

# THURSDAY, 15/08/24

## R5 CAGNES-SUR-MER [L-H]

**C1 - GRAND PRIX DE LA VILLE DE NICE - 2925m (a2m) - Gr3 Race -  
Harness - EUR € 69,000**

**1. M.T.OBERON** - Inconsistent Scandinavian trotter with high-level Swedish form references/credentials to his name. Disqualified at Axevalla when last seen on 25 June (barefoot) and will be shod in his first start on French soil - watch for now

**2. FITZY DE VIVE** - Versatile veteran who is at the top of his game (with 3 wins and a 2nd in his last 4 starts) - confirmed as much by winning on this course last time out over 2150m on 31 July. Ought to remain competitive over this distance

**3. KING COLE (SWE)** - A prolific course-and-distance specialist who showed his form and well-being with a last-start success over track and trip on 22 July. Candidate for success

**4. GAMIN DES PERDRIX** - Was returning from a 6-month absence when finishing unplaced (13th) over course and distance on 5 August. Ought to have come on since although is most effective when racing unshod

**5. GIVE ME** - Honest hard-knocking veteran with sound form references/credentials, including a creditable last-start 6th over this track and trip on 22 July. Attractive outsider

**6. DOMINO D'AUVRECY** - Well-performed veteran (19 wins from an impressive 141 appearances) with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 5th over track and trip on 5 August. Will appeal to lovers of outsiders

**7. DOMINO DREAM** - Caught the eye when 2nd over track and trip on 22 July under similar conditions (barefoot) in his second outing after a break. Regaining momentum and at peak fitness - warrants respect

**8. FLEURON D'ACADIE** - Well-performed veteran but a tricky customer - seldom finishes far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th (shod) over 2650m at Hyeres on 2 August

**9. DOUGLAS DU PONT** - Inconsistent but has undeniable means/ability and sound references over course and distance, which include a good 3rd on 15 July. Dark horse

**10. GOOD GIRL MARCEAUX** - Prolific veteran mare whose best form/references have been achieved in the mounted category racing unshod. Finished 2nd under the saddle over this course and distance on 24 July - best watched for now

**11. GAOTCHO JIEL** - Reliable/ultra-consistent veteran whose form and physical condition are beyond doubt. Finished 4th (plated) in a recent course-and-distance event on 5 August and should have a role to play under these conditions (unshod)

**12. EBERTON** - Unreliable, complicated veteran - often at fault but seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Best watched for now after consecutive course-and-distance failures, the latest over track and trip on 5 August

**13. FAKIR DE MAHEY** - High-class veteran and proven Group performer with solid form references/credentials to his name, including a last-start 2nd in the Group II Prix Jean-Luc Lagardère over 2875m at Enghien on 27 July. Not taken lightly

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**Summary:** Undefeated in 2 starts on this course (both over 2925m), KING COLE (SWE) (3) sets a good standard and looks capable of preserving his 100% track-and-trip record in this Group III opening event. Ultra-consistent GAOTCHO JIEL (11), recent course winner FITZY DE VIVE (2) and rejuvenated DOMINO DREAM (7) are best equipped to challenge the selection for race honours, with the shortlist completed by FAKIR DE MAHEY (13) and DOUGLAS DU PONT (9).

## SELECTIONS

**KING COLE (SWE) (3) - GAOTCHO JIEL (11) - FITZY DE VIVE (2) - DOMINO DREAM (7)**

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**C2 - PRIX DE CIMIEZ - 2150m (a1m1/4) - Class C Race - Harness - EUR €  
33,000**

**1. HISTOIRE DU MIDI** - Well-performed veteran mare with sound references at this level. Caught the eye with an improved/encouraging 4th in this shoe-fitting on 5 August over this course and distance

**2. IDEM JIHEM** - Consistent hard-knocker who didnt go unnoticed when finishing 6th over this course and distance on 5 August. Place chance

**3. JIGSAW PUZZLE** - Tricky customer who usually acquits himself well when applied/remaining wise. Sparked signs of improvement when 4th on this course over 2925m on 29 July

**4. JOYCE** - Disqualified in a 2150m Quinte+ event at Enghien on 8 August but shouldn't be hastily condemned. Dark horse

**5. HELIOS DES CHAMPS** - Complicated but has undeniable means - seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Confirmed as much with a last-start 3rd over track and trip on 5 August

