

C1 - PRIX DE L'HIPPODROME DE REIMS - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class G Amateur Drivers Race - Harness - EUR € 6,000

- 1. ICARE PASSION** - Unreliable but undeniably capable at this level, with references in amateur races at Les Sables. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 9th over 2725m at Grenade-sur-Garonne on 15 December
- 2. HUMOUR WILLIAMS** - Inconsistent but not incapable of getting into the picture. Didn't go unnoticed (8th) in a course-and-distance event on 23 December
- 3. IF DE BRETAGNE** - Complicated (seldom far from a fault) but has sound references/form credentials in this category. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for his recent failure (disqualification) at Agen on 15 September - not taken lightly
- 4. INTENSE ACE** - Consistent hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials, even with her irons (shod) - finished 4th in a 3000m amateur race at Châteaubriant on 1 December
- 5. HANSKA SAUTONNE** - Complicated trotter, disqualified 5 times in his last 8 starts - finished unplaced (10th) in each of the other 3 appearances, including his latest in a course-and-distance amateur race on 24 November. Others preferred
- 6. GRAMIGNA DODVILLE** - Experienced trotter who seldom finishes far off the mark but has no more than a minor role - unplaced in all 8 appearances this year, the latest (7th) over 2725m at Grenade-sur-Garonne on 22 December
- 7. ITUMELANG PAULOIS** - Disqualified in 3 consecutive recent appearances, the latest over 2675m at Saint-Glamier on 24 November
- 8. INGLORIOUS** - Proven performer in this category with sound references and form credentials at this level, so shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 9th over 3025m at Nantes on 8 December. Keep safe
- 9. HIDALGO BOY** - Consistent performer in this category with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 4th over 2950m in an amateur race at Toulouse on 6 December. Keep safe
- 10. ISTINGA BOCAIN** - Last-start winner at a higher level over 2550m at Beaumont on 20 December with nothing to prove in this category. Sets the standard
- 11. FLEUR D'ACADIE** - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials - seldom finishes far off the mark, albeit most effective racing unshod. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 10th at Beaumont on 20 December
- 12. I LOVE GABINLEA** - Experienced hard-knocker, currently out of sorts but unbeaten in 2 appearances in the amateur category. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 6th over 2725m at Grenade-sur-Garonne on 8 December. Expect better
- 13. HEROS DES PLEIGNES** - Complicated trotter disqualified in 3 consecutive recent appearances, the latest in a course-and-distance amateur race on 24 November. Has undeniable means but this will again be a question of wisdom
- 14. GHOST DE BEAULIEU** - Honest hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials - seldom far off the mark but is most effective when racing unshod. Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 7th over 2550m at Beaumont on 20 December
- 15. HERMENCE DAIRPET** - Consistent hard-knocker with sound references, though hasn't been seen since finishing 6th over 2800m at Castéra-Verduzan on 12 August. Best watched for now
- 16. GOLD DE BAULON** - Experienced trotter who seldom finishes far off the mark but has no more than a minor role - unplaced in all 10 appearances this year, the latest (5th) in a course-and-distance claimer on 9 December

Summary: ISTINGA BOCAIN (10) and I LOVE GABINLEA (12) have nothing to prove in the amateur category and boast solid form references in better races/fields. They could find themselves fighting for victory ahead of INGLORIOUS (8), favourably entered under these conditions, HEROS DES PLEIGNES (13) and INTENSE ACE (4) are others with podium ambitions. GHOST DE BEAULIEU (14) and HIDALGO BOY (9) appeal most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

ISTINGA BOCAIN (10) - I LOVE GABINLEA (12) - INGLORIOUS (8) - HEROS DES PLEIGNES (13)

C2 - PRIX DE L'HIPPODROME DE LAVAL - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class F Amateur Riders Race - Harness - EUR € 23,000

