen. She might find this challenging
- 6. APPEN** - Finished 4th on her latest start at this track over 1400m on September 11 in a claiming event. Others rate higher
- 7. YAFTABELLA** - Finished 7th in a Class 2 at Saint-Cloud over 1,200m on 25 September on her latest outing. Look for an alternative
- 8. ALCANE** - Filly by Texas, the dam won 3 races. Stable runners tend to improve for a run or two and others make more appeal

Summary: KALIMAAT (4) ran a creditable race when sixth in a Group 2 last time after scoring on her debut at Deauville in August. She can score at the expense of FARADAY (1) who won well at Strasbourg on his latest start in a maiden in early September. TIMUR (2) is another to pay attention to and was a pleasing second in a Class 2 at Deauville when last seen late in August. MISS CHOCO (3) completes the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

FARADAY (1) - TIMUR (2) - MISS CHOCO (3) - KALIMAAT (4)

C2 - PRIX DE SARGE-LES-LE-MANS - 3200m (a2m) - TURF - Class 2 - Flat - EUR € 20,100

1. **SACRIFICE** - Excellent runner-up in a Class 2 at Lyon-Parilly over 2,400m on 2 September. Seems to be improving and can play a lead role
2. **BUBBLESAN** - Fifth in a Class 1 at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,400m on 12 September on his second run. Others look more persuasive
3. **TESTANA** - Finished 7th in a Class 2 at Le Mans over 3,200m on 11 September on his latest start. Others rate higher
4. **FONROMY** - Finished 4th in a Class 1 at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,400m on 12 September. She will need a few to falter
5. **STORY WAY** - Successful in a Maiden at Compiègne over 2,800m on 15 September when last seen. Hard to rule out
6. **LACRA** - Fifth in a Class 2 at Le Mans over 3,200m on 11 September on her second start. Merits consideration
7. **NEMESIS HAS** - She won on her sole start at Royan on September 19 over 2900m. This will be more of a test
8. **FLINTSHEVA DUGROHO** - Won on debut at La Roche Posay on September 13 over 2400m. More required stepping up in class
9. **CARAMEL** - Showed promise and was third in a Maiden at Compiègne over 2,800m on 15 September. Capable of being competitive

Summary: SACRIFICE (1) ran arguably his best race to date when second in a Class 2 race at Lyon Parilly early in September and he is given the vote ahead of CARAMEL (9), who ran well to be third at Compiègne in mid-September on her latest start and can make the selection work hard. STORY WAY (5) got off the mark last time at Compiègne in a maiden and warrants attention. LACRA (6) looks best of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

SACRIFICE (1) - CARAMEL (9) - STORY WAY (5) - LACRA (6)

C3 - PRIX D'ALLONNES - 1950m (a1m1/4) - TURF - - Flat - EUR € 14,600

- 1. INTIME STAR** - Good 2nd on debut at Saint-Malo over 1800m on August 28. She will know more this time and can get off the mark
- 2. LAST CARAT FAL** - Came home 6th in a Maiden at Craon over 1,650m on 5 September on her second run. Worthy of attention and can make her presence felt
- 3. INDIAN BELLE** - Finished 7th in a Maiden at Compiegne over 1,800m on 15 September on debut. She has to show a lot more to make the frame
- 4. SYNNEFIA** - Came home 8th in a Maiden at Lyon-Parilly over 1,600m on 15 September on her second start. Unlikely to be a threat
- 5. NAKAIA** - Finished 5th in a Maiden at Le Mans over 1,950m on 11 September on her second run. Ought to be thereabouts
- 6. ELLYRA** - Finished 11th on her sole start over 1600m at Angers in a conditions race on September 21. She has to show vast progress to be involved
- 7. OSMOSE PRECIEUSE** - Filly by Castle Du Berlais, the dam never ran. Likely to need this run for experience and is best watched on her racecourse bow
- 8. HAYA KOVA** - Filly by Anodin, the dam ran a few times. Some good aspects to her profile and she is one to consider if the betting vibes are lively

Summary: INTIME STAR (1) ran a good race when she was second on her debut at Saint-Malo in late August and with natural improvement she can be too smart for LAST CARAT FAL (2), who was not disgraced when last seen at Craon in a maiden early in September on her second start. NAKAIA (5) ran a creditable race when fifth at this track last time and can make the top-three. HAYA KOVA (8) is another to pay attention to and can have a say in proceedings.

