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R3 SAINT GALMIER [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX FRANCE BLEU - 2600m (a1m1/2) - Class G Amateur Drivers
Race - Harness - EUR € 6,000**

- 1. GOLD DE BANVILLE** - Disqualified in a class F at Jullianges over 2450m on 14 July. He needs to find a few lengths to win
- 2. INESKA** - Ran well when fourth in a class E at Vichy over 2150m on 2 July. She remains barefoot and is in good form. Can make the frame
- 3. FALCO DA VINCI** - A winner in a class G at Hyeres over 2850m on 12 July. Seldom far off them and can be involved again
- 4. IRLANDE DU NORD** - She finished 9th in a class E at Vichy over 2150m on 2 July. Her first two outings at this level resulted in a victory and a third place.
- 5. HISTORIQUE ELDE** - He was third in a class H at Oraison over 2650m on 30 June. He is efficient at this level and has sufficient means to fight for victory
- 6. FIGARO DE BUSSET** - Unplaced in a class G at Feurs over 2850m on 5 July. Others are preferred in this line-up. Reverts to barefoot
- 7. GASTON DE SAUZETTE** - A winner in a class F at this track over 2650m on 30 June. He remains barefoot and can double up.
- 8. IRIS RIVOISE** - She ran well when fourth in a class E at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 2700m on 15 July. Holding form well and can be involved in the finish again
- 9. IRONIE DU RABUTIN** - Disqualified in a class E at Vichy over 2800m on 1 June. If wise she can be involved in the finish
- 10. GIN KAS** - A consistent fourth in a class H at Jullianges over 2425m on 14 July. Can play a minor role
- 11. GAZELLE VOGOULIERE** - Finished 9th in a class H at Jullianges over 2425m on 14 July. Reverts to barefoot and needs to improve on recent efforts

Summary: GASTON DE SAUZETTE (7) won well enough last time out to suggest that another win could be forthcoming so gets a narrow vote to score. IRIS RIVOISE (8) is holding form and can contest the finish once again. IRLANDE DU NORD (4) has done well in this division and should be given plenty of consideration. IRONIE DU RABUTIN (9) was disqualified last time out but could bounce back to be a threat.

SELECTIONS

GASTON DE SAUZETTE (7) - IRIS RIVOISE (8) - IRLANDE DU NORD (4) - IRONIE DU RABUTIN (9)

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C2 - PRIX DES COLCHIQUES - 2000m (a1m1/4) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. LUCIFER DU PONT** - A runner-up in both outings, the latest in a strong field in a class E at Angers over 2425m on 11 June. Should make a bold bid
- 2. L'AMBASSADEUR** - Disqualified in the last two, the latest at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 2925m on 8 March. If wise and if ready he can play a role in the finish
- 3. LUXOR D'AUVILLIER** - Ran well when third in a class F at Vire over 2700m on 1 July. In good condition and David Békaert will give every assistance
- 4. LUTIN DES RACQUES** - A runner-up in the last two, the latest in a class G at Carpentras over 2100m on 5 May. Knocking hard and can go close again
- 5. LULLY DES IRIS** - Disqualified in a class E at Vichy over 2800m on 6 July. Must be wise and if wise can play a minor role
- 6. LITTLEROK D'EURVAD** - Finished 8th in a class D at this track over 2650m on 30 June. He is better than his last two outings indicate
- 7. LOOSER ROMO** - Finished 5th in a class E at Vichy over 2150m on 20 June. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 8. LATINO PASS** - A runner-up in a class F at Lyon-Parilly over 2850m on 15 April. If not needing the run can be involved in the finish
- 9. L'ARTISTE DERONFIN** - Well beaten 7th in a class D at this track over 2650m on 30 June. Poor last two efforts and best watched for now
- 10. LORD SIXTEEN** - Well beaten 9th in a class H at Jullianges over 2425m on 14 July. A runner-up on debut that disappointed in the latest
- 11. LAPON DE BERTRANGE** - Ran third in a class E at Vichy over 2800m on 6 July. Improved in the latest effort and must confirm that
- 12. LET IT BE PIPOL** - Fifth in a class F at Vichy over 2950m on 1 July. Some improvement in the latest effort
- 13. LOVER MAUZUN** - Disqualified in a class E at Marseille-Borely over 2400m on 26 April. A debut winner at Lyon-Parilly that is capable of bouncing back

