R2 BORDEAUX-LE BOUSCAT [R-H]

C1 - PRIX ROQUEPINE - 2650m (a1m 1/2) - Class C - Harness - EUR € 27.000

- **1. LE WINNER AS -** Sanctioned in a 2950m Toulouse Class C on 21 February. Is not devoid of ability, is fitted with just hind pads this time, and can make the first 5 if applied
- **2. LOOK AT ME LULU -** Yet to get off the mark but encouraged when 3rd in a 2400m Châteaubriant Class D early last month and, with a 25m head-start, is not going to be sent out at 48/1 this time around
- **3. LARIFLETTE -** Delicate filly that got somewhat back in the game when 3rd in a trouble-filled 2150m Vire Class E last weekend and a repeat seems improbable
- **4. LIBERTINE ECAJEUL -** Returns to Bordeaux after being sanctioned in a 2950m Toulouse Class C on 21 February and will first need to reestablish her credentials
- **5. LOUISON -** Made it 2 wins on the trot when scoring nicely in a 2150m Toulouse Class C a month ago and is unlikely to be far from the action at the business end of the race
- **6. LONDON -** Winner on debut before trotting 3rd of 11 in a 2100m Vincennes Class C on 20 December. Will not have come here unprepared and, even against the colts this time can open her 2024 account
- **7. LOUKOUM DE L'ITON -** Won a 2950m Toulouse Class C with ease on 21 February, making it 2 straight. Has references here and looks a serious proposition once more

Summary: Highly-impressive before being sent for a spell prior to Christmas, the well-related LONDON (6) makes her first appearance in the provinces and can get straight down to business. She takes on the boys this time though and can expect resistance from the progressive LOUKOUM DE L'ITON (7) whose chances of pulling off the hat-trick seem quite realistic, as do those of the similarly-profiled LOUISON (5).

SELECTIONS

LONDON (6) - LOUKOUM DE L'ITON (7) - LOUISON (5) - LOOK AT ME LULU (2)

C2 - PRIX FUSCHIA - 2650m (a1m 1/2) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 24,000

- **1. JIRELLA DU LOISIR -** Looked decidedly ordinary when 9th of 15 in a 2250m Auch Class F on 18 February and has little chance of influencing the result
- **2. JOY DE BALESTAT -** 9th of 14 in a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class E on 4 February. Has not done enough recently to be considered a priority
- **3. JERRY PONT VAUTIER -** 2nd in a 2250m Auch Class F 3 weeks ago. On a decent run of form for some months but on this occasion may find the opposition a bit too tough
- **4. JALTO DU TREMONT -** Steps up in category after winning 3 straight, latterly a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class F in early-February. Not a leading contender but can still make the first 5
- **5. JAMAICAIN D'ORTUGE -** Last of 8 in a 2575m Agen-Le Passage Class E on 17 February. Has been performing better than that though and returning to racing barefoot should work to her advantage
- **6. JASMIN PHIL -** Good 2nd of 9 in a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class E on 12 February but shoes back on and best to hold off
- **7. JALENZA DU BOCAGE -** Has not been seen out since finishing 6th of 16 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D on 24 November. Goes barefoot for comeback and, given her versatility, is unlikely to let the side down
- **8. JAPONICA -** Not as sharp as she was when winning in Paris on Christmas Eve but settled some nerves when 5th in a 3000m Nantes Class E 3 weeks ago. In similar form, can trot her way onto the podium
- **9. JUNGLE GREEN -** Quality mare returning to the provinces after finishing 4th in a 2100m Vincennes Class D in late-January. In less-exalted company here and can make this her own
- **10. JAMAIQUE PAJELO -** Tricky mare that would have opened her harness account in a 2950m Toulouse Class E on 21 February had she stayed trotting and, in this field, looks capable of playing a leading role

Summary: The back line holds the key here with JAMAIQUE PAJELO (10) very hard to ignore considering how well she has acquitted herself in Paris this winter. Back to a more suitable level, she should have the measure of the tricky, and padded, JAMAIQUE PAJELO (10) who would have imposed at Toulouse last time had she not faulted. JAPONICA (8) recently reassured at Nantes and will have her chances, as will JALENZA DU BOCAGE (7) if fully fit.

