R5 CABOURG [R-H]

C1 - PRIX DES HELLEBORES - 2750m (a1 11/16m) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 35.000

- **1. GAZOU PIQUENARD -** Occasionally a handful but is clearly useful when focused. Has no particular love for Cabourg though and others preferred
- 2. GISARO Tricky character but has merit. Pleased in two of last three but in this company will have his work cut out
- **3. GRAND VENT RUSH -** Seldom gets his nose in front but has ample ability. Went close on sole appearance here and will have his supporters
- **4. GALAK DE LA CAVEE -** Not the most reliable but won a provincial claimer in good order last weekend and backs up with a realistic chance of making the frame
- **5. FRANKLIN STAR -** Useful sort that appears to have emerged from his dark place. Gave a fine account at Lisieux last week and, similarly shod, will not be far off the mark
- **6. GIRL GEMA -** Consistently gives everything she has. Showed solid improvement at Abbeville on Sunday and with form maintained can put on another good show
- **7. FLIBUSTIA -** Unexceptional mare that rarely makes much impact but is not the worst horse here and should not be entirely ruled out
- **8. GOSSE MAJYC** Modest individual with better references in the claiming division and not a realistic proposition
- **9. GAMIN DU GAULTIER -** Has taken no time getting back to her best since the break. Won last time when unshod behind and from the front row can give FELICITA D'ECOUVES (12) something to consider
- **10. GALIANO GRIFF** Unremarkable sort that even struggles in the claiming category these days and can expect to have few takers
- 11. GOLZAC DE REM Has been struggling with form all season and needs to get his house in order
- **12. FELICITA D'ECOUVES -** Serious sort that has won two of last three. Is reunited with Nivard here and even though in receipt of 25m from the field can make a big splash

Summary: In cracking form and associated with Franck Nivard, FELICITA D'ECOUVES (12) is the only horse to incur the penalty, but she adores Cabourg and is expected to continue her love-affair with the venue. GAMIN DU GAULTIER (9) has been flying this term and with hind shoes off for the occasion can take advantage of the 25m head-start and challenge for the win. Neither GIRL GEMA (6) nor GALAK DE LA CAVEE (4) could be considered champions but both are enjoying a decent run and represent respectable place chances.

SELECTIONS

FELICITA D'ECOUVES (12) - GAMIN DU GAULTIER (9) - GIRL GEMA (6) - GALAK DE LA

CAVEE (4)

C2 - PRIX DES ANTHYLLIDES - 2725m (a1 11/16m) - Autostart - Class F - Harness - EUR € 27.000

- **1. HOLLY GREEN -** Blows hot and cold but is not without merit. Just second start back though and even with shoes off is still expected to need the race
- **2. HAUTENTICA -** Mare of considerable quality but has a volatile side to her. Lost her action in the early stages here last week but on better behaviour can more than make amends
- **3. GALLICA DU VINOIS -** No longer the horse she once was and this season's results do nothing to inspire confidence
- **4. HERA D'ESPACE -** Gives a good account for the most part when unshod all four. Pleasantly surprised here last week and Jérémy Deville will be confident of a better result this time around
- **5. HAPPY D'AIMTE -** Struggled earlier in the year but appears to be back on track. 5th in the race of reference and even in the absence of Lagadeuc, can confirm
- **6. HISTOIREMIKA -** Seldom visits the winners' enclosure but always gives her best. Third in a good event here last week and can repeat
- **7. HOPE DE PEISELS -** Hardy campaigner that seldom lets the side down. New to the venue and starts wide but a leading driver at the helm this time and is not incapable of returning to winning ways
- **8. HELIGOLAND -** Impressive here this time last season but is a shadow of her former self and must reaffirm
- **9. HYDRA D'ACADIE -** Unremarkable type that is beginning to show improvement but has not done enough to warrant much support
- **10. GITANE DU ROCHER -** Not the most dependable of trotters but can trot on a good day. In this company though looks to have her work cut out

Summary: A quality mare with nothing to prove at this level, HAUTENTICA (2) never had a chance here last week after having faulted early, but she is good enough to win this, provided she can get off on the right foot. HOPE DE PEISELS (7) is less well-placed in front but she has been entrusted to Gabriele Gelormini who will be hopeful he can make her Cabourg debut a winning one. Ideally placed behind the car, HERA D'ESPACE (4) surprised when finishing fourth here last week and in similar shape can turn the tables on the regular HISTOIREMIKA (6) who finished just in front of her that day.

