

FRIDAY, 11/10/24

C1 - PRIX LUCINA - 2850m (a2m) - Class C Race - Harness - EUR € 53,000

- 1. JAMAICA BROWN** - Unraced since winning a 2700m Class C here last January. Shoes on and no threat
- 2. JOTUNN DU DOME** - Sanctioned in last 2, most recently a 2725m Pornichet Class D 3 weeks ago. Has never failed to deliver here, showed last time he was clearly in form, and must be respected
- 3. JOYCE DES GRANGES** - Oddly out of sorts when last but one in a 2700m Class C here on 22 September. Is confirmed over 2850m on main track though and should not be entirely written off
- 4. JAGUAR BOURBON** - Unbeaten in 3 since starting to race barefoot. Won a 2150m Enghien Class D across town 2 months ago but sports pads for the occasion and best to hold off
- 5. JASMIN DHELPA** - Made up for Vincennes sanction when comfortably winning a 2950m Toulouse Class C a fortnight ago. Has placed just once in 5 here and, in this category of race, will have too much to do
- 6. JUDICIEUX** - Reassuring 2nd of 13 finishers in a 2725m Pornichet Class D 3 weeks ago. Competitively-shod on this occasion, with Benjamin Rochard reining, and is not about to go home empty-handed
- 7. JODANNE DIESCHOOT** - 3rd of 14 in a Class D over track and trip a week ago. Has been knocking at the door since late-July but, in this company, will find the going tough
- 8. JALDO D'OCQUE** - 8th of 13 in a 2825m Class B at Le Croisé-Laroche late last month and again appears to be biting off too much
- 9. JALENDRA DE MALAC** - Flew up in a 2100m Class D here 3 weeks ago, on first start for new trainer. Raffin in the bike again and will take all the beating
- 10. JACK DES MALBERAUX** - 5th of 9 in a 3000m Châteaubriant Class D on 8 September. Pads fitted this time though and can be passed over
- 11. JETPACK** - 2nd of 10 in a Class D over course and distance 2 weeks ago. Goes well for Franck Nivard and should figure prominently if he keeps his charge trotting
- 12. JEREMY D'AS** - Encountered no opposition en route to victory in a Class D over course and distance early-September. In better company this time but still looks a serious proposition
- 13. JAGUAR DU FAN** - Came close to opening his Vincennes account when headed in a 2100m Class D here late-August. Is comfortable over 2850m and given his form, it is very easy to make a case
- 14. JETIDA** - Should not be too hastily-judged for coming 10th of 13 in a 2700m Class C here on 22 September. Will be fully-fit by now, has twice imposed at the venue, and is unlikely to be far from the action
- 15. JOLI MANNEQUIN** - Pleased at Vittel before running 9th of 11 in a 2700m Class C here 3 weeks ago. Benefits from a fine entry and Léo Abrivard will be keen to capitalise. Minor place chance
- 16. JOIA DU CITRUS** - Serious mare but has not been seen out since coming 8th of 10 in a 2100m Class C here last April, and will need the run

Summary: A tough nut to crack when barefoot and focused, JALENDRA DE MALAC (9) won a mares-only event over shorter here last month, with utter superiority, and should have the measure of the males too this time. JEREMY D'AS (12), however, is a model of consistency, won over track and trip last time out, and will similarly have his chances. Just as reliably-performant, JAGUAR DU FAN (13) has all the ingredients necessary to make a big splash, and it is worth throwing the complicated but capable JOTUNN DU DOME (2) into the mix.

SELECTIONS

JALENDRA DE MALAC (9) - JEREMY D'AS (12) - JAGUAR DU FAN (13) - JOTUNN DU DOME (2)

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C2 - PRIX HERA - 2850m (a2m) - Class C Race - Harness - EUR € 68,000

