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R4 VINCENNES [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE FRANCHEVILLE - LA BARRE - 2175m (a1m1/4) - Class B
Race - Harness - EUR € 52,000**

1. LEXINGTON DANICA - Reassuring but unthreatening 4th of 13 in a 2700m Class C here on 18 December. Has ground to make up but is competitively shod and can get in on the action

2. LORD SUN DRALIAM - Tricky but talented colt that lost his action when going well in a 2700m Class A here on New Year's Day. Sanctioned on only start over the distance but returns to racing shod and must not be entirely overlooked

3. LOTUS GRIFF - Out of the picture in 2 since the spell, latterly sanctioned in 29 December race of reference. Barefoot this time but must first re-establish his credentials

4. LUDIVER DES VAUX - Sanctioned in last 4, most recently 29 December race of reference. Sports modified shoeing but still cannot be considered a player

5. LUTIN JABA - Made short work of a Class D under these conditions on 13 December. Has so much more to give and will take all the beating

6. LOULOU DES OUBEAUX - 4th of 7 finishers in a 2700m Class C here late last month. Is clearly in form though and the new formula will only work to his advantage

7. LORD DE BANVILLE - Flattering 5th of 7 finishers, a place behind LOULOU DES OUBEAUX (6), in a 2700m Class C here late last month. Is first-time barefoot but others still easier to back

8. LANSKY VALLEE - Lost all chance at the start, finishing last of 8 over course and distance 3 weeks ago. Is reunited with Eric Raffin, sports modified shoeing, and has every chance of finishing in the mix

9. LAMONT DU DOUET - Significantly better than recent 8th of 10 behind LOTUS GRIFF (3) in a 2700m Class B here a month ago would suggest. Gets the chance to race barefoot and is unlikely to disappoint

10. LOVER MAN - Drops marginally in category after running 3rd of 8 in a 2700m Class A here on 22 November. Comes here fresh and, with pads fitted, looks main threat to LUTIN JABA (5)

Summary: Tremendous winner over course and distance last month, JMB has opted to shoe LUTIN JABA (5) more competitively this time and he steps up in category with every chance of doubling his money. That being said, the well-entered LOVER MAN (10) has been climbing the class ladder well and sports front pads this time. David Thomain takes the reins on a freshly-reconfigured LOULOU DES OUBEAUX (6) who will appreciate this shorter trip.

SELECTIONS

LUTIN JABA (5) - LOVER MAN (10) - LOULOU DES OUBEAUX (6) - LAMONT DU DOUET (9)

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**C2 - PRIX DE MAURIAC - 2850m (a2m) - Class B Race - Harness - EUR €
52,000**

1. UNDERGROUND ARTIST - Finished 6th of 10 before being disqualified in a 2700m Class C here last Sunday. Has evident ability but appears to need another outing

2. LOKE SANCY DIAMOND - Has not been seen out since finishing 8th of 9 over 1640m at Solvalla last September and, barefoot or not, can be passed over

3. EVERY TIME WINNER - Back in Paris after running 3rd of 6 in a 2120m San Siro conditioner mid-December. Thrives over the main track and even though barefoot, may find the level somewhat too elevated

4. JUST A LADY (DEN) - Has not been seen out since running 4th of 11 over 2100m in Bjerke 2 months ago. Debuts barefoot for new trainer and although not a priority, is still worth keeping an eye on

5. NAOMI BROS - Back under harness after finishing last but one in a 2175m monte Class B here a fortnight ago. Faces first real objective of the winter and is not about to disappoint

6. FRANK S.H. - Classy Swedish trotter that held his own, coming 6th of 13, in a 2700m Gr.2 here on 7 December. Returns fresh, with Mathieu Mottier reining, and will be expected to contest the finish

7. KIRCIE DE GUEZ - Unraced since coming 3rd of 7 finishers in a monte Gr.1 over course and distance last June. Has other priorities and can be ruled out

8. RIKITA JP - Defied her odds to come 5th of 10 in a 2100m Gr.3 here on 14 December. Matthieu Abrivard at the helm this time and has the wherewithal to go close

9. KILL JOY LADY - Quality mare but below-par in last 2, most recently sanctioned early in a Class B over track and trip 9 days ago. Can pick up some prizemoney if applied but others still easier to trust

10. KEEP YOUR DREAMS - Good 3rd of 9 in a Class B over course and distance on New Year's Day. Has been close to his race for some time and could well impose

11. KID BELLAY - Pleasant 4th of 9, a place behind KEEP YOUR DREAMS (10), in a Class B over course and distance on New Year's Day. Is not about to cause an upset but has been reconfigured and will generate some interest

