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C1 - PRIX DU PARC MONTSOURIS - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 35,000

1. KISSES ROYALE - Runner-up in both return runs, latterly a 2200m Caen Class E on 17 June. Is plainly close to her race and looks a serious proposition

2. KIVA DU LOISIR - 3rd under these conditions late-March but has since lost her way, coming 8th, behind KELLY PRINCESSE (13), in a 2150m Class E here 3 weeks ago, and will have nothing to contribute

3. KALINE JAMINI - Failed to confirm her Pontchâteau success when 8th, behind KELLY PRINCESSE (13), in a 2750m Class D at La Capelle 2 weeks ago. Is better than that though and, in this field, has a decent first-5 chance

4. KARMEN DE MONTCEAU - Last of 13, when preparing for this, in La Capelle race of reference. Shoes off this time but still not an obvious choice

5. KEVA MADRIK - Unraced since coming 7th of 16 in a 2700m Vincennes monté Class D last February. Here for reasons of conditioning and can be ruled out

6. KATE - Has not been seen out since coming 7th of 11, behind KARMEN DE MONTCEAU (4), in a 2100m Vincennes Class D 3 months ago. Is barefoot for re-entry though and should not be ruled out

7. KAPELLA DRY - Authoritative winner of a 2850m Laval Class E on 13 June. Shod as she was that day and can make it 2 on the trot

8. KERRA UP STAR - Won at Laval late-May before faulting in a 2700m Vincennes Class D on 18 June. Should not be too harshly judged though and, even with shoes back on, can start to put things right

9. KAMOVA DU RILER - 4th, a place behind KELLY PRINCESSE (13), at 111/1, in a 2150m Class E here 3 weeks ago, but a repeat seems most improbable

10. KALINE DES RIOULTS - Useful filly making her first appearance since finishing last of 4 finishers in a 2200m Vincennes monté Class D 3 months ago. Shoes off for the occasion but is expected to be race-rusty

11. KELOWA STARDUST - On a good run over past 6 weeks, latterly 4th, a place behind KELLY PRINCESSE (13), in a 2750m Class D at La Capelle a fortnight ago. Is confirmed under these conditions and is unlikely to disappoint

12. KAKUETA VEDAQUAISE - 7th of 16 in a 2450m Caen Class D late last month. Has already won this year but still needs to find more

13. KELLY PRINCESSE - Has started to come good again following a string of sanctions, most recently 3rd of 11 finishers in a 2150m Class E here mid-June. Raffin back in the wagon and can again make the frame

14. KASSYA - Has bags of ability but sanctioned in last 2, most recently a 2450m Caen Class D. Is proven at this level and will not be far from the action if Yoann Lebourgeois keeps her trotting

15. KATARINA DE LOU - Last but one in a 2700m Vincennes Class D on 18 June, following 5 straight sanctions, and can expect to remain friendless in the markets

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16. KUNZITE D'EM - Tricky character starting for first time since faulting in a 2100m Vincennes Class D late-February. Shoes on and will need the outing

Summary: It took a couple of runs before KAPELLA DRY (7) started to come good this season but she laid down the law at Laval recently and, similarly-shod, can repeat. She will nevertheless be pitted against the improving KISSES ROYALE (1) who has returned to competition in excellent shape, and the reinvigorated KELLY PRINCESSE (13) who is reunited with Eric Raffin who finished 3rd with her here 3 weeks ago. KELOWA STARDUST (11) ran her close that day and, barefoot for the occasion, is not about to finish far off the mark.

SELECTIONS

KAPELLA DRY (7) - KISSES ROYALE (1) - KELLY PRINCESSE (13) - KELOWA STARDUST (11)

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C2 - PRIX D'ARMENTIERES - 2875m (a2m) - Class C Race - Mounted - EUR € 46,000