**6. KALMIA QUICK** - Talented, proven over speed courses/distances and has sound references and form credentials at a higher level. Wasnt disgraced when 7th in a 2700m Group II at Vincennes on 8 June - not taken lightly

**7. INITIALE CASTELETS** - Versatile mare with solid form references/credentials in both trotting disciplines, including a last-start success in a 2925m mounted race at this venue on 24 July. Warrants respect

**8. JUSSEO** - Has won 4 of 5 starts in this shoe-fitting, including his last 2 appearances on this course over 2925m - the latest (29 July) on his return from a 4-month absence. Hard to oppose

**9. JALOUSIE DE L'ISLE** - Long-time maiden (45 starts) whose competitiveness at this level is beyond doubt. Showed her form/well-being with a last-start 3rd over track and trip on 5 August - keep safe

**10. KOALA BLUE** - Bounced back to form with a reassuring 2nd on this course over 2925m on 5 August, though was unshod on that occasion and is presented shod for this commitment. For another day

**Summary:** JUSSEO (8) boasts an impressive 50% Win strike-rate (with 11 victories from 22 starts) and has continued to push his limits this year, winning 4 of 5 appearances in 2024 (finished 2nd in the other outing) - all on this course over 2925m. He has thrived in this shoeing configuration - beaten once in 5 starts - and looked better than ever when making a winning reappearance after a 4-month absence. He ought to continue his momentum/winning streak, even over this shorter distance. JALOUSIE DE L'ISLE (9), despite a second-row starting berth, and KALMIA QUICK (6), who has references at a higher level, are capable of making life difficult for the selection.

## SELECTIONS

**JUSSEO (8) - JALOUSIE DE L'ISLE (9) - KALMIA QUICK (6) - INITIALE CASTELETS (7)**

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**C3 - PRIX REVENUE - 2925m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR €  
29,000**

**1. JOKER DE L'EPINE** - Went off the boil some time ago and is unlikely to trouble the judge on the evidence of recent outings/displays, the latest (disqualified) at Hyeres on 2 August. Others preferred

**2. JUST FOR YOU** - Unreliable but is not entirely incapable of getting into the picture, though has no more than a place chance after her last-start 6th over this course and distance on 27 July. Outsider

**3. JEANBLANC DUEM** - Consistent hard-knocker whose form and physical condition are assured. Finished 2nd in consecutive starts last month, the latest over 2800m at Langon on 30 July

**4. JE ME SOUVIENS** - Inconsistent mare with sufficient means (references) to make her presence felt in a race of this nature. Wasnt far off the mark in her last 2 starts - finished 5th on both occasions - the latest over track and trip on 5 August.

**5. JITANE VALLEE** - Honest mare with sound references/form credentials and whose competitiveness at this level is beyond doubt. Acquitted herself well (6th) over 2875m in a stronger race/field at Enghien on 13 July - not taken lightly

**6. JINA DE L'ORMERIE** - Didnt go unnoticed when finishing 6th (shod) on this course over 2925m on 8 July after a year's absence and will have tightened up with the benefit of that comeback outing. Better expected racing unshod on this occasion

**7. JOB DU PERSIL** - Out of sorts recently - finished 7th on this course over 2150m on 5 August - but is ideally engaged here under the conditions and has the undeniable means to reconnect with success. One to beat

**Summary:** JOB DU PERSIL (7), ideally engaged just €200 from the qualifying limit, ought to take advantage of the conditions by recapturing the winning thread. He will, however, have to thwart the likely challenge of JINA DE L'ORMERIE (6), after an encouraging comeback, and consistent JEANBLANC DUEM (3) whose form/competitiveness at this level is beyond doubt. JITANE VALLEE (5) appeals most of the remainder.

## SELECTIONS

**JOB DU PERSIL (7) - JINA DE L'ORMERIE (6) - JEANBLANC DUEM (3) - JITANE VALLEE (5)**

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## C4 - PRIX DU REYRAN - 2925m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 26,000

