R1 VINCENNES [L-H]

C1 - PRIX DE BEAUVAIS - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 40,000

- **1. KALIE TEJY -** 3rd of 11 in a 2850m Laval Class F 8 days ago but, in this company, has no possible chance
- **2. KRISTALE D'ERABLE -** Unraced since coming 3rd of 12 in a 2450m Caen monté Class F last May. Has other priorities and can be ignored
- **3. KRISSA DE MORGANE -** 8th of 10 finishers in a 2100m Class E here on Tuesday. Has done nothing of note for some time and is not about to start
- **4. KOMEDIE SOMOLLI -** Course-and-distance winner in the spring but has yet to get into her stride this term, latterly last of 12 behind KISS ME DU LIVET (9) in a 2850m Class D here late-September, and will have few friends
- **5. KIM DE BEAUM -** Lacklustre 13th of 15 behind KARVINA D'ELA (6) in race of reference and will need to raise her game
- **6. KARVINA D'ELA -** Progressive filly that failed to deliver when 6th of 15 in a 2850m Class D here on 22 October, after having run 2nd over course and distance, but is thoroughly capable of bouncing back and picking up a minor place cheque
- **7. KELOWA STARDUST -** Well-beaten 8th of 15 in 22 October race of reference. Appears to have lost her way and will need to pull her socks up
- **8. KALINKA MOYA -** Quality individual but oddly disappointing in last two, most recently 11th of 15 in race of reference, and will need to re-establish her credentials
- **9. KISS ME DU LIVET -** Very unlucky 12th of 15, behind KARVINA D'ELA (6), in a 2850m Class D here 2.5 weeks ago, but can more than make amends if Pierre-Yves Verva keeps her out of trouble. First 5
- **10. KELLE HAUFOR -** 10th of 15, behind KARVINA D'ELA (6), in a 2850m Class D here 2.5 weeks ago, when being conditioned. Barefoot as she was when imposing here last winter, and must not be underestimated
- **11. KENNEDY STREET -** Valiant 3rd of 10 to KATHLEEN D'ECOTAY (16) in a 2100m Class D here mid-October. Has shown good speed and will not be available at 25/1 this time
- **12. KARMEN DE MONTCEAU -** Out of the picture in last 3, most recently 8th of 14 in a 2800m Class B at Le Croisé-Laroche on 2 October, and chances slim
- **13. KLARISSE -** Sanctioned in last 2, latterly 22 October race of reference. Is not devoid of ability but would be preferred in the other code
- **14. KOKINE JABA -** 11th of 15 in a 2750m Class B at Les Sables-d'Olonne, when being prepared for this, on 21 October. Hind shoes off and, with application, will be expected to contest the finish

- **15. KISMIE DE MONTFORT -** 3rd of 6 in a 2250m Enghien monté Class D 3.5 weeks ago. Not easy to handle under harness but can get a look-in if Eric Raffin keeps her trotting
- **16. KATHLEEN D'ECOTAY** Showed her true potential on 15 October when dominating a 2100m Class D here. Should have no issue with the new distance and looks the one to beat

Summary: Ideally-entered at the limit of earnings, and authoritative winner over shorter here last month, KATHLEEN D'ECOTAY (16) should be able to wrap this up if she stays in stride. Twice a Vincennes winner last winter, KOKINE JABA (14) has two runs under her belt and races unshodbehind this time. 3rd to the Duvaldestin horse mid-October after having imposed at Cabourg, KENNEDY STREET (11) is easy to like for a place in the frame. KELLE HAUFOR (10) has yet to realise her full potential but, racing barefoot for her first objective of the season, is unlikely to disappoint.