SELECTIONS

INTIME STAR (1) - LAST CARAT FAL (2) - INDIAN BELLE (3) - SYNNEFIA (4)

C4 - PRIX DE CHAUFOUR-NOTRE-DAME - 1950m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Class 2 - Flat - EUR € 24,700

1. **BLACKSKAR** - Finished 4th in a Class 2 at Saint-Cloud over 2,000m on 11 September when last seen. In the mix
2. **NEREUS** - Successful in a Maiden at Vichy over 2,000m on 21 September on his second start. Type to keep on progressing and warrants respect
3. **AROK ATAO** - Outclassed the opposition in a Maiden at Saint-Cloud over 2,000m on 7 September when last seen. Improving and can follow up
4. **IPANEMA ROSE** - Scored on her debut at Chantilly in a conditions race over 2000m on September 19. She will step forward from that and can make her presence felt
5. **ANGEL BREIZH** - Won in a Maiden at Craon over 1,650m on 5 September on her latest start. She will need a few to misfire
6. **WHY NOT ME** - Gelding by Knight To Behold, the dam won 1 race over hurdles. Expected to improve for this outing and he is best watched with the future in mind
7. **ERRUPTIUM** - Gelding by Gutaifan, the dam won 2 races. Stable runners tend to improve for a run or two and he is best watched for the time being
8. **DRITA** - Filly by by Blame, the dam ran once in the USA. She does not appeal as a likely first time out winner unless the betting vibes are positive

Summary: AROK ATAO (3) won well last time at Saint-Cloud and has strong claims of making it two wins from his three starts. His main threat could be NEREUS (2), who got off the mark on his second run at Vichy in a maiden late last month and looks like he can keep on progressing. IPANEMA ROSE (4) should improve from her success on her first day at school at Chantilly in a newcomers event last month and is worthy of consideration. BLACKSKAR (1) is also worth keeping onside.

SELECTIONS

AROK ATAO (3) - NEREUS (2) - IPANEMA ROSE (4) - BLACKSKAR (1)

C5 - PRIX D'AIGNE - 1950m (a1m1/4) - TURF - Flat - EUR € 14,600

1. **HAPPY TAJ** - Came home 6th in a Maiden at Le Mans over 1,950m on 11 September on his sole start. He can improve and has place claims
2. **PICCOLO ANGELO** - Finished 2nd last time at Saint-Cloud in a handicap on September 25 over 1600m. Ought to be in the shake-up
3. **TRUE TIME** - Ran well when 4th on his sole start at Angers over 1600m in a conditions race on September 21. Hard to overlook
4. **COLCHESTER** - Came home 4th in a Maiden at Compiegne over 1,800m on 15 September on his only run. He can step forward from his debut and be involved
5. **SLIDING WAY** - Finished 6th in a Maiden at Vichy over 2,000m on 21 September on his sole start. He has work ahead to make the frame
6. **KOHANA CHOP** - Gelding by Muhaarar, the dam was unraced in France. Some good aspects to his pedigree and he is worth a market inspection
7. **LIKER** - Colt by Johnny Barnes, the dam won 5 races. His trainer is not renowned for producing many first time out winners and he is best watched for now
8. **MADH'WORLD** - Colt by Madhmoon, the dam was placed once. He is one to watch in the betting exchanges for any market interest
9. **GALADIN** - Gelding by Anodin, the dam won 3 races. Stable runners on debut are normally well prepared. The betting can be the best guide
10. **VLATY'LEZ** - Colt by Robin Du Nord, the dam won 3 races. He does not appeal as a likely winner on his racecourse bow unless the betting patterns are positive
11. **TESTIRIVER** - Gelding by Ebro River, the dam was placed several times. Faces a stiff task on debut and he will likely need this run for experience
12. **FLINTSH DU GROHO** - Colt by Flintshire, the dam ran twice. Nice profile and from a respected trainer. He can have a say on his racecourse bow