- 1. INCROYABLE STAR** - Often disqualified but has undeniable means/ability and confirmed as much with a last-start victory over 2150m on this course in an amateur race on 10 August. Should remain competitive, even at this level, if applied/diligent
- 2. ISPAHAN DE CAREL** - Delicate, lightly raced trotter with sound references - seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th (shod) on this course over 2150m on 27 July and will be barefoot now - dark horse
- 3. ILLICO RIVOIS** - Consistent and reliable performer in good form/physical condition, albeit at a lower level. Finished 2nd on this course in a 2150m amateur race on 10 August - will find this tougher
- 4. IWAN D'AVEL** - Winner over 2800m at Bollène in June but finished unplaced (9th) and was disqualified (over this track and trip on 29 July) in subsequent appearances. Could do better with a shoe-fitting adjustment
- 5. IMOKO DEUX** - Has regained momentum recently and wasn't winning out of turn last time (reward for consistency) - made the most of a drop in class to win a 2650m amateur race at Hyeres on 12 August. Ought to remain competitive
- 6. ISPAHAN TEAM** - Consistent for the most part and seldom goes unnoticed although rarely wins - has only 2 victories in 37 starts. Finished 7th on this course over 2150m on 27 July and isn't incapable of getting into the picture - place chance
- 7. IDOLE DE LA ROUVRE** - Honest hard-knocker, seldom far off the mark but hard to win with (has 3 victories from 52 starts). Wasn't beaten far when 6th over course and distance on 29 July - outside chance
- 8. IROCCO DE VIETTE** - Won 4 of his last 6 completed races (8 starts), including 3 of 4 previous outings before finishing unplaced (9th) in his latest appearance - on this course over 2700m on 20 July. Has the means to set the record straight
- 9. ILLUSTRE FERM** - Ultra-consistent performer with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 3rd on this course over 2700m on 20 July. Gets along well with David Békaert and should have a role to play
- 10. ISIS DE POULINE** - An honest hard-knocking mare who usually acquits herself well when remaining wise (avoiding disqualification) and confirmed as much by finishing 2nd on this course over 2700m on 10 August. Not taken lightly
- 11. ILLICO DE CASTELLE** - Unreliable and often at fault (disqualified in 5 of his last 8 starts), though seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification - finished 2nd over track and trip on 17 July. Disqualified here in his latest outing on 29 July
- 12. IDEFIX D'OLMEN** - Consistent hard-knocker whose form/competitiveness in this grade is beyond doubt - has references at a higher level and didn't go unnoticed last time when a creditable 6th on this course over 2700m on 5 August. Keep safe

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**Summary:** IROCCO DE VIETTE (8), having won 3 of his 4 previous outings, should be excused/forgiven for his disappointing latest performance (9th) and looks good value to regain the winning thread (make amends). IMOKO DEUX (5) wasn't winning out of turn last time and is likely to pose the biggest threat although consistent IDEFIX D'OLMEN (12), ideally engaged at the ceiling of earnings, and ILLUSTRE FERM (9), especially with David Békaert at the helm, are also serious contenders for the podium.

## SELECTIONS

**IROCCO DE VIETTE (8) - IMOKO DEUX (5) - IDEFIX D'OLMEN (12) - ILLUSTRE FERM (9)**

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## C5 - PRIX DE L'OBSERVATOIRE DE LA COTE D'AZUR - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 22,000

**1. KOREDE** - Long-time maiden (23 starts) but isnt entirely incapable of getting into the picture in a race of this nature. Didnt go unnoticed when finishing 6th on this course over 2925m on 31 July - outsider chance

**2. KENAVO DU BOUILLON** - Extremely delicate and rarely far from a fault but is undeniably capable of fighting for victory if remaining wise (not disqualified). Sanctioned in his last start at this venue on 27 July but shouldn't be underestimated - beware

**3. KARCIMONT** - Won back-to-back outings at Lyon-Parilly earlier this year (unshod) and is best watched for now until reverting to that shoe-fitting. Unplaced (10th) over 2925m at this venue on 31 July

**4. KING CASH CEKE** - Disqualified more often than not (in 9 of 15 appearances) but has undeniable means - with two wins, a 2nd, and a last-start 3rd on this course over 2925m in his 6 completed outings. Question of wisdom

**5. KINGDOM DU LIAMONE** - Unreliable and is out of sorts - unplaced in his last 3 appearances (all on this course). Could only finish 7th over 2925m on 3 August, so others are preferred

**6. KNOX JENILOU** - Complicated but has considerable ability - won 3 of 7 completed races (11 starts) including his latest outing over 2150m at this venue on 13 July. Candidate for success

**7. KARMA DE BERTRANGE** - Showed early promise but hasnt been as effective this year, though recent displays at this venue (finished 4th in consecutive outings, the latest over 2925m on 27 July) have been encouraging. Place chance

**8. KARTING DE PLAY** - Smart, unexposed sort - won his first 3 outings and shouldnt be hastily condemned for blotting his copybook on this course (disqualified) over 2925m on 27 July. Keep safe

**Summary:** KING CASH CEKE (4) remains complicated but needs only to prove his diligence/application (by avoiding disqualification) to set the record straight and redeem himself by reconnecting with success. He is, however, likely to be kept up honest by KNOX JENILOU (6), a winner on this course recently, and KARTING DE PLAY (8), who shouldn't be condemned for his last-start failure (disqualification). KENAVO DU BOUILLON (2) isn't underestimated and retains the means to pose a threat, too.

