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R4 MESLAY-DU-M. [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE LA TOUCHE - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Mounted - EUR
€ 23,000**

- 1. JOYAU DE JANZE** - Has not been seen out since faulting in a 3150m Saint-Brieuc Class E 2 months ago. Hind shoes off this time but still not a priority
- 2. JOKER BATMAN** - Not devoid of ability but is as capricious as they come, most recently faulting in Caen race of reference. With application though, can play a small part
- 3. JOUVENCE** - Pleased under the saddle behind JAPONICA (14) at Caen late-April before faulting in a 2775m harness Class F at Le Grand-Fougeray 3 weeks ago. Hind shoes off this time and, if applied, can get a look-in
- 4. JESSYLONA** - Sanctioned, at 135/1, in a 3000m Châteaubriant Class E on Sunday and backs up with nothing to offer
- 5. JIHERE DU PORET** - Disappointing on the whole, most recently lost his action in a 2450m Caen Class E 12 days ago, and will have few takers
- 6. JEEPEE FLAC** - Got back in the game when 2nd of 12 in a 2600m Châlons-en-Champagne Class F late-April but, in this category, will have too much to do
- 7. JACK SPOKEN** - Has turned a corner over past month, 3 weeks ago winning a 2700m Jullouville-les-Pins Class F and, from the first row, can play a leading role
- 8. JASMINA GEDE** - 4th of 5 finishers in a 3200m Landivisiau Class F 3 weeks ago. Incurs the penalty but is behind in earnings and, on good behaviour, will not be far off the mark
- 9. JABLO DU CHENE** - Seldom disappoints when barefoot and focused, most recently finishing 4th in a 2450m Caen Class E, and can exact revenge on JAD DE CALIX (15)
- 10. JASMINE DE GREZ** - Sanctioned in a 2850m Vincennes Class D on 23 April. Has placed just twice in 8 monté starts and is unlikely to cause an upset.
- 11. JET BESP** - Sanctioned in a 2800m Cholet Class D on 14 May, but has otherwise been in fine condition, and can start to make amends if Victor Saussaye keeps him trotting
- 12. JUNE DE RODREY** - Won nicely at Cholet late last month before trotting 3rd of 9 in a 2800m Class D at the same venue mid-May. Stays shod but did win her only start at the venue and must be retained
- 13. JODANNE DIESCHOOT** - Lost her action in a 2850m Vincennes harness Class D 9 days ago. Has done nothing of note in the monté code since 2022 and can expect to remain friendless
- 14. JAPONICA** - Left a good impression on monté debut late-April before finishing last of 11 in a 2950m Le Mans Class E 3 weeks ago. Races barefoot this time though and will be no easy touch
- 15. JAD DE CALIX** - Delicate soul but has bags of ability, and is confirmed here. Finished ahead of JABLO DU CHENE (9) at Caen before coming 4th over course and distance 2 weeks ago, and looks a serious proposition

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Summary: JABLO DU CHENE (9) returned to competition with a bang at Angers last month before missing out by little to JAD DE CALIX (15) for third at Caen late-April, and Paul Ploquin will be determined to turn the tables. Recent harness winner at Jullouville-les-Pins, JACK SPOKEN (7) is 25m better off and will be competitive, as will back-row starter JASMINA GEDE (8) who encouraged in her last two outings.

SELECTIONS

JABLO DU CHENE (9) - JAD DE CALIX (15) - JACK SPOKEN (7) - JASMINA GEDE (8)

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C2 - PRIX FETE CHASSE NATURE & PECHE MESLAY - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 23,000