- 1. KINGSTON DE BLARY** - Quickly sanctioned in Prix du Président 2 weeks ago and even at this level, faces a tough task
- 2. KOALA** - 2nd of 8 finishers a fortnight ago, in a 2850m Vincennes Class D, on return from a 2-months' spell. Won over course and distance in April and is not incapable of repeating
- 3. KIDY D'EPONA** - Always gives her best, most recently 4th to KELVALSE CASTELETS (7) in a 2700m Vincennes Class C late-May, and appears to have a decent chance of repeating
- 4. KILOU D'YMER** - Took his game to a new level before being sent for a break. Last of 12, on re-entry, in a 2700m Vincennes harness Class C on 21 June but, if fully-fit, can bring home the bacon
- 5. KINOA DU LIVIER** - Hardy filly that was sanctioned on re-entry in a 2150m Vichy harness Class D early last month. Has previously won at a superior level, sports a new configuration, appreciates Enghien, but may still be race-rusty
- 6. KID DES MOLLES** - Has not been seen out since trotting 2nd to KEL AIR D'EOLE (11) in a 2700m Vincennes Class C late-April. 4 pads fitted this time and others preferred
- 7. KELVALSE CASTELETS** - Won a Vincennes Class C late-May before faulting in a 2700m Gr.2 at the same venue 10 days later. Has ample ability though and, with application, will not disappoint
- 8. KAISARIA** - Last of 17 when preparing for this in a 2750m Craon harness Class B on 24 June. Just hind shoes on this time but still looks to have too much to do
- 9. KISS ME BOURBON** - Makes just 2nd appearance under the saddle, most recently faulting in a 2700m Vincennes harness Class B on 31 May. Unshod behind for the first time, with Mathieu Mottier onboard, but still no more than a minor place chance
- 10. KANTHABELLA** - Complicated filly dropping back in class after being sanctioned early in Prix du Président late-June. Is not without merit but others still easier to back
- 11. KEL AIR D'EOLE** - Bit off more than he could chew when last but one in 2850m Gr.1 Prix du Président 2 weeks ago but showed his capacity earlier in the year and is eminently capable of finishing in the mix

Summary: A tough campaigner with excellent monté credentials, KILOU D'YMER (4) returns to the code after a much-needed conditioner under harness, and barefoot for the occasion, can get straight down to business. Enjoying something of a renaissance since returning to the monté code, KILOU D'YMER (4) was unable to secure the hat-trick on his return from a spell but he will have come on for the run and can challenge for the win. KELVALSE CASTELETS (7) did not enjoy the best of trips in the Gr.2 Prix Lavater but has been given time to get her morale back and, with application, will not be far from the action. KEL AIR D'EOLE (11) drops back to a more reasonable level and, already a winner under these conditions, can play an important role.

SELECTIONS

KILOU D'YMER (4) - KOALA (2) - KELVALSE CASTELETS (7) - KEL AIR D'EOLE (11)

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C3 - PRIX DE L'ECOLE MILITAIRE - 2150m (a1m1/4) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 40,000

1. **KAJOU JOSSELYN** - Has ability but sanctioned in 3 of last 4, most recently a 2175m Vincennes Class C a month ago, and must get his house in order
2. **KIPLING IRON** - 6th of 15 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D 3 weeks ago, on first start since his spell. Will have come on for the run, is barefoot again, and well-placed to give this a good go
3. **KAPITANO DE LOU** - Showed early promise but disappointing this year. Faulted in a 2950m Vichy Class D 10 days ago and is not about to shake things up
4. **KERMES** - Completely off the boil this term, most recently making it 4 straight sanctions in Vincennes race of reference, and can be disregarded
5. **KANTISSIME WINNER** - Won 2 before trotting 4th of 11 in a 2700m Cagnes Class C early-February. Has not been seen out since but is barefoot for the occasion and looks capable of challenging for a place on the podium
6. **KNOK** - Last but one behind KIPLING IRON (2) in a 2700m Vincennes Class D mid-June. Consistently gives his best, races first time barefoot with Yoann Lebourgeois back in the sulky, and should show improvement
7. **KANKAN** - 8th of 15, behind KIPLING IRON (2), in a 2700m Vincennes Class D, on return from a break 3 weeks ago. Shod as he was at Vincennes on penultimate start and Eric Raffin keeping faith speaks volumes
8. **KASH SNIPER** - Returns to the harness code after faulting in a 2600m monté Class F at La Roche-Posay early last month. Front shoes off this time, but has little love for Enghien and can be passed over
9. **KATSUKI** - Sanctioned in mid-June Vincennes race of reference. Has done nothing noteworthy for some time and can be confidently ruled out
10. **KAMIL VAN HALBEEK** - Has not been seen out since coming 3rd of 14 in a 2100m Vincennes Class D in early-February. Stays shod, with his handler reining, but still appears to represent a respectable first-3 chance
11. **KHEOPS BOURBON** - Bridesmaid in his last 3 starts, latterly a 2450m Caen Class D 12 days ago. Is better racing clockwise but, in present shape, can get a look-in
12. **KAZAR** - Quality colt making first start since coming a below-par 7th of 10 in a 2175m Vincennes Class C on 11 February. Has had time to get his game together and Matthieu Abrivard will have his sights set on putting things right
13. **KALYPSO DE THIERRE** - Surprise winner of a 2750m Class D at La Capelle a fortnight ago. In more elevated company this time though and others preferred
14. **KAVANI** - Respectable 4th of 11 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D on re-entry late last month. Is still being conditioned though and best to wait
15. **KADOR DU MONT** - Decent 5th of 16 in a 2850m Vincennes Class D a month ago. Consistently gives his best and makes Enghien debut with legitimate ambition. Chance
16. **KOBALT APPLE** - 9th of 11, on re-entry, in a 3000m Nantes Class D on 3 June. Has merit though, races barefoot for the first time, but the draw will do him no favours