### SELECTIONS

**KING CASH CEKE (4) - KNOX JENILOU (6) - KARTING DE PLAY (8) - KENAVO DU BOUILLON (2)**

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**C6 - PRIX FANEUR - 2925m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR €  
26,000**

- 1. LONELY RIDER** - Unreliable but was runner-up last time out in Class F at this course over 2700m on 27 July. Has disqualifications issues but can play a minor role
- 2. LOGARITMO** - Showed what he is capable of with a Class F win last time out over this course and distance on 3 August. Impressed that day and can follow up
- 3. LADY DRY** - Has disqualification issues and was disqualified last time out at this course on 5 August. Capable of being a threat when wise
- 4. L'ENVIE D'ENZO** - Disqualified three times in just six starts, including last time out at Beaumont-de-Lomagne on 14 July. Has won twice and is capable of an upset
- 5. LINAS** - Probably better over shorter distances and was 7th last time out in Class C over this track and trip on 15 July. Can make the frame
- 6. L'AMIRAL D'EURVAD** - Has disqualification issues and was disqualified last time out at Hyeres on 2 August. Could earn some minor money when wise
- 7. L'ASTRAGALE** - Returned from a break to score in Class E at this course over 2150m on 20 July. Has also won over this distance, so seems capable of completing the hat-trick

**Summary:** After convincing back-to-back victories on this course, L'ASTRAGALE (7) is hard to oppose and looks likely to complete her hat-trick. LOGARITMO (2), himself a last-start winner, is the biggest danger although LADY DRY (3) has the means to pose a threat if remaining wise/avoiding disqualification. LINAS (5) isn't incapable of challenging for a spot on the podium either.

## SELECTIONS

**L'ASTRAGALE (7) - LOGARITMO (2) - LADY DRY (3) - LINAS (5)**



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## C7 - PRIX COCO BEACH - 2150m (a1m1/4) - Class F Amateur Drivers Race - Harness - EUR € 8,000

- 1. GUNNER** - Showed some improvement when fourth last time out in Class G at Hyeres over 2850m on 2 August. Can contest the finish
- 2. FUN LOVER** - Unreliable and was barefoot and a runner-up last time out in Class G at Hyeres over 2850m on 2 August. Not unshod this time but does have a place chance
- 3. HATTUSA** - Not disgraced when 5th last time out in Class F at this course over 2700m on 10 August. Well placed at the start and could make a bold bid
- 4. EQUALITY** - In good form and was runner-up last time out in Class G at Pornichet-La Baule over 2725m on 1 August. Can go one better this time
- 5. HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR** - On a very long losing run and was 7th last time out in Class E at this course over 2700m on 20 July. Capable of earning some minor money
- 6. FURIES RAIN** - Unreliable and was 6th last time out at Halmstad over 1640m on 27 April. Likely to need this run returning from a break
- 7. FILOU RIEZAIS** - Has been disappointing of late and was 6th last time out in G at this course over 225m on 7 August. Barefoot and capable of striking
- 8. FAKIR DE LARRE** - On a very long losing run but is in good shape and was tired last time out in Class G at Hyeres over 2850m on 2 August. Capable of making the frame
- 9. GITANO DE FELINE** - Battling to regain best form and was fifth last time out in Class G at this course over 2925m on 7 August. More is needed to win

**Summary:** Hard race to assess although HATTUSA (3) and EQUALITY (4) seem best equipped to fight for victory, especially given their favorable starting positions behind the autostart. GUNNER (1) showed improvement last time and needs only to confirm/build on that to play a leading role. FILOU RIEZAIS (7) isn't underestimated either with all four shoes removed for this engagement.

### SELECTIONS

HATTUSA (3) - EQUALITY (4) - GUNNER (1) - FILOU RIEZAIS (7)