SELECTIONS

HAUTENTICA (2) - HOPE DE PEISELS (7) - HERA D'ESPACE (4) - HISTOIREMIKA (6)

C3 - PRIX DES LANTANAS - 2725m (a1 11/16m) - Autostart - Class F - Harness - EUR € 27.000

- **1. FRENCH SO GOOD -** As tricky as they come but is no slouch when applied and will have his chances if Cédric Terry can assure his initial strides
- **2. HERNANDO BELLO -** Quality individual that was not the luckiest here last week. Is clearly in form though and can more than make amends
- **3. FRONSAC DU SAPIN -** Fine trotter with three races under his belt this term. Goes barefoot for his first objective of the year and from the 3-spot looks eminently capable of securing success
- **4. FIRST BLACK** Steps up in class following a poor run of form in the amateur category and will have his work cut out
- **5. FEIWO -** Won two on the trot before surprisingly disappointing at Lisieux. Is confirmed here though and can redeem himself
- **6. HABIBI -** Blows hot and cold but got back in the game at Amiens a fortnight ago and from the front row can give this a good go
- **7. HEAVEN DE NAPPES -** Hardy campaigner with better credentials in the monté code. Just second start back but is proven under harness and can get in on the action
- **8. HATHAWAY -** Switches back to harness racing after a good stint under the saddle and with shoes off for the occasion should not be far off the mark
- **9. GRAXO -** Seldom seen outside the amateur division these days. Is in form but shod less competitively this time and unlikely to influence the result
- **10. HALDO D'YMER -** Unexceptional trotter that was given a proper drubbing here three days ago and chances appear limited once again
- **11. GABRIEL BRECY -** Modest type that was trounced in an amateur event here on Tuesday and backs up with limited ambition

Summary: Very hard to fault when unshod all four, FRONSAC DU SAPIN (3) will be at peak fitness by now and from the 3-spot can open his seasonal account. Lebourgeois will still be keeping an eye on the good, and in-form, HERNANDO BELLO (2) who encountered all sorts of problems here last week. FRENCH SO GOOD (1) is as close to the definition of 'all-or-nothing' as you will get here, but when focused he is no pushover. Arguably better racing left-handed, FEIWO (5) has nevertheless twice won at Cabourg and in current condition should have a lot to offer.

SELECTIONS

FRONSAC DU SAPIN (3) - HERNANDO BELLO (2) - FRENCH SO GOOD (1) - FEIWO (5)

C4 - PRIX EQUIN NORMAND (PRIX DES PIVOINES) - 2750m (a1 11/16m) - National - Class C - Harness - EUR € 29.000

- **1. KLASSICA DESBOIS -** Progressive filly returning to racing right-handed after showing her form in Paris and while unlikely to win can still get in on the action
- **2. KAKUETA VEDAQUAISE -** Showed early promise but has not been living up to expectations and can be passed over
- **3. KING BLACK DANOVER -** Handy colt that has made the frame on both starts at the venue. Gave a fine account here last week and even though in better company still looks a player
- **4. KENTUCKY SAM -** Has produced some good performances this year but is shod following the spell and best to hold off
- **5. KLAIRON DE TILLARD -** Unremarkable colt with respectable ability at a lower level. Shoes back on and no threat
- **6. KAGNOTTE D'AZIF -** Quality filly that won a brace before oddly flopping at Vichy but should appreciate the Cabourg profile and can redeem herself
- 7. KAPPA Versatile filly but has better credentials at a lower level and chances slim
- **8. KAVALE DU CHOQUEL -** Not the most talented or focused horse here but benefits from a good entry on the front line and despite the tougher opposition can still pick up a cheque
- 9. KEEP FAITH Undeniably capable but very disappointing this season and needs to reaffirm
- **10. KOKOTE -** Winner of both races in which she was not sanctioned. Fully shod for her return from a spell and with stride in check has every chance of adding to her tally
- **11. KISS ME -** 15 starts and yet to get off the mark, but is clearly a promising colt and in current shape is unlikely to finish outside the frame
- **12. KENO PETTEVINIERE -** Fine sort that has done nothing but improve. Made an excellent reentry in Paris and even with the handicap can have his way
- **13. KRONOS DU KLAU -** Has ample ability but lost his way over recent months and others easier to back

Summary : Impressive since his first steps on the track as a 2 year-old, KENO PETTEVINIERE (12) made a superb return to competition at Enghien last month after a long layoff, and even from the back line looks the pick of the field. Thomain can still expect to encounter considerable resistance from the trickier, but no less capable, KOKOTE (10) who is fully shod for her first attempt going clockwise. KISS ME (11) is still chasing that elusive first win but is consistently in the thick of things and his latest run behind Sylvain Roger's colt bodes well for his chances. Twice a winner form four, KAGNOTTE D'AZIF (6) boasts excellent references racing right-handed and the 25m head-start will do her prospects no disservice.

