R4 VINCENNES [L-H]

C1 - PRIX NYSA - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Mounted - EUR € 49,000

1. HAPPY DU LAS VEGAS - Versatile but inconsistent veteran mare with sound references in both codes, though more effective unshod. Unplaced (12th) river 2875m in a mounted race at Enghien on 30 September

2. HAZOE DES GLENAN - Delicate mare in both trotting disciplines with sound references in this shoeing configuration. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for her latest disqualification in a 2950m mounted race at Le Mans on 11 September

3. HERINE D'OCCAGNES - Complicated mare with undeniable means. Disqualified in consecutive recent outings, the latest (shod) over 2600m at Chalons-en-Champagne on 22 September

4. HANA D'OCCAGNES - Versatile mare who seldom finishes far off the mark in both trotting categories, though has achieved her best references at a lower level. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th at this venue in a 2850m harness race on 1 October

5. ISIS WILD - Experienced hard-knocker with references under the saddle in this configuration but is out of sorts, unplaced twice and disqualified in 2 of her last 4 starts, including at Châteauroux over 2900m on 29 September

6. INKY PERRINE - Delicate mare in both trotting disciplines - disqualified in 5 of her last 6 starts, including each of her last 5, the latest in a 2950m mounted race at Le Mans on 11 September

7. HEVALONE DE GUEZ - Versatile mare who has displayed commendable consistency in both trotting categories in this configuration. Finished 3rd in a 2450m harness race at Castillonnès on 29 September - respected under Mathieu Mottier

8. HELITE ELEVEN - Got back on track with a last-start success in a 2750m mounted race at La Capelle on 23 September. Candidate for success

9. HEUREUSE DE VIVRE - Tricky customer who usually acquits herself competitively when avoiding disqualification. Finished 4th (shod) at Pornichet in a 2725m on 21 September and is barefoot on her return to Vincennes - not taken lightly

10. IRINA D'ATOUT - Inconsistent performer, albeit at a higher level, in the harness category. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th on this course over 2100m on 14 September - unknown quantity under the saddle but may well fight for victory

11. HIMALAYA NARCY - Last-start winner under the saddle over 2450m at Beaumont-de-Lomagne on 23 September in her first outing in the mounted category. Could have more to offer

Summary: IRINA D'ATOUT (10) revealed considerable ability in the harness code and may have more to offer under the saddle, so she could be worth siding with in her first appearance in the mounted category. HIMALAYA NARCY (11) made a winning start in the mounted code last time and is ideally engaged at the earnings limit. She makes the trip to Vincennes with legitimate ambitions and is likely to fight for victory once more. HELITE ELEVEN (8), after a reassuring La Capelle success, and consistent HEURUSE DE VIVRE (9) are not taken lightly.

SELECTIONS

IRINA D'ATOUT (10) - HIMALAYA NARCY (11) - HELITE ELEVEN (8) - HEUREUSE DE VIVRE (9)

C2 - PRIX ANGELINA - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 35,000

1. KERUSHKA - Seldom finishes far off the mark when avoiding disqualification but was sanctioned in back-to-back starts, the latest at Marseille-Borley on 29 August. Best watched for now

2. KEILA DU PERCHE - Displaying commendable consistency, rarely finishing far off the mark when avoiding disqualification, albeit without success (26-start maiden). Sanctioned at Le-Mont-Saint-Michel (8 September) but can make amends

3. KIAMA - Unbeaten in this (barefoot) configuration, winning all 3 starts without her irons. Completed the 3-timer over 2775m at Les Sables-d'Olonne on 23 August and seems likely to extend her winning sequence

4. KYRIELLE PRINCESSE - Reassured with an improved/encouraging 5th in a course-anddistance claimer on 24 September. Steps up in class but isn't without a chance

5. KRYSTA DE KERYANN - Bounced back to form with a reassuring 3rd over 3000m at Nantes on 27 September. Only previous association with Matthieu Abrivard ended in victory

6. KALINE D'ERABLE - Tricky customer who usually acquits herself competitively when avoiding disqualification - confirmed as much by finishing 5th in this shoeing configuration on this course over 2700m on 30 August. Keep safe