SELECTIONS

JUNGLE GREEN (9) - JAMAIQUE PAJELO (10) - JAPONICA (8) - JALENZA DU BOCAGE (7)

C3 - PRIX KAMOK - 2650m (a1m 1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 21,000

- **1. IRIS DU CANTER -** Shod competitively after faulting in a 2800m Auch Class G amateur event 3 weeks ago and, in this company, has no realistic chance
- **2. ITALIA HAUFOR -** Lacklustre 7th of 16 in a 2900m Challans Class F a fortnight ago but, from the front line, can play a small role if she replicates her penultimate performance
- **3. IBACA -** Steps marginally up in category after coming 7th to IDEE DE NALA (4) in a 2550m Class F here 2 months ago and will not be troubling the judge
- **4. IDEE DE NALA -** Below-par 7th of 16 in a Class F over 2550m here a month back. Is confirmed here when barefoot and will generate some interest
- **5. ISCHIA** Tricky mare that has not been seen out since finishing 9th of 10 in a 3000m Nantes Class A on 20 November and can be passed over
- **6. ILLUSION DE CHENU -** Won a 2800m Cholet Class D a fortnight ago. Enjoying something of a renaissance and looks thoroughly capable of completing the double
- **7. IRIS DES YOLAIS -** Was prepping, shod, when 12th of 16 in a 2900m Challans Class F late last month, after having won 2 of previous 3 and looks a serious proposition
- **8. IMAGE DE NERET -** Sanctioned in a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class F after having won on first start back. Pads fitted this time but can still make a big impact
- **9. IDEE FIXE BREIZH -** Returns to harness racing after faulting under the saddle in a 2950m Toulouse Class F on 21 February and, even sporting a modified formula, appears to have nothing to offer
- **10. ITALIA JADOR** Pleasant 5th of 17 in a 2875m Argentan Class F 3 weeks ago and, just front pads fitted, should again be good enough to make the first 5
- **11. INFINITY JYV -** Raced better in a 3000m Nantes Class E 11 days ago than her 9th place would suggest and, with form maintained, will not be far from the action

Summary: ILLUSION DE CHENU (6) has turned a corner since starting to race barefoot and, if still on the boil, should confirm her Cholet success. Eric Audebert can still expect to encounter resistance from a barefoot IRIS DES YOLAIS (7) who won, with shoes on, here mid-January, and IMAGE DE NERET (8) who imposed on re-entry a month back. INFINITY JYV (11) is never far from faulting but she showed a hint of promise recently and should not be overlooked.

SELECTIONS

ILLUSION DE CHENU (6) - IRIS DES YOLAIS (7) - IMAGE DE NERET (8) - INFINITY JYV (11)

C4 - GRAND PRIX BORDEAUX METROPOLE - 2650m (a1m 1/2) - Class C - Mounted - EUR € 39,000

- **1. ECUREUIL PHIL -** Decent 2nd in a 2400m Montauban claimer 2 weeks ago but of the picture in last 6 monté starts and can be confidently passed over
- **2. IMAGINE D'ATOUT -** Won her 3rd straight when landing a 2950m Toulouse Class F on 21 February. Excels with Guillaume Martin in the irons and can make it 4-on-the-trot
- **3. IGO CLEA -** Won a 2275m Nantes Class F with ease 10 days ago. Is new to Bordeaux but will not be bothered by a return to racing clockwise and can give IMAGINE D'ATOUT (2) a run for her money
- **4. FED DU PATURAL -** 8th of 9, behind DIEGO DECOULGENS (9) in a 2925m Cagnes Class C late last month. Not without merit, and is confirmed here, but others still preferred
- **5. GALLAGHER WIND -** Fantastic Vincennes winner a month ago before finishing a one-paced 6th in a 2700m Class D at the same track a fortnight later. Has decent form here though and is unlikely to disappoint twice
- **6. FANDANGO GLYCINES -** Returns to the discipline after finishing 8th of 9 under harness in a 2650m Hyères Class D last weekend and is unlikely to have many takers
- **7. MATEO DE REVE -** 12th of 13 in a 2750m Toulouse Class D on 21 February when still being conditioned. Is barefoot this time and makes his Bordeaux debut with a decent chance of picking up a cheque
- **8. GLADYS TARTIFUME -** Capable mare with a good entry here. Trotted 4th of 8 in a Class E over course and distance on 29 January. Has had time to freshen up and is not going to be far from the action
- 9. DIEGO DECOULGENS Honest veteran that reassured when 2nd in a 2925m Cagnes Class C 10 days ago. Incurs the penalty this time but still worth keeping an eye on
- **10. DIERLOV VOLO -** Fine servant that trotted 2nd of 12 in a Class C over track and trip on 28 December. Comes here fresh, barefoot and, even from the back row, looks a player
- **11. FRENCH MAN -** Switches code after being sanctioned in a 2925m Cagnes Class B mid-February. Unseen under the saddle since November 2022 and, even though sporting a revised configuration, still looks to have too much to do