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Summary: An interesting contest this with the three main protagonists forced to break from the back line. KAZAR (12) has not been seen out since February but is competitively-shod and, on class alone, can get straight down to business. He will still feel some heat from the serious KADOR DU MONT (15), and the highly-consistent KAMIL VAN HALBEEK (10) who similarly makes his seasonal bow. KANISSIME WINNER (5) is also in 'competition mode' following a 5-months' absence, enjoys a good spot in front, and does not make the long trip north to see the sights.

SELECTIONS

KAZAR (12) - KADOR DU MONT (15) - KAMIL VAN HALBEEK (10) - KANISSIME WINNER (5)

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C4 - PRIX DU LOUVRE - 2875m (a2m) - Gr3 Race - Harness - EUR € 80,000

- 1. DIVA DEL RONCO** - Drops back in class after coming 8th of 12 in a 2100m Vincennes Gr.1 on 23 June, but will still have nothing to offer
- 2. JAZZMAN (GER)** - Classy colt making just 2nd start back, finishing 11th of 12, on return, in a 2700m Vincennes Gr.3 late last month. Adores Enghien but still looks race-rusty
- 3. JAGUAR DU GOUTIER** - Unseen since finishing last of 9 in a 2700m Vincennes Gr.2 mid-April. Shoes on and no threat
- 4. JET EXPRESS** - Set personal best time in Gr.3 Prix Jean le Gonidec before trotting 7th to JIOSCO DE PHYT'S (14) in Gr.3 Prix RMC over 2850m across town a fortnight ago and, with more luck in running, could yet impose
- 5. KAVIARISSIME** - Sent to Mathieu Mottier after coming 6th of 8 in a 2175m Vincennes Gr.3 a fortnight ago, nonetheless setting his personal best chrono that day, and while not a priority, will be worth monitoring
- 6. JAMIN DE BRION** - Made it 2 on the trot when winning the 2175m Gr.2 Prix Jean le Gonidec at Vincennes, at 20/1, a month back. Unlikely to pull off the hat-trick but can still figure prominently
- 7. JUST A MIDI** - Surprise 4th in Gr.2 Prix Jean le Gonidec before trotting 3rd to JIOSCO DE PHYT'S (14) in 2850m Gr.3 Prix RMC at Vincennes 2 weeks ago. Is plainly on the march forward and can compete for a place cheque
- 8. KABAKA DE GUEZ** - Disappointing 8th of 17 in a 2750m Craon Class B, when being conditioned, on 24 June. First time up against her elders and represents no more than a minor place prospect
- 9. KAMEHAMEHA** - Enormously talented but as capricious as they come. Unraced since faulting in 2700m Gr.1 Critérium des 3 Ans at Vincennes mid-September. Will not be given a hard race and can be passed over
- 10. DESIDERIO D'ESI** - Quality Italian sort making maiden Enghien appearance after finishing last but one in a 2100m Gr.1 Vincennes 'conditioner' on re-entry 2 weeks ago. Has nothing to prove in this class and, with application, can go far
- 11. KAPULA DE L'EPINE** - 5th of 7 finishers in a 2850m monté Gr.1 a fortnight back. Here for a change of scenery and will have little to contribute
- 12. JAZZ IN MONTREUX** - Quality element starting for first time since faulting in a 2175m Vincennes monté Class A 5 months ago. Has other priorities and can be written off
- 13. GERICAULT** - 6th to JIOSCO DE PHYT'S (14) in late-June race of reference. Will be fully fit by now and, sporting a new configuration, is not to be underestimated
- 14. JIOSCO DE PHYT'S** - Made short work of Gr.3 Prix RMC over 2850m at Vincennes late last month. Is first time barefoot at Enghien and, in current form, can double his money