- 1. HOULENN DU PILET** - Veteran mare who seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day but has no more than a minor role to play on the evidence of her last-start 7th over 3150m at Saint-Brieuc on 6 December. Others preferred
- 2. HISTOIRE VERTE** - Complicated veteran mare, disqualified in back-to-back recent starts - the latest at Grenade-sur-Garonne on 22 December. Retains undeniable means but for her this remains be a question of wisdom - all or nothing
- 3. HEVA MALEX** - Veteran hard-knocker with undeniable means/sound references, though most effective racing without irons (unshod). Finished 11th in a course-and-distance event on 17 December
- 4. HOURAGAN DU LYS** - Experienced trotter disqualified in his only appearance this year on 16 January in a 2325m mounted race at Toulouse. Best watched for now
- 5. HAMBO** - Inconsistent but isn't incapable of getting into the picture, despite 3 unplaced comeback appearances this year after an 11-month absence - the latest (8th) over 2950m at Toulouse on 13 November. Dark horse
- 6. HERMES DE GIRONDE** - Regained momentum after 3 recent comeback appearances following a 4-month absence. Showed his form and well-being by finishing 4th over 2150m at Toulouse on 6 December - candidate for success
- 7. HELIOS D'ANCLEMAX** - A winner over 2550m on this course in November and confirmed that form/improvement by finishing 4th at Argentan over 2150m on 15 December. Should play another leading role
- 8. HEROS NUEVO** - Experienced trotter with undeniable means/references at a higher level, albeit most effective when unshod. Finished 8th (barefoot) over 2150m at Toulouse on 6 December and is best watched for now racing shod
- 9. HAROLD SAUTONNE** - Consistent hard-knocker with sound references/form credentials at a higher level, especially in recent starts with this shoeing configuration - the latest (4th) over 3000m at Nantes on 8 December. Sets the standard
- 10. HILLONA DE NESLE** - Versatile veteran trotter with undeniable means and sound references/form credentials in both categories, including a last-start 4th under the saddle in 2825m mounted race at Le Croisé-Laroche on 16 December
- 11. HELLO JO DARLING** - Unreliable but undeniably capable performer with sound references at this level, including at Graignes over 2725m in October. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 9th at Beaumont on 1 November

Summary: HAROLD SAUTONNE (9) has shown his form and well-being in stronger races/fields recently so represents an attractive betting proposition here. HELIOS D'ANCLEMAX (7) will make life difficult for the selection, with HERMES DE GIRONDE (6) and HERMES DE GIRONDE (6) likely to fight out the remaining podium berth. HISTOIRE VERTE (2) and HAMBO (5) complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

HAROLD SAUTONNE (9) - HELIOS D'ANCLEMAX (7) - HERMES DE GIRONDE (6) - HELLO JO DARLING (11)

C3 - PRIX KAMOK - 2550m (a1m1/2) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 23,000