- 1. JAVELOT DE POULINE** - Useful type but sanctioned early in Meslay race of reference and chances appear slim to none
- 2. JABIRU BOY** - Won a Class E over course and distance 2 weeks ago, on just 2nd start following a long, enforced layoff. Has nothing to prove at this level and should be able to pull off the double
- 3. JAG PRIOR** - Last but one to JABIRU BOY (2) in a similar event here a fortnight ago. Has been heavily-campaigned recently and looks to be due a rest
- 4. J'ADORE CELESTE** - Pleasantly surprised when 5th to JABIRU BOY (2) in a Class E over course and distance 2 weeks ago. Is barefoot this time and will have his supporters
- 5. JINKGO VEETA** - Makes his Meslay debut after trotting 4th of 17 in a 3000m Class F at Senonnes-Pouancé early-May, but appears to be biting off more than he can chew
- 6. JASMIN DU LUPIN** - Returned to victorious ways in a 2400m Châteaubriant Class F on 19 May but takes a notable step up in category and unlikely to repeat
- 7. JACK TEJY** - Came a reassuring 4th, a place behind JUST DE LA MORTRIE (12), in a Class E over 2600m here mid-month, and should again be good enough to make first 5
- 8. JULES DES CHAMPS** - Back under harness after coming a courageous 3rd of 13 in a 2875m Argentan monté Class E mid-April. Winner of his only start at the venue and has every chance of picking up a place cheque
- 9. JOKER DE VOUEDE** - Comes here fresh, and unshod-behind, after coming 6th of 12 in a 2750m Class E at La Capelle early last month. Takes on some better elements this time though and not an obvious choice
- 10. JOKER DU CHOQUEL** - 7th of 9 finishers, behind JUST DE LA MORTRIE (12), in a 2600m Class E here a fortnight ago. Has decent references racing unshod though and should not be written off
- 11. JOPLIN DES CROUAS** - Not without ability but sanctioned in 8 of 9 this year, latterly a 2950m Vichy Class E 12 days ago, and others easier to trust
- 12. JUST DE LA MORTRIE** - Already 3 times a winner this year and most recently 3rd of 9 finishers in a 2600m Class E here 2 weeks ago. Hind shoes off again and looks a solid place prospect
- 13. JALISCO DE NEUVY** - Returns to the harness code after trotting 2nd in a 2450m Caen monté Class E 12 days ago. Barefoot this time but others still preferred
- 14. JASON BLUE** - Unbeaten in 3 starts since returning to competition, most recently with ease over 2200m in a Caen Class F on 18 May, and looks principal danger to JABIRU BOY (2)
- 15. JACOB DE MIENNAIS** - Pleasant 5th of 9 when prepping for this in a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne Class E a month back. Form is not in doubt and will not be going home empty-handed
- 16. JIVAGO DE BEYLEV** - Not known for his reliability, but does have merit, coming 3rd of 8 finishers, at 79/1, in a 2950m Saint-Malo Class E 11 days ago. Unlikely to cause another upset but can still pick up some prizemoney

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Summary: Clearly back in business after imposing smartly here recently, JABIRU BOY (2) is similarly-shod, with Eric Raffin reining, and looks set to take all the beating. It is unlikely to be all plane sailing though considering the form of JASON BLUE (14) and, already twice a winner for Alexandre Abrivard, will be no pushover. JUST DE LA MORTRIE (12) left a good impression over 2600m here a fortnight ago and, with form maintained, can repeat. JULES DES CHAMPS (8) is back under harness after encouraging at Argentan last month and, even racing with shoes on, still looks competitive for a spot in the frame.

SELECTIONS

**JABIRU BOY (2) - JASON BLUE (14) - JUST DE LA MORTRIE (12) - JULES DES CHAMPS
(8)**

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C3 - PRIX V AND B - VINS ET BIERES - 2875m (a2m) - Class D Race - Mounted - EUR € 34,000

- 1. HILTON MAZA** - Sanctioned in a 2950m Saint-Malo harness Class F 11 days ago. Has otherwise been acquitting himself well under the saddle but, in this category, will need to find more
- 2. GAZELLE DE VAL** - Needed a couple of runs to get going but trounced the opposition in a 2725m Lisieux Class E on 13 May. Is clearly a monté horse for the future and can double up
- 3. HEURISTIQUE** - Won 3 straight at Vincennes before faulting, when totally out of sorts, in a 2175m Vincennes Class E a fortnight ago. Can boast a decent record here though and, if at her ease, can play a leading role
- 4. ENJEU DAIRPET** - Last of 9 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D mid-May. Has no love for the venue and can be ruled out
- 5. FAUST DE BEYLEV** - Returns to racing right-handed after finishing 7th of 11 in a 2875m Enghien Class D last Saturday. Reverts to a previously-employed configuration and will be expected to finish close
- 6. HIS DREAM DE CAHOT** - 13th of 15 in a 2850m Laval Class D 2 weeks ago. Is shod to preference, reunited with Benjamin Rochard, and will be competitive for the win
- 7. ELIXIR** - 12th of 14 in a 3200m Fougères harness Class E when prepping for this in early-May. Is no shrinking violet under the saddle, but takes on a good bunch and others preferred
- 8. FLOPY RUSH** - Back under the saddle after coming 5th of 12 finishers in a 2850m Loudéac Class E on 11 May. Is no slouch in the monté code but has placed just once in 3 here and a minor place prospect at best
- 9. HUGO OCCAGNES** - Hardy trotter that finished an oddly below-par 13th of 17 in a 2450m Caen monté Class B on 11 May. In the frame in 2 of 3 here though and, with Alexandre Abrivard in the irons, should be able to pick up a slice of the pie
- 10. EXPERT DELTA** - Last of 14, on comeback, in a 2625m harness Class B at La Rochelle on 12 May. Is confirmed here and even with hind shoes off, can be disregarded