7. KETTY WINNER AS - Confirmed at this level and efficient without her irons (unshod), confirmed as much when 6th over track and trip on 5 September. Nicely positioned from the start so a genuine candidate for success

8. KELLE NANA - Delicate filly with undeniable means. Usually acquits herself well when not disqualified and she confirmed as much with a last-start success at Caen over 2450m on 21 September

9. KALINKA ERA - Inconsistent but has sufficient means/ability and references at this level to make her presence felt in a race of this nature. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for her latest failure (11th) at Cabourg over 2050m on 12 July

10. KATYLAND - Unreliable filly with a 100% record in this (barefoot) configuration. Worth another chance back in this shoeing configuration after a last-start disqualification at Cholet on on 29 September

11. KATARINA D'AMOUR - Revealed early promise but hasn't entirely fulfilled that promise, despite acquitting herself competitively for the most part. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th over 2850m at Laval on 16 September

12. KAMTCHATKA - Last-start winner of a 2750m harness race at Ecommoy in this configuration on 22 September. Not taken lightly

13. KALIFORNIE - Seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification but has been hard to win with (just 1 victory from 17 starts). Wasnt disgraced when finishing 7th over 2850m at Laval on 26 September

14. KELBELLE MOIRE - Has displayed commendable consistency, albeit without a victory in 16 appearances. Runner-up in 2 of her 3 starts in this unshod configuration, including her latest over 2600m at Blain on 22 September

15. KATINKA GEMA - Has quickly regained her form/momentum recently after an 8-month layoff. Finished 2nd last time in her first unshod appearance at Nort-sur-Erdre over 3100m on 15 September - one to watch on her return to Vincennes

16. KALINA LOVE - Consistent 17-start maiden with sound form references/form credentials, including a 2nd at Rambouillet over 2000m in this (barefoot) configuration on 15 September. Attractive outsider

17. KIARHA DE NAPPES - Delicate mare whose best references (both career victories) were achieved racing unshod. Disqualified in 2 of her last 3 starts, including her latest at Amiens over 2400m in 1 August

18. KEIRA SMART - A 17-start maiden who has proven most effective racing unshod. Needs to improve to have a say after a recent disqualification at Ecommoy on 8 September

Summary: KIAMA (3), undefeated in 3 starts without her irons, is hard to oppose racing in this (barefoot) configuration once more. However, KETTY WINNER AS (7) has the means to fight for victory and could make life difficult for that rival from a starting position on the front row. Consistent maiden KEILA DU PERCHE (2) and KATINKA GEMA (15), one of 2 in the race for Marc Sassier, arent incapable of making their presence felt either.

SELECTIONS

KIAMA (3) - KETTY WINNER AS (7) - KEILA DU PERCHE (2) - KATINKA GEMA (15)

C3 - PRIX ANTONIA - 2175m (a1m1/4) - Class C Race - Mounted - EUR € 46,000

1. KHALIFE DELALANDE - Progressive sort with sound references/form credentials (5 wins from 14 starts) in the harness code, including a last-start 5th over 2950m at Toulouse on 27 September. Debuting under the saddle

2. KASBAH PERRINE - Versatile filly with sufficient means under saddle in this shoeing configuration. Has to reaffirm after her latest failure (disqualification) on this course over 2700m on 14 September

3. KAKO GASCOGNE - Quick trotter, especially in the harness category but rarely seen under the saddle. Finished 3rd over track and trip in a harness race on 20 September and isn't taken lightly, even in the mounted code

4. KAISARIA - Placed (3rd) in a course-and-distance Group II contest in December but has lost her way since. Unplaced (9th) over 2850m at Meslay on 2 October

5. KING OF JIEL - Proven performer under the saddle in this shoeing configuration. Won 2 of her last 3 starts (both at Enghien), the latest over 2875m on 3 August

6. KEENGAME - Delicate but is undeniably gifted - usually acquits herself well when avoiding disqualification, won 6 of her 8 completed races (14 starts). Finished 3rd in her hat-trick bid at Enghien over 2875m on 10 August - keep safe

7. KENTUCKY IDEAL - Versatile, progressive trotter in full possession of his means. Confirmed as much with a last-start win on this course over 2700m on 20 September