Summary: LUCIFER DU PONT (1) has been good without winning and looks the right one in this race and gets a confident vote to score. LUXOR D'AUVILLIER (3) remains in good shape and should fight out the finish again. L'AMBASSADEUR (2) is not easy to trust but could be capable of contesting the finish if in the mood. LUTIN DES RACQUES (4) is knocking hard at the door and deserves the utmost respect.

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LUCIFER DU PONT (1) - LUXOR D'AUVILLIER (3) - L'AMBASSADEUR (2) - LUTIN DES RACQUES (4)

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C3 - PRIX DES CAPUCINES - 2600m (a1m1/2) - Class F Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

1. **JACINTHE MAGUET** - A winner in a class F at Le Dorat over 2700m on 14 July. Remains barefoot and Jonathan Asselie will be on the sulky giving every assistance
2. **JESSIE DU HAUTVENT** - Fifth in a class H at Jullianges over 2425m on 14 July. Place prospects at best in this line-up
3. **JUST IN EMESS** - Well beaten 8th in a class E at Lyon-La Soie over 2700m on 12 January. Probably will need the run-back
4. **JAIME DE DOMPIERRE** - Disqualified in a class H at Jullianges over 2425m on 14 July. David Békaert will be on the sulky and will give every assistance
5. **JOSELITO PHIL** - Disqualified in a class H at Jullianges over 2425m on 14 July. Tries barefoot but has not placed this year and others are preferred
6. **JOLIE CLAIRE** - A runner-up in a class F at Lisieux over 2725m on 4 July. She is trying hard and will get her day soon
7. **JARNY DE BERTRANGE** - Disappointing 10th in a class E at Paray-le-Monial over 2625m on 9 June. Expect a better effort and is capable of making the frame. Remains barefoot
8. **JOYEUX D'OUXY** - A barefoot grass winner in a class F at Feurs over 2850m on 5 July. Remains barefoot and can double up
9. **JACEE DE BUSSIERES** - Disqualified in a class E at Lyon-Parilly over 2850m on 29 June. If wise she has the ability to be concerned in the finish
10. **JOKER DE BRY** - Fifth in a class H at Avignon over 2650m on 19 May. Not barefoot this time and is probably best watched for now
11. **JALEZIO** - Finished 10th in a class F at Lyon-Parilly over 2850m on 5 May. Remains barefoot. Unlikely to be the winner
12. **JASMIN DE VINDECY** - Finished 6th in a class F at Cluny over 2700m on 7 July. Remains barefoot and can pop up in a place
13. **JARDIN DE MAHEY** - Finished 9th in a class F at Vitteaux over 2600m on 7 July. New to the stable of Mickaël Cormy and could improve
14. **JANOLUMO** - Well beaten 8th in a class F at Nancy over 2600m on 28 June. Poor form and is best watched for now
15. **JOHAR DES CHARMES** - Disqualified in a class F at Montier-en-Der over 3025m on 7 July. Remains barefoot. Four poor efforts this year
16. **JASON GEDE** - Disqualified in a class E at Vichy over 2950m on 17 June. Reverts to barefoot and must be wise

Summary: JOLIE CLAIRE (6) has been trying hard of late and deserves a win so gets the nod but it is a competitive-looking race. JARNY DE BERTRANGE (7) is better than the last run suggests and could be a threat if back to her best. JAIME DE DOMPIERRE (4) is capable of doing better and will have David Békaert driving so can be considered a possible threat. JOYEUX D'OUXY (8) was a barefoot winner on the grass last time out and can follow up.

