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R3 MARSEILLE-BORELY [L-H]

C1 - PRIX DU LAC DE PEIROOU - 3000m (a2m) - Class G Amateur Drivers Race - Harness - EUR € 6,000

- 1. IDYLLE GEMA** - Runner-up in consecutive recent appearances at this level, the latest (2nd) over track and trip in an amateur race on 20 November. Deserves a reward for her consistency
- 2. IL CONTO** - Complicated but retains the means to do well at this level. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 4th over 2650m at Marseille-VivauX on 3 November
- 3. INCA DES CHAMPS** - Disqualified in a similar race over 2750m at Nimes on 6 October but shouldn't be hastily condemned. Warrants respect on his reappearance
- 4. ILANA DE BEYLEV** - Experienced mare with sound references at this level under these conditions, especially without her irons. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 12th (shod) over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 9 November
- 5. GILOU DE FONTAINE** - Honest hard-knocker in good form and physical condition. Finished 3rd over track and trip on 20 November in a similar contest
- 6. GALAXY VAUCEENNE** - Experienced veteran mare with references at this level and under these conditions but has only a minor role. Finished 6th (shod) over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 9 November
- 7. HATOUT DE CONNEE** - Runner-up over track and trip in a stronger/better race (at a higher level) on 15 November. Raced unshod then but with his irons refitted now
- 8. FILLE DE KERDU** - Confirmed at this level and under these conditions/with this configuration but currently out of sorts. Finished 12th (shod) over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 9 November
- 9. INDIGOTE** - Honest hard-knocker with nothing to prove at this level but she's most efficient/competitive without her irons. Didn't go unnoticed when 7th (unshod) at Agen on 17 November
- 10. INGENIOUS BOND** - Disqualified in a similar race over 2650m at Marseille-VivauX on 3 November but shouldn't be condemned for that recent failure. Warrants respect, even with his irons refitted (shod)
- 11. IN VIVO** - Honest hard-knocker in good form and physical condition with sound references at a higher level recently, including a last-start 3rd over 2400m at this venue on 15 November. Winning chance
- 12. FALCO DA VINCI** - Runner-up in a 2200m amateur race at Salon-de-Provence on 26 October in this barefoot configuration. Keep safe

Summary: IDYLLE GEMA (1) has hit the woodwork in consecutive starts at this level recently so wouldn't be winning out of turn, and she can score here at the primary expense of INGENIOUS BOND (10) who shouldn't be hastily condemned for his faux pas at VivauX earlier this month. IN VIVO (11), even with his shoes, has the means to be competitive in this lower grade so shouldn't be underestimated. FALCO DA VINCI (12) and INCA DES CHAMPS (3) complete the shortlist.

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IDYLLE GEMA (1) - INGENIOUS BOND (10) - IN VIVO (11) - FALCO DA VINCI (12)

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C2 - PRIX DE LA TOULOUBRE - 3000m (a2m) - Class F Race - Harness - EUR € 18,000