12. KEMIA DU CHENE - 4th in Gr.2 Prix Ariste Hemard prior to being sanctioned early in a Class B over course and distance mid-December. Reunited with Benjamin Rochard who won with her last June and is unlikely to be far off the mark

13. KALMIA PERRINE - Has not been seen out since finishing runner-up to KILL JOY LADY (9) in a 2700m Class B here on 18 October. Has plainly been held back for this and Théo Duvaldestin will be eager to make hay

Summary: Although intermittent, KEEP YOUR DREAMS (10) put on a fine show under these conditions earlier in the month and with Eric Raffin in the bike can open his 2025 account. Serious nordic raider, FRANK S.H. (6) drops back in class after a promising Vincennes debut and should be very much in the running this time. KALMIA PERRINE (13) has not been far off the mark in his last two and must be taken more seriously. NAOMI BROS (5) has been given time to adapt to the main track and races barefoot with JMB in the bike.

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SELECTIONS

KEEP YOUR DREAMS (10) - FRANK S.H. (6) - KALMIA PERRINE (13) - NAOMI BROS (5)

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**C3 - PRIX DU BOUSCAT - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class C Race - Mounted - EUR
€ 53,000**

1. JAGUAR DE KARA - Has demonstrated decent aptitude for the code but will need to show improvement on recent 4th of 9 to JACARANDA (3) in a Class D over course and distance on 22 December

2. JOYEUSE ENTREE - Has taken well to her new vocation, most recently close 2nd of 11 to JOY FOR US (4) in a 2700m Class D here on 21 December, and deserves to be taken seriously

3. JACARANDA - Made it 3 in a row over track and trip when comfortable winner of a Class D on 22 December. Simply excels with Benjamin Rochard and will be expected to bring the fight to JOUR DE FETE (9)

4. JOY FOR US - Put on a fine show to secure a 2700m Class D here on 21 December. Has buckets of talent and on good behaviour can again finish close

5. JESTA BUISSONAY - Won 2 over track and trip before finishing last but one in a harness Class C course-and-distance conditioner on 1 January. Shod to preference this time and, with application, can finish in the mix

6. JEDI DES BROUETS - Sanctioned in last 5, latterly a 2850m harness Gr.3 early last month, and debuts under the saddle with modest ambition

7. JUNIOR BERDIERE - Drops marginally in category after running 2nd to a good horse in a 2850m Class B here on 8 December. Comes here fresh and can pick up a cheque

8. JAZZ DE PERVENCHE - Somewhat reassuring 5th of 8 in a harness Class C over track and trip late last month, however a repeat seems unlikely

9. JOUR DE FETE - Last of 13 when being conditioned for this in a 2100m harness Class A here on New Year's Day. Showed his aptitude for the discipline last summer and a similar performance would see him confirm

10. JALIMEDE - 7th of 8, on monte debut, in a 2850m Class D here on New Year's Day and has a lot more to find

Summary: Terrific winner here last August on his lone appearance under the saddle, JOUR DE FETE (9) is barefoot following a pair of conditioners, is reunited with Matilde Herleiksplass, and can expect significant support. JACARANDA (3), however, steps up in class after accumulating a trio of course-and-distance victories and will be expected to contest the finish. Well-regarded but a handful at the best of times, JOY FOR US (4) reassured with a determined victory here 3 weeks ago and can again figure prominently if Guillaume Martin keeps her focused.

SELECTIONS

JOUR DE FETE (9) - JACARANDA (3) - JOY FOR US (4) - JESTA BUISSONAY (5)

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C4 - PRIX DE LA MOSELLE - 2175m (a1m1/4) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 35,000

1. KASSIANO D'IS - Makes Vincennes debut after running 4th of 12 in a 2800m Pontchateau Class F last week. Matthieu Abrivard reining this time but still represents no more than a minor place chance

2. KADOR DE VILLABON - Looked ordinary before being sanctioned in a 2100m Parilly Class F mid-December and even though reconfigured is unlikely to make much of an impact

3. KAID GRIFF - Put a pair of sanctions behind him when successful in a 2600m Parilly Class F on 1 December. Benjamin Rochard gets the nod this time and despite moving up in category, can make first 5

4. KIDAM DU METZ - In the frame in last 2, most recently 2nd of 12 in a 2850m Le Mans Class F mid-December, but in this company will need to find more

5. KALL ME LOVE - Spirited type but has ample ability. Sanctioned early in a 2800m Pontchateau Class F last week but faces first objective of the winter and the engagement of Alexandre Abrivard speaks volumes