SELECTIONS

KATHLEEN D'ECOTAY (16) - KOKINE JABA (14) - KENNEDY STREET (11) - KELLE HAUFOR (10)

C2 - PRIX D'AIX LES BAINS - 2175m (a1m1/4) - Class F Race - Mounted - EUR € 36,000

- **1. JET SAN LEANDRO -** Makes first appearance in the code after coming 5th of 13 in a 2400m Montauban harness Class F 2 weeks ago but is expected to be found wanting
- **2. JUPITER CAPTAIN -** Completely off the boil recently, latterly 9th of 13 in a 2700m Graignes Class F a week ago, and will have nothing to contribute
- **3. JOKER BATMAN -** Unsure of stride when last of 9, on comeback, in a 2750m Cabourg Class F on 5 October. Has solid references when barefoot though and, already a winner on the main track, returns to the venue with a good hand to play
- **4. JACK TEJY -** Back under the saddle after coming 6th of 15 in a 3250m Saumur harness Class F 3 weeks ago. Has shown a modicum of potential, goes unshod-behind for first time, and in this modest field can pick up some prizemoney
- **5. JUDICY DE VIVE -** Disappointing at Cabourg before finishing 10th of 13 in a 2800m Vire harness Class F a fortnight ago, and can be confidently passed over
- **6. JAVRILLON -** 6th of 12, on first run since the break, in a 2425m Angers Class F on 20 October. Has little room for manoeuvre but is barefoot and, if fit, can play a small part
- **7. JOYAU DE LA COTE -** Sanctioned at the start of a 2150m Toulouse harness Class E 12 days ago. Sanctioned in both previous monté starts and even with Paul Ploquin in the saddle, is unlikely to spring a surprise
- **8. JUST ORLANDO -** Debuts in the discipline after finishing 11th of 13 in a 2550m Reims harness Class F 3 weeks ago. Has done enough under harness though to be considered a player
- **9. JESOLO -** Has not been seen out since running 5th of 9 finishers in a 2200m Agon Class F 3 months ago. Makes first appearance on the main track and can open his winter account if he takes to the new profile
- **10. JINGLE DES BROUETS -** Unraced since finishing 6th of 7 in a 2850m Parilly Class E on 22 September. Shod to preference with a top jockey onboard and will be expected to figure prominently at the reckoning

Summary: Regularly in the mix when unshod in this code, JESOLO (9) returns from his spell barefoot, with his trainer in the irons, and looks to have a realistic chance of winning this. He will be opposed though by a barefoot JOKER BATMAN (3) who has a freshener under his belt since the spell, and the well-entered, and reconfigured, JINGLE DES BROUETS (10) who won on his only start for Alexandre Abrivard.

SELECTIONS

JESOLO (9) - JOKER BATMAN (3) - JINGLE DES BROUETS (10) - JUST ORLANDO (8)

C3 - PRIX DE RANVILLE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 41,000

- **1. JOUVENCE D'AVRIL -** Last of 13 in a 2575m Agen Class D 2.5 weeks ago. Races barefoot this time but must first reassure
- **2. JAVA FAST -** Picked up where she left off, following the spell, winning a 2750m Cabourg Class E a fortnight ago. May not pull off the 5-timer but will certainly be competitive
- **3. JISMIE GRIFF -** Showed the limits of her capacity when last of 12 in a 2875m Enghien Class D a month ago, and can be disregarded
- **4. JESSY DES PISTES -** Sanctioned in a 2875m Enghien Class D a month ago and, quite simply, has no realistic chance
- **5. JONQUILLETE CREPIN -** Made up for her monté sanction when 3rd of 12, a place behind JIVA (10), in a 2775m Class E at Les Sables on 21 October and, on similarly good behaviour, can challenge for a place on the podium
- **6. JADE VENESI -** 8th of 13 in a 2875m Enghien Class D on 27 October. Has been out of sorts for some time and can be ruled out
- **7. JALNA GIRL -** Left a good impression on just 2nd start back, coming 5th of 11 in a 2850m Laval Class C 8 days ago. Goes well for Eric Raffin and looks main threat to JADE HAUFOR (16)
- **8. JUSQUINE FOUTEAU -** Put in a good effort to clinch 2nd of 12 in a 2150m Enghien Class E 3 weeks ago. Takes on a better bunch this time but Franck Nivard will still afford her every chance
- **9. JASMINE DE JYR -** 4th of 12, behind JIVA (10), in a 2775m Class E at Les Sables on 21 October. Unlikely to repeat but should nevertheless hold her own
- **10. JIVA -** 2nd of 12 in a 2775m Class E at Les Sables on 21 October. Is proven at the venue but others still easier to back
- **11. JAYA DES BROUSSES -** Returns to Vincennes after coming 3rd of 16 in a 2875m Meslay-du-Maine Class D early last month. Has never disappointed under these conditions and is not about to buck the trend
- **12. JOIE INTENSE -** Serious mare with 2 runs in her since the hiatus, latterly last but one in 2 October race of reference, but hind shoes off this time and is unlikely to be far from the action
- **13. JIRELLITA -** 11th of 13, when being prepared for this, in a 2875m Enghien Class D 2 weeks ago. Has had ample time to come into herself and, barefoot for the occasion, should not be ignored
- **14. JINA FOUTEAU -** 7th of 12 in a 2900m Challans Class E on 13 October. Goes barefoot this time, with David Thomain in the bike, and has a reasonable chance of finishing in the mix
- **15. JOCONDE DE RHEVE -** Sprang a 49/1 surprise, coming 5th of 13 in a 2875m Enghien Class D late last month, but chances of a repeat slim to none
- **16. JADE HAUFOR -** Was still being conditioned when last of 13 in a 2875m Enghien Class D a fortnight ago. Has nothing to prove under these conditions and should logically garner the lion's share of support