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JOLIE CLAIRE (6) - JARNY DE BERTRANGE (7) - JAIME DE DOMPIERRE (4) - JOYEUX
D'OUXY (8)

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C4 - PRIX DES CHARDONS - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. KORDELIA** - Well beaten 7th at Feurs over 2050m on 5 July. Unplaced since winning in May and others are preferred in this line-up
- 2. KELLY DU LYONNAIS** - Fourth in a class F at Feurs over 2850m on 22 June. Improved in the latest effort and must confirm that
- 3. KELLE ILE LILA** - Third in a class F at Feurs over 2850m on 22 June. Remains barefoot and has been competitive in the last three efforts.
- 4. KIMBERLEY** - Good fourth in a class F at Beaumont de-Lomagne over 2400m on 14 July. She is seldom far off them and can be involved in the finish
- 5. KAMELIA DE BUSSET** - A runner-up in a class E at this track over 2650m on 30 June. Remains barefoot and can go one better
- 6. KAZANKINA SPORT** - A winner in a class F at Vichy over 2200m on 25 June. Remains barefoot and has confidence with the latest victory
- 7. KOLENA** - Ran third at Feurs over 2050m on 5 July. Unreliable and is best watched for now
- 8. KAURA DE LA VALLEE** - Fourth in a class E at this track over 2650m on 30 June. Remains barefoot and can have a say
- 9. KARVINA D'ELA** - She is hat trick seeking, the latest victory in a class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne over 2650m on 8 July. David Békaert will give every assistance from the sulky and can complete the hat trick
- 10. KELOWA STARDUST** - Ran well when fourth in a class F at Enghien over 2875m on 6 July. She is consistent and should be competitive again
- 11. KOOKEY MELODY** - A winner in a class E at Hyeres over 2650m on 12 July. She has won two of the last three and can score again

Summary: KOOKEY MELODY (11) has won four of just nine starts and can follow up on a decent win at Hyeres earlier this month despite the slight rise in grade. KARVINA D'ELA (9) has two good wins of late and should fight out the finish again. KAZANKINA SPORT (6) won well enough last time out to be a lively danger. KELOWA STARDUST (10) is consistent and is another that can get involved with the finish without incident in the running.

SELECTIONS

KOOKEY MELODY (11) - KARVINA D'ELA (9) - KAZANKINA SPORT (6) - KELOWA STARDUST (10)

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C5 - PRIX DES CLEMATITES - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. KID PADDLE** - Unplaced in 3 recent comeback outings, the latest (6th) over 2950m at Vichy on 26 June, but revealed sufficient means last year - won both completed outings, though was disqualified in his 4 other 2023 appearances
- 2. KARAMEL DU PIC** - Complicated trotter seldom far from a fault - disqualified in both previous barefoot appearances. Must bounce back from a recent failure/sanction over 2950m at Vichy on 1 July
- 3. KINGSLEY** - Disqualified more often than not and is best watched for now after back-to-back recent failures/sanctions, the latest over 2150m at Vichy on 6 July. Others preferred
- 4. KAWASI JACK** - Finished 2nd in back-to-back starts earlier this year but fluffed his lines in this shoeing configuration last time, finishing 8th over 2650m at Avignon on 9 May. For another day
- 5. KEL JAC** - Capable colt seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th over 2950m at Vichy on 4 July
- 6. KING FORCE** - Has acquitted himself well in 3 consecutive claiming races recently, the latest (3rd) at Jullianges over 2450m on 14 July. Dark horse
- 7. KINGSWOOD** - Delicate but capable colt with sound references/form credentials, albeit without success. Dangerous to dismiss despite his recent faux pas at La Capelle on 9 July
- 8. KARMA DE MONTCIANT** - Complicated trotter with undeniable means - seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Shouldn't be hastily condemned following his latest failure at Vichy on 4 July
- 9. KING OF L'AUMANCE** - Inconsistent performer but did win in this shoeing configuration over 2025m at Avignon last month. Could only finish 5th over 2650m at that venue on 16 June
- 10. KASIMODO** - Tricky customer who improved to open his account over 2650m at Hyeres on 28 June with David Békaert at the helm. Confirmation expected
- 11. KHEOPS DU PERSIL** - Versatile sort but has achieved his best references (both career wins) under the saddle. Presented shod for this engagement after finishing 7th (plated) over 2800m in a harness race at Vichy on 1 July
- 12. KONOR HIGHLAND** - Consistent performer who has improved racing unshod - won over 2150m at Vichy in May and wasn't disgraced when 5th over 2800m at that venue on 1 July. Not taken lightly
- 13. KERCHAK** - Honest hard-knocker, seldom far off the mark but has been hard to win with (just 1 victory from 22 starts). Can do better in this grade after a last-start 8th (shod) over 2700m at Vincennes on 25 June - attractive outsider
- 14. KIWI DU LOISIR** - Disqualified more often than not (13 of 21 appearances) but isn't devoid of ability. Sanctioned in each of his last 4 starts, the latest at Vichy on 1 July, so this remains a question of his wisdom - all or nothing
- 15. KRACH NONANTAIS** - Delicate but has undeniable means - seldom finishes far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th over 2800m at Vichy on 1 July

