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## R4 ARGENTAN [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX GENERAL DU POMMEAU - 2875m (a2m) - Class G Amateur  
Drivers Race - Harness - EUR € 6,000**

- 1. GRAZIELLA MIP** - Disappointing since imposing at Abbeville in September, most recently 7th of 12 in a 2400m Amiens amateurs Class G a weeks ago. Shoes on again and not a player
- 2. HELOUIS DE ZAERI** - 8th of 16 in a 3000m Nantes Class F last Sunday. Boasts decent amateur credentials but races shod this time and best to hold off
- 3. HURON DES LANDIERS** - Has looked very ordinary since the spring, latterly 8th of 11, behind HADDOCK D'ECOUVES (4), in a 2825m Chartres amateurs Class G 2.5 weeks ago, and will need to show marked improvement
- 4. HADDOCK D'ECOUVES** - 4th of 11 in a 2825m Chartres amateurs Class G 2.5 weeks ago. Is unlikely to cause an upset but starts in front and has the wherewithal to make his presence felt
- 5. GAMIN DE VIVOIN** - Sanctioned in a 3875m Class H at Nuillé-sur-Vicoin 3 weeks ago. Has otherwise been in excellent shape, enjoys a front row break, and on good behaviour, can finish in the mix
- 6. HICONE DOREE** - In the frame in 2 before running 5th of 11 in a 2400m Amiens amateurs Class G on 5 October. Takes on a better bunch this time but should nevertheless give an honourable account
- 7. GET ON** - Modest trotter that finished 7th of 9 in a 2800m Castéra-Verduzan claimer and in current condition has nothing to offer
- 8. FAST FORWARD** - 9th of 12 in a 2750m amateurs Class H at Le Pertre last weekend. Blows hot and cold, has no particular love for Argentan, but starts in front and, with application, can play a leading role
- 9. GALINETTE DE CYM** - Sanctioned in a 2700m Segré Class F on 6 October. Has done nothing of note for some time, seldom delivers in the amateur category and, despite the good entry and a new configuration, can be passed over
- 10. HUNICOIS** - Quality element making first start since running 12th of 14 in a 2725m Cabourg Class F last July. Shoes on and will need the run
- 11. GALTON SAINT BAR** - Last but one in a 2850m Vincennes amateurs Class G on 1 October. Not as sharp as he was earlier in the season and is unlikely to garner much support
- 12. HOTELLO DESBOIS** - 5th of 12 in a 2150m Enghien claimer 2.5 weeks ago. Has won 4 of 7 in the amateur category though and with an experienced hand at the helm, can make a big splash
- 13. HECTOR DU MINON** - Made it 2 straight sanctions when faulting in a 2650m Alençon Class F on 6 October. Is clearly better than most here, has won twice at the venue, and can impose once more
- 14. GALEO** - Won a Class F at Blain-Bouvron-Le Gâvre before being sanctioned in a 3125m Angers Class E a fortnight ago. Shoes back on but is still capable of getting in on the action

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**15. FIRST DES BORDES** - In the frame in 3 before being sanctioned in a 2400m Beaumont Class F on 5 October. Has nothing to prove at this level and will be expected to give HECTOR DU MINON (13) something to consider

**16. HASCHELEY BERRY** - 8th of 11 in a 2900m Amiens Class F on 5 October. Placed at Enghien and Vincennes in this category over the summer and can again make the frame

**Summary:** Twice a winner at Dieppe before faulting in his next two, HECTOR DU MINON (13) goes well for Christian Lejeune and given the horse's record here, will be dangerous if applied. FIRST DES BORDES (15) has serious amateur references, is reconfigured for his Argentan debut, and will also have his chances. Winner of his last 4 starts in this category, HOTELLO DESBOIS (12) must be considered a contender, as should the well-engaged, and shod, HASCHELEY BERRY (16) whose last 2 amateur starts in Paris bode well for her prospects.