8. KID DES MOLLES - Effective under the saddle in this shoeing configuration but is best watched for now after a last-start sanction on this course over 2700m on 14 September

9. KETTY ANGOT - Rarely seen in this (barefoot) configuration but possesses the speed and sufficient quality/ability to warrant respect in a race like this. Didnt go unnoticed when 6th in course-and-distance harness race on 7 September

10. KANTHABELLA - Unreliable performer with references in this configuration at a higher level but is out of sorts. Unplaced (9th) on this course over 2700m on 14 September

11. KROME - Impeccable in his 3 course-and-distance appearances, finishing 3rd once and winning twice. Proved his form and well-being by winning over track and trip on 30 August

12. KINGDOM KAT - Revealed considerable potential as a young horse and has references under the saddle at a higher level. Not taken lightly on his reappearance, despite his last-start disqualification in a 2700m Group III here in February

13. KADO SHINING - Delicate trotter with undeniable means, especially in this (barefoot) configuration. Absent since finishing 3rd on this course over 2700m on 6 April but is unshod on his reappearance - attractive outsider

Summary: KENTUCKY IDEAL (7) and KROME (11) arrive at the top of their game after last-start victories. They are likely to find themselves in the fight for victory. KEENGAME (6) has found her niche in the mounted code and could threaten those male rivals. Well engaged under these conditions, KINGDOM KAT (12) shouldn't be underestimated on his reappearance. KETTY ANGOT (9) appeals most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

KENTUCKY IDEAL (7) - KROME (11) - KEENGAME (6) - KINGDOM KAT (12)

C4 - PRIX DAPHNE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 41,000

1. JAGUAR DE BELFOND - Disqualified in 3 of his last 4 starts, including consecutive recent appearances - the latest in a 2750m harness race at Ecommoy on 22 September. Best watched for now

2. JACKPOT DE PLOMB - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials at this level when racing unshod - confirmed as much by finishing 4th (barefoot) over 2725m at Pornichet on 21 September. Not as effective with his irons

3. JOYAUX DE REUX - Flatters to deceive. Disqualified (barefoot) over 2850m at this venue on 27 September but retains the faith of those around him - not taken lightly

4. JEAN D'HOLLENBOURG - Delicate trotter with undeniable means and sound form references/credentials, including a last-start 3rd over 2850 at this venue on 27 September. Candidate for success over this shorter distance

5. JOUR DE TONNERRE - Prolific performer (5 wins from 15 starts) but not as sharp these days as he was a young horse. Finished 3rd in his last 3 completed races (4 starts), including his latest at Rambouillet over 2800m on 8 September

6. JERRY DE L'ERDRE - Hard-knocking trotter never worse than 3rd in 3 barefoot appearances, winning once - on 6 September at Les Sables-d'Olonne over 2650m. Attractive outsider

7. JEU SET ET SMILE - Bounced back to form with a reassuring 3rd over 2650m at Les Sablesd'Olonne on 6 September. Dark horse

8. JEUDI DES RACQUES - Tricky customer who usually acquits himself competitively when avoiding disqualification - seldom finishing far off the mark when applied. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th over 2050m at Laval on 26 September

9. JASMIN VIVANCIERE - Model of consistency with solid form references/credentials, including a last-start 4th at Les Sables-d'Olonne over 2775m on 20 September. Not taken lightly

10. JIBRIL SNOB - Unreliable but sufficiently talented to play a leading role in a race of this ilk under these conditions. Acquitted himself when 7th at this venue over 2850m on 22 September

11. JASMIN GEMA - Delicate but has undeniable means - usually acquits himself competitively when avoiding disqualification. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th over 2550m at Dieppe on 18 September

12. JOKER CASTILUANNE - Experienced hard-knocker with sound references although few in this shoe-fitting. Finished 9th at this venue over 2850m on 22 September

13. JURASSIC MOIRE - Inconsistent but has sufficient means/ability to make his presence felt in a race of this nature, especially with Benjamin Rochard in the sulky. Not written off despite his last-start failure at Les Sables on 20 September