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16. KAMOUR - Revealed considerable potential last year and has confirmed that promise in both comeback outings this term, winning his latest appearance over 2550m at Reims on 2 June. Progressive sort with more to offer - one to beat

Summary: KAMOUR (16) built on an encouraging/eye-catching reappearance (2nd) by winning at Reims last month and is good value to follow up in this event with further progress expected of him. Last-start winner KASIMODO (10) and consistent KONOR HIGHLAND (12) are likely to pose the biggest threat, although KRACH NONANTAIS (15) isn't incapable of making his presence felt too. KIWI DU LOISIR (14) and KARMA DE MONTCIANT (8) have the means to get involved if avoiding disqualification.

SELECTIONS

KAMOUR (16) - KASIMODO (10) - KONOR HIGHLAND (12) - KRACH NONANTAIS (15)

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C6 - PRIX DES CAMPANULES - 2000m (a1m1/4) - Class F Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

1. INSTINCT DE VETRE - Tricky customer with undeniable means - seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification, so should not be hastily condemned following his latest faux pas at Hyères on 12 July. Keep safe

2. IOWA DE TOUCHYVON - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials, including a win and a 2nd in his two associations with David Békaert. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th over 2650m at Hyeres on 12 July - cannot be underestimated

3. IXION DE VANDEL - Inconsistent but has the means to make his presence felt in a race of this nature, especially on his return to the harness category after a last-start 8th under the saddle over 2225m at Feurs on 5 July. Dark horse

4. ILLUSTRE DE CHENOU - Reverts to the harness code after a last-start disqualification in a 2225m mounted race at Feurs on 5 July. Joker

5. INDIGO - Has lost his way this year, finishing unplaced in all 4 completed outings - disqualified in the other 3, including his latest outing at Vichy over 2150m on 17 June

6. IO DOMENICO - Finished 2nd in his only appearance with this shoeing configuration and lines up here in good order (form and physical condition) after a recent 3rd over 3100m at La Gacilly on 15 July. Candidate for success

7. INTEL - A model of consistency in the claiming category and at the top of his game at present, having won 2 of his last 3 starts - the latest over 2700m at Cluny on 7 July. Dark horse

8. ILARIO DU MAINE - Rewarded for his consistency with an overdue second career win over 1600m at Vichy on 6 July. Should remain competitive

9. IVAN LENDEL - Inconsistent performer but does have sound references, even with his irons. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th over 2600m at Vitteaux on 7 July. Outsider