## SELECTIONS

**HECTOR DU MINON (13) - FIRST DES BORDES (15) - HOTELLO DESBOIS (12) -  
HASCHELEY BERRY (16)**

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## C2 - PRIX SANCHO PANCA - 2875m (a2m) - Class F Amateur Riders Race - Mounted - EUR € 24,000

- 1. IDOLE DE BEYLEV** - Made the frame twice before being sanctioned in a 2825m Vire Class F last weekend but in this company will struggle to make her mark
- 2. IROISE JISCE** - 7th of 9 in a 3125m Savenay harness Class F on re-entry late-September. Showed significant monté potential last season and, even with shoes on, seems to have a serious chance of making the frame
- 3. INTRIGUE DE MAX** - Disappointing in last 2, most recently sanctioned in a 2250m Enghien Class E a fortnight ago, and can be passed over
- 4. HENRIQUE DE LOU** - Sanctioned in a 2700m Segré harness Class F on 6 October. Has decent monté credentials but in this field can expect to have few, if any, friends
- 5. ILLICO PRIOR** - 6th of 12, when preparing for this, in a 2750m Cabourg Class E a month ago. Shoes off this time and could agreeably surprise if he takes to the new profile
- 6. HIBISCUS D'ANGELY** - 12th of 14 in a 2750m Cabourg Class D on 5 October. In the frame in both ridden starts this year and despite stepping up in category, should nevertheless hold his own
- 7. ISIDORE BONHEUR** - Sanctioned in a 2850m Class H at Nuillé-sur-Vicoin 3 weeks ago. Sports revised shoeing but still not an obvious choice
- 8. HIP HOP D'EURVAD** - Exceptional over recent months before faulting in a 2700m Segre Class F on 7 October. Should not be too hastily judged, sports hind pads this time, and will be expected to get straight back on track. First 5
- 9. HERACLES DU LAYON** - 3rd of 7 in a 2550m Reims Class F 3 weeks ago. Enjoys an excellent entry on front line and for his 60th start deserves to be rewarded with what would be just his second career victory
- 10. HERCULE DES SABLES** - Courageous 5th of 8, behind HERACLES DU LAYON (9), in a 3000m Nantes Class F on 27 September. Evidently in decent shape but is being asked to do too much
- 11. HUBINE KERYVON** - 13th of 14 in a 2750m Cabourg harness Class D, on comeback, a month ago. Has had time to get her game together and even from the 2nd row looks a player
- 12. FELINE DE JANVILLE** - Returns to the discipline after winning a 2650m Laon Class F 3 weeks ago. Has no particular love for Argentan, and with front pads fitted is unlikely to spring any surprises
- 13. HAND DES ELIES** - 3rd of 13 in a 2750m Cabourg Class E on 5 October. Shoes off this time, goes well for his jockey, and has everything he needs to win this
- 14. GALION VOLSIN** - Last of 9, on monté debut, in a 2775m Class E at Les Sables a fortnight ago, and appears to have no possible chance

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**Summary:** Consistently in the thick of things when focused and unshod, HAND DES ELIES (13) drops marginally in category here and, if applied, can impose. HERACLES DU LAYON (9) has been knocking at the door for some time though and the 25m head-start will only work to his advantage. Effective in the discipline and with a conditioner under her belt, HUBINE KERYVON (11) races barefoot for her Argentan debut and will have a good hand to play. A winner on her monté debut last November, IROISE JISCE (2) returns, shod, to the code and will have his chances.

## SELECTIONS

**HAND DES ELIES (13) - HERACLES DU LAYON (9) - HUBINE KERYVON (11) - IROISE  
JISCE (2)**

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**C3 - PRIX CUSTOM - 2875m (a2m) - Class F Race - Mounted - EUR €  
21,000**

