

**C1 - PRIX DE LA CHALOPINIÈRE - 2875m (a2m) - Class G Amateur Drivers Race - Harness -
EUR € 6,000**

- 1. HERMINE D'AZUR** - Showed improvement when 5th of 8 to GREAT STUDBAKER (9) in a 2600m amateurs Class H at Saint-Pierre-la-Cour mid-month but a repeat seems most improbable
- 2. HARPER DE BANVILLE** - Regularly in the thick of things at this level of competition, most recently 5th of 13 in a 2850m amateurs Class H at Bagnoles-de-l'Orne last weekend. Starts in front and looks a decent place prospect on Meslay debut
- 3. GEORKY DE MORGANE** - Reliability not his strong suit but respectable 4th of 8 in a 2850m monté Class H at Bagnoles-de-l'Orne a week ago. Starts in front, sports 4 pads for the first time, and will have his supporters
- 4. GRINGO DE LA NADE** - 5th of 9 finishers in a 2475m Francheville monté Class H 8 days ago. Sanctioned on lone appearance here but is still worth retaining
- 5. HEROS OF JACK** - Switches back to the harness code after finishing last of 4 in a 3200m Montmirail monté Class H a fortnight ago and can be confidently passed over
- 6. HABANO DE GENNES** - 11th of 14 when being conditioned for this in a 2725m Pornichet amateurs Class G 10 days ago. Is confirmed over course and distance and from the front row is unlikely to be far from the action
- 7. FIRE OF CARLESS** - Picked up this season where he left off last year, latterly 11th behind HARPER DE BANVILLE (2) in a 2775m Craon amateurs Class G a month back, and has no possible chance
- 8. GABY DU LOT** - 8th of 10 when preparing for this in a 3125m Chinon amateurs Class H last weekend. Stays shod but enjoys a good entry and could pleasantly surprise
- 9. GREAT STUDBAKER** - Winner of a 2600m amateurs Class H at Saint-Pierre-la-Cour a week ago. Tends to go well for Stanislas Gilles and despite the handicap, will have his chances
- 10. HARFAN DES GRANGES** - Sanctioned in both return runs, latterly a 2850m Carentan Class D last weekend. Has solid references at a superior level and, even from the back line, can bring home the bacon
- 11. GUIGNOL DES FORGES** - Modest individual that finished last of 14 in a 2725m Pornichet amateurs Class G 10 days ago and can expect to remain friendless in the markets
- 12. FURY D'EVEL** - Occasionally a handful, as she showed when sanctioned in a 3000m Châteaubriant Class E late-May, but has otherwise been in decent shape. Should find this task less arduous and is expected to figure prominently
- 13. ECLAIR DU GOSIER** - Springs the occasional surprise but below-par in last 3, most recently faulting in a 2850m Laval amateurs Class F on Tuesday, and is unlikely to influence the outcome

Summary: After a pair of spirited conditioners, HARFAN DES GRANGES (10) takes to this category for the first time and, shod to preference for the occasion, and reined by an able amateur, can return to winning ways. He will still come under pressure from amateur specialist GREAT STUDBAKER (9) who won his second of the season just last week. 25m better off and plainly in good shape, HARPER DE BANVILLE (2) imposed at Vire the last time he raced barefoot and will justifiably generate considerable interest, as should HABANO DE GENNES (6) who won under these conditions earlier in the year.

SELECTIONS

HARFAN DES GRANGES (10) - GREAT STUDBAKER (9) - HARPER DE BANVILLE (2) - HABANO DE GENNES (6)

C2 - PRIX FERNAND BLU - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Mounted - EUR € 20,000

