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**C1 - PRIX DE LA COTE D'OR - 2925m (a2m) - Class F Race - Harness -
EUR € 29,000**

- 1. IL PRINCIPINO** - Ended a run of 3 consecutive disqualifications with a reassuring 5th in a course-and-distance harness race last month (23 December). Place chance
- 2. HEROINE RINGEAT** - Honest hard-knocker who seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day, though rarely wins (3 victories in 58 starts). Didn't go unnoticed when 6th in a 2650m harness race at Marseille-Vivieux on 12 December - for lovers of outsiders
- 3. IMPACTDARCHE** - Unreliable veteran trotter but seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Well-beaten 11th (shod) over 2650m at Marseille-Vivieux on 12 December - best watched for now
- 4. ISEA DU QUENNE** - Delicate mare with undeniable means and sound form references, including a last-start 3rd on this course over 2700m on 18 December. Attractive outsider
- 5. HALL BLACK DREAM** - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials at this level under these conditions/in this shoe-fitting. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for her recent failure (disqualification) on this course over 2150m on 21 December
- 6. IMPACT SUR LATERRE** - Honest hard-knocker who caught the eye with an improved/encouraging 3rd (shod) at Grenade on 15 December over 2725m. Can get into the picture
- 7. IRELLO** - Complicated trotter whose improved recent performances came in the claiming category - finished 3rd in a claimer at Grenade over 2750m on 19 October. Best watched for now
- 8. ILLUSTRE SAX** - Last-start winner over 2725m at Grenade-sur-Garonne on 15 December, albeit in a lesser race. Will remain competitive
- 9. IZZIE PONCELET** - Versatile veteran mare with sound form references/credentials in the harness category, including a last-start 2nd over this course and distance on 23 December. Candidate for success
- 10. IWAN D'AVEL** - Thriving veteran trotter in good form and physical condition - won 3 in a row before finishing 3rd at Grenade last time over 2725m on 22 December. Winning chance
- 11. IN VIVO** - Unreliable veteran trotter but not devoid of means - seldom far off the mark on a going day, especially in this barefoot configuration. Well-beaten 11th (shod) on this course over 2700m on 23 December but will fare better without shoes
- 12. HOLLENBOURG** - Regaining his form/momentum and confirmed as much with a reassuring 5th in a stronger course-and-distance event on 26 December. Dark horse
- 13. GLOIRE ROYALE** - Unreliable veteran mare but seldom far off the mark on a going day, though most effective unshod. Well-beaten 12th over 2650m at Marseille-Vivieux on 12 December - others preferred

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14. GAUCHO DE HOUELLE - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials at this level but better without shoes (unshod). Didn't go unnoticed (6th) in a stronger course-and-distance event on 26 December - for another day

15. INCAHUASI - Returned to form with a reassuring 2nd in a course-and-distance race on 26 December in this unshod configuration. Confirmation expected

16. FUN LOVER - Consistent hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials at this level, including a course-and-distance 3rd in his last start on 26 December. Keep safe

17. HERAKLION - Tricky hard-knocking veteran with undeniable means and sound form references, including a last-start 3rd here over 2700m on 18 December. Attractive outsider

Summary: Thriving veteran IWAN D'AVEL (10) is at the top of his game and the obvious favourite for race honours in this lineup. However, he'll have to be wary of the likely threat posed by IN VIVO (11), despite his awkward starting position on the outside of the front row, and ILLUSTRE SAX (8), a last-start winner at Grenade-sur-Garonne. Versatile IZZIE PONCELET (9), after a reassuring 2nd over track and trip last time, has the means to challenge those rivals for a spot on the podium. INCAHUASI (15) and FUN LOVER (16) are attractive outsiders.