Summary: Most of the big guns break from the front here, although on paper it looks more a 2-horse race between the excellent IMAGINE D'ATOUT (2) who vies for a 4-timer, and recent Nantes winner IGO CLEA (3) who seldom disappoints in this branch of the business. GALLAGHER WIND (5) failed to confirm his excellent Vincennes Class D victory next time out but will be given every chance to put things right. DIERLOV VOLO (10) starts 25m behind but he is in cracking form and his recent course-and-distance performance augurs well for his prospects.

SELECTIONS

IMAGINE D'ATOUT (2) - IGO CLEA (3) - GALLAGHER WIND (5) - DIERLOV VOLO (10)

C5 - PRIX D'ASTORG - 2650m (a1m 1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 21,000

- **1. INDIGO BUROIS -** Finished an encouraging 3rd of 10 in a 2575m Agen-Le Passage Class G last weekend but at this level will need to find more
- **2. IRMINIG D'OLIVERIE -** Reassured when 3rd in a 2900m Challans Class F 2 weeks back. Takes a step up in category though and may find this too stiff a test
- **3. IMAN DU DIGEON -** Sanctioned in a 2750m Toulouse Class F a fortnight ago, making it 5 on the trot, and will struggle to find much favour
- **4. IDEM BOY -** Unthreatening 7th of 14, behind ISAAC DE CONDE (9), in a 2150m Argentan Class F early last month. Has raced and placed at this level and, while not a priority, should nevertheless acquit himself honourably
- **5. INROCK DU BELLAY -** Last of 15 in a 2250m Auch Class F 3 weeks ago. Has been off the boil all winter and can be passed over
- **6. ICAM -** 6th, behind IRMINIG D'OLIVERIE (2), in a 2900m Challans Class F 2 weeks ago. Has 2 races under his belt and could pleasantly surprise
- **7. IBREIZH DEROZES -** Sent for a spell after trotting last of 9 in a 2400m Montauban Class F on Christmas Eve and appears to have no logical chance
- **8. ICARE BRILLOUARD -** Faulted in a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class F last weekend. Has done nothing noteworthy for some time and is not about to change his ways
- **9. ISAAC DE CONDE -** 6th of 14 in a 2150m Argentan Class F on re-entry a month ago. Is better than that though and the front-row start will only work in his favour
- **10. IRISH MABON -** Came close to confirming his Challans success when faulting in the final stages of a 3000m Nantes Class F 3 weeks ago. Form is not in doubt and, with application, will be no pushover from the front line
- **11. IRON CREEK -** Disqualified in a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class F last weekend after having performed well here the previous month. Shoes back on though and best to hold off
- **12. IF DE BRETAGNE -** Looked very ordinary when 8th to IRON CREEK (11) under similar conditions a month back and will have his work cut out
- **13. INDIGO PLANCHETTE -** Has not been seen out since failing to fire in a Class D over course and distance on 28 December. Hind shoes off for re-entry though and will generate some interest
- **14. ICARE DE PHYT'S -** Won twice in January before faulting in a 2850m Mauquenchy Class F on 21 February. Is clearly at the top of his game and, on good behaviour, can set the record straight
- **15. ILTON CASH -** Won twice here before trotting 5th in a 2550m Class E 9 days ago, traffic problems denying him the hat-trick. Nicolas Brossard will be out to make amends though and, with better luck in running, can impose
- **16. IGOR DU PLANTIS -** 4th, behind IKY JOY (17), in a 2750m Toulouse Class E on 21 February. Not the biggest fan of Bordeaux but he is clearly in form and it would be foolhardy to write him off

17. IKY JOY - Came close in a 2750m Toulouse Class E on 21 February. Is confirmed at Bordeaux and, in present shape, is very easy to like. Claim

Summary: Hard to fault, for the most part, when focused and unshod behind, ICARE DE PHYT'S (14) faulted at Mauquenchy recently, denying him the 3-timer, but can make amends if Robin Lamy keeps him trotting. That said, they will still be up against the consistent IKY JOY (17) who finished a good 3rd last time here, and the recently unfortunate ILTON CASH (15) who has taken superbly to Bordeaux conditions. IRISH MABON (10) is 25m better off, sports modified shoeing, and can get in on the action if he stays in stride.