- 1. KIKI MANCEAU** - 5th of 9 in a 2825m Durtal Class F last weekend, first time under the saddle, but races shod this time and not an obvious choice
- 2. KENZO VEETA** - Disappointing in all 4 starts this year, latterly last of 14 in a 2725m Pornichet harness claimer a fortnight ago, and will have few friends
- 3. KOLOSSE RHODES** - Has yet to make his mark in the discipline but won under harness at Reims before trotting 5th of 12 in a 2800m Chartres harness Class E 3 weeks ago and, if form transitions, can finish in the mix
- 4. KANAILLE DU MONT** - Sanctioned in a 2200m Le Mans harness Class E on Tuesday. Has decent monté credentials but stays shod and best to hold off
- 5. KING GEDE** - Opened his career account 12 days ago when clinching victory in a 2750m Cabourg Class F on 9 July. Beat a number of decent horses that day and can confirm
- 6. KRACK CLEA** - Good 3rd on monté debut last month before trotting 7th of 11 in a 2775m harness Class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne, when prepping for this on 10 July, and looks principal threat to KING GEDE (5)
- 7. KARMA JIEL** - No slouch on a good day but coming 14th of 16 in a 2750m Cabourg Class E earlier in the month does nothing to improve his chances
- 8. KARALY** - Last but one in a 2825m Durtal harness Class F a week ago. Won 2 under the saddle during the spring, goes well for Guillaume Martin, and returns to the code with legitimate ambition
- 9. KOPECK DU LOUVET** - Left a good impression when 3rd of 17, first time under the saddle, in a 2750m Cabourg Class E on 2 July. Mathieu Mottier maintains faith and is not incapable of winning this
- 10. KERIDA PHEDO** - 4th on re-entry at Caen mid-June before coming 11th of 17 behind KOPECK DU LOUVET (9) in a 2750m Cabourg Class E on 2 July. First time with front shoes off and is not to be ignored
- 11. KRAPO LILA** - First time in the discipline after a modest streak in the other code, most recently 8th of 9 in a 2050m Cabourg harness Class E 5 days ago. Has evident ability, sports a new formula, but current form does little to inspire confidence
- 12. KING LUCKY** - Has merit but yet to get into his stride this season, latterly 11th of 12 in a 2200m Caen harness Class E on 10 June. Damien Bonne onboard for monté debut though and will be worth monitoring
- 13. KLEM** - Put 2 unexceptional efforts to bed when victorious in a 2750m Cabourg Class F earlier in the month. Steps marginally up in category but will still be competitive for a place on the podium

Summary: KING GEDE (5) made up for his Vire sanction with success at Cabourg earlier in the month and is not incapable of doubling up. KRACK CLEA (6), however, showed potential on his monté debut at Caen a month ago and with hind shoes off again should be able to give him a run for his money. KOPECK DU LOUVET (9) thrives with Mathieu Mottier and his recent monté bow did not go unnoticed. Well-entered at the limit of earnings, recent Cabourg winner KLEM (13) sports a new configuration and is not about to let the side down.

SELECTIONS

KING GEDE (5) - KRACK CLEA (6) - KOPECK DU LOUVET (9) - KLEM (13)

C3 - PRIX MICHEL DEUIL - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. KITALPHAR** - Has twice failed to confirm his Elbeuf victory, most recently last but one, behind KAMARO DU DONJON (4), in a 2650m Class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne a fortnight ago and, even though shod differently, can still be ruled out
- 2. KISS WOOD** - As tricky as they come but has an abundance of ability, reassuringly 4th of 11 in a 2700m Class E at La Capelle on 7 July and, barefoot for the occasion, will not be sent out at 57/1 this time
- 3. KAMARO** - Runner-up to KALEO DE BANVILLE (8) in a 2950m Vichy Class F on 4 July. Guillaume Lenain in the sulky this time and, proven at Meslay, is unlikely to be too far from the action
- 4. KAMARO DU DONJON** - Showed marked improvement when 4th of 14 in a 2650m Class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne 2 weeks ago. Raffin has switched allegiances but Charles Dreux's colt still looks a serious proposition
- 5. KOQUIN D'AMOUR** - Useful sort making first appearance since missing out by little in a 2850m Laval Class E early-May, but is shod for comeback and best to hold off
- 6. KIFFANT** - Missed out on the hat-trick when 2nd of 5 finishers in a 2750m Angoulême Class E mid-June. Takes a small hike in category and will legitimately bid to maintain his unbeaten barefoot record
- 7. KESSERO** - Excellent earlier this year but has come off the boil, most recently 8th of 12 finishers in a 2875m Enghien Class E 3 weeks ago, and others easier to back
- 8. KALEO DE BANVILLE** - Has not always lived up to expectations but made short work of a 2950m Vichy Class F on return to competition earlier this month and, barefoot again, will take some beating
- 9. KIR DU BOULAY** - Opened his 2024 account when successful in a 2725m Lisieux Class F on 4 July. Front shoes off again and deserves to be taken seriously