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Summary: Second in a Gr.2 early-May, JOSCO DE PHYT'S (14) most recently won the Gr.3 Prix RMC under similar conditions at Vincennes, with consummate ease, and is obviously going to be sent out well-backed, but JET EXPRESS (4) has been putting in some impressive performances, the despite results suggesting otherwise, and may well be marginally preferable to Eric Raffin's charge this time. DESIDERIO D'ESI (10) will have come on for his Gr.1 freshener and the engagement of Alexandre Abrivard will do his prospects no disservice. Third to the favourite at Vincennes, JUST A MIDI (7) has a particular liking for Enghien and, unshod behind this time, can finish in the mix.

SELECTIONS

JET EXPRESS (4) - JOSCO DE PHYT'S (14) - DESIDERIO D'ESI (10) - JUST A MIDI (7)

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C5 - PRIX D'ORGEVAL - 2150m (a1m1/4) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 52,000

- 1. FAUCON DE L'ALBA** - Showed improvement when 4th of 16 in a 2100m Vincennes Class E on 21 June. Leading driver retained this time and looks principal danger to GREGOR (6)
- 2. FEUX VERTS** - Unable to replicate his Amiens performance when 9th of 16 behind FAUCON DE L'ALBA (1) in a 2100m Vincennes Class E 2 weeks ago. Is well-positioned behind the car though and can pick up a first-5 cheque
- 3. GARNEMENT BLEU** - Off the boil since last autumn. Sanctioned, when unsupported, in Vincennes race of reference and is not about to spring any surprises
- 4. GUCCI DE BARB** - Returns to racing unshod-behind after finishing a lacklustre 11th of 16 behind FAUCON DE L'ALBA (1) in a 2100m Vincennes Class E 2 weeks ago, and should prove considerably more competitive this time around
- 5. FERIA DE LIGNY** - Sanctioned in a 2800m Pontchâteau Class E a month ago, when clearly out of sorts. Just front shoes off this time and with Gabi Gelormini driving, can trot his way into the frame
- 6. GREGOR** - Returns on a hat-trick after romping in a 2875m Class D here 3 weeks ago. Starts in front and has a realistic chance of pulling it off
- 7. FOKKER DE BAILLY** - Has merit but seldom far from losing his action, as he did in 21 June race of reference. Has no love for Enghien and will have few takers
- 8. FERVENTE** - Reliability not her strong suit but appreciates a mobile start and, despite starting wide, sports modified shoeing, and will be expected to improve on last weekend's 6th of 11 in a 2825m Chartres Class F
- 9. GASPARD** - Has 3 races under his belt, latterly faulting in a 3450m Agon-Coutainville Class E last weekend. David Thomain reining this time, has previously won under these conditions, and must be respected
- 10. FERGIE HIGHLAND** - Drops back in class after coming 5th of 11 in a valuable 3550m Niort Class A a fortnight ago. Has already won here this year, has been entrusted to Franck Nivard, and is worth keeping an eye on
- 11. FIGARO GEMA** - Got back in the winners' circle after securing a 2875m amateurs Class F here late last month. Takes on better this time however and the draw will do him no favours
- 12. FAKIR STARDUST** - Modest trotter that finished 11th of 12 in a 2800m Class F at Moulins-la-Marche last weekend. Has nothing going for him here and will not be influencing the result
- 13. FRICHTI** - Last but one, when preparing for this, in a 2850m Vincennes amateurs Class F on 18 June. Shoes off this time but can still be disregarded
- 14. ESPOIR DU JOUR** - Sanctioned in a 2650m Oraison Class F last weekend. Handed an unappealing draw and is best ignored

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Summary: Very hard to fault in his current configuration, GREGOR (6) made it 2 in a row when trouncing the opposition over longer here 3 weeks ago, is unbeaten in 3 starts for Eric Raffin, and chances are good that they can keep their unbeaten record intact. FAUCON DE L'ALBA (1) left a very good impression at Vincennes a fortnight ago and, with Yoann Lebourgeois reining this time, will be no soft touch. Very much at home on a flat track, FERIA DE LIGNY (5) is well-placed in front and, shod as she was at Vincennes late-May, will be expected to make up for her Pontchâteau performance. Faithful servant for the most part, GUCCI DE BARB (4) failed to live up to expectations last time out but will be more suited to this more even surface.