Summary: Simply brilliant on her monté debut at Lisieux earlier in the month, GAZELLE DE VAL (2) is eminently capable of confirming. Second on his only appearance here, HIS DREAM DE CAHOT (6) is shod to preference for a return to the monté code and will be no soft touch, and neither will HEURISTIQUE (3) whose capacity in this company is not in question. FAUST DE BEYLEV (5) is better than his Enghien performance would suggest and with modified shoeing, can put things right.

SELECTIONS

GAZELLE DE VAL (2) - HIS DREAM DE CAHOT (6) - HEURISTIQUE (3) - FAUST DE BEYLEV (5)

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C4 - PRIX SECHE ENVIRONNEMENT - 2875m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 34,000

- 1. FLOCON MONTJEANIS** - 15th of 17 on comeback 3 weeks ago in a 2950m Class F at Le Mans and is unlikely to garner much support
- 2. GITANE DU RIB** - Pleased at Graignes mid-March but failed to confirm early-April when last but one in a 2550m Reims Class E, and other more attractive alternatives available
- 3. IS MAGIC HAUFOR** - Tricky mare but oozes quality. Made no bones about winning a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne Class F on 12 May and, although taking on some good horses, she must still be respected
- 4. IRIS DES ROSEAUX** - Facile winner of a 2850m Vincennes Class E on 5 May. Simply superb since the turn of the year, comes here fresh, but stays shod and best to hold off
- 5. INDY DE JYR** - Classy campaigner that was given an easy re-entry when last of 10 in a 2625m Class E at La Rochelle 10 days ago. Will have come on somewhat, has references at a superior level, and will generate some interest
- 6. IDOLE OF LOVE** - Hard to knock when barefoot and applied. Trotted 4th of 11 in a 3200m Landivisiau Class E 3 weeks ago after having won at Angers and returns to a hard surface with a good hand to play
- 7. HAMONET DE CHOISEL** - Versatile type that has won 3 times already this term, latterly a 2400m Châteaubriant Class D on 19 May. sanctioned on lone appearance here but is in cracking form and must be taken seriously
- 8. ILAYA** - Returned from her spell in fine condition, most recently close 3rd of 14 in a 2850m Laval Class D on 2 May. Paul Ploquin reining this time and will be expected to finish in the mix
- 9. HOUSTON TUILERIE** - Completed the hat-trick in a 2850m Vincennes Class D on 4 May. Excels with David Thomain and even with shoes on this time, still has a lot to give. First-5 chance
- 10. IVRIG VIKING** - Makes first appearance since trotting last of 5 finishers in a 2700m Vincennes monté Class A late-February. Shod for re-entry and best to wait
- 11. IGUSKI SAUTONNE** - Made a fine comeback at Cholet early-April before running away with a 2800m Class E at the same venue a month ago. Sanctioned on lone appearance here but, in current form is very easy to like. Claim
- 12. HASUR DAIRPET** - 6th of 15 in a 2850m Laval Class D 2 weeks ago. Seldom gets his nose in front and is not about to change his ways
- 13. HOLD UP DREAM** - Has 2 races under his belt following a long absence, most recently 7th of 15 behind HASUR DAIRPET (12) in a 2850m Laval Class D a fortnight ago. Won a similar event here last season and looks a possible spoiler
- 14. HOLD UP DES VENTES** - Serious trotter making his first appearance since winning a Class D over 2600m here late-December and is sure to need the run

Summary: IGUSKI SAUTONNE (11) is an honest trotter with solid credentials at this level and a repeat of his Cholet victory would see him double up. Matthieu Abrivard will still be keeping an eye on IDOLE OF LOVE (6) who he himself drove to victory at Angers in April, and the Meslay-loving HOLD UP DREAM (13) who faces his first objective of the new season. HAMONET DE CHOISEL (7) has won 3 of 5 this year and will be no easy touch.