- 1. LOU D'ECROVILLE** - Delicate filly with undeniable means/ability - rarely far from a fault but usually acquits herself competitively when remaining wise. Disqualified at Vincennes on 14 December so needs to reaffirm - for another day
- 2. LADAMES** - Sparked improvement in 2 recent appearances with this shoeing configuration - the latest (2nd) over 2400m at Beaumont on 1 December. Keep safe
- 3. LOOPING D'HERIPRE** - Progressive colt with solid form credentials and scope for improvement on his reappearance. Absent since finishing 4th over 2875m at ENghien on 24 July - keep safe
- 4. L'AIGLE PASS** - Revealed considerable ability/promise in 5 starts under the saddle, despite 3 disqualifications - the latest at Vincennes on 6 December. Could be anything in the harness category
- 5. LOUIS VITTON MIJO** - Consistent colt with sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 5th in a 2200m harness event at Vincennes on 4 December. Dark horse
- 6. LAMIE QUICK** - Promising filly with undeniable means (form and experience) and room for improvement. Finished 3rd over 2950m at Toulouse on 22 November and should play another leading role here
- 7. LIQUIDATEUR** - Authoritative winner of a 2700m Class E race at Vincennes in November, so has the means to win a Class D race in the provinces. Worth another chance dispute finishing 9th over 2175m at Vincennes on 13 December
- 8. LADY POP** - Consistent 13-start maiden with sound references (albeit without a victory) to play a leading role, including a last-start 2nd over 2100m at Vincennes on 19 November. On the shortlist
- 9. L'AMI DE LANCOUR** - Honest hard-knocker with the form and experience to make his presence felt. Didn't go unnoticed (5th) over 2400m at Beaumont on 1 December
- 10. LIKE A BIRD STAR** - Returned to form with a reassuring 2nd over 2200m at Salon-de-Provence on 24 November. Confirmation is required
- 11. LUCIDE CASTELETS** - Consistent trotter with undeniable means and sound form references/credentials, including a last-start 3rd in a 2400m harness event at Beaumont on 1 December. Not taken lightly
- 12. LILY DES CARREAUX** - Versatile filly and last-start winner under the saddle of a 2725m mounted race at Grenade-sur-Garonne on 15 December. Attractive outsider back in the harness code
- 13. LA MITIDJA** - Delicate filly with undeniable means, seldom far from a fault but has sound references/form credentials at a higher level. Disqualified in 3 consecutive recent starts, the latest at Mauquenchy on 28 November - beware
- 14. LOVE ME DE CERISY** - Complicated trotter disqualified in 4 of his last 5 starts, including his latest over 2850m at Lyon-Parilly back on 16 November. Others preferred
- 15. LIKELY DU PADOUENG** - Relatively consistent filly with the form and experience to acquit herself competitively - caught the eye (6th) when finishing well in a 2400m harness race at Beaumont on 1 December

Summary: LIQUIDATEUR (7) finished unplaced at Vincennes recently but need only repeat the performance of his previous outing (victory) to resume winning ways. Consistent LAMIE QUICK (6) and returning LOOPING D'HERIPRE (3) are best equipped to threaten the selection for race honours, although LADY POP (8) is another legitimate contender for the podium. LA MITIDJA (13), LADAMES (2) and LIKELY DU PADOUENG (15) appeal most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

LIQUIDATEUR (7) - LAMIE QUICK (6) - LOOPING D'HERIPRE (3) - LADY POP (8)

**C4 - PRIX DE L'HIPPODROME DE CABOURG - 2550m (a1m1/2) - Class D Race - Harness -
EUR € 23,000**

- 1. KISS ME WINNER** - Rejuvenated filly in good form and physical condition - wouldn't be winning out of turn after 4 encouraging performances, the latest (4th) over 2175m at Vincennes on 14 December. Sets the standard
- 2. KHALIFE DELALANDE** - Honest hard-knocker with the form and experience (at a higher level) to make his presence felt in a race like this. Didn't go unnoticed (7th) at Pontchateau over 2800m on 22 December
- 3. KANT** - Consistent performer with references at a higher level. Didn't go unnoticed, despite finishing unplaced (8th), over 2100m at Vincennes on 15 November. Keep safe
- 4. KARVINA D'ELA** - Tricky customer with undeniable means - usually performs well, especially on this course, when remaining wise. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for her failure (disqualification) at Vincennes on 5 December - respect
- 5. KAJAGOOGOO** - Unreliable trotter with undeniable means (sound references/form credentials in this shoeing configuration), so shouldn't be hastily condemned for finishing 9th in a 2175m harness event at Vincennes on 13 December
- 6. KALICIA JOSSELYN** - Sparked improvement (didn't go unnoticed) when finishing 6th over 2150m at Cagnes on 14 December. Not taken lightly
- 7. KIMIKO DU DOUBS** - Delicate filly with undeniable means - seldom far from a fault but usually acquits herself well when applied. Shouldn't be hastily condemned for her latest failure (disqualification) at Vincennes on 7 December - beware
- 8. KAZA ROCK** - At the top of her game after back-to-back recent victories, the latest over 2550m at Beaumont at the start of the month (1 December.). Must be respected in current form
- 9. KELYO DU SOLNAN** - Complicated but undeniably capable trotter with sufficient means/sound references but disqualified in 3 of his last 4 starts, including consecutive recent comeback appearances, the latest at Laval on 16 November
- 10. KERNO** - Unreliable and currently out of sorts - finished 11th (shod) on this course over 2650m on 17 December but is capable of achieving a better result with his shoes removed (unshod for this commitment)
- 11. KING KONG SMILE** - Experienced trotter with sound references/form credentials at this level under these/similar conditions and in this shoeing configuration. Finished 8th (shod) on this course over 2650m on 17 December - can do better
- 12. KENOR DESBOIS** - Complicated trotter, disqualified in 3 consecutive recent appearances - the latest in a 2850m Quinte+ race at Vincennes on 29 November. Has undeniable means but this will again be a question of his wisdom
- 13. KARAIELLA BOND** - Smart filly with references at a higher level, as well as a win and a 2nd in 2 appearances in this shoe-fitting. Unplaced (11th) in a 2850m Vincennes Group III on 1 December but will find this a lot easier
- 14. KALISTREA** - Complicated trotter disqualified in 6 of her last 7 appearances, including 3 consecutive recent starts - latest over 2950m at Le Mans on 16 December. Others preferred
- 15. KAVALEUR D'ENFER** - Consistent trotter with scope to improve and sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 3rd at Beaumont over this distance on 1 December. Dark horse
- 16. KANGCHENJUNGA** - Inconsistent trotter with undeniable means/references, though not as effective racing with his irons (shod). Best watched for now