SELECTIONS

IWAN D'AVEL (10) - IN VIVO (11) - ILLUSTRE SAX (8) - IZZIE PONCELET (9)

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C2 - PRIX DES COTES D'ARMOR - 2925m (a2m) - Class B Race - Harness - EUR € 33,000

- 1. KING DRY** - Honest hard-knocker who seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day but is currently out of sorts. Unplaced (9th) in a course-and-distance event on 28 December - best watched for now
- 2. KEROZEN** - Lightly raced trotter with undeniable means and references at a higher level, though most effective without his irons. Best watched for now after a recent disqualification in a course-and-distance event on 28 December
- 3. KANGALA DE FAEL** - Returned to form with a reassuring 3rd in a course-and-distance race on 28 December in this (barefoot) configuration. Confirmation expected
- 4. KIMBA DU NOYER** - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials - seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Didn't go unnoticed (8th) in a course-and-distance race on 28 December and is fully unshod for the first time in his career
- 5. KOALA BLUE** - Complicated trotter disqualified in 4 consecutive recent appearances, the latest in a course-and-distance contest on 21 December. For another day
- 6. KOMPANY VINCENT** - Won 3 consecutive course-and-distance races in this unshod configuration before finishing 9th (shod) on his return at Vincennes on 15 December after a 4-month absence. Hard to oppose with his shoes removed
- 7. LIKE YOU** - Ultra-consistent filly with impressive form figures, including 3 consecutive victories and last-start 4th over course and distance on 21 December. Candidate for success, even with her irons (shod)
- 8. KRAK D'AZUR** - Honest hard-knocker with sound/consistent form references at a higher level. Disqualified in a course-and-distance race on 21 December but shouldn't be hastily condemned for that failure - has the means to make amends
- 9. KROONER D'HERIPRE** - Course-and-distance specialist who finished 2nd over track and trip in a similar race on 21 December. Will have a role to play
- 10. KEYNOTE** - Well-performed trotter with undeniable means and sound references/form credentials at a higher level. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 8th over 2850m in a stronger race/field at Vincennes on 15 December - dark horse

Summary: A winner of 3 course-and-distance races last summer, KOMPANY VINCENT (6) is hard to oppose under these conditions after a much-needed comeback (shod) at Vincennes last month. LIKE YOU (7), proven with his irons, and KROONER D'HERIPRE (9), another specialist over this track and trip, lead the opposition ahead of KRAK D'AZUR (8) and KEYNOTE (10), both of whom have shown enough to challenge for a podium spot.

SELECTIONS

KOMPANY VINCENT (6) - LIKE YOU (7) - KROONER D'HERIPRE (9) - KRAK D'AZUR (8)

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C3 - PRIX FANDANGO - 2150m (a1m1/4) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 38,000