- 1. KALIMERO VICI** - Sanctioned in last 4, most recently a 2750m Cabourg Class E last weekend, and others easier to trust
- 2. JESSY DES CAILLONS** - Starts for first time in 2 months, latterly finishing last of 9 in a 2800m Vire Class F, and will have nothing to contribute
- 3. KENZO VEETA** - Showed improvement when running 2nd of 11 finishers in a 2750m Cabourg Class E a month ago. Not a priority but can play a role if still on the boil
- 4. KAVIVE** - Fine servant in this branch of the business but has not been seen out since winning over course and distance last May. Is unlikely to secure the 3-timer but will nevertheless generate interest
- 5. KAMAY DES CORONS** - 3rd of 6 finishers in a 2700m Graignes Class F on 13 October. In better company this time, is arguably more performant racing left-handed, but still looks capable of picking up some prizemoney
- 6. KOQUIN DU PERCHE** - 3rd of 12, on monté debut, in a 2450m Caen Class D 2 weeks ago. Is well-placed in front and the engagement of a top jockey will only enhance his already good prospects
- 7. JAFFNA SHAN** - Switches code for first time after finishing 10th of 12 in a 2500m Reims harness Class F on 12 October, but is still not easy to like
- 8. KITO TURGOT** - Debuts in the discipline after coming a reassuring 3rd of 9 in a 2150m Enghien harness Class E 3.5 weeks ago. Has the right profile for the monté code and looks a serious proposition
- 9. KENJI D'AUBERVILLE** - 8th of 9 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D on 17 September. Comes here fresh but is shod for the occasion and others preferred
- 10. KALINE D'ATOUT** - Takes first competitive monté steps, not having raced since mid-July when sanctioned in a 2900m Clairefontaine Class D, and will have few takers
- 11. KENYAN BLUES** - Returns to racing with front pads after finishing 5th of 8 [having faulted] in a 2250m Enghien Class D 3 weeks ago. Anthony Barrier in the irons and is unlikely to disappoint
- 12. KALINE DU RIB** - Missed out by the smallest of margins in a 2875m Enghien Class D on 7 October. Is hard to fault when focused and, on good behaviour, can challenge for the win
- 13. JUSQUIAME** - Pleasantly-surprising 5th of 11, on comeback, in a 2700m Vincennes Class E 12 days ago. Will have come on for the run and can go closer
- 14. JILBOUR DEFONTAINE** - Sanctioned in a 2600m Saint-Galmier harness Class D 2.5 weeks ago. It was only a question of time before he would try his hand in the ridden code and, even from 2nd line, can get straight off the mark
- 15. JACKPOT DES BORDES** - Failed to confirm his Dieppe performance when 11th of 15 in a 2850m Mauquenchy harness Class E on 12 September. Sanctioned in both previous monté starts, and even with hind shoes off, can be ruled out

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**Summary:** JILBOUR DEFONTAINE (14) has 2 runs under his belt since returning from his break, races shod for his monté debut and has done enough under harness to be considered a leading candidate for success. The complicated but talented KITO TURGOT (8) reassured under harness at Enghien last month, is similarly sporting shoes for his monté bow, but is 25m better off. Starting on the 2nd row, KALINE DU RIB (12) put 4 sanctions behind her when just edged at Enghien in early-October and with application, could pleasantly surprise. KOQUIN DU PERCHE (6) showed promise in his recent debut in the discipline and Alexandre Abrivard gets the nod.

## SELECTIONS

**JILBOUR DEFONTAINE (14) - KITO TURGOT (8) - KALINE DU RIB (12) - KOQUIN DU PERCHE (6)**

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## C4 - PRIX GIGANT NEO - 2875m (a2m) - Class A Race - Harness - EUR € 35,000

- 1. LUGANO** - 6th to LOVER SIXTY ONE (10) in Graignes race of reference. Has ample ability but looks to need another run
- 2. LIBERTE DU GOUTIER** - Made up for Cherbourg clinker when 2nd of 11 in a 2450m Caen Class C 3 weeks ago but, in this category, will have little to contribute
- 3. LA PAIX** - Capable but sanctioned in last 2, most recently Graignes race of reference, but others still easier to trust
- 4. LIVE TO TELL** - Makes Argentan debut after comfortably winning a 2150m Enghien Class D a fortnight ago. Has climbed the category-ladder in good order and is not going to be far off the mark
- 5. LA VIE EST BELLE** - 7th of 10 in a 2850m Vincennes Class C 12 days ago. Has been struggling with form and must get her house in order
- 6. LIBRE PENSEUR MEEK** - Encouraged at Vincennes early last month before running 2nd of 9 in a 2550m Reims Class B a fortnight ago. Gabriele Gelormini reining here and is not one to be underestimated
- 7. LAURELINA** - Has not been seen out since coming 5th of 8 in a 2875m Enghien Class B early-August and will be expected to need the run
- 8. LOVE GLYCINES** - Un-taxed when 5th of 9 to LOVER SIXTY ONE (10) in a 2700m Graignes Class B 3 weeks ago. Padded on all 4 this time and from the front row, will be no pushover
- 9. LARA CROFT** - Pleasant 4th of 11, behind LA STAR ROC (11), in a 2600m Cherbourg Class B on 25 September. Faces a stiffer test this time but is sure to give her best and should not be written off
- 10. LOVER SIXTY ONE** - Solid winner of a 2700m Graignes Class B 3 weeks ago. Enjoys a good entry on first row and is not incapable of repeating
- 11. LA STAR ROC** - Pleased on re-entry at Cherbourg before coming 5th of 10 in a 2700m Vincennes Class A on 18 October. Has solid right-handed references and, although on back line, is not about to let the side down. First 5
- 12. LITTLE STAR FLEURY** - 9th in Graignes race of reference, on first start for 5 months. Has ability but is still in conditioning mode and can be passed over
- 13. LEADER DE JOUDES** - Classy future prospect that finished last but one in a 2825m Chartres Class B conditioner 2.5 weeks ago. Shod to preference this time and can take his win-rate past the 50% mark
- 14. LUMINOSITY** - Reassuring 2nd of 9 to LOVER SIXTY ONE (10) in a 2700m Graignes Class B 3 weeks ago. Reunited with Alexandre Abrivard and has a decent chance of opening her autumn account