SELECTIONS

KENO PETTEVINIERE (12) - KOKOTE (10) - KISS ME (11) - KAGNOTTE D'AZIF (6)

C5 - PRIX RACE AND CARE (PRIX DES MUSCARIS) - 2750m (a1 11/16m) - European - Class D - Mounted - EUR € 37.000

- **1. HIPPOMENE QUESNOT -** Consistently acquits himself well in this branch of the business. Has no references at the venue but in present condition is very hard to ignore
- 2. FIGHTER KISS Is evidently useful but sanctioned in last four and others will be easier to back
- **3. FILLE VAULOGER -** Moderate mare that rarely sets the world alight and is unlikely to spring any surprises
- **4. HEROS DE BEYLEV -** Not as sharp as he was this time last season but reassured at Caen last time and can again make the first five
- **5. HOLD UP DU DIGEON -** Seldom seen in this code but has demonstrated fine aptitude. Currently in great shape and going right-handed will only work to his advantage. Claim
- **6. ESPOIR DU RAVARY -** Honest trotter that was not disgraced behind FORCE VIVE (10) at Vincennes. Presently in decent form and with shoes off for the occasion should not be underestimated
- **7. DOZULE GITAN -** Mixes the good with the less good but did trot 4th in race of reference. Failed to confirm here last week though and others preferred
- **8. FINGER DE RODREY -** Blows hot and cold but has references at this level. Showed improvement at Laval last time and in this small field should not be far off the mark
- **9. EVER DREAM MUSIC -** Capable on a good day but below-par so far this term and must raise her game
- **10. FORCE VIVE -** Already three times a winner under the saddle at Cabourg. At the top of her game and in this company looks a leading contender

Summary: Victorious in his lone outing under the saddle last season, HOLD UP DU DIGEON (5) makes his first monté start of the year, in excellent shape, and is unlikely to disappoint. In contrast, the ridden discipline is a career path for FORCE VIVE (10) who drops in category for the occasion and will be a tough nut to crack. Sixth to her last time out, ESPOIR DU RAVARY (6) races barefoot this time around and is expected to show significant improvement. FINGER DE RODREY (8) has been somewhat disappointing since winning in Paris but faces a less difficult task here and can get in on the action.

SELECTIONS

HOLD UP DU DIGEON (5) - FORCE VIVE (10) - ESPOIR DU RAVARY (6) - FINGER DE RODREY (8)

C6 - PRIX DES HEMEROCALLES - 2725m (a1 11/16m) - Autostart - Class E - Harness - EUR € 22.000

- **1. JAMAICA ISLAND -** Good class of filly that consistently gives her best. Won smartly at Chartres a fortnight ago and in similar form can repeat
- **2. JAKARTA** Blows hot and cold but has ample ability and latest effort can be ignored. Starts in front and with her mind on the game can finish in the mix
- **3. JORDANA -** Has ability but placed just once in 5 this season and in current condition will have few friends
- **4. JOCASTE DAIRPET -** Can prove a handful but has talent to burn. Racing barefoot has proved key and is ideally-placed to make a big impact
- **5. JOKE BLUE -** Occasionally a handful but otherwise in top shape. Steps up in class after imposing at Vire and from the 5-spot will have her chances
- **6. JET SOCIETY** Moderate sort that gave a reassuringly good account over course and distance last week. Better placed this time and is not to be underestimated
- **7. JESSIE METEOR -** Reliability not her strong suit but did show improvement behind JET SOCIETY (6) and is unlikely to be sent out at 69/1 this time around
- **8. JOIE GIBUS -** Useful type that trotted second to JOKE BLUE (5) at Vire. Has ground to make up, and is drawn wide, but should still not be far from the action
- **9. JAFLO GEMA -** Has already won this season but not the easiest of fillies to handle. On good behaviour though, could well make her presence felt
- **10. JULY STORM -** Impressed more than once last season but lacklustre in both starts so far this term and must raise her game
- **11. JULIA DE LA VALLEE -** Unexceptional filly in both codes. Below-par last time and with shoes on here will have few takers
- **12. JUVISY GEMA -** Good, consistent servant that has done nothing but improve lately. On the back line and unlikely to impose, but should still acquit herself competitively
- **13. JOIE DE CORTEM -** Modest type that encouraged in the Vire race of reference but is too frequently sanctioned to justify much support

Summary: Two horses stand out in this field, notably recent facile Chartres winner, JAMAICA ISLAND (1), and JOKE BLUE (5) who has been impressive since starting to race unshod. The latter is arguably not as good, but she is better positioned in front, which could well prove the deciding factor. That said, JOCASTE DAIRPET (4) has also turned a corner lately and is well-placed to apply the pressure, as is JAKARTA (2) who will be dangerous if she reproduces her recent Caen performance.