- 1. FUCHSIA PIERJI** - Honest hard-knocker who is rarely seen fully unshod, a configuration in which he boasts solid form references/credentials including a win and a 3rd in his last 2 barefoot appearances at Hyeres in 2024. Good 4th here over 2925m on 18 December
- 2. FARMER KERYVON** - Well-performed veteran with 14 wins from 64 appearances, though currently out of sorts - soundly beaten (12th, shod) at Marseille-Vivieux over 2650m on 5 December but has better references without his irons (unshod). Attractive outsider
- 3. HARRY LE BEAU** - A thriving veteran trotter in good form and physical condition - won over 2650m on 30 November before finishing 2nd in a 2600m event at Lyon-Parilly on 14 December. Winning chance
- 4. GARDON** - Inconsistent but undeniably capable veteran trotter who won his last unshod appearance over 2300m at Marseille-Borely in September. Finished 10th (shod) in a 2700m Quinte+ at Vincennes on 31 December but will be more competitive here
- 5. FICIMER** - A well-performed veteran who has won 4 times and finished 2nd three times in his last 7 barefoot appearances. Finished 8th (shod) on this course over 2925m on 18 December but is an entirely different proposition without his irons (unshod)
- 6. FAMEUX SAX** - Runner-up in a course-and-distance race in July 2023 and finished 4th here over 2925m on 21 December in his only other Cagnes-sur-Mer appearance. Keep safe
- 7. GAUDEPSOU** - Returned to form with a reassuring 3rd over 2550m at Bordeaux pm 17 December. Confirmation expected
- 8. HEART OF GOLD** - Experienced hard-knocker with references in this configuration at a higher level but currently out of sorts. Disqualified in a 2925m harness race here on 18 December - best watched for now
- 9. GORDON FLASH** - Unreliable veteran trotter but seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Well-beaten 12th in a course-and-distance race on 21 December - best watched for now
- 10. HOOPER DES CHASSES** - Consistent hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials, including a recent 6th in a course-and-distance race on 21 December. Not taken lightly
- 11. FITZY DE VIVE** - Versatile veteran trotter with sound references in both trotting categories (seldom far off the mark), including a last-start 8th in a 2850m mounted race on 29 December at Vincennes. Dark horse
- 12. FASHIONABLE QUICK** - Complicated hard-knocker who is seldom far off the mark on a going day but is currently out of sorts. Disqualified in a course-and-distance event on 28 December - best watched for now
- 13. HELIOS DES CHAMPS** - Complicated trotter disqualified in 4 consecutive recent appearances, the latest in a course-and-distance race last month (21 December). For another day
- 14. HYDROMEL** - Delicate veteran trotter disqualified in 3 of his last 4 appearances, the latest over 2600m at Lyon-Parilly on 14 December. Has references at a higher level in this configuration but this remains a question of wisdom

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15. GRAND TRIO LUDOIS - Experienced hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials at this level in this configuration, including a last-start 3rd on this course over 2925m on 18 December. Attractive outsider

16. GEODE DU CHERISAY - Consistent veteran mare in good form and physical condition with sound references/form credentials, including a recent 6th in a 2925m event here on 21 December. Dark horse

Summary: Thriving veteran HARRY LE BEAU (3) is ideally entered under these conditions and should continue his momentum by playing another leading role. GARDON (4), himself favourably engaged, and hard-knocking 10-year-old FUCHSIA PIERJI (1) are also legitimate candidates for success. FICIMER (5), an excellent performer without his irons, recent course-and-distance runner-up FAMEUX SAX (6) and HOOPER DES CHASSES (10), with Christophe Martens at the helm again, aren't taken lightly and they should make their presence felt.

SELECTIONS

HARRY LE BEAU (3) - GARDON (4) - FUCHSIA PIERJI (1) - FICIMER (5)

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C4 - PRIX DE LA COTE D'EMERAUDE - 2925m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 26,000

1. **JAVA BESP** - Consistent hard-knocker in good form and physical condition with sound form references, including a last-start 3rd at this venue over 2150m on 18 December. Not taken lightly
2. **JADA MOKO** - Sparked improvement to finish a reassuring 4th on this course over 2150m on 18 December. Confirmation required
3. **JOLIE MOME CHIC** - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials, even with her irons - seldom far off the mark, so shouldn't be hastily condemned for her recent failure (disqualification) in a course-and-distance race on 28 December - dark horse
4. **JOIA DE PIENCOURT** - Runner-up in both comeback outings at this venue recently after a 4-month absence, the latest in a course-and-distance event on 28 December. Candidate for success
5. **JAIKA DES FANES** - Lightly raced mare with the form and experience to play a leading role and room for improvement. Finished a good 4th in a course-and-distance race on 28 December when resuming after a 9-month absence - should have more to offer
6. **JASMINE WINNER** - Honest hard-knocker with sound/consistent references for several months. Showed her form and well-being by finishing 5th in a course-and-distance event on 28 December. Keep safe
7. **JOLIE DE CORTEM** - Unreliable veteran mare soundly beaten in both comeback outings, the latest in a course-and-distance race last month (23 December). Best watched for now
8. **JIFF LINE** - Honest hard-knocker who is seldom far off the mark on a going day but currently out of sorts. Soundly beaten (13th) in a course-and-distance event on 14 December and not likely to trouble the judge
9. **JYLVIE DE GUEUDE** - Battling 52-start maiden soundly beaten/unplaced in her last 5 appearances, the latest (11th) over 2100m at Vincennes on 11 December. Overlook
10. **JEWELLE OF JANE** - Consistent hard-knocker in good form and physical condition with sound form references, including a last-start 5th at this venue over the same distance on 24 August. Respected on her reappearance
11. **JODLEUSE MAG** - Unreliable but not entirely incapable of getting a look in - seldom far off the mark on a going day. Well-beaten 10th at this venue in a course-and-distance race on 14 December - best watched for now
12. **JOY MARGOT** - Experienced hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials at this level, especially in this barefoot configuration. Soundly beaten in consecutive shod appearances recently, the latest (12th) over this course and distance on 14 December
13. **JOLIE GRAVURE** - Last-start winner in this shoe-fitting over 2725m at Grenade-sur-Garonne on 22 December. Should remain competitive for victory
14. **JULOHA STAR ELGE** - Well-beaten 12th (shod) over 2850m at Vincennes on 29 December after a 4-month absence. Would've come on from that comeback outing and races here with all 4 shoes removed - keep safe