- 1. HELEN DES OUBEAUX** - Makes first appearance since finishing last of 15 in a 2850m Carentan Class F on 28 July. Shoes on and no threat
- 2. GALION DES PRES** - Put a host of blunders behind him to win a 2850m Parilly Class E last Sunday. Has no love for Vincennes however and others preferred
- 3. HOLLYWOOD NIGHT** - Last of 12, behind GIPSY DE CHAMANT (9), in a 2750m Class D at La Capelle 2.5 weeks ago, and will have nothing to offer
- 4. HEAVEN STAR** - Hardy sort that ran a solid 2nd of 12 in a 2725m Graignes Class E on 2 September but goes shod this time and best to hold off
- 5. GRANDE SOIREE** - Complicated mare that finished a modest 8th of 12 in a Class D over course and distance 12 days ago. Starts in front, with Mathieu Mottier reining, and is not to be overlooked
- 6. GLOUGLOU D'EMI** - Failed to confirm his Dieppe performance when sanctioned in a 3225m Vitré Class E last weekend and is unlikely to rock the boat
- 7. HEADSCOTT** - Fine campaigner that ran good 2nd to a fine horse in a Class C over course and distance on 22 September and, in similar shape, can wrap this up
- 8. HUBBLE DU VIVIER** - 8th of 13, behind HORATIUS D'ELA (10), in a 2600m Cherbourg Gr.3 on 25 September. Will be at peak fitness and expected to play an active role
- 9. GIPSY DE CHAMANT** - In the frame in 3 of last 4, most recently 3rd of 12 in a 2750m Class D at La Capelle 2.5 weeks ago. Races barefoot this time and is unlikely to disappoint
- 10. HORATIUS D'ELA** - Pleasant 4th of 13 in a 2600m Cherbourg Gr.3 on 25 September. Consistently in thick of things when focused and looks a solid first-5 prospect
- 11. HARRY CARISAIE** - Sanctioned in a 2700m Class B conditioner here a week ago. Reunited with his driver of choice and success is not beyond his reach
- 12. HAVE SEVEN** - Impressed under the saddle before coming 13th of 15 when prepping for this in a 2500m Craon Class B 2.5 weeks ago. Shoes off this time and looks main danger to HEADSCOTT (7)
- 13. FEE LUCERNAISE** - Encouraged at Craon before running 7th of 13 in a 2700m Class B here a week ago and, from the back line, is unlikely to shake things up

Summary: Second only to a very good horse here recently, HEADSCOTT (7) has solid credentials under these conditions and, even from the 2nd line, still looks the one to beat. Barefoot for the occasion, HAVE SEVEN (12) may not be everyone's cup of tea but he showed his form here last month and, considering the entry, Nicolas Bazire is unlikely to let the opportunity pass him by. HARRY CARISAIE (11) simply excels with Eric Raffin and, shod to preference, has legitimate claims on a podium-place. HUBBLE DU VIVIER (8) has 2 races under his belt, sports front pads, and 3 times a runner-up over 2850m on the main track, will not be far off the mark.

SELECTIONS

HEADSCOTT (7) - HAVE SEVEN (12) - HARRY CARISAIE (11) - HUBBLE DU VIVIER (8)

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C3 - PRIX INGEBORG - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 49,000

- 1. ADAMO DIPA** - 8th of 15 in a Class E over course and distance on 31 August. Races barefoot for first time but still seems to be taking on too much
- 2. LUCKY GUY BOKO** - Made it 2 straight successes when victorious in a 2575m Agen Class F mid-September. Has never disappointed at the venue and has a reasonable chance of winning this
- 3. ILLUSION D'AMOUR** - Enjoying a good run of form, latterly 2nd of 11 in a 2650m Class F at Les Sables-d'Olonne on 6 September. Reverts to a previous configuration and with Franck Nivard reining, will be afforded every chance
- 4. COLBERT WF** - Makes first appearance since finishing 10th of 13 in a 2150m Enghien Class F on 31 July. Has obvious merit but has been let go by Raffin; the draw, however, will do his prospects no disservice
- 5. GLAMOUR YOMA** - Runner-up at Castillonès before finishing a one-paced 7th of 13 in a Class E over course and distance a week ago, and has no possible chance
- 6. ILIADE (SWE)** - Unraced since coming 4th of 13 in a 2150m Enghien Class F late-July. Is reunited with Alexandre Abrivard, has been handed a good draw, and if fully-fit can impose
- 7. HARBOUR D'ORGERES** - Sanctioned in 3 of last 4, latterly a 2875m Class D at Meslay-du-Maine 9 days ago, and can expect to have few friends
- 8. HIATUS** - 4th of 16 in a 2150m Enghien Class E late-September. Won a claimer under these conditions last month but in this category will have little to contribute
- 9. APOCALYPTO** - Makes Vincennes debut after running 5th of 7 over a mile in Naples 2.5 weeks ago. Handed a poor draw but with JMB in the bike, should not be underestimated
- 10. ONE LOVE BIANCA** - 2nd of 5 over 2840m at Mons 3 weeks ago. Set her personal-best time running 2nd under these conditions during the spring and, although not-ideally-drawn, can still figure prominently
- 11. IMAGE D'ATALANTE** - Pleasant but surprising 5th of 12, behind GLAMOUR YOMA (5), in a Class E under these conditions on 26 August. Takes on a serious lot this time and chances slim at best
- 12. BRAVEHEART GRIF** - Has taken well to French conditions, most recently coming 4th of 10 in a Class D here on 22 September. Eric Raffin at the helm again and, will not be far off the mark if he successfully navigates the start
- 13. KADABRA DREAM** - Takes first competitive French steps after running 7th of 8 on comeback over 1640m in Åby early last month. Still looks a race shy and others preferred
- 14. OBLIVION** - Like a horse reborn after returning to racing barefoot, most recently dominating a 2150m Enghien Class D 11 days ago. Yoann Lebourgeois takes over the reins and will not be available at 25/1 this time. Chance