SELECTIONS

JAMAICA ISLAND (1) - JOKE BLUE (5) - JOCASTE DAIRPET (4) - JAKARTA (2)

C7 - PRIX ASTRAGALES - 2750m (a1 11/16m) - Class F - Mounted - EUR € 23.000

- **1. IDALIE VRIE -** Unremarkable filly that has done nothing noteworthy for some time and unlikely to shake things up
- **2. ISUTAH -** Capable sort but has better references at a lower level and the regular sanctions will do nothing to warrant much support
- **3. INTUITION JIEL -** 34 starts and yet to lose her maiden tag. Pleasantly surprised at Lisieux last week though and in similar form can again get in on the action
- **4. ITAG KERYVON -** Has taken to the code like a duck to water. Opened his ridden account last month and even though climbing the class ladder will have his chances
- **5. ITAC DE PICDOM -** Sanctioned more often than not but is not short of talent. Reassured at Vire recently and with stride in check can play a leading role
- **6. INDIGO BEACH -** Has looked a different horse since switching codes. Is close to his race and is an obvious threat to ICE BLUE (11)
- **7. ISBA DU VIVIER -** Very disappointing in both codes since winning a pair last winter and will generate very little interest
- **8. IVOIRE D'ERPION -** Excellent over recent months in the monté discipline. Better going left-handed but in present shape is very hard to ignore
- **9. IROQUOIS DIGEO -** Respectable but no champion. Has never excelled under the saddle and is not about to change his ways
- **10. IMPERATOR D'ELA -** Capricious sort but is not devoid of ability and has already won over track and trip. Shod this time but still worth retaining
- **11. ICE BLUE** Quality mare taking to the code for just the second time. Ideally entered, revised shoeing formula, and in present condition can bring home the bacon

Summary: Although unplaced on her lone appearance under the saddle, ICE BLUE (11) has been in decent shape under harness lately. She benefits from a fine entry here and if form transitions, she should be good enough to hold at bay Franck Harel's INDIGO BEACH (6) who has taken particularly well to her new vocation. ITAC DE PICDOM (5) is never far from losing his action but has bags of ability and his latest Vire effort augurs well for his prospects. ITAG KERYVON (4) is a model of consistency in this branch of the business and even though in better company must still be respected.

SELECTIONS

ICE BLUE (11) - INDIGO BEACH (6) - ITAC DE PICDOM (5) - ITAG KERYVON (4)

C8 - PRIX DES LEUCANTHEMES - 2750m (a1 11/16m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 22.000

- **1. KOOL DU VALVIC -** Is better than his formcard would suggest but still represents no more than a minor place chance
- 2. KATKO DES CAILLONS In the frame in two of three but has not been seen out for 4 months and will need the run
- 3. KAYAK Lightly-raced but won with style on just his second start and a repeat is absolutely not off the cards
- **4. KOQUIN DU PERCHE -** No slouch on a good day but well-beaten in last three and must raise his game
- **5. KIRSCH DES PRES -** Has evident ability but not the most consistent. Failed to repeat his success last time out but is a decent type in the making and should not be underestimated
- **6. KADOR UP STAR -** Has been acquitting himself decently at a lower level this term. In good company this time but returns to racing clockwise and should not be passed over
- **7. KING IMPERIAL** Gelding with considerable ability but makes just his first appearance since March and best to hold off
- **8. KUSAERI -** Has turned a corner since returning to competition. 2nd to a good colt at Vire last time but is fitted with pads again and can figure prominently
- **9. KSAR DU CORTA -** Tricky colt but impressed at Reims on penultimate outing. Was green at Caen but if Mottier can keep him in stride, he could well win a second of the season
- 10. KRAC BRENUS Kicked the spring off well but has since come off the boil and must reaffirm

Summary: Sanctioned first time out, KAYAK (3) made up for the error in no uncertain terms when trotting out a clear winner at Graignes next time and looks thoroughly capable of repeating. Lebourgeois will still meet opposition from the delicate but promising KSAR DU CORTA (9) who lost his action when sent out favourite at Caen last month. KUSAERI (8) appears to be coming to hand after a tough start to his career, and on current trajectory looks a decent place prospect. KIRSCH DES PRES (5) was unable to confirm his Landivisiau success but is still to be retained.

SELECTIONS

KAYAK (3) - KSAR DU CORTA (9) - KUSAERI (8) - KIRSCH DES PRES (5)