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15. JET SET DU BELLAY - Experienced hard-knocking mare with sound references at this level, especially in this unshod configuration. Shouldnt be hastily condemned for finishing 11th (shod) in a course-and-distance race on 14 December - danger with shoes removed

Summary: PRETTY ENGRAVING (13) represents a stable in 'red-hot' form so she will attract betting interest, especially after her recent success at Grenade. JULOHA STAR ELGE (14), after a much-needed (shod) comeback outing at Vincennes, and JOIA DE PIENCOURT (4), runner-up in back-to-back appearances at this venue after a layoff, have the form and experience to expose any chinks in the armour of the selection. JAIKA DES FANES (5), JOIA DE PIENCOURT (4) and JASMINE WINNER (6) have legitimate podium prospects too.

SELECTIONS

JOLIE GRAVURE (13) - JULOHA STAR ELGE (14) - JOIA DE PIENCOURT (4) - JAIKA DES FANES (5)

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C5 - PRIX DE LA COTE VERMEILLE - 2925m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 26,000

1. LUCKY MAN - Unplaced in all 6 appearances last year, the latest (8th) on this course over 2150m on 28 December. Improvement needed

2. LE POMMEREUX - Won a 2800m claimer at Les Sables-d'Olonne in August but been off the boil since - disqualified in 2 of 5 subsequent races and finished unplaced 3 times, the latest (9th) on this course over 2150m on 28 December. Others preferred

3. LEADER DES RIOULTS - Delicate trotter but usually acquits himself competitively when avoiding disqualification. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th in a 2700m event at this venue on 28 December and is open to improvement lightened in his shoeing for the first time

4. LEGOLAS PAULOIS - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials with his irons (shod), including a last-start 5th over 2650m at Marseille-Vivieux on 12 December. Open to improvement lightened in his shoeing (unshod behind) for the first time

5. LOTHBROCK - Progressive trotter on a steep upward trajectory - won 4 of his last 5 starts (was 2nd in the other), including both Cagnes appearances. Followed up a course-and-distance victory here last month with a 2150m last-start success on 26 December

6. LE CARAT D'AS - Consistent performer with the form and experience to acquit himself competitively in a race like this - seldom finishes far off the mark. Didn't go unnoticed (7th) over 2400m at Beaumont on 1 December on his return from a 3-month absence

7. LAUTREC TURGOT - Unplaced in both recent comeback appearances at this venue after a 7-month absence. Finished 7th (shod) over 2700m on 28 December but is open to improvement racing with shoes removed for the first time in his career

8. LE CASHMAKER - Unplaced (plated) in back-to-back Vincennes appearances recently, the latest (12th) over 2175m on 13 December, but has undeniable means and is open to improvement lightened in his shoeing (unshod behind) for the first time