Summary: KISS ME WINNER (1) wouldn't be winning out of turn and could be rewarded for her consistency from an ideal starting position. She gets the nod ahead of enigmatic KENOR DESBOIS (12), for whom this will again be a question of wisdom, and in-form KAZA ROCK (8). The shortlist is completed by KARVINA D'ELA (4), KANT (3) and KARAIELLA BOND (13), who isn't underestimated given her references at a higher level.

SELECTIONS

KISS ME WINNER (1) - KENOR DESBOIS (12) - KAZA ROCK (8) - KARVINA D'ELA (4)

C5 - PRIX FAN IDOLE - 2550m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 30,000

1. **GAILLARDE QUERAY** - Unplaced in a class E at Toulouse over 2950m on 20 November. Probably needed the latest and can improve on that effort
2. **HAMPTONS** - Unplaced in a class E at Vire over 2800m on 1 December. Reverts to barefoot and this is the third run back. Is not out of it
3. **GAUCHO DE LA NOUE** - Fifth in a class E at Saint-Brieuc over 3150m on 6 December. Seldom far off them and is track-suited. Capable of contesting the finish
4. **GORESTAN** - Disqualified in a Mounted class D at Vincennes over 2700m on 14 December. Must be wise to be involved
5. **FLYING DEVIL** - Well beaten 9th in a class E at Toulouse over 2950m on 20 November. Barefoot and this could suit
6. **EKINOA DU PATURAL** - Unplaced in a class E at Cordemais over 2825m on 15 December. Unreliable and needs to find a few lengths
7. **GEDEON DAIRPET** - Unplaced in a class E at Nimes over 2750m on 1 December. Remains barefoot. Can play a minor role at best
8. **GAMELIA DU LUPIN** - A winner in a class E at Cordemais over 2825m on 24 November. Remains barefoot. A consistent sort who is competitive and will have supporters
9. **GOELAND DE JANZE** - A consistent sort who was a runner-up in a class E at this track over 2650m on 17 December. Remains barefoot. Can go one better
10. **FILOU NICAUX** - Finished 7th in a class E at Graignes over 2725m on 13 December. Remains barefoot. Others are preferred in this line-up
11. **HARMONIE DE SITA** - A winner of the last two, the latest in a class D at Toulouse over 2150m on 13 November. Capable of completing the hat-trick
12. **HULK DE TILLARD** - Disqualified in a class C at Agen-Le Passage over 2625m on 23 October. Ignore the latest fault and is capable of bouncing back
13. **GULI GULI** - Disqualified in a class E at Graignes over 2725m on 13 December. Alexandre Abrivard will give every assistance from the sulky

Summary: HARMONIE DE SITA (11) is hat-trick seeking after some smart wins. She should make a bold bid at scoring again. GAMELIA DU LUPIN (8) is consistent and will not go down without a challenge for top honours. GOELAND DE JANZE (9) is consistent and looking to go one better on a good last performance. HAMPTONS (2) will be barefoot this time so expect an improved performance.