SELECTIONS

ICARE DE PHYT'S (14) - IKY JOY (17) - ILTON CASH (15) - IRISH MABON (10)

C6 - PRIX RFM - 2550m (a1m 1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 27,000

- **1. GALOPIN DE CONDE -** Makes first appearance since coming 6th of 13 in a 2825m Class F at Le Croisé-Laroche late-November and is likely to be eased in gently
- **2. GIAC JOLI -** Returns to the harness code after being sanctioned in a 2450m Caen monté Class F earlier this week. Hind shoes off and can get straight back in the game. First-5 prospect
- **3. FIER DE BOUERE -** Last of 13 behind GIAC JOLI (2) in a 2800m Auch Class E on 18 February and will need to prepare himself for another disappointment
- **4. IVANA DES RACQUES -** Lost her action early in a 2700m Lyon-La Soie Class D a fortnight ago. Is well-placed behind the car and not to be underestimated
- **5. HELIOS BONBON -** Sanctioned, when heavily-backed, in a 2750m Toulouse Class F a fortnight ago. Stays padded but can finish in the mix if he keeps his action together
- **6. HIMALAYA NARCY -** Trotted 2nd here before coming 3rd in a 2575m Agen-Le Passage Class E on Sunday. Is clearly close to her race and will be no soft touch
- **7. FILON D'OR -** Tricky type that has not been seen out since finishing 10th of 12 in a 2550m Beaumont-de-Lomagne Class F in early-December and will need the race
- **8. HERMES DELUSS -** Modest 9th of 13 in a 2575m Agen-Le Passage Class E 3 weeks ago. Has form at the venue but, from an outside draw, is little more than an outside chance
- **9. GOOD FRIEND -** 12th of 13 in a 2800m Auch Class E on 18 February. Should be fully-fit by now and one can expect a more competitive performance
- **10. GALIBOT DE L'ISOP** Capable sort that trotted 5th, on re-entry, in the 11 February race of reference. Will have come on for the run and will have his supporters
- **11. INFERNO POURPRE -** 5th, a place behind HILAIRE DES PLANS (13), in a 2150m Toulouse Class D on 21 February. Will be fully fit by now and, unshod-all-4, can make this his own
- **12. FURIOUS BEY -** 7th of 11 in a 2575m Agen-Le Passage Class F amateur race last Monday and looks out of his depth
- **13. HILAIRE DES PLANS -** Opened his 2024 account in good order, winning a 2700m Cagnes Class E 10 days ago. Handed a back-tier draw but, in present shape, is hard to ignore

Summary: Barefoot for the occasion after two re-entry runs, INFERNO POURPRE (11) is unbeaten in 2 Bordeaux starts and, even from the back line, has the class to maintain his perfect status. He will still face considerable opposition from the better-positioned IVANA DES RACQUES (4) who showed her form after being sanctioned last time out, and HIMALAYA NARCY (6) who has been knocking at the door recently. HILAIRE DES PLANS (13) is forced to start on the back row but his form is incontestable and must be taken seriously.

SELECTIONS

INFERNO POURPRE (11) - IVANA DES RACQUES (4) - HIMALAYA NARCY (6) - HILAIRE DES PLANS (13)

C7 - PRIX DE LISIEUX - 2650m (a1m 1/2) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 27,000

- **1. KANGCHENJUNGA -** Unraced since trotting last of 9, on comeback, in a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class C on 22 January. Is first-time barefoot but others still preferred
- 2. KANGOUROU Won a claimer before coming 5th of 6 in a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class C 3 weeks ago. In superior company this time and chances limited
- **3. KAPORAL VISAIS -** Has not been seen out since trotting 8th of 13 in a 2850m Laval Class A on 18 November. Shod differently this time however and from the front row, can play a leading role
- **4. JIMOKO -** Sanctioned for the 5th time in a row when faulting in a 2400m Montauban Class D late-September. Makes first appearance since and poses no danger
- **5. JOPLIN DES CROUAS -** Sanctioned in a 2200m Caen Class E on Monday, a fortnight after having placed at Vincennes, and can get a look-in if Hervé Sionneau keeps him trotting
- **6. KOULOU GAGOU -** Sanctioned in a 2700m Vincennes Class B a fortnight ago. Takes a dip in category and, from the first line, can make his presence felt. First-5 chance
- **7. JOSEPHA CHOUP -** Won here 2 months ago and most recently trotted 2nd in a 3000m Nantes Class E late-February. Takes on some tougher elements this time but, starting in front, should nevertheless hold her own
- **8. KAPTAIN DU LIAMONE -** Quality element but has struggled this winter, most recently faulting in a 2100m Vincennes Class A on 22 February. Looked better last time out though and, if focused, can figure prominently
- **9. KINGA SUPREME -** Quickly sanctioned in a 2700m Vincennes Class A in late-January. Returns fresh, is fitted with a new configuration and, with application, can get back to winning ways
- **10. JUSTICIA SMART -** Faulted in a 2850m Vincennes Class C a fortnight back, after having placed at the same venue. Back to racing unshod behind though and represents no more than a minor place prospect
- **11. KELLE BEAUTE -** Was not disgraced when 7th of 15 in a 2700m Vincennes Gr.3 mid-January. Drops back to a more reasonable level and is not incapable of beating stablemate KINGA SUPREME (9)
- **12. JEXELLE LUGUI -** Last of 10 in a 2700m Vincennes Class C 3 weeks ago, but benefits from an excellent entry and can start to make amends