10. ITALIO DE LA ROQUE - Has gone off the boil this year, unplaced 3 times and disqualified 4 times (including his latest outing at Vichy on 6 July) in his 7 starts this year. Others preferred

11. ICARE DE LA BASLE - Sparingly raced trotter who has lost his way this year - unplaced twice, disqualified 3 times (including his latest at this venue on 30 June) in 5 starts this year. Watch for now

12. IDEAL WESTERN - Has regained momentum recently in this shoeing configuration, finishing 3rd in consecutive starts - the latest at Vichy over 1600m on 6 July. On the shortlist

13. IMPERIAL EMIR - Versatile hard-knocker who seldom finishes far off the mark but has been hard to win with (has 2 victories from 37 appearances). Didn't go unnoticed when 5th in a 1600m harness race at Vichy on 6 July

Summary: Hard race to assess with a marginal preference given to IO DOMENICO (6) judged on his good recent form and physical condition. However, last-start winner ILARIO DU MAINE (8) and rejuvenated IDEAL WESTERN (12) are other candidates for success, along with IOWA DE TOUCHYVON (2) who is ideally positioned at the start with David Békaert in the sulky. The latter's stablemate INSTINCT DE VETRE (1) also has the means to play a leading role and shouldn't be hastily condemned despite a recent failure (disqualification).

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**IO DOMENICO (6) - ILARIO DU MAINE (8) - IDEAL WESTERN (12) - IOWA DE
TOUCHYVON (2)**

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C7 - PRIX DES CYCLAMENS - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class F Race - Mounted - EUR € 20,000

- 1. KANARDO FOR CLARA** - Delicate but has undeniable means and confirmed as much with a reassuring last-start 3rd under the saddle at Vichy over 2950m on 2 July. On the shortlist
- 2. KASTILLE** - Versatile filly but is most effective under the saddle - confirmed as much with an encouraging 2nd over 2800m at Bollène on 9 June. Keep safe
- 3. JESCO DE LA VALLEE** - Rarely seen under the saddle but has sound references/form credentials in this category, including a 3rd over 2950m at Vichy on 17 June. Not taken lightly
- 4. ILIS DU VALLON** - Unreliable mare but has achieved her best references under the saddle, so could do better back in the mounted category after 2 comeback outings in the harness code - the latest (disqualified) at Cluny over 2700m on 7 July
- 5. IMPERATIF LA BORIE** - Delicate but capable trotter with sound references under the saddle - seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Sanctioned in harness race at Jullianges on 14 July
- 6. JULIANA DU LOISIR** - Honest hard-knocker, seldom far off the mark but has been hard to win with (only 1 victory from 34 starts). Only 8th (barefoot) over 2850m in a harness race at Lyon-Parilly on 29 June
- 7. JOIE DES VENTES** - Has won 2 of 3 appearances under the saddle in this shoe-fitting (plated) and would've refined her condition with a pleasing last start (6th) in a 2900m harness race at Clairefontaine-Deauville. Candidate for success
- 8. JINGLE DES BROUETS** - Has regained momentum back in the mounted code recently, confirmed as much with an encouraging 4th over 2225m at Feurs on 5 July. Dark horse
- 9. JOOSTER LE FOL** - Has formed a potent partnership with Tom Vlaemynck Debost under whom he finished 2nd last time at Vichy in a mounted race over 2950m. Should once again fight for victory
- 10. ILEX DE CABERT** - Has returned to form in 2 recent appearances under the saddle, finishing 4th at Bollène last month and 5th over 2650m at this venue on 30 June. Attractive outsider
- 11. HULK DU SABLIER** - Out of sorts and soundly beaten in each of his last 3 starts, albeit in the harness category. Finished 4th when last seen in the mounted code over 2700m at Lyon-La Soie in March
- 12. JOMIZIO** - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials in this category and under these conditions. Will have a role to play once more after an encouraging last-start 3rd over 2650m at this venue on 30 June
- 13. IGLON DAIRPET** - Honest hard-knocker, seldom far off the mark but has been hard to win with (has 3 victories from 56 starts). Can do better in this shoe-fitting after a last-start 10th (plated) over 2225m at Feurs on 5 July