Summary: Although unraced since Christmas Eve, KALEO DE BANVILLE (8) got straight back down to business at Vichy earlier this month. JMB passes the reins to Alexandre Abrivard this time and has every chance of confirming. Principal opposition will be led by a first-time barefoot KALEO DE BANVILLE (8) who reassured at Les Sables-d'Olonne a fortnight ago. Solid on re-entry 2 weeks ago, KISS WOOD (2) returns to racing unshod-all-4 and, with Eric Raffin reining, will not be easy game. Excellent this term, KIFFANT (6) is also back barefoot and even though in slightly better company this time, still looks a decent place prospect.

SELECTIONS

KALEO DE BANVILLE (8) - KAMARO DU DONJON (4) - KISS WOOD (2) - KIFFANT (6)

C4 - PRIX DE L'ETE - 2875m (a2m) - Class G Race - Mounted - EUR € 24,000

- 1. IQUEM NARCY** - Sanctioned on re-entry in a 2725m Pornichet Class F 10 days ago, on first start for new trainer. Not the easiest to manage but can play a small part if he keeps his action together from one end of the race to the other
- 2. HEADLINE FAC** - Shod to preference this time after finishing last of 10 in a 2750m Ecommoy Class G a month back, but still has too much to do
- 3. FLAMBEUR ROYAL** - Has found form again, latterly 2nd of 10 in a 2750m Cabourg Class F 12 days ago. Takes on a tough bunch this time but is still worth keeping an eye on
- 4. ICARE DE TROIS** - Fast-finishing 2nd of 9 in a 2825m Vire Class F 3 weeks ago. Is a different horse since switching codes and looks a player
- 5. ZANZA FRANK** - Capable Italian type making first appearance since trotting 3rd over 2060m at Villanova d'Albenga in early-May. Comes here fresh, barefoot, and the Eric Raffin-factor cannot be ignored. First 5
- 6. GLADIATOR PHEDO** - Last but one in a 2750m Ecommoy harness amateurs Class G 2 weeks ago. Significantly better under the saddle, is barefoot this time and, while not a priority, can still get a look-in
- 7. IGGY DE FLORANGE** - Facile winner of a 2250m Enghien Class E late last month. Just once out of first 5 in 9 starts this year and will be no soft touch. Chance
- 8. HIDALGO DAIRPET** - 6th of 9 finishers in a 2800m Class H at Moulins-la-Marche a fortnight ago. Has done little of note for some time and can be ruled out
- 9. IN LOVE REGLISSE** - Enjoying a rich vein of form over past 2 months, most recently 3rd of 6 finishers in a 2875m Argentan Class F last Monday, and must be afforded significant respect
- 10. INITIALE LILA** - Posted her career-best monté chrono on 5 July when 3rd of 7 finishers, at 25/1, in a 2750m Cabourg Class D, and with form maintained may well prove the one to beat.

Summary: Performant in this branch of the business, INITIALE LILA (10) defied her odds at Cabourg earlier this month and, ideally-entered at the limit of earnings, can impose this time. Alexis Collette can still expect to encounter resistance from recent Enghien winner IGGY DE FLORANGE (7) who reverts to racing unshod-behind, and a barefoot IN LOVE REGLISSE (9) who has not put a foot wrong since returning from his spring spell. Seldom out of the picture when applied, Mathieu Mottier's ICARE DE TROIS (4) looks very competitive.