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**Summary:** An excellent servant since his first steps on the track, LEADER DE JOUDES (13) prepped for this at Chartres and, shod as he was when winning a Vincennes Class A, can defy the handicap and win this. He will still encounter resistance from the erratic but talented LUMINOSITY (14) who sports front pads for the occasion and who has every chance of turning the tables on LOVER SIXTY ONE (10) who beat him at Graignes 3 weeks ago. 5th that day on his return from a short rest, LOVE GLYCINES (8) is fitted with 4 pads this time and should logically finish closer.

## SELECTIONS

**LEADER DE JOUDES (13) - LUMINOSITY (14) - LOVER SIXTY ONE (10) - LOVE  
GLYCINES (8)**



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## C5 - PRIX FITECO - 2875m (a2m) - Class A Race - Harness - EUR € 35,000

- 1. KEOPS DU BUHOT** - Ran 4th of 11 in a 2700m Graignes Class B 3 weeks ago, but shoes back on and best to wait
- 2. KING BLACK DANOVER** - No star but always gives his best, latterly 5th of 13 in a 2750m Cabourg Class D 10 days ago. Races first time barefoot but takes on some very good horses on this occasion and chances limited
- 3. KRONOS D'ERPION** - Ran 4th at Caen before coming 2nd of 9 in a 2150m Enghien Class D 2.5 weeks ago. Goes shod this time and no threat
- 4. KOMMUNES DE PLAY** - Sanctioned in a 2800m Vire Class B 2 weeks ago. Shoes on once more and has nothing to give
- 5. KAJAGOOGOO** - Has not been seen out since being sanctioned in a 2875m Enghien Class C last July and will have nothing to offer on first start back
- 6. KAN DURAN** - 5th of 6 finishers to KASH DES CAILLONS (8) in a 2450m Caen Class C a fortnight ago. Is barefoot this time though, with Alexandre Abrivard reining, and will not be available at 45/1 on this occasion
- 7. KAZY MERITE** - Sent for a spell after winning at Les Sables, most recently sanctioned on comeback in Caen race of reference. Is confirmed going clockwise and looks good enough to finish in the mix
- 8. KASH DES CAILLONS** - Good consistent colt that won a 2450m Caen Class C 2 weeks ago. Should take well to Argentan conditions and will not go down without a fight
- 9. KEPI DEL** - Sanctioned, on re-entry, in a 2700m Graignes Class B 3 weeks ago. Considerably better racing clockwise and, sporting a proven formula, looks competitive for a place in first 3
- 10. KANO** - Terrific servant that simply cannot be criticised at present, latterly missing out by little to KASH DES CAILLONS (8) in a 2450m Caen Class C 2 weeks ago. Is plainly a better horse and can impose
- 11. KEEP SECRET** - Won 3 from 4 before running last of 5 in a 2850m Vincennes Class B a month ago. Shoes on this time and can be passed over
- 12. KARBONE CASH** - Consistently in the thick of things when barefoot, most recently fourth of 14 in a 2800m Vire Class B last weekend. Unlikely to score here but still has wherewithal to get in on the action
- 13. KYOTO DIGEO** - 7th of 14, a place behind KARBONE CASH (12), in a 2800m Vire Class B last weekend. Has bags of ability but starts on 2nd row, stays shod, and best to hold off
- 14. KANADA** - Group-class colt that ran 5th of 14, a place behind KARBONE CASH (12), in a 2800m Vire Class B last weekend. Races shod, starts on back line, but is still worth keeping an eye on