9. LEVER DU JOAMAX - Well-beaten 12th (shod) over 2700m at this venue on 28 December on his return from a 4-month absence. Would've come on from that comeback outing and is likely to improve lightened in his shoeing (unshod behind) for the first time

10. LEOPOLD - Promising trotter with undeniable means and sound/consistent form references - won twice, finished 2nd twice and once finished 4th. Runner-up over 2650m at Marseille-Vivieux over 2650m on 12 December and should play another leading role

Summary: LOTHBROCK (5), undefeated on this track, is good value to continue his momentum and complete the hat-trick. He is taken to get the better of LEOPOLD (10), himself somewhat of a Cagnes track specialist, and LE CASHMAKER (8) who has undeniable means and may have more to offer lightened in his shoeing. LEVER DU JOAMAX (9), after a much-needed comeback outing, and LEGOLAS PAULOIS (4), one of several lightened in their shoeing, appeal most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

LOTHBROCK (5) - LEOPOLD (10) - LE CASHMAKER (8) - LEVER DU JOAMAX (9)

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C6 - PRIX DE LA COTE D'OPALE - 2925m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 26,000

- 1. LADY ORANGE** - Delicate filly disqualified in 4 of 6 appearances, including her last 3 starts - the latest in a 2150m race here on 26 December
- 2. LUNE ROSE D'ALESA** - A tricky customer who is seldom far from a fault, though usually acquits herself well when avoiding disqualification. Best watched for now after her latest failure here in a course-and-distance event on 23 December
- 3. LIFE IS LOVE** - Runner-up on debut at Avignon in May and finished 3rd in consecutive starts. Disqualified in a course-and-distance event on 23 December after a 5-month absence but would've benefitted from that comeback outing
- 4. LOVELY HONEY** - Returned to form with a reassuring 2nd in a course-and-distance race on 23 December, albeit at a lower level. Could have more to offer racing unshod for the first time in her career
- 5. L'AMIE JOSSELYN** - Consistent and improving with sound references/form credentials, including a good last-start 4th over 2875m at Enghien on 27 October. Respected on her reappearance
- 6. LA HORSE** - Experienced filly (15-start) maiden with sufficient means to acquit herself competitively in a race of this nature. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 8th (plated) over 2650m at Marseille-Vivau on 12 December
- 7. LEONA JENILOU** - Consistent filly with the form and experience to make her presence felt here, despite her disqualification on 12 December at Marseille-Vivau following a 2-month break. Better is expected
- 8. L'ALASKA SNOW** - Inconsistent but not devoid of ability. Good 3rd (shod) over 2650m at Marseille-Vivau last month but unplaced (10th) in a 2700m race at this venue on 28 December. Not taken lightly with all 4 shoes removed for the first time
- 9. LAIKA D'ESPACE** - Delicate and rarely far from a fault but usually acquits herself competitively when remaining wise (seldom far off the mark on a going day). Disqualified in consecutive recent starts, the latest at Vincennes on 4 December - unshod for the first time
- 10. LILY ROSE** - Unreliable and currently out of sorts, though not entirely incapable of getting a look in here judged on her best references at a higher level. Well-beaten 9th (shod) at this venue over 2700m on 28 December - unshod for the first time, dark horse
- 11. LADY DRY** - Experienced filly with references at a higher level, though seldom far from a fault. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for her latest failure (disqualification) here over 2700m on 28 December - may well make amends racing unshod for the first time
- 12. LOLITA STEED** - Promising filly with undeniable means, references at a higher level and room for improvement. Finished a good 3rd over 2700m at Vincennes on 24 December and will fight for victory with a repeat of that performance
- 13. LYRE DE BEYLEV** - Last-start winner over 2650m at Marseille-Vivau on 3 November with sound references/form credentials at this venue (a win and a 2nd in her last 2 Cagnes appearances). Candidate for success