Summary: Although still not the easiest of horses to handle, KINGA SUPREME (9) is nonetheless brimming with ability and, sporting a new configuration, is marginally preferable to stablemate KELLE BEAUTE (11) who races unshod behind for the first time. KAPTAIN DU LIAMONE (8) has been struggling to get his house in order and reverting to racing with pads may be just the ticket. KAPORAL VISAIS (3) is shod more competitively for his return to competition and is not incapable of making a big splash.

SELECTIONS

KINGA SUPREME (9) - KELLE BEAUTE (11) - KAPTAIN DU LIAMONE (8) - KAPORAL

VISAIS (3)

C8 - GD PRIX DYNAVENA - GD PRIX DES TROTTEURS - 2650m (a1m 1/2) - Class C - Harness - EUR € 39,000

- **1. FIRST DE CHOISEL -** 9th of 10 in a 2950m Toulouse Class E on 21 February. Has nothing going for him here and can be ruled out
- **2. FOX PAPA TANGO -** Has not been seen out since trotting 9th of 12 in a 2400m Beaumont-de-Lomagne Class D last September and will not be given a tough race
- **3. INDY DARK -** Got back in the game when close 2nd of 11 in a 2700m Vincennes Class B on 6 February. Is 25m better off this time and looks eminently capable of trotting off with the silverware
- **4. IDOLE OF LOVE -** Went into her winter break having won 6 of last 7, latterly a 2750m Nîmes Class F on 11 November. Is shod for comeback though and best to keep one's powder dry
- **5. GRANIT DU FRESNE** Endured a number of woes when 9th in a 2100m Vincennes Class E on 13 February. Has been showing his form for some time and breaking in front will do his prospects no disservice
- **6. HAMIRAL NELSON -** Sanctioned early in a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class B on 17 February. Placed last time at Bordeaux and, with application, can trot his way into the first 5
- **7. GALUPIN DE PAIL -** Put on a good show to finish 3rd of 12 in a 2550m Class E here on 28 December. Unseen since but is ideally-engaged and has hind shoes off for re-entry
- **8. HARRY CARISAIE -** Classy individual that was not disgraced, when shod for re-entry, in a 2850m Vincennes Class B on 20 February. Has previously won here and warrants considerable respect
- **9. FLASH ROYAL -** 8th of 13, on comeback, in a 2625m Agen-Le Passage Class B 3 weeks ago. Just hind shoes off for the first time but no fireworks anticipated
- **10. DUO SEGUINEL -** Lacklustre 9th of 11 finishers in a 2650m Saint-Galmier Class D a month ago. Has done little of note for some time and others easier to back
- **11. GUEVARA DU PONT -** Late to find a gap when 9th of 15 in a 2925m Cagnes Class B mid-February. Is confirmed here, evidently in shape, and can set the record straight

Summary: Barring his early-January clinker, INDY DARK (3) has otherwise been in excellent form this winter and, after having reassured in Paris, looks the one to beat. GUEVARA DU PONT (11) was unlucky at Cagnes-sur-Mer last month but has the wherewithal to do well in this category. The ultra-regular HARRY CARISAIE (8) has one race in him, is shod to preference, and imposed on his only Bordeaux appearance. GRANIT DU FRESNE (5) is 25m better off, put in an excellent finish here mid-January, and will not be going home empty-handed.

SELECTIONS

INDY DARK (3) - GUEVARA DU PONT (11) - HARRY CARISAIE (8) - GRANIT DU FRESNE (5)