**Summary:** Simply superb since early-spring, and as comfortable racing left-handed as right-, KANO (10) enjoys a fine entry on the front row and, confirmed at the venue, looks good enough to exact revenge on KASH DES CAILLONS (8) who just had his measure last time out. KEPI DEL (9) has a run under his belt since the spell and, hard to knock in the day's configuration, will be no easy touch. KAN DURAN (6) set his personal best at Enghien before failing to deliver at Caen but is barefoot this time and can set things straight.

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**KANO (10) - KASH DES CAILLONS (8) - KEPI DEL (9) - KAN DURAN (6)**

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## C6 - PRIX ERIC THE EEL - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 24,000

- 1. IF DU RIB** - Failed to confirm recent success when last of 14, after faulting early, in a 2625m Cherbourg Class E late-September. Can trot and, if focused, can also get a look-in
- 2. IALTA DE VANDEL** - Sanctioned in a 2725m Cabourg Class E last weekend, on 2nd start back, and will need to pull her socks up
- 3. IF BLEU** - Made it 2 straight successes when securing a 2350m Angers Class E a fortnight ago. Shod to preference once again and the hat-trick appears to be well within his reach
- 4. INEDIT DU PAVILLON** - Oddly out of sorts when 10th of 12, behind INDICE DU CAIEU (10), in a 2100m Vincennes Class E early last month. Gets on well with his driver though and returning to racing clockwise may be just the ticket
- 5. ITALIANO DI PAO** - 7th at Ecommoy before repeating in a 2725m Cabourg Class D 2.5 weeks ago, and will have few friends
- 6. ILARIA KILY** - Looked ordinary when 6th of 11 in a 2875m Enghien Class D 3 weeks ago and is unlikely to cause an upset
- 7. IDOLE JALLERIE** - Never threatening when sanctioned in a 2875m Enghien Class D 3 weeks ago and, with shoes back on, is not about to influence the outcome
- 8. IPSO D'AVIGNERE** - In the frame in 4 before losing his action in a 2725m Cabourg Class D 2.5 weeks ago. Should not be condemned and, with application, will be good enough to make first 5
- 9. IDEALE DE LA COMTE** - Went into her break after winning a 2600m Genets Class F last July. Returns shod and best to wait
- 10. INDICE DU CAIEU** - Ran 2nd under harness at Vincennes before being sanctioned in a 2750m Cabourg monté Class D 10 days ago. Alexandre Abrivard in the sulky this time and will be expected to put things right
- 11. IVORINO D'ECHAL** - Put a trio of sanctions behind him to dominate a 2700m Machecoul Class E 2 weeks ago. Matthieu Abrivard in the bike this time and looks a serious danger to IF BLEU (3)
- 12. IRINO DE GUERON** - Fine servant that won a 2525m Class F at Les Andelys, in good order, mid-September. Has freshness on his side and makes his Argentan debut with a lot to offer
- 13. IDYLLE COPAISE** - Unraced since coming 3rd of 8 in a 2450m Caen monté Class E last June. Shoes on for re-entry and others preferred
- 14. IROISE DE MADKER** - Sanctioned, when well-supported, in a 2875m Enghien Class D 3 weeks ago. Seldom gets her nose in front but is consistently in the mix and, with hind shoes off, will be competitive for a payout

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**Summary:** Solid as a rock since early-summer, IF BLEU (3) has been excelling in the day's configuration and returns to a track he adores with a realistic chance of imposing. Gabi Gelormini will still be keeping a keen eye on the tricky but dangerous IVORINO D'ECHAL (11) who won at Machecoul just a fortnight ago, and IRINO DE GUERON (12) who has been given ample time to recuperate after bringing home the bacon at Les Andelys. INEDIT DU PAVILLON (4) failed at Vincennes to confirm his Laval performance but is reunited with Sébastien Ernault for whom he goes well.