Summary: Just €160 from elimination, and barefoot for her first winter objective, JADE HAUFOR (16) thrives over 2700m here and will take all the beating. Similarly barefoot following a brace of conditioners, JALNA GIRL (7) will be no pushover though if Eric Raffin can keep her trotting. One of the more reliable elements here, JAYA DES BROUSSES (11) beat a number of these at Meslay and can again make the frame. JONQUILLETE CREPIN (5) may not be the easiest of horses to handle but when applied is very hard to fault.

SELECTIONS

JADE HAUFOR (16) - JALNA GIRL (7) - JAYA DES BROUSSES (11) - JONQUILLETE CREPIN (5)

C4 - PRIX DE BACQUEVILLE - 2175m (a1m1/4) - Class B Race - Harness - EUR € 52,000

- **1. LUMIERE DU CHENE -** Sanctioned here in September before running 2nd of 11 finishers in a 2875m Meslay Class D on 2 October. Is not without merit but others easier to back
- 2. LERIKA DU CHENE Takes a dip in category after finishing last of 10 in a 2700m Class A here 3 weeks ago. Hind pads fitted for first time though and cannot be discounted
- **3. LAURELINA -** Last of 9 in a 2875m Argentan Class A last Sunday. Has placed under these conditions but, in current shape, is difficult to recommend
- **4. LOUISIANE MAGNY -** Made short work of her first seasonal objective, winning a 2700m Class D here 9 days ago. In better company this time though and others preferred
- **5. LOVELY KOOL -** Steps back up in category after trotting 3rd of 12 in a 2150m Enghien claimer 3 weeks ago, but races here on a prayer
- **6. LEVRETTE -** Complicated but talented filly making first start since coming 3rd of 5 in a 2925m Cagnes Class A late-August. Sports 4 pads for first time, has been entrusted to Yoann Lebourgeois, but still not more than a minor place chance
- **7. LOOKING FRANCE -** Has done nothing but improve lately, most recently 2nd of 10 in a 2850m Class C here 2.5 weeks ago, however takes on too much this time
- **8. LOUVE DE DAIDOU -** Made it 3 on the trot when victorious in a 2850m Class C here in early-September. Will have been kept on the boil and returns to the main track with a good hand to play
- **9. LOVELY DU VALLON -** Second only to a very good horse in a Class B over course and distance 27 September. Has had time to freshen up and looks a decent place chance once more
- **10. LAMATTA** Respectable 5th of 8 in a Gr.2 over course and distance a fortnight ago. Enjoys good speed and, in this category, looks a realistic place chance
- **11. LITTLE CROWN -** Made up for Enghien sanction when 3rd of 10, a place behind LOVELY DU VALLON (9), in a Class B over course and distance 27 September. Has enough speed for this trip and is unlikely to be far off the mark
- **12. L'ETOILE -** Makes first start since winning a 2100m Class C here on 19 September. Should take well to these conditions and is not incapable of shaking things up
- **13.** LA VIE A DEUX Put on a good show to win, on re-entry, a 2150m Enghien Class C on 7 October. Has been afforded time to come on and will be expected to give LOLITA BOURBON (14) a run for her money
- **14. LOLITA BOURBON -** Serious filly making her first start since comfortably winning a 2875m Enghien Class C early-August. Is unbeaten with the day's driver and is expected to remain so
- **15. LAMIE DU MESNIL -** Last but one in a 2700m Class A here 3 weeks ago and will struggle to make her presence felt