- 1. LOGICA MAG** - Finished 4th over 2675m at Divonne on 16 August in her only completed outing (6 starts). Disqualified in all five starts since, the latest at Saint-Galmier on 24 November
- 2. LIBERTY SMART** - Improving filly with undeniable means. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 4th at Salon-de-Provence over 3000m on 9 November
- 3. LETOILE AMERICAINE** - Complicated filly often at fault but seldom far off the mark when applied/remaining wise. Disqualified in her last start at Salon-de-Provence on 9 November
- 4. LADY DE MONGOCHY** - Well-beaten 11th over 2250m at Auch on 11 November. Must improve to make her presence felt, watch for now
- 5. LANGONE** - Rarely far from a fault but isn't devoid of ability - usually acquits herself competitively when remaining wise. Finished a reassuring 3rd over track and trip on 24 October
- 6. LADY DE DOMPIERRE** - Improving, lightly raced filly with undeniable means and scope to improve. Caught the eye with a career-best 3rd over 2850m at Lyon-Parilly on 6 October
- 7. LUCINDA WELL** - Complicated filly disqualified in consecutive starts before finishing an improved/encouraging 6th over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 20 October. More needed
- 8. LITTLE WING BLUES** - Fragile filly with undeniable means - usually acquits herself well when avoiding disqualification. Finished 5th at this venue over 2400m on 20 November
- 9. LIOUBA JAMES** - Consistent and improving filly whose form and experience will stand her in good stead. Finished a career-best 3rd over 2050m at Hyeres on 13 October
- 10. LUMINA JIEL** - Complicated but undeniably talented and has found her rhythm recently - confirmed as much by finishing 2nd over track and trip on 21 September. Respected on her reappearance
- 11. LILYDALE** - Unplaced (7th) on her reappearance last month and disqualified over 2400m at this venue on 20 November. Best watched for now
- 12. LUXY BLUE** - Unexposed and undeniably gifted filly with a lot of room for improvement. Won once and finished 4th twice in 3 starts - the latest (4th) over 2400m at this venue on 20 November. Winning chance
- 13. LICENCE CASTELETS** - Consistent filly with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 3rd at Marseille-Vivaux over 2650m on 3 November. Keep safe

Summary: LUXY BLUE (12) has revealed considerable promise and is open to improvement, so she seems capable of making up the ground and reconnecting with success. She gets the nod ahead of LIOUBA JAMES (9), after an eye-catching career-best 3rd, and LADY DE DOMPIERRE (6), who fits a similar profile. LUMINA JIEL (10) is on the right track after a frustrating sequence of disqualifications, so she is competitive for the places along with LIBERTY SMART (2).

SELECTIONS

LUXY BLUE (12) - LIOUBA JAMES (9) - LADY DE DOMPIERRE (6) - LUMINA JIEL (10)

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C3 - PRIX DU LAC BIMONT - 3000m (a2m) - Class F Race - Harness - EUR € 18,000

- 1. LEWIS KING** - Booster Winner colt trained and owned by David Cinier who is also in the sulky. Watching brief advised
- 2. LOYAL SIXTY ONE** - Disqualified on debut at Hyeres over 2850m on 29 September but showed enough to work with and would've gained from that experience. Dark horse
- 3. LYNX DES LOYAUX** - Finished 3rd on this course over 2300m before consecutive disqualifications at this venue, the latest over 2400m on 20 November. Question of wisdom
- 4. LUCKY ARCTIC** - Showed early promise but failed to deceive in his last 2 starts, finishing 8th on both occasions - the latest over 2000m at Lyon-Parilly on 3 May. Best watched for now
- 5. LABEL D'HERMES** - Delicate and often at fault but isn't devoid of ability. Confirmed as much when finishing 2nd over track and trip on 24 October - shouldn't be underestimated
- 6. LATIUM** - Improving trotter with undeniable means. Caught the eye when finishing a career-best 2nd over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 9 November
- 7. LUCKY SKY** - Unexposed colt with untapped potential - placed in both starts (5 months apart) before his disqualification at Chartres on 4 November when resuming after a 9-month absence. Keep safe
- 8. LABEL DU MONT** - Caught the eye when finishing a career-best 2nd on this course over 2300m on 2 October. Should be a factor
- 9. LANCELOT BUROIS** - Honest 12-start maiden with sound references under these conditions/in this shod configuration, including a last-start 6th (shod) over 2300m at this venue on 26 September
- 10. LORD DE BAGI** - Improving last-start winner with untapped potential. Opened his account in start No. 3 last month, winning at Salon-de-Provence over 3000m on 20 October
- 11. LUEGO CONTIGO** - Complicated but undeniably talented trotter - faulted in 3 of his 5 starts but acquitted himself competitively in both completed races, including his latest (4th) over 2400m at this venue on 20 November. Winning chance
- 12. LISTED VOIRONS** - Delicate trotter with untapped potential, though seldom far from a fault - acquits himself well when avoiding disqualification. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for his latest failure at this venue on 20 November
- 13. LEADER DES APRES** - Bounced back from a previous failure (disqualification) to finish a reassuring 3rd in a 2750m Lisieux claimer on 13 October. More needed
- 14. LE DESTIN** - Caught the eye on his reappearance when finishing 2nd on this course over 2300m on 26 September. Confirmation expected
- 15. LIKE MENCOURT** - Complicated trotter with undeniable means and scope to improve - seldom far from a fault but usually acquits himself well when avoiding disqualification. Finished 9th (plated) over 2000m at La Capelle on 6 October