## SELECTIONS

**IF BLEU (3) - IVORINO D'ECHAL (11) - IRINO DE GUERON (12) - INEDIT DU PAVILLON (4)**

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## C7 - PRIX XAVIER CAVEY - 2875m (a2m) - Class A Race - Harness - EUR € 40,000

- 1. JOSY DES LANDES** - 8th of 15 in a 2750m Cabourg Class E last weekend. Disappointing on the whole for past 2 months and, even racing barefoot, will have few friends
- 2. JAPONICA** - Last of 12, on return to competition, in a 2750m Cabourg Class E on 5 October. Shoes off this time but others still easier to back
- 3. JEANBAT DANOVER** - Continued the lean streak when 10th of 13 in a 2825m Chartres Class E 2.5 weeks ago and, barefoot or not, can be disregarded
- 4. JAGUAR FLORAL** - Won 2 on the trot before being sanctioned in a 2725m Lisieux Class E on 22 September. Entrusted to Alexandre Abrivard this time and must be taken seriously
- 5. JOYCE DREAM** - 7th of 13, on first start since the spell, in a 2875m Enghien Class D last Sunday. Shoes on and no threat
- 6. JO DIBAH** - Last of 14, on re-entry, in a 2850m Vincennes Class D on 22 October. Front pads fitted, with David Thomain in the bike, and looks competitively well-in
- 7. JULLOU** - Reliability not his strong suit, which he demonstrated when sanctioned in a 2850m Vincennes Class D 12 days ago. Shod as he was when victorious at Vincennes but appears to be biting off more than he can chew
- 8. JACKSON D'ARC** - Last but one, on comeback, in a 2850m Vincennes Class D 12 days ago. Has shown significant ability and, if fully-fit, can play a leading role
- 9. JERZINO VICI** - Unremarkable 6th of 9 finishers in a 2100m Vincennes Class D on 29 September. Has never excelled at Argentan and is not about to start
- 10. JOMA OV** - Did not enjoy the best of trips when 9th of 13 in a 2700m Vincennes Class C on 22 September. Can trot though and is unlikely to be too far from the action
- 11. JANNIG D'EREVAN** - Easy winner of a 2725m Lisieux Class E on 22 September. Comes here fresh, boasts a 75% win-rate with his driver, and looks the one to beat
- 12. JERICHO DU RIB** - Made short work of a 2875m Enghien Class D on 7 October. Is plainly in excellent shape and a repeat performance would see him contest the finish once again
- 13. JANE AIMEE** - Pleasantly-surprising 5th of 12 in a 2700m Vincennes Class B on 18 October. Cannot be considered a priority but a repeat performance would see him finish in the thick of things
- 14. JEANNETTE PRIORY** - Won 2 in September before finishing 10th of 12, behind JANE AIMEE (13), in a 2700m Vincennes Class B on 18 October. Will not have 4 year-olds to contend with this time and looks a player
- 15. JAIN MAB** - Ran 2nd at Rambouillet before running a somewhat lacklustre 7th of 12, behind JANE AIMEE (13), in a 2700m Vincennes Class B on 18 October, and others easier to trust

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**Summary:** Although never far from faulting, JANNIG D'EREVAN (11) has proved himself to be a tough nut when focused and, if behaved, can complement his Lisieux success. He will however be opposed by the well-engaged, and reconfigured, JERICO DU RIB (12) who made no bones about winning at Enghien early last month, and JACKSON D'ARC (8) who races barefoot after a Vincennes conditioner. JEANNETTE PRIORY (14) failed to pull off the hat-trick last time out, and incurs the penalty here, but will be expected to bounce back and give this a good go.