6. KAROLUS FAIR - Failed to confirm Mauquenchy performance when sanctioned in a 2050m Laval Class F on 8 December and is being aimed too high this time

7. KILLER ANGOT - Made it 4 wins from last 5 starts when successful in a 2750m Cabourg monte Class F on 7 December. Shoes off for Vincennes debut and may just be the horse to beat

8. KER MIEL - Made it 3 straight sanctions when faulting early in a 2100m Class E here 10 days ago. Races without hind shoes, with Bjorn Goop in the bike, and can make a big impact if he gets his charge off on the right foot

9. KSAR UNICK - Sanctioned when prepping for this in a 2800m Pontchateau Class F on 22 December, a fortnight after having trounced the opposition at Angers. Shoes off, as then, and again looks a serious proposition

10. KEMER SI - Faithful element that finished a valiant 5th of 9 in a 2875m Argentan Class F a fortnight ago but can expect to find the going tougher this time

11. KABOTIN CHENEVIERE - Good 3rd of 9 in a 2100m Class E here 10 days ago. May well find his niche over this distance and Eric Raffin will have a legitimate claim on the spoils

Summary: As good in one discipline as the other, KILLER ANGOT (7) races first-time barefoot for his return to the harness code and, already a winner going left-handed, can pull off the hat-trick. He is still going to come under pressure from the reconfigured KABOTIN CHENEVIERE (11) who is plainly close to his race, and KSAR UNICK (9) who was dynamic at Angers a month ago when barefoot. KALL ME LOVE (5) has 2 races under his belt following a long absence and, entrusted to Alexandre Abrivard, is unlikely to disappoint.

SELECTIONS

KILLER ANGOT (7) - KABOTIN CHENEVIERE (11) - KSAR UNICK (9) - KALL ME LOVE (5)

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**C5 - PRIX DE BOLLENE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class B Race - Mounted - EUR
€ 43,000**

- 1. MEMPHIS PARIS** - Lost his action in a 2750m Cabourg harness Class F on 7 December debut. Benjamin Rochard aboard but still not easy to recommend
- 2. MEURSAULT DE VETRE** - Sanctioned first time out when well-supported in a 2300m Argentan Class F mid-December. Enjoys a decent allowance but others still preferred
- 3. MHUM FLYNG** - Sanctioned at the first turn, on debut, in 27 December race of reference and can be confidently passed over
- 4. MANHATTAN VISAIS** - Unremarkable 7th in 27 December race of reference first time under the saddle, and can expect to have few takers
- 5. MAGNOLIADARCHE** - Pleasantly surprising 5th of 10 behind MAESTRO DE JOUDES (6), on debut, in a 2200m Class D here 2 weeks ago. Will have come on for the run and while unlikely to shake things up, can still hold his own
- 6. MAESTRO DE JOUDES** - Has taken well to new vocation, most recently 3rd of 10 in a 2200m Class D here 2 weeks ago. Unlikely to open his seasonal account but still looks good enough to challenge for a place in the frame
- 7. MEMPHIS ELLIS** - Sanctioned when full of running in a 2100m harness Class C here on 18 December. Has done enough under harness to be considered a major player first time under the saddle
- 8. MILORD JAVRONNAIS** - Debuts in the discipline after coming 7th of 11 in a harness Gr.2 over course and distance mid-December. Is the pick of Eric Raffin and will be expected to deliver
- 9. MANHATTAN JIEL** - Useful sort taking first competitive monte steps after being sanctioned in a 2850m Class A here 2.5 weeks ago. Is clearly useful though and will not be far off the mark if Adrien Lamy keeps him trotting
- 10. MAESTRO DU VOYAGE** - Has turned a corner since switching codes, most recently dominating a 2200m Class D here a month back. Should take well to the new profile and has a realistic chance of doubling up

Summary: Like a horse reborn since moving to the ridden discipline, MAESTRO DU VOYAGE (10) was simply superb here this time last month and if he takes to the new conditions, can confirm. MILORD JAVRONNAIS (8) may have bitten off more than he could chew last time but has talent in abundance and makes his monte debut with Eric Raffin in the irons. MEMPHIS ELLIS (7) has been sanctioned as often as not but possesses evident potential and the change of scenery may be just what the doctor ordered.