Summary: Thorough professional since her initial steps on the track, LOLITA BOURBON (14) races first time with hind pads, for her Vincennes debut, and can win this if she takes to the new profile. LA VIE A DEUX (13) got straight down to business on last month's comeback though and, confirmed over the main track, looks the principal danger. LAMATTA (10) drops to a more reasonable level after holding her own in Gr.2 company, and has solid enough references to do well here. LOVELY DU VALLON (9) has been knocking at the door recently and is thoroughly capable of trotting her way into the first 3.

SELECTIONS

LOLITA BOURBON (14) - LA VIE A DEUX (13) - LAMATTA (10) - LOVELY DU VALLON (9)

C5 - PRIX MARCEL LAURENT - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Gr2 Race - Harness - EUR € 120,000

- **1. JAZZMAN DEBAILLEUL -** Won a Gr.3 here with authority before finishing an unlucky 6th of 11 in a 2625m Gr.3 at Saint-Galmier mid-October, but Franck Nivard will be minded to keep him out of trouble this time
- **2. DEUS ZACK -** Returns to Paris after finishing 7th of 9 in 2100m Gr.1 Gran Premio Delle Nazioni at San Siro a fortnight ago. Has solid references at this level and with the aid of Jean-Philippe Monclin can play a leading role
- **3. JUST A GIGOLO -** Speedy sort that showed marked improvement at Agen 2.5 weeks ago, coming 5th of 9 in a 2575m Gr.2. Has excellent speed and could yet bring the fight to JUSHUA TREE (6)
- **4. DIMITRI FERM -** Makes first appearance since running 2nd to JUSHUA TREE (6) in 2700m Gr.1 Prix Bold Eagle here last January. Shod to preference and nicely-positioned in front, but may be a race shy
- **5. JE M'ENVOLE -** 9th of 14, on first start this year, in a 2750m Class B at Les Sables-d'Olonne 2.5 weeks ago. Still in conditioning mode and best to keep one's powder dry
- **6. JUSHUA TREE -** Surprisingly beaten by JOSH POWER (8) in 3000m Gr.1 Criterium des 5 Ans here mid-September. Has a better spot behind the car and looks set to turn the tables
- **7. KEEP GOING -** Takes on his elders for first time after winning 2850m Gr.1 Critérium des 4 Ans here on 14 September. Has ground to make up but should nevertheless put in an honourable performance
- **8. JOSH POWER -** Beat JUSHUA TREE (6) to convincingly win 3000m Gr.1 Criterium des 5 Ans here mid-September. Less-competitively-shod this time but is not to be underestimated again
- **9. JUSTIN BOLD -** Quality element starting for first time since finishing 13th of 15 in 3000m Gr.1 Criterium des 5 Ans here mid-September. Won a Gr.2 here over the summer but, with hind pads fitted, is unlikely to cause an upset
- **10. KAMEHAMEHA -** Put some troubled runs behind him when a flattering 4th of 6 finishers in a Class A under these conditions late-September, but others still easier to back
- **11. JAZZMAN (GER) -** Has not been seen out since being sanctioned in a 2875m Enghien Gr.3 in early-August. Shoes on and will be race-rusty
- **12. DESTINY DI POGGIO -** Took no time getting back in shape, most recently winning a Class C over track and trip a fortnight ago. Takes a hike in category but is as game as they come and could well eke out a cheque
- **13. ELISE ANA -** Useful Italian import making first start for new trainer, latterly sanctioned in 1660m Gran Premio Continentale at Bologna on 22 September. Shoes on and not a priority
- **14. JANGO VICI -** 4th to JOSH POWER (8) in Gr.1 Criterium des 5 Ans before running 3rd of 15, despite a tough trip, in a 2700m Gr.3 here 2 weeks ago. Handed a poor draw but is close to his race and while unlikely to impose, can still make first 5
- **15. ERICA JET -** Respectable but unthreatening 7th of 11 in a Class C over course and distance a fortnight ago. Handed a tough draw and will have nothing to contribute