Summary: TRUE TIME (3) ran with promise on his debut at Angers when he was fourth late last month. With progress expected he will know what is required this time and is given the nod over COLCHESTER (4), who got the hang of things late on on his debut when he was fourth at Compiegne in a maiden event in mid-September. PICCOLO ANGELO (2) has plenty of experience and arrives after a solid effort when second at Saint-Cloud in a handicap on September 25 over 1600m. This step up in distance can bring out more progress. FLINTSH DU GROHO (12) looks good on paper and is one to pay attention to in the betting on his debut.

SELECTIONS

TRUE TIME (3) - COLCHESTER (4) - PICCOLO ANGELO (2) - FLINTSH DU GROHO (12)

**C6 - PRIX DU MONDIAL DU LION - PRIX DES OEILLETES - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 2 - Flat - EUR €
20,100**

- 1. BALAKIREV** - Finished 6th in a Class 2 at La Teste De Buch over 1,400m on 5 September when last appearing. Can not be discounted
- 2. ROSTAK** - Finished 4th in a Class 2 at Chantilly over 1,600m on 23 September after a win on debut. Player
- 3. KENZEL** - Came home 8th in a Class 2 at Le Lion D'Angers over 1,400m on 2 August and placed 3rd before that. Can make the top-four
- 4. SILVER REEL** - Well held at Longchamp in a handicap on September 3 at Deauville when last appearing. Others make more appeal
- 5. MR LOPE CEN** - Ran 7th in a Class 2 at La Teste De Buch over 1,400m on 5 September. Capable of being on the premises
- 6. ISABELLA GIGANTE** - Finished 8th in a Maiden at Angers Eventard over 1,600m on 21 September when last seen. Hard to be enthusiastic about
- 7. LIBERTY AMOUR** - Came home 8th in a Group III at Longchamp over 1,800m on 5 April on her latest start. She needs to get back to her best form
- 8. CHILADA** - Finished 4th on her latest start at Lyon Parilly on September 8 in a maiden event. Worth considering each-way
- 9. STAR OF HOPE** - Creditable 3rd last time over 1800m in a Class 3 race at Dieppe on September 9. Lightly raced and has more to come
- 10. FEELGOOD** - She has won her last two runs, the most recent over 1400m at Le Lion D'Angers on August 20 in a handicap. Key chance

Summary: ROSTAK (2) was a fair fourth on his latest start in a Class 2 race at Chantilly in late September and he is the tentative selection ahead of FEELGOOD (10), who has been in top-form with two wins recently and the hat-trick is on the card's. STAR OF HOPE (9) has acquitted herself well in three starts and has a good bit more to come. She can have a say, as can BALAKIREV (1), who won on debut and was not disgraced on his second start in a Class 2 race early last month at La Teste.

SELECTIONS

ROSTAK (2) - FEELGOOD (10) - STAR OF HOPE (9) - BALAKIREV (1)

**C7 - PRIX DE LA CHAPELLE-SAINT-AUBIN - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Class 3 Handicap - Flat - EUR €
19,200**

- 1. CICCIO BOY** - Finished 11th in a Class 3 Handicap at Angers Eventard over 2,100m on 21 September. Seems to be out of form and best left alone
- 2. TOIMY SON** - Finished 5th on his last start over 1600m at Le Mans in a conditions race on August 12. Can make the frame
- 3. MARKUS** - Finished 2nd in a Claimer at Le Lion D'Angers over 1,400m on 4 September on his last run. Ought to be in the shake-up
- 4. ROUGEGARDE** - Successful in a Class 3 Handicap at Lyon-Parilly over 1,600m on 8 May last time. Back from a layoff and others rate higher
- 5. AZIMUTS** - Outclassed the opposition in a Class 3 at Longchamp over 1,600m on 13 September and decent form previously. Player
- 6. KER WELEN** - Finished 6th in a Class 3 at Longchamp over 1,600m on 13 September on his last run. Merits consideration
- 7. MODERN SPIRIT** - Finished 8th in a Claimer at Fontainebleau over 1,400m on 20 September last time. This will be challenging
- 8. BE TRUE** - Finished 3rd on his last outing at La Teste over 1600m in a Class 3 race on September 5. Top-three chance
- 9. DRIMYS** - Finished 13th at Deauville on his last run over 1400m in a Class 3 race on August 25. Hardly inspiring
- 10. LEOPARDUCCIO** - Won in a Class 3 Handicap at Chantilly over 1,600m on 23 September on his last start. Can be on the premises