SELECTIONS

GREGOR (6) - FAUCON DE L'ALBA (1) - FERIA DE LIGNY (5) - GUCCI DE BARB (4)

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C6 - PRIX DE LA MANCHE - 2875m (a2m) - Gr3 Race - Harness - EUR € 90,000

1. HYMNE DU GERS - Quality individual returning to racing left-handed after coming 2nd of 11 in a 3525m Vichy Class A early last month. Shoes back on though and best to hold off

2. GALA D'URFIST - Makes first appearance since coming 11th of 16 in a 2800m Cholet Class C late-April. Has other priorities and can be passed over

3. HANNIBAL TUILERIE - Produced his career-best performance when runner-up to HARLEY GEMA (6) in a 2850m Vincennes Class A 2 weeks ago. Sports a new configuration and starting in front will do his chances no harm

4. FONZY D'HERIPRE - Sanctioned, when clearly going well, in a 2150m Class B here late-May, after having secured the hat-trick. Has otherwise a fine Enghien record and is not to be underestimated

5. HONKY TONK BLUES - Disappointing in 2024, latterly 9th of 11 finishers behind HARLEM DE BUCY (9) in a 2150m Class A here 3 weeks ago, and is not about to spring any surprises

6. HARLEY GEMA - Imperious winner of a 2850m Vincennes Class A a fortnight ago. Pleased here earlier in the year and, from the front row, looks every part the one to beat

7. FAUBOURG - 9th of 14 finishers in a 2850m Vincennes Class B on 31 May. Not an obvious choice, but starts on the first line and looks an interesting outsider

8. IGREC DE CELLAND - Like a horse reborn over past 2 months, securing the 3-timer just over 2 weeks ago in a 2650m Bordeaux Gr.3. Enjoys a good entry in front and will be expected to apply the pressure on HARLEY GEMA (6)

9. HARLEM DE BUCY - Got back in the game when 3rd of 14 in a 2150m Class A here 3 weeks ago. Has 25m more to travel this time, but is not incapable of making first 5

10. JOSH POWER - High-class campaigner making first start since trotting 2nd of 9 in a 2700m Vincennes Gr.2 5 months ago, and will not be over-taxed

11. ELITE DE JIEL - Sanctioned on return to competition early last month in a 2625m Alençon Class A. Is still in conditioning-mode and not a contender this time

12. GASPAR D'ANGIS - 4th to HARLEY GEMA (6) in a 2850m Vincennes Class A a fortnight ago, on just his 2nd start since the spring break. Incurs the penalty but will have a lot to offer if he has progressed as expected

Summary: When barefoot and focused, HARLEY GEMA (6) is a tough nut to crack and the nature of her recent Vincennes victory augurs well for her prospects of pulling off the hat-trick. Fourth that day, GASPAR D'ANGIS (12) returns to racing barefoot and even though 25m worse off, still looks a major player, although he may first have to defer to the better-placed, and resurgent, IGREC DE CELLAND (8) who benefits from an excellent entry in front. FONZY D'HERIPRE (4) won 3 in a row before faulting here late-May but has had time to get his house in order and Alexandre Abrivard will be out to make amends.

SELECTIONS

HARLEY GEMA (6) - IGREC DE CELLAND (8) - GASPAR D'ANGIS (12) - FONZY D'HERIPRE (4)

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C7 - PRIX DE ROME - 2150m (a1m1/4) - Gr3 Race - Harness - EUR € 80,000