Summary: After being beaten in the Criterium des 5 Ans mid-September, JUSHUA TREE (6) has been afforded ample time to recalibrate, returns to racing shod, and is ideally-positioned to put things right. JOSH POWER (8), who had his measure that day, sports just front pads this time, and can still get in on the action, but may first have to see off Gr.1 Gran Premio della Lotteria 3rd, DEUS ZACK (2), and the well-placed JUST A GIGOLO (3) who will appreciate the drop in distance.

SELECTIONS

JUSHUA TREE (6) - DEUS ZACK (2) - JUST A GIGOLO (3) - JOSH POWER (8)

C6 - PRIX DU LANGUEDOC - 2850m (a2m) - Gr3 Race - Harness - EUR € 90,000

- **1. HORCHESTRO -** Clearly capable but yet to get into his stride this term, latterly sanctioned in a 3000m Gr.3 at Salon-de-Provence 2 weeks ago. Barefoot this time but can still be passed over
- **2. HIP HOP HAUFOR -** 10th of 13, when being conditioned, in a 2600m Cherbourg Gr.3 on 25 September. Is talented but complicated, races barefoot this time and, if focused, can figure prominently
- **3. INEXESS BLEU -** Solid type that finished a fine 2nd of 12 in a 2875m Meslay Gr.3 on 2 October. Comes here fresh and, if applied, will not be far from picking up a place cheque
- **4. GOELAND D'HAUFOR** Out of the picture since placing over track and trip during the spring, most recently 9th of 13 in a 2600m Cherbourg Gr.3 on 25 September, and will have few takers
- **5. INO DU LUPIN -** Made up for Meslay sanction with a dominant 2850m Laval Class A victory on 1 November and, in similar form, will face little resistance
- **6. BILO JEPSON -** Ran 4th at Parilly before repeating in a 2550m Class A at Beaumont-de-Lomagne on 13 October, but has more to find this time
- **7. IT'S A DOLLARMAKER -** Starts for first time since running 3rd of 12 in a 2850m Parilly Gr.3 on 18 September. Adores 2850m over the main track here and, with Eric Raffin reining, has the wherewithal to challenge for the win
- **8. ORACLE TILE -** Unlucky when 2nd of 11 in a Gr.3 under these conditions on 31 October. Put on a fine show nevertheless and is eminently capable of trotting his way into the frame once more
- **9. FAKIR DE MAHEY -** Flopped at Craon before faulting in a 2575m Agen Gr.2 2.5 weeks ago. Barefoot this time but still not an obvious choice

Summary: After a couple of necessary conditioners, INO DU LUPIN (5) went on to thrash the opposition at Laval recently and, winner of 5 of 6 starts over 2850m here, is going to take some beating. Leading the opposition will be ORACLE TILE (8) who was unlucky not to finish closer to the good Gaspar D'Angis here 9 days ago, and the reliable IT'S A DOLLARMAKER (7) who has hardly put a foot out of place all year.

SELECTIONS

INO DU LUPIN (5) - ORACLE TILE (8) - IT'S A DOLLARMAKER (7) - INEXESS BLEU (3)