SELECTIONS

HARMONIE DE SITA (11) - GAMELIA DU LUPIN (8) - GOELAND DE JANZE (9) - HAMPTONS (2)

C6 - PRIX DE L'HIPPODROME DE MAUQUENCHY - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 27,000

- 1. JANTARA DESBOIS** - Finished 7th in a class F at Beaumont de-Lomagne over 2400m on 1 December. Reverts to barefoot. A runner-up on this track in October and is not out of it
- 2. JOSEPHA CHOUP** - Third in a class A at Toulouse over 2950m on 22 November. Track-suited and can play a minor role
- 3. JOPLIN DES CROUAS** - Disqualified in the last four, the latest in a class D at Vincennes over 2700m on 15 November. Must be wise to be involved
- 4. JOKER GEMA** - A runner-up in a class E at Vincennes over 2700m on 4 December. A shoeing arrangement change is tackled this time
- 5. JET JET JET** - Disqualified in a class A at Toulouse over 2950m on 22 November. Has won on this track and is plated in front for the first time. Can bounce back to be competitive
- 6. JACKSON D'ARC** - Disqualified in a class C at Vincennes over 2700m on 20 December. Remains barefoot. A good right-hander who has been competing against stronger and can go close
- 7. JAGUAR DU LONDEL** - A winner in a class D at Beaumont de-Lomagne over 2400m on 1 December. Remains barefoot. In form and can have place prospects
- 8. JUNO DE BANVILLE** - Finished 7th in a class C at Toulouse over 2950m on 20 September. Might need the run back and needs to find a few lengths
- 9. JETPACK** - Disqualified in a class D at Vincennes over 2100m on 6 December. Must be wise
- 10. JUSTICIA SMART** - Well beaten 8th in a class C at Vincennes over 2700m on 29 November. Probably best watched for now
- 11. JEANBLANC DUEM** - A winner in a class A at Toulouse over 2950m on 22 November. Has confidence and all six victories were on right-hand tracks
- 12. JURAE VET** - Disqualified in a class A at Lyon-Parilly over 2850m on 16 November. When wise is seldom far off them and can play a minor role
- 13. JERENAL D'HAMELINE** - Fifth in a class C at Vincennes over 2700m on 28 November. Remains barefoot. A consistent sort who has won twice this year and deserves to be respected

Summary: JACKSON D'ARC (6) was disqualified last time out but is good when going right-handed and can bounce back to score. JERENAL D'HAMELINE (13) is consistent and is likely to fight out the finish again. JEANBLANC DUEM (11) was a good winner last time out and will not be a surprise winner of this race. JET JET JET (5) has won at this track before and is another to consider.

SELECTIONS

JACKSON D'ARC (6) - JERENAL D'HAMELINE (13) - JEANBLANC DUEM (11) - JET JET JET (5)

C7 - PRIX ILSTER D'ESPIENS - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class C Race - Mounted - EUR € 39,000