SELECTIONS

INITIALE LILA (10) - IGGY DE FLORANGE (7) - IN LOVE REGLISSE (9) - ICARE DE TROIS (4)

C5 - PRIX JEAN TYSSANDIER - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 23,000

- 1. JAMAICA PHEDO** - Quality but temperamental type that stays shod after faulting in a 2275m Nantes monté Class E on 3 June and best to keep one's powder dry
- 2. JAKIRA** - 7th of 9 finishers in a 2100m Vincennes Class E early-June and will struggle to make any impact
- 3. JAVA DE BOITRON** - Good, consistent mare but has not been seen out since coming 5th of 11 in a 2700m Vincennes Class E early-May and, with shoes on, is best left alone this time
- 4. JADE** - Disappointing on the whole this year, most recently sanctioned in a 2850m Laval Class E 2 months ago. Has had time to get his house in order but still represents no more than a minor place prospect
- 5. JENY DES MALBERAUX** - Has ample ability and goes either direction but is currently off the boil, most recently sanctioned in a 2475m Royan Class E mid-month and is not about to rock the boat
- 6. JAPPELOU** - Can prove a handful, as he demonstrated when sanctioned in a 2750m Cabourg Class E 9 days ago, but is plainly in form and with application can challenge for a place on the podium
- 7. JAURIAS** - Useful sort that won a 2750m Ecommoy Class F 2 weeks ago. Reunited with Eric Raffin who has form with him and can repeat
- 8. JEAN NO DU MARGAS** - Lost his action in a 2475m Royan Class E a week ago. Never far from faulting but form is not in doubt and deserves to be taken seriously
- 9. JAFLO GEMA** - Won at Vichy early-June before placing in next 2, latterly 3rd of 7 in a 2600m Plestin-Les Grèves Class E, and will be expected to play a leading role
- 10. JUVAMINE RENARDIER** - Never-dangerous 5th of 9 finishers in a 2150m Vire Class E on 1 July and, in order to compete here, will need to take her game up a notch
- 11. JOLIE DU CEBE** - Sanctioned in last 4, most recently a 2875m Enghien Class D last weekend. Mathieu Mottier reining this time and, sporting a new configuration, will have her chances if applied
- 12. JOUVENCE D'AVRIL** - Going decently when sanctioned in a 2150m Vire Class E 3 weeks ago. Not the most reliable of mares but is hard to fault when focused and, back with her habitual partner, can make a big impact

Summary: Double-handed here, Marc Sassier looks to have the key to this race. Twice a winner since early May, JAURIAS (7) won smartly at Ecommoy a fortnight ago and with Eric Raffin reining this time, will be well-backed to confirm, however stablemate JAFLO GEMA (9) has not put a foot wrong lately and will be no pushover. JOUVENCE D'AVRIL (12) may not be the most dependable but she has good right-handed credentials and will not be far off the mark if Alexandre Abrivard keeps her trotting. JAPPELOU (6) was sanctioned early at Cabourg recently but pleased on his only start here and, with his mind on the game, will have a lot to contribute.

SELECTIONS

JAURIAS (7) - JAFLO GEMA (9) - JOUVENCE D'AVRIL (12) - JAPPELOU (6)