14. JUSTICIER DAIRPET - Has improved /taken his game to another level racing without his irons (unshod) - confirmed as much with a last-start success at Blain over 3200m on 22 September

15. JADORE D'ISQUES - Seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification, confirmed as much with a reassuring 4th over 2700m at La Capelle on 23 September

16. JACKSON HILL - Inconsistent but has sufficient means/ability and references at this level to make his presence felt in a race of this nature. Shouldnt be hastily condemned for finishing unplaced at La Capelle (200m) on 23 September

17. JOBOURG MESLOIS - Consistent at a lower level in the mounted category, so unlikely to trouble the judge racing shod in this grade and in this code. Others preferred

18. JUMBO JACK - Course-and-distance winner (17 January) in this barefoot configuration. Carefully prepared for this objective and fine-tuned his condition with a comeback 8th (shod) at Vire over 2800m on 4 September

Summary: Hard race to assess with so many starters but a chance is taken on JUMBO JACK (18), after a much-needed comeback 8th (shod), on the form/evidence of his course-and-distance success earlier this year. Consistent JEAN D'HOLLENBOURG (4), who was 3rd in a good race last time, and enigmatic JOYAUX DE REUX (3), despite his latest faux pas, seem best equipped to challenge that rival. The shortlist is completed by JUSTICIER DAIRPET (14) and JIBRIL SNOB (10).

SELECTIONS

JUMBO JACK (18) - JEAN D'HOLLENBOURG (4) - JOYAUX DE REUX (3) - JUSTICIER DAIRPET (14)

C5 - PRIX ANTIOPE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Mounted - EUR € 49,000

1. HARRYBEAU DE COUET - Unreliable veteran yet to finish on the podium in 10 starts this year. Unplaced (7th) over 2875m at Enghien on 30 September

2. IMAIL DE CARSI - Enigmatic trotter who usually acquits himself well when applied but is seldom far from a fault. Disqualified at Mauquenchy on 12 September - all or nothing

3. IXOR DE L'ITON - Consistent hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 4th on this track over 2850m on 19 September. Not taken lightly

4. GUOPECK DE VIVOIN - Complicated veteran who seldom finishes far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Finished a fair 5th (shod) over 2800m at Strasbourg on 29 August - presented unshod for this commitment

5. IN YOUR EYES - Lightly raced trotter at the top of his game - quickly making up for lost time. Bidding to complete the hat-trick after wins at Le Sap in August and Savernay (over 3100m) on 29 September

6. HUMOUR FESTIF - Delicate but is undeniably capable of winning a race like this if avoiding disqualification. Looked better than ever when winning over 2850m at Laval on 16 September

7. IL TROTTE JARL - Bounced back to form back under the saddle with an improved 3rd in a 2725m mounted race at Pornichet on 21 September. Keep safe

8. INFIEL - Rarely seen under the saddle but acquitted himself well enough when 5th in a 2175m mounted race at this venue last time (27 September), in a better/stronger race, to play a leading role at this level

Summary: IN YOUR EYES (5) has scoured the province with success and returns to the Parisian region with a genuine/legitimate chance of completing the hat-trick. Rejuvenated FESTIVE HUMOR (6) is also at the top of his game so is likely to challenge the selection for race honours. Class-dropper INFIEL (8) isn't incapable of threatening the principals while barefoot-again IL TROTTS JARL (7) can make his presence felt too.

SELECTIONS

IN YOUR EYES (5) - HUMOUR FESTIF (6) - INFIEL (8) - IL TROTTE JARL (7)

C6 - PRIX KOLGA - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class R Claiming Amateur Riders -Harness - EUR € 18,000

1. GAINFUL DELO - Out-of-sorts veteran who was disqualified in a 2675m mounted race at Le Mont-Saint Michel on 8 September. Needs to reaffirm

2. GOLIATH DU CAUX - Delicate trotter with the undeniable means to play a leading role in a race of this nature, given his references at a higher level. Not taken lightly despite finishing 9th over 2550m at Beaumont on 25 August

3. GIPSY BOND - Out-of-sorts veteran trotter who was soundly beaten over 2400m at Amiens on 7 September. Could do better at this level