- 1. IDEAL DU NOYER** - Fourth in a class D at Vincennes over 2850m on 10 December. Seldom far off them and can contest the finish again
- 2. FEE FRAULEIN** - Unplaced in a Harness class E at Saint-Brieuc over 3150m on 6 December. Probably best watched for now
- 3. ICARE WILLIAMS** - A winner in a class E at Toulouse over 2950m on 20 November. An easy winner of the last two under the saddle. Will have supporters
- 4. HIRO DE L'ORMERIE** - Finished 7th in a class D at Vincennes over 2200m on 20 December. Unreliable and has disqualification issues
- 5. NINEPOINTS LASSE** - Third in a Harness class C at Vincennes over 2100m on 4 December. Reverts to barefoot and has won the last three under the saddle when barefoot. Good winning chance
- 6. JOY ALISSA** - Finished 8th in a Harness class C at Vincennes over 2100m on 4 December. Remains barefoot. Better suited to under the saddle and is not out of it
- 7. IMAGINE D'ATOUT** - Disqualified in a class C at Vincennes over 2700m on 1 December. Ignore the latest fault. Right-hand suited and is capable of contesting the finish
- 8. HUGO OCCAGNES** - Disqualified in a class D at Vincennes over 2850m on 14 December. Remains barefoot. Must be wise and needs to find a few lengths
- 9. HOLLYWOOD DU BOIS** - Well beaten 7th in a Harness class B at Vincennes over 2850m on 11 December. Others are preferred in this line-up

Summary: NINEPOINTS LASSE (5) has a good record when barefoot in Mounted races and should make a bold bid at scoring again. IMAGINE D'ATOUT (7) goes well at right-handed courses and can contest the finish again. ICARE WILLIAMS (3) has been good under the saddle of late and has a winning chance. JOY ALISSA (6) is another that does prefer Mounted races so the last run is best ignored.

SELECTIONS

NINEPOINTS LASSE (5) - IMAGINE D'ATOUT (7) - ICARE WILLIAMS (3) - JOY ALISSA (6)

**C8 - GRAND PRIX DYNAVENA - GRAND PRIX D'HIVER - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class A Race -
Harness - EUR € 53,000**

- 1. ICARE DU BERYL** - Fifth in a class E at Grenade-sur-Garonne over 2725m on 24 November. Reverts to barefoot and did achieve the best results in this configuration. Place chance
- 2. IDOLE OF LOVE** - Finished 10th in a class D at Vincennes over 2850m on 5 December. Poor recent efforts and others are preferred
- 3. BEHIND BARS** - Third in a class D at Vincennes over 2100m on 7 December. Remains barefoot. Well performed on this track but is facing stronger. Place prospects
- 4. IMPERATOR D'ELA** - A runner-up in a class A at Beaumont de-Lomagne over 2550m on 1 December. Remains barefoot. Eight-time winner this year and deserves to be respected
- 5. FRANKLIN PARK** - Well beaten 9th in a class C at Vincennes over 2850m on 18 December. Remains barefoot. Probably best watched for now
- 6. GALANT DE CAREL** - Finished 7th in a class C at Vincennes over 2850m on 18 December. Remains barefoot. Others are preferred in this line-up
- 7. ENTRE AMIS** - Disqualified in a class C at Vincennes over 2850m on 18 December. Must be wise and needs to find a few lengths
- 8. GREC D'HAVAROCHE** - Unplaced in a class A at Beaumont de-Lomagne over 2550m on 1 December. Reverts to barefoot. Needs to improve on the latest effort
- 9. IGUSKI SAUTONNE** - Tenth in a Group 2 at Vincennes over 2850m on 1 December. Remains barefoot. Has won six times this year and should appreciate the return to a flat track
- 10. INO DU LUPIN** - Fifth in a Group 2 at Vincennes over 2850m on 1 December. A quality sort who should make a bold bid for victory
- 11. FAKIR MERITE** - Disqualified in a Mounted Group 3 at Vincennes over 2175m on 11 December. Track-suited and can play a minor role

Summary: INO DU LUPIN (10) is quality and was not disgraced when fifth in a GR.2. last time out. He will prove hard to oppose in this lucky last race. IGUSKI SAUTONNE (9) has already won six times this year and could be a threat yet again. IMPERATOR D'ELA (4) has been good all year and deserves some respect. BEHIND BARS (3) likes this track and can make the frame.

SELECTIONS

INO DU LUPIN (10) - IGUSKI SAUTONNE (9) - IMPERATOR D'ELA (4) - BEHIND BARS (3)