C7 - PRIX ATLANTIC - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 59,000

- **1. GRAZIELA D'EL -** 9th of 14, on return to competition, in a 2850m Maure Class E 3 weeks ago. Front pads fitted this time but still not a player
- 2. IDYLLE EXPRESS Emphatic winner of a 2100m Class C here late last month. Boasts solid references over 2700m on the main track and looks a contender once more
- **3. IROISE DE LA NOE -** 10th of 11 to IMPLORA MAUZUN (13) in a 2625m Saint-Galmier Gr.3 mid-October. Stays shod this time but it would be no surprise to see her challenge for a first-5 place
- **4. HALMA D'AMER -** Like a horse reborn since the spring, most recently making it 2 on the trot when winning a 2850m Laval Class D on 5 October. Moves up the category-ladder but still expected to finish in the thick of things
- **5. IRINA DE BAILLY -** Trounced in last 4, most recently last of 11 in a Class A over course and distance 9 days ago, and will have few, if any, friends
- **6. HOSTIA -** Last but one when preparing for this in a 2700m Machecoul Class E last Sunday. Front shoes off but still no more than a minor place prospect
- **7. FOR LOVING YOU -** 11th of 13 in a 2875m Enghien Class D a month ago. Has not made the frame for over a year and is not about to break the mould
- **8. IDOLE OF LOVE -** Disappointing 9th of 15 in a 2575m Agen Class D 2.5 weeks ago. Won here barefoot 2 years ago but current form does little to inspire confidence
- **9. GLYCINA BELLA -** Won 2 of 3 before coming 6th of 15 in a 2875m Meslay Class E on 2 October. Takes on some younger horses this time and should not be too far from the action
- **10. HARMONY DU RABUTIN -** Flew up at Lignieres before finishing a courageous 2nd of 12 to HIGH PROPULSION (14) in a 2100m Class D here on 14 September. Solid in 2 of 3 under these conditions and must be respected. Place prospect
- **11. HISA DU MARGAS** 9th of 16 in a 2200m Caen Class B 3 weeks ago. Disappointing on the whole this term and can be ruled out
- **12. FRANCEVILLE -** Back under harness after running 7th of 12 in a 2875m Enghien monté Class D mid-October. Shoes on and no danger
- **13. IMPLORA MAUZUN -** Produced her career-best performance at Saint-Galmier mid-October, running 2nd of 11 in a 2625m Gr.3. Takes a notable drop in category and will be a tough nut to crack
- **14. HIGH PROPULSION -** Made short work of a 2100m Class D here on 14 September. Has been held back for this engagement and will be expected to fight out the finish once again

Summary: At the top of her game, and as comfortable going left-handed as right-, IMPLORA MAUZUN (13) drops back in class after running 2nd in a competitive Gr.3 and, winner of her only start under these conditions, can impose. She will still meet resistance from HIGH PROPULSION (14) who won easily over shorter here mid-September. HARMONY DU RABUTIN (10) ran 2nd to her that day after scoring at Lignières and will not be steamrolled any time soon. Rarely disappointing when unshod and focused, IDYLLE EXPRESS (2) was most impressive here recently and has the wherewithal to repeat.

SELECTIONS

IMPLORA MAUZUN (13) - HIGH PROPULSION (14) - HARMONY DU RABUTIN (10) - IDYLLE EXPRESS (2)

C8 - PRIX D'ARGENTAN - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class B Race - Harness - EUR € 72,000

- **1. ISOFOU DU CHENE -** Won under these conditions before repeating, with ease, in a 2850m Class C here 3 weeks ago. 2700m not his favourite trip but still looks a decent place prospect
- **2. GALA DE CRENNES -** Encouraged at La Capelle before coming 7th of 14 in a 3000m Nantes Gr.3 on Wednesday, but backs up with limited prospects
- **3. GOAL STAR -** Quickly sanctioned in a 2700m Class B here on 4 October. Is proven over 2700m here but others still preferred
- **4. HARRY CARISAIE -** Reassuring 2nd of 15 in a Class C over track and trip 9 days ago but will struggle to make his mark this time
- **5. HAMILTON DU HAM -** Good, consistent type that ran a close 3rd of 7 in a 2850m Gr.3 here on 24 September. Consistently in the thick of things and can again make first 5
- **6. HARMONISTA -** Made up for her September blip when 3rd of 13 to IBISCUS MAN (7) in a Class B over course and distance on 4 October. Can adapt to any situation and must be considered a major player
- **7. IBISCUS MAN -** Failed to confirm good course-and-distance victory when sanctioned at the start of a 2850m Class C here 3 weeks ago. Eric Raffin back in the bike and can bring home the bacon if his charge deigns to keep trotting
- **8. HERADAMES -** Ran 2nd over track and trip before enduring a tough trip, coming 9th of 11 in a Class B under these conditions on 29 September. Is significantly better than that and David Thomain will be eager to put things right
- **9. GALAGO DU CADRAN -** Quality individual that ran 8th of 13, on return to competition, in a 2450m Caen Class C on 12 October. Barefoot this time but may find the going a bit tough
- **10. INATO PIERJI -** Classy trotter with an enviable strike-rate. Has had time to recuperate after running [an oddly below-par] 4th of 7 in a 2850m Gr.3 here on 24 September. Excels over 2700m here however and can impose