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Summary: Highly regarded LUEGO CONTIGO (11) is talented but delicate in equal measure. He has the means to win a race like this but must prove his diligence/application to do so. Stablemate LORD DE BAGI (10) is improving and leads the opposition in the company of LABEL DU MONT (8), who has regained freshness since finishing 2nd on this track last month. LUCKY SKY (7) isn't taken lightly but must reaffirm after the last sanction.

SELECTIONS

LUEGO CONTIGO (11) - LORD DE BAGI (10) - LABEL DU MONT (8) - LUCKY SKY (7)

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C4 - PRIX DE L'ETANG DE L'OLIVIER - 3000m (a2m) - Class G Race - Mounted - EUR € 19,000

- 1. JEANBAT DUEM** - Improved recently in 2 starts under the saddle, the latest (3rd) over 2375m at Castelsarrasin on 10 November
- 2. JAZZISSIME** - Soundly beaten (10th) in his only appearance under the saddle. Finished 6th in a 2050m Hyeres harness race on 14 September
- 3. JOKER DU MIDI** - Experienced, versatile trotter with sound references under the saddle - finished 4th over 2700m at Vincennes on 22 October. Attractive outsider
- 4. JAZZ BLUE** - Won a 2850m mounted race Lyon-Parilly on 22 September when last seen under the saddle. Returns to this code with legitimate ambitions
- 5. JUMANJI BROUETS** - Experienced, versatile trotter with sound references in both codes - finished 4th under the saddle over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 23 May
- 6. JACADY SLY** - Improved recently under the saddle and finished a reassuring 3rd over 2725m at Grenade-sur-Garonne earlier this month (3 November). Dark horse
- 7. KINOA DU LIVIER** - Lightly raced, versatile hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials in both trotting categories. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 6th over 2175m at Vincennes on 5 November in a well-composed field
- 8. JAGUAR ATOUT** - Barefoot and back under the saddle after two shod comeback races in the harness category - the latest (9th) at this venue over the same distance on 15 November. Candidate for success
- 9. JAVA D'ECAJEUL** - Consistent and versatile mare with solid form references/credentials in both trotting categories, which include winning her last 4 appearances under the saddle. Absent since winning over track and trip on 27 March
- 10. IMPULSIF D'AVENIR** - Experienced, versatile trotter with sound references in both codes - finished 4th under the saddle over 2950m at Toulouse on 28 October and 3rd in a 275m Agen harness race on 17 November

Summary: Versatile KINOA DU LIVIER (7) only recently arrived in the South-East but, given what she achieved in Paris, seems ideally engaged to play a leading role. JAGUAR ATOUT (8) is proven under these conditions and will fight for victory on his return under the saddle. Absent since March, JAVA D'ECAJEUL (9) has shown enough to also be competitive on her reappearance. JAZZ BLUE (4) isn't taken lightly either having won under the saddle when last seen in this class of event.

SELECTIONS

KINOA DU LIVIER (7) - JAGUAR ATOUT (8) - JAVA D'ECAJEUL (9) - JAZZ BLUE (4)

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C5 - PRIX DU BAYON - 3000m (a2m) - Class F Amateur Riders Race - Harness - EUR € 19,000