- 1. LADY** - Finished 2nd in a fillies-only Gr.2 at Vincennes early-May before faulting in 2175m Prix Ozo race of reference. Is not about to win this but can still enjoy a first-5 payday
- 2. LUNA NOVA GWEN** - Has not raced since finishing 2nd of 9 finishers, at 88/1, in 2175m Gr.2 Prix Ozo at Vincennes late-May. Is unlikely to repeat but is sufficiently well-placed to finish in the money
- 3. LARGO DE CASTELLE** - Held his own to come 5th of 11 in 2175m Gr.2 Prix Kalmia at Vincennes late-May. Has had time to freshen up and from the 3-spot, can play a leading role
- 4. LOPIGNA** - Capable on a good day but could manage only 6th behind LUNA NOVA GWEN (2) in 2175m Gr.2 Prix Ozo at Vincennes late-May. Takes on the boys this time and prospects limited
- 5. LILAS CASTELLE** - 4th in Prix Ozo before finishing 8th of 11 finishers in 2700m Gr.1 Prix Albert Viel at Vincennes 2 weeks ago. Drops down the category ladder, has a decent spot in front, but still no more than a first-5 prospect
- 6. LEONARDO ROC** - Sprang quite the surprise when 4th of 11 in Gr.1 Prix Albert Viel, at 144/1. Just shoes on this time and is unlikely to repeat
- 7. FRANK GIO** - Showed his class to deny FERAHAN AS (11) in 2700m Gr.3 Prix de Glen at Vincennes a month ago. Starting wide will be no undue inconvenience and has every chance of pulling off the 4-timer
- 8. LITTLE BROWN** - 7th behind LARGO DE CASTELLE (3) in 2175m Vincennes Gr.2 Prix Kalmia on 28 May. Beat him in a Gr.3 during the spring though and must be afforded due respect
- 9. LEARN TO FLY** - Returns to the harness code after coming 2nd of 7 in a 2700m Vincennes monté Gr.3 on 11 June. Has other priorities and can be ruled out
- 10. LIPANGA DE GUEZ** - Surprising 6th of 11 in Prix Albert Viel 2 weeks ago but a repeat appears distinctly unlikely
- 11. FERAHAN AS** - Fine Italian colt that defied his odds to come a close 2nd to FRANK GIO (7) in 2700m Gr.3 Prix de Glen at Vincennes a month back. Not ideally-drawn but still looks a serious proposition
- 12. LOGAN JIEL** - Yet to impress following the break, most recently 9th of 11 in Prix Albert Viel and, from the 2nd line, will have limited chances
- 13. FIDELIS DANCE** - Has pleased in both starts since coming to France, most recently 4th to FRANK GIO (7) in 2700m Gr.3 Prix de Glen at Vincennes a month ago. Faces a stiffer test this time and will have few friends

Summary: Simply superb since coming to France, FRANK GIO (7) makes his Enghien debut on a 4-timer and will take all the beating. The Italian FERAHAN AS (11) finished a close 2nd to him at Vincennes early last month and, even though forced to break from the rear, will not be sent out at 111/1 this time. LARGO DE CASTELLE (3), on the other hand, is perfectly-positioned in front and drops back in category with a good hand to play. Two places behind him last time, LITTLE BROWN (8) raced better than the result would imply and finishing in the frame would be no surprise.

SELECTIONS

FRANK GIO (7) - FERAHAN AS (11) - LARGO DE CASTELLE (3) - LITTLE BROWN (8)

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C8 - PRIX DU MOULIN ROUGE - 2875m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 56,000

- 1. HEREDIA** - Yet to get into her stride following the spell. Last but one in a 2900m Amiens Class F late-May, and is unlikely to create any waves
- 2. HUDSON BAIE** - 5th of 10 finishers in a Class D over course and distance 3 weeks ago. David Thomain reining this time but others still preferred
- 3. HEXCELLENTE** - Tricky character that finished last but one in a 2525m Class F at Les Andelys last weekend. Shoes on again and can be disregarded
- 4. GARTH VADER** - Close 3rd of 16 in a 2100m Vincennes Class E a fortnight ago, confirming his previous performance, and deserves to be taken much more seriously this time around
- 5. HURRICANE CARTER** - Won on re-entry at Le Croisé-Laroche before making short work of a 2700m Vincennes Class D on 17 May. Comes here fresh and will, unsurprisingly, garner the lion's share of support
- 6. BAYARD (GER)** - Has taken no time getting back in shape after the winter hiatus. 2nd of 11 in a 2550m Reims Class E 2 weeks ago but, in this field, will have too much to do
- 7. HUNT** - Honest sort that has enjoyed a productive streak this term, most recently 4th, a place behind HAS DE COEUR (9), in a 2900m Amiens Class F a month ago. Reverts to a previous formula and, with form maintained, can finish close
- 8. HAPPY DANOVER** - Good, consistent type that trotted 3rd of 14 in a 2700m Segré Class E last Sunday. Is proven at Enghien and, in current condition, is very easy to like
- 9. HAS DE COEUR** - In the frame in last 3, latterly a 2900m Amiens Class E on 13 June. Has a decent entry here and although not a priority, will be worth keeping an eye on
- 10. HIGOR DAIRPET** - Disappointing 12th of 14 finishers in a 2100m Vincennes Class E 2 weeks ago. Is better than that but others still easier to trust at the moment
- 11. HOUSTON PAJELO** - 6th to HAPPY DANOVER (8), on return to competition, in a 2700m Segré Class E last weekend. Will have come on for the run, seldom disappoints for Eric Raffin and, barefoot this time, can secure himself a place on the podium