Summary: Wonderfully-engaged at the limit of earnings, Alexandre Bonnefoy has held INATO PIERJI (10) back since coming 4th in a Gr.3 here late-September and, hind shoes off this time, can return to winning ways. David Békaert will nevertheless be mindful of the tricky but barefoot IBISCUS MAN (7) who won under these conditions early last month, and ISOFOU DU CHENE (1) who is on the cusp of pulling off his 2nd hat-trick of 2024. 3rd to Eric Raffin's charge early-October, HARMONISTA (6) is never one to be ignored.

SELECTIONS

INATO PIERJI (10) - IBISCUS MAN (7) - ISOFOU DU CHENE (1) - HARMONISTA (6)

C9 - PRIX DE BESANCON - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class B Race - Harness - EUR € 52,000

- **1. KOLDPLAY -** Got back in the winners' circle at Rambouillet early last month, winning a 2800m Class B. Has been struggling at Vincennes but can get a look-in if applied
- **2. KISS ME HONEY -** 9th of 12 to KILL JOY LADY (12) in a Class B under these conditions 3 weeks ago, and is going to need another outing
- **3. KRAK D'AZUR -** Good class of trotter returning to France after running 3rd of 10 in a valuable 2100m 4yo event in Örebro late-September. Placed just once in 3 here but is still worth keeping an eye on
- **4. KATAR -** Would have finished 2nd in a Class B over course and distance mid-October had he not broken stride in the straight. Has ample ability but stays shod and others easier to trust
- **5. KEEP YOUR DREAMS -** Made a good return to competition when 2nd to KESITO D'URVILLE (7) in a 2800m Vire Class B a fortnight ago. Will have progressed, races unshod-behind this time, and should be competitive at the business end of the race
- **6. KARAMBAR -** Failed to pull off the hat-trick when an unlucky 3rd to KEVIN PRINCE (9) in a 2850m Class B here early last month. Is plainly at his best and, with a bit more luck in running, can again finish close
- **7. KESITO D'URVILLE -** Made it 2 in a row when securing a 2800m Vire Class B a fortnight ago. Takes on a more-exalted lot this time and even though sporting a new configuration, still seems to have too much to do
- **8. KEYNOTE -** Decent 3rd of 9 finishers, on first start since the layoff, in a Class B over course and distance mid-October. No 5yo's to contend with this time and could pleasantly surprise
- **9. KEVIN PRINCE -** Somewhat unsure of stride when winning a 2850m Class B here early last month. Has turned a corner since starting to race barefoot and his record under these conditions speaks for itself. First 5
- **10. KYOTO DIGEO -** 7th of 11 when preparing for this in a 2875m Argentan Class A last Sunday. Consistent when barefoot, has references over track and trip, but may be taking on too much this time
- **11. KILLER QUEEN -** Made up somewhat for a brace of sanctions when 3rd of 12 to KILL JOY LADY (12) in a Class B under these conditions 3 weeks ago. Has Gr.2 form and, with application, will be no easy touch
- **12. KILL JOY LADY -** Won 2 of last 3, latterly a Class B over course and distance 3 weeks ago. Has gone from strength to strength this year and the nature of her latest performance augurs well for a repeat
- **13. KEMIA DU CHENE -** Makes first appearance since running 6th in 2850m Gr.1 Critérium des 4 Ans on 14 September. Is barefoot for the occasion, will have been honed for this, and will not go down without a fight
- **14. KOKOTE** Unraced since being sanctioned in a 2550m Reims Class B mid-September. Thrives under these conditions, when focused, and given the entry is worth taking seriously

Summary: Four times a winner over course and distance, twice in her last 3 starts, KILL JOY LADY (12) set her personal best time here last month and, in similar shape, should have this in the bag. There will still be considerable opposition from the honest KEMIA DU CHENE (13) who has been kept back for this race, and KARAMBAR (6) who imposed under these conditions before being denied a run next time. Reassuring 3rd to the favourite last time out, KILLER QUEEN (11) has never disappointed with Eric Raffin at Vincennes and will be expected to continue the good form.