SELECTIONS

**MAESTRO DU VOYAGE (10) - MILORD JAVRONNAIS (8) - MEMPHIS ELLIS (7) -
MAESTRO DE JOUDES (6)**

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

- 1. JOKER DES MOLLES** - Got back in the game when 2nd of 12 to JOURNEY OF DREAM (8) in a 2875m claimer here mid-October. Has not been seen since but is competitively shod and despite the inside draw, can pick up a cheque
- 2. JEAN MADRIK** - Reliability not his strong suit but ran reassuring 3rd of 10, a place behind JOKER DU LYS (16), in a 2850m claimer here a month ago. Drawn well behind the car, reverts to a previous formula, and must be taken seriously
- 3. JUBY DE BAILLY** - Last of 11 in a 2175m Class D here a week ago. Has been a write-off for some time and is not about to spring any surprises
- 4. IDEM DU PONT** - Makes claiming debut after finishing 9th of 10 in a 2650m Vivaux Class F late-November. Nicely-positioned behind the car, is reconfigured for the occasion, but others still preferred
- 5. IRON MIJACK** - Unraced since running 5th of 13 in a 2875m Enghien claimer 3 months ago. Breaks from the 5-spot, with just hind shoes off, but appears to be biting off more than he can chew
- 6. JACK BARROW** - Takes first steps in claiming category after faulting in a 2175m Class D here a week ago. Breaks in front and on good behaviour will be no pushover
- 7. IENA D'ORGERES** - Somewhat disappointing 7th of 11 behind IMPACT CASTELETS (9) in a 2150m Argentan Class E mid-December. Has never disappointed under these conditions though and must be respected
- 8. JOURNEY OF DREAM** - Sent for a rest after dominating a 2875m claimer here mid-October. Is clearly in conditioning mode and can bring home the bacon if sufficiently fit
- 9. IMPACT CASTELETS** - Back in a category he likes 2 weeks after running 5th of 12 in a 2100m amateurs Class F over the main track. Would have preferred a better draw but has solid claiming credentials and will have his chances
- 10. JACK FOULONIERE** - Returned to productive ways when runner-up to JOKER DU LYS (16) in a 2100m claimer over the main track late-September. Will be fresh although the draw will do him no favours
- 11. IGOR DES CAILLONS** - Courageous 6th of 14 in a 2725m Cabourg Class F 3 weeks ago and even though reconfigured, will struggle to make any impact in this company
- 12. JULY DU GUESNE** - Sprang a 65/1 surprise when 4th of 12 in a 2500m Reims Class F on 24 November but has nothing to contribute this time
- 13. JOSIO DU POMMEREUX** - 12th of 13 in a 2875m Argentan Class F last weekend. Barefoot this time but can still be confidently ruled out
- 14. JISMIE GRIFF** - Last but one in a 2100m Class D over main track late-November. Is proven at this level but in current form, and drawn poorly, will have no possible chance
- 15. JOKER MADRIK** - 9th of 11 in a 2850m Class E here 2 weeks ago. Has been off the boil since the summer and can be passed over

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16. JOKER DU LYS - Won over 2100m of the main track before missing out by little in a 2850m claimer here a month ago. Allocated a shocking draw but comes here fresh and has the capacity to trot his way onto the podium

Summary: Although unraced for 3 months and forced to break wide, JOURNEY OF DREAM (8) has nevertheless proved himself very handy in the claiming division and, barefoot for the occasion, can pick up where he left off. JACK BARROW (6) may not be the easiest of horses to handle but he will be dangerous if Theo Raffin keeps him focused. IMPACT CASTELETS (9) didn't win the allocation lottery but he has nothing to prove at this level and will not be far from the action if positioned early. Considerably more competitive since dropping to the claiming category, JOKER DU LYS (16) is forced to start wide on the back line but with some luck in running can finish close.

SELECTIONS

JOURNEY OF DREAM (8) - JACK BARROW (6) - IMPACT CASTELETS (9) - JOKER DU LYS (16)

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**C7 - PRIX RAMSES - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class C Race - Harness - EUR €
38,000**