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IGUSKI SAUTONNE (11) - IDOLE OF LOVE (6) - HOLD UP DREAM (13) - HAMONET DE
CHOISEL (7)

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

- 1. JULIA BONHEUR** - Her ability has not been on show this term, most recently last of 9 in a 2550m Gournay-en-Bray Class F on 19 May, and chances slim at best
- 2. JANETTE TY** - Has turned a corner this month, most recently coming 2nd of 11 in a 2800m Carhaix Class F on Sunday. In better company this time but can still hold her own
- 3. JONCTION HAUFOR** - Struggling lately, latterly sanctioned in a 2675m Lisieux Class F mid-month, and even though proven here, can still be passed over
- 4. JOLIE TEJY** - Returned to competition in decent shape although was sanctioned in a 2825m Vire Class F last Saturday. Should take well to Meslay profile though and will be worth watching
- 5. JADORE GIRL** - Has bags of ability but also has a temperament. Sanctioned in last 2, most recently a 2700m Pontivy Class F early-May, and is not about to spring any surprises
- 6. JOY DE PHYT'S** - Sanctioned when preparing for this in a 2550m Class F at Gournay-en-Bray 11 days ago. Has a lot going for her here and is not incapable of getting her nose in front
- 7. JEZABELLE BIE** - Lost her way late last season, most recently sanctioned in a 2800m Tours Class F earlier this month, and can be ruled out
- 8. JAZZA PRIOR** - 7th of 9 finishers on re-entry 18 days ago in a 2625m Class E at La Rochelle. Good servant for the most part but races shod and more a minor place prospect this time around
- 9. JALNA DES HAYES** - 5th of 16 in a 2800m Tours Class F on 12 May. Seldom disappoints when focused and is not incapable of making first 5 this time
- 10. JAVA D'AUNOU** - Lost her action on re-entry in a 2750m Class F at Le Grand-Fougeray 3 weeks ago. Has references racing clockwise but others still easier to back
- 11. JOYCE D'AVEZE** - Has merit but sanctioned in last 4, latterly a 2600m Class E here 2 weeks ago, when still with gas in the tank. In this company though, will struggle to make her mark
- 12. JUST PRINCESS** - Took some time getting in shape following her lengthy absence, but justified favouritism mid-month, winning a 2800m Cholet Class E with tenacity, and is thoroughly capable of repeating
- 13. JAMAICA DE LOU** - Given an easy return run on 12 May when 11th of 13 finishers in a 2800m Tours Class F. Already a winner racing clockwise and, even though shod, will not be far off the mark
- 14. J'AIME EN VRAI** - Got straight down to business after her conditioner, winning a 3000m Le Neuborg Class F 11 days ago and, with form maintained, can again finish in the mix
- 15. JOY D'OURVILLE** - Modest mare with a regressive profile. 11th of 15 in a 2825m Durtal Class F 10 days ago and can be ruled out
- 16. JUDIRA DE HOUELLE** - 3rd of 15 in a 2825m Durtal Class F 10 days ago. Is plainly close to her race and, considering the golden entry, must be considered a leading protagonist

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Summary: Back in business mid-month, winning clockwise for the second time, on this occasion a Cholet Class E and, barefoot again, can double her money. That said, Mathieu Mottier will want to be wary of the ideally-engaged JUDIRA DE HOUELLE (16) who has been knocking at the door recently, and the delicate JAMAICA DE LOU (13) who will have her chances if Théo Bellet keeps her trotting. Course-and-distance winner earlier this season, JOY DE PHYT'S (6) races barefoot this time and has been entrusted to Eric Raffin for the occasion.