## SELECTIONS

**JANNIG D'EREVAN (11) - JERICO DU RIB (12) - JACKSON D'ARC (8) - JEANNETTE  
PRIORY (14)**

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## C8 - PRIX PAUL BUQUET - 2875m (a2m) - Class A Race - Harness - EUR € 53,000

- 1. JAMIN DE BRION** - Quality trotter making first appearance since finishing 8th of 10 in a 2175m Vincennes Gr.2 mid-August. Shod this time and will be race-rusty
- 2. GENET DE BOITRON** - 13th of 16 in a 2450m Caen Class D on 12 October. Lost his way after winning at Redon, and racing shod will do him no favours
- 3. FALTO DES LANDIERS** - Has 2 races under his belt following a year's layoff, latterly last of 16 in a 2450m Caen Class D 3 weeks ago, and is in need of another run
- 4. FIDELE MADRIK** - Back under harness after being pulled-up in a 2875m Enghien monté Class D 2.5 weeks ago. Shoes on this time and will have other priorities
- 5. FEELING BOY** - Makes first appearance since running 3rd of 14 in a 2850m Vincennes Class C on 26 August. Starts in front and will have an important role to play in Yves Dreux keeps him focused
- 6. CHARMY CHARLY AS** - Hardy element making first start since being sanctioned in a 2850m Vincennes Gr.3 late-June. Races barefoot for re-entry though, has never disappointed for his driver, and will not be going home empty-handed
- 7. KATINKA DU MOUCHEL** - Considerably better than her 6th of 15 in a 2700m Vincennes Gr.3 late last month would suggest. Has a lot to offer against her elders and can make this her own
- 8. IALTO D'HERTALS** - Starts for first time since coming 8th of 14 in a 3025m Class A at Montier-en-Der last August. Has merit but stays shod for comeback and not an obvious choice
- 9. GAI MATIN** - Made up for his Alençon blip when 3rd of 16 in a 2775m Class D at Les Sables a fortnight ago. One of the more consistent trotters here and is easy to like for a step on the podium
- 10. HOLERO LOVE** - Never-threatening, but respectable, 6th of 16 in a 2200m Caen Class B 2 weeks ago. Won his only start at the venue, is barefoot for the occasion, and will have his supporters
- 11. HANDY BOURBON** - Has 2 races under his belt following a long layoff, most recently last of 10 in a 2725m Graignes Class C 3 weeks ago. Has solid references when barefoot and, nicely-engaged on first line, can play a prominent role
- 12. HELIOS SI** - Respectable but never dangerous 7th of 16, behind HOLERO LOVE (10), in a 2200m Caen Class B 2 weeks ago. Goes shod this time and others easier to back
- 13. KSAR** - Classy colt making first start since coming 3rd of 12 in 2850m Vincennes Gr.1 Critérium des 4 Ans mid-September. Shoes on this time but still has the wherewithal to finish in the mix
- 14. FINE PERLE OF LOVE** - Finished a thrashed 8th of 9 in a 2575m Agen Gr.2 11 days ago. Has done nothing noteworthy for over a year and can be passed over
- 15. HIDALGO DES NOES** - Ran 5th at Le Mans before finishing 6th of 13 in a 2600m Cherbourg Gr.3 9 days ago. Would be preferred unshod however
- 16. FOGUE DU DOLLAR** - Unraced for 2 months after finishing 7th of 9 in a 2175m Vincennes monté Gr.2. Preparing for a campaign under the saddle and can be ruled out

# SUNDAY, 03/11/24

**17. ESPACE WINNER** - Won a brace before losing his action in a 2600m Cherbourg Gr.3 late-September. Has been afforded time to recalibrate and even under a 25m burden, can return to winning ways

**18. INA DU RIB** - Has not been seen out since finishing 10th of 12 in a 3100m Angers Gr.3 last April. Here solely for reasons of conditioning and, from 3rd line, will have nothing to contribute

**Summary:** By no means disgraced in a Vincennes Gr.3 late last month, KATINKA DU MOUCHEL (7) may not have won for close to a year but she drops back in category and, from the front line, can remedy that situation. Oddly out of sorts at Cherbourg, ESPACE WINNER (17) has otherwise been at the top of his game and, reunited with Alexandre Abrivard, can defy the handicap and get his nose in front. As game as they come, GAI MATIN (9) ran a very good race at Les Sables-d'Olonne recently and, with form maintained, can make a big impact from the front line. FEELING BOY (5) has not been seen out for over 2 months but he is barefoot for re-entry and must be taken more seriously this time.

## SELECTIONS

**KATINKA DU MOUCHEL (7) - ESPACE WINNER (17) - GAI MATIN (9) - FEELING BOY (5)**