Summary: AZIMUTS (5) has a good opportunity of following up on his latest success at Longchamp in a Class 3 race in mid-September. His main threat could be MARKUS (3), who was a decent second in a claimer at Le Lion D'Angers in September when last appearing. LEOPARDUCCIO (10) gained a confidence boosting win at Chantilly late in September in a Class 3 handicap and can not be excluded. KER WELEN (6) is also worthy of a mention.

SELECTIONS

AZIMUTS (5) - MARKUS (3) - LEOPARDUCCIO (10) - KER WELEN (6)

C8 - PRIX DE CHAMPAGNE - 1600m (a1m) - TURF - Handicap - Flat - EUR € 16,300

1. **BUDOKAN** - Slightly below par last time in August, 2nd previously over 1600m at Vittel on July 27 in a handicap. One to pay close attention to
2. **AEDION** - Out of form with five unplaced runs of late, well beaten at Saint-Cloud in a handicap on September 11 when last seen over 1400m. Others rate higher
3. **WESTMINSTER COYOTE** - Fair 4th last time at Dieppe on September 17 over 1800m in a claiming race. Top-four chance
4. **SHIRDIHENGE** - Victorious in a Maiden at Angers Eventard over 1,600m on 21 September when last seen. Tougher task ahead
5. **SOCIANDO** - Two unplaced runs of late, 3rd before that at Compiègne over 1600m on July 16 in a handicap. He can get back on track
6. **MICHEL** - Third in a Class 3 at La Roche-Posay over 1,700m on 13 September when last seen. In the mix
7. **FELINI** - Finished 7th last time over 1400m at Clairefontaine on June 7 in a handicap. Each-way contender
8. **BAIETA** - Finished 6th in a Maiden at Senonnes-Pouance over 2,100m on 19 September last time. Hardly inspiring
9. **IRIA CHOPE** - Finished 10th on her latest start over 1400m at Dax in a handicap on August 23. Hard to recommend
10. **EXCESSIVE** - Finished 7th in a Class 4 Handicap at Longchamp over 1,400m on 13 September. She can make her presence felt off a low weight
11. **FERDY** - Four unplaced runs this year, the latter over 1400m at Clairefontaine on July 6 in a handicap. Looks to be of limited talent
12. **HAPP'INES** - Finished 8th at Clairefontaine over 1800m in a claiming race on August 29 when last seen. Makes limited appeal
13. **PERSIAN HEROE** - Well beaten in 7th on his last start at Dieppe over 1800m in a handicap when last appearing. Look elsewhere
14. **WIL'DREAM** - He has not troubled the judge in several runs, 8th at Saint-Cloud on September 11 in a handicap over 1400m. Opposable
15. **BEST SISTER** - Back in 6th at Sable Sur-Sarthe on her latest start over 1650m in a claiming race on September 20. One to avoid

Summary: In a race that lacks depth, it may pay to side with EXCESSIVE (10) who has several placed runs this year and can not be ignored off a competitive racing weight. BUDOKAN (1) has to concede weight to all of his rivals and he can bounce back from a slightly below par run last time. SOCIANDO (5) is one for the each-way backers to take seriously, as is WESTMINSTER COYOTE (3), who ran well to be fourth on his latest start at Dieppe in September.

SELECTIONS

EXCESSIVE (10) - BUDOKAN (1) - SOCIANDO (5) - WESTMINSTER COYOTE (3)

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

Horse of the day
TRUE TIME (503)

Outsider of the day
MICHEL (806)

Reverse forecast
NEREUS (402) - AROK ATAO (403)

Three pick of the day

INTIME STAR (301) - AROK ATAO (403) - TRUE TIME (503)