C6 - PRIX LUCIFER - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 23,000

- 1. INDIENNE DE VAL** - Honest mare that finished 2nd of 11 in a 2650m Class F at Les Sables-d'Olonne last weekend. Takes on better this time and is unlikely to spring a surprise
- 2. HUMORESQUE** - Went off the boil after winning at Ecommoy late-March. Lost her action in a 2750m Cabourg Class F last Tuesday and can be passed over
- 3. ITALIA JADOR** - Unable to confirm her good Caen performance when 7th to ISIA DU CHENE (7) in a 2150m Vichy Class E earlier this month. Showed her form that day though and should not be written off
- 4. HISTOIRE DE LIERRE** - Has 2 races in her by now following a long absence, most recently last of 14 in a 2775m Class F at Les Sables-d'Olonne 11 days ago, and has no possible chance
- 5. IMPERATRICE HEDEN** - Capable on a good day but has not been seen out since trotting 9th of 11 in a 2100m Vincennes amateurs Class G early-March and shod this time, will have little to offer
- 6. IL PLEUT BERGERE** - Won 2 on the trot before coming 4th of 11 in a 2200m Caen Class E on 24 June. Is a tough nut to crack in this configuration and will be no easy touch
- 7. ISIA DU CHENE** - Got back in the winners' circle in a 2150m Vichy Class E earlier this month when associated with Alexandre Abrivard and looks eminently capable of doubling her money
- 8. HELIA DE BAFFAIS** - Hard to knock when unshod and focused, most recently close 2nd of 13 in a 2725m Lisieux Class F on 4 July. Is new to the venue but in present form looks a decent first-5 prospect
- 9. INES DE BEYLEV** - Clearly capable but out of the picture for much of 2024, latterly 7th of 9 in a 2850m Laval Class D late-June and, with front pads fitted, can expect to have few takers
- 10. IDOLE JALLERIE** - Sanctioned when being conditioned in a 3450m Agon-Coutainville Class F on 8 July. Entrusted to the champion driver this time and, with application, can give ISIA DU CHENE (7) something to think about
- 11. IALTA DE VANDEL** - Confirmed her Vire performance when 3rd of 6 finishers in a 2900m Clairefontaine Class F a week ago. Is very effective when barefoot and must be considered a serious player
- 12. HONEY SWEET GIRL** - 5th of 10 finishers in a 3100m Class E at La Gacilly a fortnight ago. Enjoys a very good entry, has hind pads fitted, and could prove something of a spoiler

Summary: Tenacious winner over shorter at Vichy earlier this month, ISIA DU CHENE (7) will again be associated with Alexandre Abrivard, and Julien Le Mer will be expecting a similar result. She will be opposed by the conditioned IDOLE JALLERIE (10) who is shod to preference this time with Eric Raffin reining, and the consistent and IL PLEUT BERGERE (6) who has won 2 of her last 3. Clearly back in business following a pair of clinkers, IALTA DE VANDEL (11) went close here earlier in the year and returns to the venue with a good hand to play.

SELECTIONS

ISIA DU CHENE (7) - IDOLE JALLERIE (10) - IL PLEUT BERGERE (6) - IALTA DE VANDEL (11)

C7 - PRIX LOC@T'IME - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 23,000

- 1. HURON DES LANDIERS** - Pleasant 5th of 11 in a 2050m Cabourg amateurs Class G last week but in this company will struggle to make his mark
- 2. INTELLO D'ERABLE** - Placed twice, latterly 3rd behind HELIOS DE VANDEL (7) in a 2750m Cabourg Class E 12 days ago, after having imposed at Villedieu-les-Poëles. Unlikely to win this but can still trot his way into the frame
- 3. HASARD BLOND** - 5th of 10 in a 2750m Cabourg Class F on 9 July. Is useful in both codes but sports front pads this time and will have other priorities
- 4. HORUS DE VAL** - Took a couple of runs before getting into his stride this term but made it 2 in a row when flying up in a 2775m Class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne last weekend, and can expect the lion's share of support
- 5. ICI C'EST CHENU** - Sanctioned twice at Caen before trotting 6th behind IALKO JENILAT (11) in a 2150m Vichy Class E on 2 July. Is not the most reliable but the engagement of Mathieu Mottier will do his prospects no disservice
- 6. HIDALGO BOY** - 8th of 14 in a 2975m Jallais Class E mid-June. Has been disappointing this term and needs to pull his socks up
- 7. HELIOS DE VANDEL** - Got back in the game when 2nd of 10 in a 2750m Cabourg Class E on 9 July. Benefits from an Eric Raffin drive this time and, if still on the boil, can again finish in the mix
- 8. HIT PERRINE** - Unplaced in both starts this season, most recently last but one in a 2775m Class F at Les Sables-d'Olonne on 10 July, and can be passed over
- 9. IGGY DES RIOULTS** - Won over 2450m at Caen before trotting 2nd of 12 in a 2200m Caen Class E a month back. Is never far from faulting but, in current condition, is very easy to like. Chance
- 10. IVOIRE DAIRPET** - Considerably better than his recent sanctions would suggest, latterly faulting in a 3450m Class F at Agon-Coutainville a fortnight ago. Has previously won over course and distance and, with application, can put on a decent show
- 11. IALKO JENILAT** - Close 2nd of 13 in a 2150m Vichy Class E on 2 July. Has never disappointed at Meslay, enjoys a good entry, and can challenge for victory this time