- 1. MUST ATOUT** - Tight winner of a 2700m Graignes Class E on 13 December. Faces a tougher task this time but is plainly a colt for the future and must be considered a contender
- 2. MALANDRINO** - Put in a good effort to run 4th of 9 in a Class C over course and distance on 18 December. Is patently on the way up and the Eric Raffin-factor must be taken into account
- 3. MELIDIAN** - Last of 6 in a 2550m Reims claimer on 7 December and in spite of a good draw, has no possible chance
- 4. MEA CULPA** - Steps back up in category after coming 2nd of 9 in a claimer over course and distance early-December. Ideally-positioned behind the car but others still easier to support
- 5. MELCHIOR JAMES** - Pleased on debut before comfortably winning a 2050m Laval Class F early last month. Takes on better this time but in current condition is very easy to like for a place in first 3
- 6. MARDOUK DE GODREL** - Won at La Capelle first time out before coming 4th of 9 in a 2175m Class D here on 5 December. Has more to find but is still unlikely to go home empty-handed
- 7. MONTEQUILLO** - Made up for Chartres disappointment when victorious in a 2750m Cabourg Class D 2.5 weeks ago. Unlikely to repeat but can still give this a good go. First 5
- 8. MERCURY DELO** - Respectable 4th of 9 behind MELCHIOR JAMES (5) in a 2050m Laval Class F early last month. Forced to break wide here though and is not about to spring a surprise
- 9. MIX CASH** - Put away after a promising debut only to fly up on re-entry last week in a 2050m Cabourg Class D. Returns with morale intact and has a realistic chance of doubling his money
- 10. MOUSTIK LA GOVELLE** - Last of 9 behind MALANDRINO (2) in a Class C over course and distance on 18 December and will need to raise his game
- 11. MOVING QUICK** - Sanctioned on debut before finishing last of 12 in a 2150m Cordemais Class F last Sunday. Benjamin Rochard in the bike but still looks out of his depth

Summary: Highly impressive on his return to competition following a significant break, MIX CASH (9) has been handed an unenviable draw but nevertheless has the class to win a race of this nature. Théo Duvaldestin will still be keeping a watchful eye on recent Graignes winner, MUST ATOUT (1) who starts just in front of him, and the better-positioned MELCHIOR JAMES (5) who lost his maiden tag at Laval last month. MALANDRINO (2) breaks in front and with Eric Raffin reining will have a realistic chance of challenging for a spot on the podium.

SELECTIONS

MIX CASH (9) - MUST ATOUT (1) - MELCHIOR JAMES (5) - MALANDRINO (2)

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C8 - PRIX DE GUERLESQUIN - 2850m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 35,000

- 1. LILIE D'OMAHA** - Moves over to the inner course after finishing 8th of 9 behind LADY D'ELFE (3) in a 2700m Class E here late last month. Front shoes off for first time but still cannot be considered a priority
- 2. LUDMILLA HAUFOR** - Placed twice in the provinces before coming 5th of 8 finishers in Christmas Day race of reference. Shoes off this time and will generate interest
- 3. LADY D'ELFE** - Tricky filly that finished 7th of 9 in a 2700m Class E here on 29 December and is not about to cause an upset
- 4. LOUMANAS** - Tricky sort that was sanctioned in a Class E over course and distance on 25 December. Is plainly in excellent shape and can win this if she stays in stride
- 5. LILYROSE WIND** - Clearly going well when suffering interference, subsequently sanctioned, in a Class E over course and distance on Christmas Day, but will have a major part to play if Tony Le Beller keeps her out of trouble
- 6. LOVINA PERRINE** - Ran 2nd of 14 to LASKA DU LIVIER (12) in a 2200m Class E at Le Mans mid-December. Should appreciate the short-course profile and can have her day in the sun
- 7. LILOU** - Steps up in category after getting off the mark in a 2725m Graignes Class F 11 days ago. Shoes off for the first time and should not be far from the action
- 8. LEGENDE SEVEN** - Reassuring but unthreatening 4th of 12 in a 2100m Class E here last weekend. Is plainly on the way up and racing barefoot for first time looks a decent first-5 prospect
- 9. LUCKY STAR JIEL** - 7th of 11, on re-entry, in a 2175m Vincennes Class E on 21 December. Will have come on for the run, sports a fresh configuration, but still not an obvious choice
- 10. LAURE DE MORANZY** - Has done nothing noteworthy for some time, latterly sanctioned in a 2100m claimer here on Monday, and can be passed over
- 11. LADY DES ARRIS** - Promising type but has not been seen out since winning a 2825m Class E at Le Croise-Laroche mid-October and best to hold off
- 12. LASKA DU LIVIER** - Surprise winner of a 2200m Class E at Le Mans mid-December. Shoes off for first time and should again be competitive for a first-3 finish

Summary: An attractive race in prospect this with a number in contention. LOUMANAS (4) could well have won here on Christmas Day had she not lost her action; she goes first-time barefoot and Franck Ouvrie will be confident of setting the record straight. LOVINA PERRINE (6) however is a model of consistency and makes her Vincennes debut with a realistic chance of opening her winter account. LASKA DU LIVIER (12) beat her at Le Mans and even though also barefoot, may not be able to hold her off again. Unlucky here late last month, LILYROSE WIND (5) nevertheless showed her form and must be afforded considerable respect.

SELECTIONS

LOUMANAS (4) - LOVINA PERRINE (6) - LASKA DU LIVIER (12) - LILYROSE WIND (5)