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Summary: Convincing at Vincennes during the winter, promising LOLITA STEED (12) need only repeat her latest performance to reconnect with success. Experienced LADY DRY (11), last-start winner LYRE DE BEYLEV (13) and LOVELY HONEY (4), barefoot for the first time after a reassuring 2nd last time, are best equipped to challenge the selection for race honours. LEONA JENILOU (7) and LA HORSE (6) complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

LOLITA STEED (12) - LADY DRY (11) - LYRE DE BEYLEV (13) - LOVELY HONEY (4)

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C7 - PRIX DE LA COTE D'AMOUR - 2150m (a1m1/4) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 22,000

- 1. KARTING DE PLAY** - Lightly raced trotter with undeniable means (sound references/form credentials) and room for improvement. Hasn't been seen since finishing 4th on this course over 2700m on 15 August but warrants respect on his reappearance - keep safe
- 2. KEADYE CASH DU DAN** - Experienced hard-knocker with sound references at this level, especially in this unshod configuration (seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day). Didn't go unnoticed when 5th over 2650m at Bordeaux on 17 December - attractive outsider
- 3. KHAZAR DES CORVEES** - Experienced trotter with sufficient means to make his presence felt in a race of this nature. Disqualified in a 2650m race at Marseille-Vivau on 12 December so best watched for now
- 4. KING MAKER** - Versatile trotter with sound form references in both trotting codes (particularly in this unshod configuration), including a last-start 3rd under the saddle in a 2925m mounted race at this venue on 21 December. Dark horse
- 5. KALSIE DES BAUX** - Promising trotter with undeniable means and sound/consistent form references, especially in this unshod configuration. Finished 3rd over 2650m at Marseille-Vivau on 30 November - not taken lightly
- 6. KOSAK DU FER** - Last-start winner on this course over 2925m on 23 December, albeit at a considerably lower level. Will find this tougher
- 7. KASHMIR PRESTANCE** - Rewarded for consistency with a last-start victory on this course over 2925m, even with his irons (shod) on 23 December. Competitive for the leading places
- 8. KIF DE L'UNE** - Experienced hard-knocker who seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day but is currently out of sorts. Finished 7th (shod) over 2650m at Marseille-Vivau on 12 December
- 9. KICK UP GEDE** - Last-start winner on this course over 2925m on 18 December in this unshod configuration on his first visit to this venue. Should be a factor
- 10. KILLER CHARM** - Honest hard-knocker with sound references under these conditions (shod), albeit at a lower level. Disqualified in a 2300m harness event at Marseille-Borely on 2 December - for another day
- 11. KATE DU RIL** - Smart, lightly raced mare with untapped potential - won 3 of 4 completed outings (5 starts). made a winning comeback on this course over 2925m on 23 December and should continue her momentum
- 12. KOOL DU CHATELET** - Honest hard-knocker with the form and experience to make his presence felt, especially in this unshod configuration after a pleasing last start (6th) over 2650m at Marseille-Vivau on 12 December. On the shortlist
- 13. KERVELEAN** - Returned to form with a reassuring 2nd (barefoot) over 2650m at Marseille-Vivau on 12 December but unlikely to confirm that form/improvement in this shoeing configuration
- 14. KLEPPER DU LOIR** - Complicated trotter, seldom far from a fault. Best watched for now after back-to-back recent disqualifications, the latest at Marseille-Vivau on 12 December

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15. KALINE DE SOYORA - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials under these conditions. Disqualified in a 2550m Beaumont event on 1 December so must reaffirm - for another day

16. KHEOPS TURGOT - Delicate, lightly raced trotter with undeniable means and sound references (albeit at a lower level) and room to improve. Finished a good 3rd over 2650m at Marseille-Vivaux on 12 December