SELECTIONS

JUST PRINCESS (12) - JUDIRA DE HOUELLE (16) - JAMAICA DE LOU (13) - JOY DE PHYT'S (6)

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**C6 - PRIX GROUPAMA - 2875m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR €
23,000**

- 1. KANCAENNAISE** - Unremarkable filly with 2 runs under her belt since the layoff, latterly last of 11 in a 2725m Méral monté Class F late-April, and will first need to re-establish her credentials
- 2. KALEA DREAM** - Showed improvement when 4th, behind KAPUCINE ZEN (8), in a 2450m Caen Class E on 5 May but is too temperamental to trust
- 3. KANELLE DE TILLARD** - Somewhat erratic but won a 2800m Chartres Class E 3 weeks ago when entrusted to Anthony Barrier for the first time. Unlikely to repeat but can still hold her own
- 4. KISS CARISAIE** - Makes first appearance since finishing 5th of 15 in a 2100m Vincennes Class D mid-January. Shoes on though and best to keep one's powder dry
- 5. KERIDA BEST** - Won a 2200m Caen Class E late-April but failed to confirm when 11th of 12 finishers in a 2800m Bernay Class E on 12 May. Has the wherewithal to do well here but Eric Letouzé must keep her focused. Place chance
- 6. KENZA SPORT** - Progressive filly that was sanctioned, when clearly not spent, in a 2100m Vincennes Class D early-April but can make amends and finish close, if applied
- 7. KETY DU GOUTIER** - 7th of 12 finishers in a 2800m Bernay Class E on first start since early-December. Sports a new configuration, will have come on for the run, and can give KAPUCINE ZEN (8) something to think about
- 8. KAPUCINE ZEN** - 3rd of 13 in a 2450m Caen Class E in early-May. Simply thrives when barefoot and should have a lock on this
- 9. KEATANA DU METZ** - Faulted in first 2 this season before trotting 6th of 12 finishers in a 2700m Vincennes Class D on 23 April. Returns to racing barefoot but others still preferred
- 10. KAKUETA VEDAQUAISE** - Below-par in 2 after returning from her spell, last time 9th of 10 finishers in a 2175m Vincennes Class D on 7 May. Unshod behind, as she was when imposing at Agen, and is not to be overlooked
- 11. KOH SAMUI BOND** - Has ample ability but sanctioned early in last 2, most recently a 2175m Vincennes Class D earlier this month. Front pads fitted this time which could well make all the difference
- 12. KISS ME TO LIVE** - Has twice failed to confirm last month's Angers success, latterly 9th of 11 in a 2475m Royan La Palmyre Class F 11 days ago, and is not about to garner much support
- 13. KALINKA DU BLEUET** - Starts for the first time since faulting in a 2850m Vincennes claimer early-February. Yet to deliver right-handed and chances slim

Summary: Enjoying something of a resurgence since starting to race barefoot, KAPUCINE ZEN (8) finds herself in a decent field here but still has the capacity to win a race of this grade. Mathieu Mottier will nonetheless have to keep a close watch on KETY DU GOUTIER (7) who is competitively-shod for just her second start back, and KENZA SPORT (6) who should be in a position to put last month's sanction behind her. KERIDA BEST (5) disappointed at Bernay but can play a prominent role if she runs to her mark.

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KAPUCINE ZEN (8) - KETY DU GOUTIER (7) - KENZA SPORT (6) - KERIDA BEST (5)

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**C7 - PRIX CREDIT MUTUEL - 2875m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR
€ 23,000**

1. KORRIGAN OLIVERIE - Unseen since faulting early in a 2700m Vincennes monté Class C late-November. Has other priorities though and not an obvious choice

2. KELMONDO BOY - Can prove a handful but returned to victorious ways in a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne Class E a month back. Climbs a rung of the class ladder and, with Eric Raffin reining, must be afforded respect

3. KAISER DE LARRE - Has not been seen out since finishing last of 8 in a 2700m Vincennes monté Class D on 19 February and is not about to spring any surprises

4. KING GATE - Unplaced here on comeback before faulting in a 2450m Caen Class E on 5 May. Unshod behind this time, with Matthieu Abrivard reining, and should not be written off

5. KORINTO BELLO - Improving element that scored his second straight a month ago, dominating a 2550m Bordeaux Class E. Is confirmed here and pulling off the 3-timer is well within his capacity

6. KOALA DES ARCS - Sanctioned in last 2, most recently a 3000m Nantes Class E 3 weeks ago, but is hard to knock when applied and can figure prominently if he gets off on the right foot

7. KINO DE LAUMIERE - Useful sort but disappointing in last 2, most recently sanctioned in a 3000m Marseille-Borély Class C on 26 April, and others easier to back

8. KASH DES RIOULTS - Quality element but has not been seen out since finishing 6th of 13 in a 2850m Vincennes Class C last September and is not going to be given a hard race