Summary: There are not many horses that have won a baker's dozen of races in succession but HURRICANE CARTER (5) will attempt to seal the deal after trouncing the opposition across town last time out. Yoann Lebourgeois is unlikely to feel too much resistance but GARTH VADER (4) has started to come good again and will be lurking. HAPPY DANOVER (8) has been going good-guns over recent months, pleased here earlier in the year, and is unlikely to finish out of the frame. HOUSTON PAJELO (11) has one race under his belt, is barefoot for his first objective of the summer, and excels with his driver.

SELECTIONS

HURRICANE CARTER (5) - GARTH VADER (4) - HAPPY DANOVER (8) - HOUSTON PAJELO (11)

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C9 - PRIX D'ESTRY - 2250m (a1m1/2) - Class C Race - Mounted - EUR € 53,000

1. JUPITER DU PERCHE - Went into his break after winning over track and trip mid-March. 6th of 14, on comeback, in a 2700m Vincennes Class D late last month and if race-fit, can give JAMES OF CARLY (4) a run for his money

2. JUSTICE D'EOLE - Won at Nancy before finishing 4th of 8 finishers in a 2900m Dozulé Class F 3 weeks ago. Placed last time here but steps up in category and represents a minor place prospect at best

3. JAZZY THOURJAN - Makes first appearance since trotting 6th of 9 in a 2700m Vincennes Class C early-January. Is reunited with Benjamin Rochard and will not be far from the action is he manages to keep him trotting

4. JAMES OF CARLY - Gave a fine account to come close 3rd of 10 in a 2175m Vincennes Class D late-May. Is better than most here, has solid Enghien credentials and, with application, can open his 2024 account

5. JADE DE CASTELLE - Often bites off more than she chew, as she did when sanctioned in 3000m Vincennes Gr.1 a fortnight ago. Has placed just once in 5 at Enghien though and, shod this time, will have limited chances

6. JACKPOT DU CHOQUEL - Tenacious 4th of 6 finishers in a 2450m Caen Class D on 20 June. Has references in this category and looks a respectable place chance this time around

7. JOLI CHERI - Showed promise at 3 but has failed to come good. Sanctioned in a 2150m harness Class C here late-May, has yet to finish a monté race unsanctioned, and is not about to influence the outcome

8. IBIS DE CHAHAINS - Switches back to the monté discipline after finishing last of 10 in a 2700m Vincennes harness Class D a fortnight ago and, in this company, has no possible chance

9. JAMAICA - 2nd of 12 in a 2625m harness Class E at La Rochelle on 20 May. Seldom seen under the saddle and despite having displayed respectable aptitude, still looks out of her depth

10. IN YOUR EYES - Makes metropolitan debut after coming 4th of 12 in a 2525m Class F at Les Andelys 3 weeks ago. Is not about to shake things up but deserves to take his chances and is unlikely to go home empty-handed

Summary: Winless for the past 13 months, JAMES OF CARLY (4) has nevertheless been knocking at the door this year and Eric Raffin will be loathe to pass up on this excellent opportunity. He will still be keeping a watchful eye on JUPITER DU PERCHE (1) who has taken particularly well to his new vocation, and JACKPOT DU CHOQUEL (6) who showed improvement at Caen recently. The capable JAZZY THOURJAN (3) may not have been seen out for 6 months but he has bags of ability and even if not at peak-fitness, can still put on a decent show.

SELECTIONS

JAMES OF CARLY (4) - JUPITER DU PERCHE (1) - JACKPOT DU CHOQUEL (6) - JAZZY THOURJAN (3)