4. GIPSY THORIS - Versatile veteran who has displayed commendable consistency in both codes. Acquitted himself well (6th) in a 2875m mounted race Enghien on 30 September - sets the standard

5. GOLD PEJI - Hard-knocker with references in this configuration at a higher level. Makes the trip with legitimate ambitions after an encouraging 6th over 2650m at Hyeres on 29 September

6. GENERAL DE CONNEE - Experienced hard-knocker with references at a higher level in this configuration. Didn't go unnoticed (6th) at Morlaix over 2600m on 22 September

7. GENEVRIER - Has regained his form/confidence in the claiming category - finished 2nd in his penultimate start and won his latest (19 August), both at Cagnes over 2925m. Candidate for success

8. GRIGRI BOY - Veteran trotter with sound references in this (barefoot) configuration but has lost his way this year. Unplaced (10th) over 2800m at Langon on 21 September - best watched for now

9. GASSMAN D'ESSA - Confirmed at this level and proved his efficiency/competitiveness in this shoeing configuration when 2nd in a 2850m claimer on this course on 24 September. High on the shortlist

10. GRANDE MALICE - Runner-up in a 2300m amateur race at Mons on 1 October but needs to build on that improvement to have a say in this grade/company. Outsider

11. HELIOS DU NOYER - Confirmed in this configuration (won a 2475m event at Royan La Palmyre in July) but lost his way - unplaced in 3 subsequent outings, the latest over 3100m on 15 September at Nort-sur-Erdre

12. GOOD DREAM - Out-of-sorts veteran who finished 8th in a course-and-distance claimer last month and 10th at La Capelle last time over 2700m on 13 September. Others preferred

13. GOWEN CHALEONNAIS - Reassured with an improved 2nd in a 2300m amateur race at Mons on 25 September but will need to build on that improvement to have a say in this grade/company

14. GEORGIO HAUFOR - Veteran trotter who has lost his way this year. Creditable 6th in a course-and-distance claimer last month but disqualified over 2850m returned to this venue on 1 October

15. HUMORESQUE - Sparked improvement when a reassuring 5th on this course in a 2850m claimer on 1 October. Dark horse

Summary: GIPSY THORIS (4) has maintained remarkable form and consistency since finishing 2nd in his only appearance in this category on 3 March. Ideally positioned on the front row reverting to the harness code after a creditable performance under the saddle, he is the horse to beat. GASSMAN D'ESSA (9), whose competitiveness in claimers is beyond doubt, leads the opposition and will pose a threat, along with GENEVRIER (7), who has regained momentum this summer in Cagnes. GOLIATH DU CAUX (2) completes the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

GIPSY THORIS (4) - GASSMAN D'ESSA (9) - GENEVRIER (7) - GOLIATH DU CAUX (2)

C7 - PRIX MENIPPE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 40,000

1. LIGHTNING RIVER - Consistent maiden with sound references/form credentials, despite a last-start failure (disqualification) over 2550m at Reims on 15 September. Not hastily condemned

2. L'ARTISTE MIL - An 11-start maiden whose Vincennes debut 5th over 2700m in this configuration on 20 September was better than it may read. Keep safe

3. L'ECLAIR DE PLAY - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials, albeit without a victory (11 starts). Seldom far off the mark and didn't go unnoticed when 6th on this course over 2700m on 20 September

4. LEPIDOPTERISTE - Debut winner at Cagnes in February but proved a tricky customer since - disqualified in 4 consecutive recent outings, the latest over 2550m at Reims. Question of wisdom

5. LORDARCHE - A tricky customer who has maintained consistency/acquitted himself competitively when applied (avoiding disqualification). Held his own to finish 4th at Châteauroux over 2100m on 15 September

6. LANCELOT GRIFF - Promising well-bred colt (a son of champion Roxanne Griff) who has revealed undeniable means/ability - the attraction of this event. Runner-up over 2950m at Le Mans on 27 July and is expected to go one better here

7. L'AS DE SAINT JEAN - Eye-catching debut winner over 2500m at La Chartre-sur-le-Loir in August but has flattered to deceive since. Remains open to improvement so shouldn't be hastily condemned for his Meslay faux pas on 2 October