Summary: Barring a Mondoubleau clinker, HORUS DE VAL (4) has been simply superb over recent weeks and the nature of his latest victory bodes well for his chances of repeating. Eric Lambertz would still be wise to be wary of the well-engaged, and padded, IALKO JENILAT (11) who went close at Vichy earlier this month, and IGGY DES RIOULTS (9) who seldom disappoints when focused. INTELLO D'ERABLE (2) has a similar profile, reverts to racing with front pads fitted, and will not be far off the mark.

SELECTIONS

HORUS DE VAL (4) - IALKO JENILAT (11) - IGGY DES RIOULTS (9) - INTELLO D'ERABLE (2)

C8 - PRIX 24H AU TROT - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 30,000

1. HIPPO DE POMMERAYE - Won a 2725m Cabourg amateurs Class G 12 days ago only to be subsequently disqualified and placed last for interference. Starts in front but has better form at a lower level and has yet to deliver in three starts at the track

2. ICARE DE PHYT'S - Quality element with a superb entry on the front line. Tenacious winner of a 2850m Feurs Class D earlier this month and, reunited with Eric Raffin, will be expected to play a leading role

3. GRABUGE - 10th of 13, due to a rimless wheel, in a 2725m Lisieux Class F on 4 July. Has otherwise been in excellent shape and makes his Meslay debut with a good hand to play

4. HAMISH - Faulted when favourite in a 2800m Chartres monté Class E 3 weeks ago. Here for a change of scenery and poses no danger

5. INDY DE JYR - Went close at Arras last month before coming 4th of 11 in a 3100m Royan Class A a week ago. Incurs the penalty but with Alexandre Abrivar reining, will be expected to fight out the finish

6. FERRERO DU LOISIR - Sanctioned in a 2750m Cabourg monté Class D 9 days ago. Shod differently this time but in this company, with an extra 25m to travel, will have too much to do

7. HAMONET DE CHOISEL - Won a 3200m Montmirail Class E [on turf] 3 weeks ago. Boasts 3 victories when racing shod and, in current condition, is not incapable of repeating

8. IMPALA DE VAL - Remarkable campaigner in the other discipline, latterly winning a 2750m Cabourg monté Class D with ease 9 days ago. Races barefoot for first time but will have other priorities

9. GOLDORACK - Put away after struggling earlier in the year, he came 8th of 16 on re-entry in a 2750m Cabourg Class E 9 days ago. Shod to preference this time and, if race-fit, will not be far from the action

Summary: ICARE DE PHYT'S (2) is just one of two horses starting on the front row and, given his current form, must be considered a marginally better bet than second-row starter INDY DE JYR (5) who has been knocking at the door over recent weeks, and the tough HAMONET DE CHOISEL (7) who seldom disappoints when focused. A faithful servant for the most part, GRABUGE (3) suffered a broken wheel at Lisieux earlier this month, sports a new configuration this time, and should logically return to doing what he does best.

SELECTIONS

ICARE DE PHYT'S (2) - INDY DE JYR (5) - HAMONET DE CHOISEL (7) - GRABUGE (3)