- 1. JAVA VENUS** - Experienced 19-start maiden seldom far from a fault. Finished 7th (shod) in a course-and-distance race 7 days ago
- 2. JAMES BOND DUEM** - Unplaced in consecutive recent starts on this course, the latest (7th) over 2300m on 24 October. Not taken lightly with his hind shoes removed
- 3. JAGGERA BOMB** - Has made no impression in 4 outings this year - unplaced twice and disqualified in her last 2 starts, the latest on 29 July at Aix-les-Bains on 29 July. Others preferred
- 4. JET SET AIMEF** - Complicated trotter with sound references - seldom far from a fault, though usually acquits herself well when avoiding disqualification. Sanctioned in her last start at Lyon-La SOie on 11 November
- 5. JERONIMO** - Finished a reassuring 4th over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 20 October. Must confirm that improvement to be competitive
- 6. JUST BENOIT** - Hard-knocking trotter with references under these conditions/in this shod configuration. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 7th (shod) over 2650m at Marseille-Vivaux on 28 October
- 7. JUNIOR D'ETE** - Went off the boil earlier this year and isn't likely to trouble the judge on the evidence his last start 13th (shod) over 2650m at Marseille-Vivaux on 28 October
- 8. JOE TEJY** - At the top of his game after 3 consecutive victories. Won a course-and-distance race to begin that sequence and completed his hat-trick with a 2300m success at this venue on 15 November
- 9. JALNY DE CASTELLE** - Unexposed trotter whose limits remain unknown. Won for the 7th time in 10 starts when scoring over 2800m at Rambouillet on 6 October - hard to oppose
- 10. JODLEUSE MAG** - Acquitter herself well in back-to-back course-and-distance races (finished 3rd on 18 October) before finishing 10th over 2650m at Marseille-Vivaux on 28 October. Shouldn't be hastily condemned
- 11. JO DE CAZOULENE** - Hard-knocking trotter with sound references/form credentials under these conditions and with this barefoot configuration, including a last-start 5th over 2650m at Marseille-Vivaux on 28 October
- 12. JOY MARGOT** - Honest hard-knocker trotter with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 6th over this course and distance on 26 September. Shod on her reappearance - for another day
- 13. JOGGER KILY** - Experienced hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start Agen 5th over 2575m on 23 October. Keep safe
- 14. JUST FOR FUN** - Disqualified in consecutive starts and hasn't been seen since his failure at Cherbourg on 19 August. Just watch

Summary: A toss-up between unexposed JALNY DE CASTELLE (9) and thriving JOE TEJY (8). Both have reeled off a sequence of victories and remain competitive for race honours. JOGGER KILY (13) caught the eye when finishing 5th at Agen last month and could join that fight for victory if confirming/building on that improved performance. JODLEUSE MAG (10), JO DE CAZOULENE (11) and JAMES BOND DUEM (2) appeal most of the remainder.

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SELECTIONS

JALNY DE CASTELLE (9) - JOE TEJY (8) - JOGGER KILY (13) - JODLEUSE MAG (10)

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C6 - PRIX DU GRAND VALLAT - 3000m (a2m) - Class F Race - Harness - EUR € 18,000