8. LARGO DE JOUDES - Capable trotter with sufficient means to find the frame. Finished an encouraging 5th after a 5-month absence at Nantes over 2275m on 27 September

9. LOEK DE REUX - Confirmed the form and improvement of his penultimate start (harness-race victory) with a good 3rd on his Vincennes/mounted debut over 2200m on 27 September. Dark horse

10. LEADER JIEL - Debut winner at Abbeville in August and has confirmed that promise/improved in both subsequent outings, despite not adding to his tally. Acquitted himself well when 4th over 2150m at Enghien on 28 September

Summary: Experienced in the provinces, well-bred LANCELOT GRIFF (6) makes his debut on the Parisian ash with legitimate winning claims. L'AS DE SAINT JEAN (7) shouldn't be hastily condemned for his recent setback and retains the means to fight for victory. LEADER JIEL (10) is open to improvement and could make sufficient progress to challenge those rivals. LEPIDOPTERIST (4) has the ability to make his presence felt too, especially at this level.

SELECTIONS

LANCELOT GRIFF (6) - L'AS DE SAINT JEAN (7) - LEADER JIEL (10) - LEPIDOPTERISTE (4)

C8 - PRIX BETELGEUSE - 2850m (a2m) - Class F Amateur Drivers Race -Harness - EUR € 12,000

1. IGNACE DE BAUBRIE - Honest hard-knocker in good form and physical condition. Won over 2900m at Guerlesquin in July and hasn't been seen since finishing 3rd over 2650m at Les Sables-d'Olonne on 5 August

2. IZIASLAV TEK - Consistent hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials at this level, including an unlucky last-start 5th over track and trip on 17 September. Candidate for success

3. ISOLACCIO - Inconsistent but seldom far off the mark on a going day. Best watched for now, though, after her latest failure (disqualification) at Lisieux on 22 September

4. HEKI DU COURTILS - Sparked improvement to finish a reassuring 4th over 2700m at Graignes on 29 September. Needs to confirm that form/progress to have a say

5. IMOW ROLAU - Delicate but has the undeniable means to win a race of this nature - won at this level last summer. Could well redeem himself after last-start disqualification at Le-Mont-Saint-Michel on 30 September

6. HARMONIE DE GINAI - Well-known in provincial amateur races. Won over 3150m at Abbeville early last month before finishing 5th at Evreux over 2725m on 22 September - will find this tougher

7. HOLLYWOOD WELL - Inconsistent hard-knocking veteran mare in good form (at a lower level) and physical condition. Finished 3rd over 2800m in an amateur race at Cholet on 29 September

8. HIVAROSA DU BOCAGE - Continues to blow hot and cold - finished 13th over 2900m at Châteauroux on 29 September after a good 3rd over this course and distance in a similar contest earlier in the month. Not hastily condemned

9. GRAND VENT RUSH - Experienced hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials at a higher level and in this configuration. Didn't go unnoticed when 7th over 3450m at Agon on 18 August

10. HIGH MONEY D'AVRAN - Inconsistent veteran mare rarely seen in this shoe-fitting, though did finish 3rd over 2700m at a higher level in this configuration at Le Croisé-Laroche on 2 September. Not taken lightly

11. HEMILIO PIERJI - Honest veteran who has displayed commendable consistency, winning 2 of his last 4 starts. Finished 3rd over 2600m at Cherbourg on 25 September

12. GOHAKI - Proven performer in the amateur category and was carefully prepared for this engagement. Has the means to redeem himself, especially at this level, after a disappointing last-start 9th over 2700m at Cagnes on 5 August

Summary: HEMILIO PIERJI (11) enjoyed a fruitful September and there's no reason to suggest that he won't continue that momentum into October. Philippe Daugeard has 2 strings to his bow, though IMOW ROLAU (5) is his main hope for victory given that he's already revealed the means/quality to fight for victory in a field of this ilk. That said, stablemate IZIASLAV TEK (2) ought to acquit himself competitively, too. GOHAKI (12) completes the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

HEMILIO PIERJI (11) - IMOW ROLAU (5) - IZIASLAV TEK (2) - GOHAKI (12)