SELECTIONS

KILL JOY LADY (12) - KEMIA DU CHENE (13) - KARAMBAR (6) - KILLER QUEEN (11)

C10 - PRIX DE JONCHERY - 2175m (a1m1/4) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 40,000

- **1. LEOLIO -** Showed improvement on 2nd start back when 6th of 11 in a 2200m Class E here last Monday, but still has more to find
- 2. LEADER DU LOISIR Made amends for Enghien blip when 2nd of 9 in a 2700m Class E at La Capelle late-August. Has not raced since though and faces a tough task on Vincennes debut
- **3. LE RETOUR VRIE -** Sanctioned on return to competition in a 2875m Enghien Class C 3 months ago. Makes another re-entry, this time with Alexandre Abrivard, and if applied can play a part
- **4. LINARO -** Quality element that ran 8th of 11, on first start back, in a 2450m Caen Class C on 12 October. Sports 4 pads for first time and, if fully-fit, can play a prominent role
- **5. LORD DU GERS -** Has not been seen out since coming 3rd of 12 on his comeback run in a Class D over course and distance 2 months ago. JMB reining this time and is in with a realistic shout of winning this
- **6. LITTLE DRAGON -** Sanctioned on return to competition 10 days ago, in a 2700m Class C here, and appears to have no possible chance
- **7. LEANDRO DE MER -** Sanctioned in a 2700m monté Class B here mid-October. Has other priorities and can be passed over
- **8. LODEN D'HERFRAIE -** Decent 4th of 9 finishers in a 2700m Class C here 10 days ago. Faces a less-exalted bunch this time and has every chance of making the frame
- **9. LOVI CADENCE -** 5th of 9, behind LODEN D'HERFRAIE (8), in a 2700m Class C here 10 days ago, but a repeat seems most improbable
- **10. L'AVENIR -** Returns to racing left-handed after coming 4th of 10 in a 2625m Agen Class B 2.5 weeks ago. Yoann Lebourgeois reining this time and deserves to be taken seriously
- **11. LED ZEP VET -** Showed marked improvement when 3rd of 13 in a 2150m Enghien Class D 3 weeks ago, on first start with Raffin, and the new formula may be just what's required to lose his maiden tag
- **12. LINO DU POMMEREUX -** Unseen since dominating a 2700m Cagnes Class D early-August. Shod for comeback and best to hold off
- **13. LINDSTEDT -** Sanctioned in a 2150m Enghien claimer 3 weeks ago and, in current condition, is difficult to defend
- **14. LOUSTIC DE SALOMAX -** Won at Enghien before finishing last but one when being prepared for this in a 2775m Class B at Les Sables on 21 October. Should take well to these conditions though and can set the record straight
- **15. LAGON DU POMMEREUX -** Last of 9, on re-entry, in a 2550m Reims Class B 3 weeks ago. Sports pads this time but is still out of his league

Summary: After winning twice left-handed in the spring, LORD DU GERS (5) made an excellent re-entry here 2 months ago, has been given further time to get in shape, and looks the pick of the field. JMB will still be keeping a keen eye on the in-form LED ZEP VET (11) who makes his Vincennes debut sporting pads for the first time and, importantly, with Eric Raffin back in the bike. Solid for the most part, LODEN D'HERFRAIE (8) is reconfigured this time and can make the frame, as can the well-engaged, and padded, LOUSTIC DE SALOMAX (14) whose recent run should not be paid any heed.

SELECTIONS

LORD DU GERS (5) - LED ZEP VET (11) - LODEN D'HERFRAIE (8) - LOUSTIC DE SALOMAX (14)