Summary: Unexposed KATE DU RIL (11) made an encouraging winning reappearance on this track last month and ought to continue her momentum so it could pay to follow her progress. She gets the nod ahead of fellow last-start winners KASHMIR PRESTANCE (7) and KICK UP GEDE (9), who will make life difficult for the selection. KOOL DU CHATELET (12) also has the form and experience to play a leading role. KARTING DE PLAY (1) and KING MAKER (4) appeal most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

KATE DU RIL (11) - KASHMIR PRESTANCE (7) - KICK UP GEDE (9) - KOOL DU CHATELET (12)

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C8 - PRIX DE LA COTE SAINT-ANDRE - 2150m (a1m1/4) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 21,000

- 1. MAURICIEN** - Debut winner at Grenade-sur-Garonne in November but subsequently disqualified at Bordeaux on 23 December. Should not be hastily condemned
- 2. MAC KINLEY** - Successful on his trip to Marseille-Borély, opening his account with a last-start 2300m victory on 2 December. Competitive for the leading places
- 3. MATIGNON** - Improving colt, runner-up in consecutive recent starts - the latest (2nd) over 2300m at Marseille-Borely on 2 December. He wouldn't be winning out of turn
- 4. MISS LADY D'ALESA** - Improved to finish a career-best 2nd in a course-and-distance event on 26 December. Confirmation is expected
- 5. MISTER BARRA** - Impressive debut winner over 2200m at Salon-de-Provence on 24 November. Would've gained from that experience and is open to any amount of improvement
- 6. MIAMI DREAM** - Delicate filly with undeniable means and sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 6th in a stronger race at Vincennes over 2175m on 6 December. Question of wisdom
- 7. MISTER D'ECROVILLE** - Debut winner on this course over 2925m on 14 December but showed enough speed that day to suggest that this shorter distance won't trouble him. Could pay to follow his progress
- 8. MAJESTUEUSE** - Confirmed the promise of her debut 2nd over 2400m by finishing 3rd over 2300m at Marseille-Borely on 2 December. Not taken lightly
- 9. MARIA DE VALNY** - Improved to finish 4th in back-to-back recent starts, the latest at this venue in a course-and-distance race on 26 December
- 10. MY GIRL** - Debut 4th over 2725m at Grenade-sur-Garonne on 8 December. Open to improvement but will find this tougher
- 11. MADE IN GEDE** - Disqualified on debut in a 2925 harness race at this venue on 14 December but didn't go unnoticed. Would've gained from that experience
- 12. MIDNIGHT MELODY** - Runner-up on debut at Chartres in November but unplaced in subsequent starts, finished 8th on both occasions - latest at this venue in a course-and-distance race on 26 December. Others preferred
- 13. MALIBU** - Disqualified in all 3 appearances, the latest over 2750m at Cabourg on 7 December. Hard to make a case for
- 14. MACARENA D'HOULBEC** - Soundly beaten (10th) on debut over 2400m at Marseille-Borely on 2 October. Open to improvement on her reappearance but best watched for now
- 15. MA COPINE FLAC** - Caught the eye on debut when finishing 2nd behind MISTER D'ECROVILLE (7) on this track over 2925m on 14 December. Keep safe
- 16. MAMBA DES DURIEZ** - Inconsistent but not devoid of ability - twice 3rd (4 starts) but finished a disappointing 8th over 2300m at Marseille-Borely on 2 December. Remains open to improvement

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Summary: Debut winners MISTER D'ECROVILLE (7) and MISTER BARRA (5) make obvious appeal and will logically be prominent in the betting exchanges. However, preference is for the former who scored at this venue first-up and that track experience should stand him in good stead. MAURICIEN (1) and MIAMI DREAM (6) have shown enough to play leading roles, which can also be said of last-start scorer MAC KINLEY (2) and MATIGNON (3), runner-up in consecutive outings and likely to open his account sooner rather than later.

SELECTIONS

MISTER D'ECROVILLE (7) - MISTER BARRA (5) - MAURICIEN (1) - MIAMI DREAM (6)