- 1. KOPACABANA** - Lightly raced 3-start maiden. Soundly beaten in consecutive starts before her latest failure (disqualification) at Agen on 6 October
- 2. KARAIBES** - Disqualified twice and unplaced 6 times in 8 starts. Well-beaten 9th (shod) over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 9 November
- 3. KEEP THE QUEEN** - Complicated filly seldom far from a fault. Unplaced (7th) over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 9 November but could have more to offer with her shoes removed
- 4. KARINE DES MONTS** - Delicate filly with undeniable means/untapped potential - won her only completed race (9 starts). Disqualified in each of her last 3 starts, the latest at Salon-de-Provence on 9 November. Question of wisdom
- 5. KOOKIA DE MONTCEAU** - Delicate filly with sufficient means - seldom finishes far off the mark when avoiding disqualification. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for her latest failure at Marseille-Vivieux on 3 November
- 6. KOMANIA D'ABY** - Didn't go unnoticed when resuming after a 9-month absence at Nimes on 11 November - finished 7th (shod) over 2750m. Open to improvement
- 7. KARIBELLE DE NUIT** - Experienced but fragile filly disqualified in 3 of her last 4 appearances, including consecutive recent starts - the latest at Lyon-La Soie on 11 November
- 8. KENDLY DU PADOUENG** - A complicated filly with sound references, albeit without a victory (20-start maiden) - her form and experience will stand her in good stead. Finished 2nd in this unshod configuration over 2800m at Langon on 21 September
- 9. KUEEN MARGOT** - Lightly raced 13-start maiden absent since finishing 9th (unshod) over 2850m at Lyon-Parilly on 15 April. Watch for now
- 10. KIERA MAGIC** - Last-start winner in this barefoot configuration over 2400m at Montauban on 27 October. Made a winning start for this stable and should play another leading role
- 11. KORALIE D'ISQUES** - Unexposed filly confirmed under these conditions/with her irons (shod). Showed her form and well-being with a good 3rd over 3000m Salon-de-Provence on 9 November
- 12. KATARINA D'HERMES** - Last-start winner in this barefoot configuration over 2750m at Nimes on 11 November. Not taken lightly
- 13. KAEDE DE LA COUR** - Experienced filly with sound/consistent form references, albeit with a victory (19-start maiden). Better without her irons, finished 2nd (unshod) over 2925m at Cagnes on 19 August but races shod here, so just watch for now
- 14. KUEEN PEARL** - Complicated filly with undeniable means. Disqualified in each of her last 3 barefoot appearances, the latest in a course-and-distance race on 18 October but shouldn't be hastily condemned - all or nothing
- 15. KATHARINA DE MAI** - Experienced but fragile filly in good form and physical condition. Runner-up in consecutive recent outings, the latest over 2625m at Paray-le-Monial on 13 October
- 16. KAROLYNE DE MALAC** - Experienced filly with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 6th over 2150m at Mauquenchy on 10 November. Dark horse

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Summary: KUEEN PEARL (14) didn't go unnoticed here last time despite her disqualification and showed enough that day to suggest that she can win a race of this nature if remaining wise. Experienced KATHARINA DE MAI (15) fits a similar profile and will play a leading role if she can avoid the sanction. KIERA MAGIC (10), after a winning start for the Benjamin Goetz stable, Romain Bouvier's KENDLY DU PADOUENG (8) and unexposed KORALIE D'ISQUES (11) are also short list material.

SELECTIONS

KUEEN PEARL (14) - KATHARINA DE MAI (15) - KIERA MAGIC (10) - KENDLY DU PADOUENG (8)

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C7 - PRIX DE L'ABEOU - 3000m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR €
27,000

- 1. ILLUSTRE FERM** - Inconsistent trotter with undeniable means although more competitive at a lower level. Finished 8th here in a 2400m event on 20 November
- 2. HEAGLE ONE** - Experienced hard-knocker with references at a higher level, though most efficient/competitive racing unshod. Finished 9th (unshod) at this venue over 2300m on 7 September
- 3. INCAHUASI** - Experienced trotter with references under these conditions/in this configuration. Shouldn't be condemned for his recent failure (unplaced) at Lyon-Parilly on 16 November
- 4. I AM DES MOTTES** - Consistent, proven at this level and in good form/physical condition. Runner-up at Nimes over 2750m recently (11 November) and should play another leading role
- 5. HACIENDA DESBOIS** - Consistent hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 5th over 2750m at Nimes on 11 November. Not taken lightly
- 6. HERAKLION** - Complicated mare with undeniable but seldom far from a fault. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th over course and distance on 15 November - question of wisdom
- 7. IPPON DE MONTCEAU** - Consistent and well-performed trotter in good form/physical condition. Showed his form and well-being when winning at Nimes over 2750m on 11 November - will remain competitive for victory
- 8. IDEAL DE JEAN** - Well-performed trotter with solid form references/credentials under these conditions and at a higher level, including a last-start 7th in a 2100m Quinte+ event at Vincennes on 15 November. Keep safe

Summary: IPPON DE MONTCEAU (7) added to his tally by winning at Nîmes recently and, even though the switch to this venue will suit I AM DES MOTTES (4), the former is taken to confirm his superiority over that rival. IDEAL DE JEAN (8) boasts references at a higher level and retains the means to join the fight for victory. INCAHUASI (3) and HACIENDA DESBOIS (5) are competitive for a podium berth.