9. KILIM QUICK - Progressive type starting for the first time since coming 2nd of 15 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D early-November and is sure to need a conditioner

10. KING OF DAY - Put on a decent show to come 4th of 11 in a 2700m Vincennes Class E on 19 April. Similarly-shod here and will be competitive for a spot in the mix at the business end of affairs

11. KAPLA DEVOL - Makes his first appearance since trotting 5th of 9 in a 2900m Amiens Class B late-October and is not about to shake things up

12. KANSAS QUICK - Won 2 on the trot, including over 2600m here, before briefly faulting and coming last of 11 in a 3000m Nantes Class E 3 weeks ago. Will be expected to bounce back though and set the record straight

13. KINGSTON DU BOURG - Oddly lacklustre 7th of 12 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D on 26 April but is clearly better than that. Modified shoeing this time and can put things right

14. KENAVO - Quality individual that secured his hat-trick in a 2800m Tours Class E on 12 May. Shod as he was at Lignières and, while not a first priority, still represents a respectable place prospect

Summary: After winning 4 of his last 5, KANSAS QUICK (12) blundered at Nantes last time out; he steps marginally up in category but still has claims on the trophy. KORINTO BELLO (5) is another serious future prospect and his hat-trick bid will not be made in vain. Well-entered at the limit of earnings, KENAVO (14) takes on a tough bunch this time but after 3 straight victories, is very hard to ignore. KINGSTON DU BOURG (13) should not be too hastily judged for his Vincennes blip and the new configuration may be just the ticket to his redemption.

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KANSAS QUICK (12) - KORINTO BELLO (5) - KENAVO (14) - KINGSTON DU BOURG (13)

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C8 - PRIX SEPAL - 2875m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. LETS GO UP** - Yet to show much aptitude for the discipline, most recently sanctioned in a 2875m Enghien Class D on Saturday, and even with Mathieu Mottier reining, will have few friends
- 2. L'AZIMUT DU CEBE** - Finished a respectable 5th of 10, behind LEBARON D'OURVILLE (4), in a 2800m Cholet Class F mid-month but, in this company, will need to find more
- 3. LYNX DU RIB** - Finished 2nd at Lisieux mid-April before trotting 6th of 12 finishers in a 2850m Laval Class E on 25 April. Moves marginally up in category and is unlikely to spring any surprises
- 4. LEBARON D'OURVILLE** - Yet to get off the mark but showed improvement when 3rd of 10 in a 2800m Cholet Class F mid-month, but insufficient to be considered a priority
- 5. L'EXPERT** - Pleasant winner on debut, 12 May, in a 2800m Tours Class F. On a hard surface this time and will be expected to apply pressure on L'AMOUR D'ETANG (10)
- 6. LANCIER DU GOUTIER** - Opened his account at the first time of asking, early-April, winning at Rambouillet. Faulted next time, after a false start, in a 2450m Caen Class E 3 weeks later, but should prove more competitive this time
- 7. LEON DE L'AUNAY** - Hard to fault since last month's debut, most recently 3rd of 8 in a 2850m Laval Class E on 2 May. Would have finished closer had he not faulted but can set the record straight and finish close
- 8. LUTIN DE REUX** - Scored at Cholet on debut in early-March but lacklustre 5th of 8 in a 2450m Caen Class E a fortnight later. Unseen since and even racing shod for the occasion, can make the first 5
- 9. L'ARGENTIER** - Won on debut at Angers before faulting, losing all chance, when 5th of 8 in a 2850m Laval Class E on 2 May, but is a colt with considerable untapped potential and David Thomain will be out to make amends
- 10. L'AMOUR D'ETANG** - Qualified nicely here last autumn and duly delivered first time out, winning a Class F over course and distance, with ease, 2 weeks ago, and must once again be considered a leading contender

Summary: A host of serious colts and geldings here but L'AMOUR D'ETANG (10) nevertheless gets the nod considering how well he comported himself here first time out. Damien Bonne can expect to encounter opposition from L'EXPERT (5) who moves over from turf with a good hand to play, and LEON DE L'AUNAY (7) who is close to opening his account. L'ARGENTIER (9) has a good future ahead of him and should logically make up for his recent Laval fault.

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L'AMOUR D'ETANG (10) - L'EXPERT (5) - LEON DE L'AUNAY (7) - L'ARGENTIER (9)