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Summary: Victory in this mounted race is likely to be fought out by JOOSTER LE FOL (9), who has finished 2nd in his last 3 appearances under the saddle, and versatile JOIE DES VENTES (7) who will appreciate reverting to the mounted category. JOMIZIO (12) has done little wrong under the saddle and is another serious candidate for success. Enigmatic KANARDO FOR CLARA (1) caught the eye last time with an improved 3rd under the saddle and need only confirm that form/improvement to make his presence felt too. KASTILLE (2) and JESCO DE LA VALLEE (3) arent taken lightly either. Good race!

SELECTIONS

JOOSTER LE FOL (9) - JOIE DES VENTES (7) - JOMIZIO (12) - KANARDO FOR CLARA (1)

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C8 - PRIX SAINT ETIENNE LA METROPOLE - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class F Race - Harness - EUR € 26,000

1. GAIA D'URZY - Consistent, versatile mare with references in both trotting disciplines. Best watched for now on her reappearance, having finished 4th in a mounted race when last seen on 9 January

2. FLIRTINI - Capable veteran performer who has been off the boil for some time - finished 8th (shod) over 2850m at Hyeres on 12 July - but would've been carefully prepared for this engagement. Races barefoot here, don't underestimate

3. HERMES SCOTT - Inconsistent performer and is currently out of sorts, so unlikely to trouble the judge - finished 10th over 2700m at Cluny on 7 July. Others preferred

4. GOLDENBOY DE CHENU - Has won back-to-back amateur races recently over 2650m, the latest at Hyeres on 28 June. Ought to remain competitive on his return to the "pro" ranks

5. HASTIFER - Has gone off the boil this year, unplaced 7 times and disqualified twice (including his last start at Vichy over 1600m on 4 July) in 9 starts this year. Others more persuasive

6. FLAG - Soundly beaten (13th) when racing barefoot over 2800m in a harness race at Vichy on 2 July. Presented shod for this commitment, so is best watched for now

7. HAITI LADY - Has nothing to prove under these conditions and is most effective in this shoeing configuration - confirmed as much by finishing 3rd over 2850m at Feurs on 5 July. Keep safe

8. EMILIE DES IRIS - Unplaced in each of her last 6 appearances, the latest (8th) over 2850m in this shoe-fitting at Feurs on 5 July. Outsider

9. GALION DES THIRONS - Prolific veteran who is currently at the top of his game, winning 4 of his last 6 starts (3 of his last 4), including back-to-back recent outings over 2950m at Vichy - the latest on 25 June. Sets the standard

10. GOLD PEJI - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials in this category and under these conditions, including a last-start 2nd over 2800m at Vichy on 4 July. On the shortlist

11. HABANERO DE VIETTE - Delicate but retains the undeniable means to win a race of this nature - confirmed as much by finishing 2nd over 2600m at Nancy on 28 June. Will be a factor if repeating that performance

12. GOOD LUCK TIT - Tricky customer who seldom finishes far off the mark when avoiding disqualification, although has to redeem herself after a recent failure at Vichy over 2800m on 3 June. Dark horse

Summary: GALION DES THIRONS (9) has been at the top of his game for several months, winning three of his last four starts, and has a great opportunity to continue that momentum by completing his hat-trick in this concluding event. He will, however, be tested by the likely challenges of HABANERO DE VIETTE (11), who finished a reassuring 2nd last time out, and the enigmatic FLIRTINI (2) who shouldn't be underestimated with all 4 shoes removed for this race. HAITI LADY (7) and GOLD PEJI (10) complete the shortlist.

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GALION DES THIRONS (9) - HABANERO DE VIETTE (11) - FLIRTINI (2) - HAITI LADY (7)