SELECTIONS

IPPON DE MONTCEAU (7) - I AM DES MOTTES (4) - IDEAL DE JEAN (8) - INCAHUASI (3)

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**C8 - PRIX DE L'EZE - 3000m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR €
35,000**

- 1. FLOCON MONTJEANIS** - Experienced veteran, confirmed under these conditions/in this configuration but out of sorts - unplaced (10th) over 2850m at Vincennes on 25 October but shouldn't be hastily condemned
- 2. FORMIDABLE VOYAGE** - Very rarely seen unshod but was disqualified in each of his last 4 appearances in this barefoot configuration. Finished 8th (shod) over 2300m at this venue on 24 October
- 3. FUN LOVER** - Won back-to-back starts in this barefoot configuration before finishing 7th (unshod in front) over track and trip on 15 November. Candidate for success with all 4 shoes removed
- 4. GALOPIN DE BIANCA** - Last-start winner over 2625m at Paray-le-Monial on 27 October but has more on his plate now. Dark horse
- 5. GRANTCHESTER** - Veteran hard-knocker with sound references, especially in this barefoot configuration - seldom far off the mark on a going day. Finished 13th (shod) over 2650m at Saint-Galmier on 24 November
- 6. FAUX DOLLARS** - Experienced veteran, confirmed under these conditions/in this configuration - his references include finishing 3rd in consecutive outings on this course over 2300m, the latest on 24 October. Winning chance
- 7. EIGHT** - Rediscovered form recently in 3 starts at a lower level (in the claiming category) - finished 3rd at Enghien in a 2875m claimer on 14 October. More to do
- 8. HERMES DE CORDAY** - Versatile hard-knocker with sound references in both trotting disciplines with this barefoot configuration. Not hastily condemned for finishing 9th (unshod) over 3000m at Salon-de-Provence on 26 October
- 9. FINGER DE RODREY** - Has made no impression in 6 appearances this year - disqualified in 4 starts, including his latest at Vincennes in a 2850m mounted race on 21 June. Others preferred
- 10. FEEL GOOD DESBOIS** - Hard-knocking veteran with sound references but most efficient/competitive racing without irons. Disqualified (shod) at Lyon-Parilly on 16 November
- 11. GEANT SARTHOIS** - Well-performed veteran trotter with references at a higher level, especially in this shoe-fitting. Disqualified in 2 recent starts (shod), the latest at Lyon-Parilly on 16 November. May well redeem himself in this configuration
- 12. GAMIN DES PERDRIX** - Experienced hard-knocker with references at a higher level, albeit most efficient/competitive without his irons. Finished 8th (unshod) at Hyeres over 2650m on 13 October
- 13. GANGSTER DAVANESS** - Regained form/momentum with each comeback outing - finished 3rd (shod) over 2650m at Marseill-Vivieux on 28 October. Confirmation expected
- 14. FUEGO DU MORTIER** - Experienced veteran, confirmed under these conditions/in this configuration but out of sorts - unplaced (10th) over 2650m at Marseille-Vivieux on 28 October
- 15. FEMTO DE VAUVERT** - Well-performed veteran with sound/consistent form references, including a last-start 4th (shod) over 2850m at Lyon-Parilly on 16 November

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16. EQUIANO - Hard-knocking veteran with sound references, especially in this unshod configuration. Soundly beaten (shod) over 2850m at Lyon-Parilly on 16 November

Summary: GEANT SARTHOIS (11) concedes a headstart to FAUX DOLLARS (6) and FUN LOVER (3), both well entered and barefooted on all four feet, but is worth siding with given his references at a higher level. GANGSTER DAVANESS (13) and FEMTO DE VAUVERT (15) also retain sufficient means to play leading roles in a race of this ilk. Last start winner GALOPIN DE BIANCA (4) can also be in the shake-up despite the rise in grade.

SELECTIONS

GEANT SARTHOIS (11) - FAUX DOLLARS (6) - FUN LOVER (3) - GANGSTER DAVANESS (13)