Summary: Tough Swedish mare, ILIADE (SWE) (6) may not have been seen out since late-July but she is barefoot for her comeback, has never disappointed under these conditions, and is well-placed to win this. Alexandre Abrivard will nevertheless be keeping a watchful eye on his mare's compatriot, LUCKY GUY BOKO (2), who returns to Paris on a hat-trick, and recent Enghien winner, OBLIVION (14), who still looks dangerous despite the draw. Entrusted to Paul Ploquin for the first time, the on-form ONE LOVE BIANCA (10) is proven over course and distance, and sports a fresh configuration for the occasion.

SELECTIONS

ILIADE (SWE) (6) - LUCKY GUY BOKO (2) - OBLIVION (14) - ONE LOVE BIANCA (10)

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C4 - U.E.T ELITE CIRCUIT FINALE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Gr1 Race - Harness - EUR € 500,000

1. AMPIA MEDE SM - Runner-up at La Capelle before finishing 2nd to GO ON BOY (2) in 2840m Grand Prix de Wallonie at Mons 3 weeks ago. Is clearly close to her race and is not out of the picture

2. GO ON BOY - Has not put a foot wrong since the spring, latterly beating 5 others here in the 2840m Gr.1 Grand Prix de Wallonie at Mons 3 weeks ago, and is not incapable of denying IDAO DE TILLARD (3) once more

3. IDAO DE TILLARD - Won over 1800m at La Capelle before being denied a run, finishing 3rd to GO ON BOY (2) in 2840m Grand Prix de Wallonie 3 weeks ago. Shod differently this time and Clément Duvaldestin will be eager to put things right

4. BORUPS VICTORY - Won a brace of nordic Gr.1 races before coming 3rd of 8 in Gr.1 2140m Sundsvall Open Trot at Bergsåker on 24 August. Is new to the venue but has remarkable speed and, given the chance, can put it to good use

5. ELVIS DU VALLON - Competitively-shod this time after finishing 6th to GO ON BOY (2) in 2840m Grand Prix de Wallonie at Mons 3 weeks ago. Has a lot of ground to make up though and will have little to contribute

6. GANAY DE BANVILLE - Left a good impression at La Capelle before finishing 7th of 10 in race of reference and once again appears to have his work cut out

7. EMERAUDE DE BAIS - Can prove a handful, latterly sanctioned in a 2600m Cherbourg Gr.3 on 25 September, but is clearly at the top of her game and, barefoot again, must be respected

8. INMAROSA - Surprise 4th in Argentan Gr.2 over a mile before trailing in last but one in an 1800m Gr.2 at La Capelle on 4 September, and is not about to influence the outcome

9. ORACLE TILE - Blows hot and cold but boasts a solid Vincennes record. Below-par however when 8th of 11 over 2640m at Åby 2 weeks ago and will need to find more

10. VIVID WISE AS - Failed to confirm his Prix René Ballière performance when last of 9, to BORUPS VICTORY (4), in 1609m Gr.1 Hugo Åbergs at Jägersro late-July. Matthieu Abrivard reining this time and can get a look-in if he keeps his charge focused

11. BANDERAS BI - Takes first steps in France off the back of a pair of good wins, most recently a valuable mile race at Syracuse a fortnight ago. On back line and, while not a contender, should at least hold his own

12. FRANCESCO ZET - Classy Swedish trotter that has won 25/30, most recently Gr.1 2140m Sundsvall Open Trot at Bergsåker on 24 August. Thrives over these distances and has a dominant role to play if he takes to Vincennes conditions

13. HOOKER BERRY - Started to get back in the game when 4th in GP de Wallonie 3 weeks ago, but a repeat performance is unlikely to materialise

Summary: Simply remarkable over any distance, and shod as he was at La Capelle, IDAO DE TILLARD (3) was very unlucky in the Gr.1 Grand Prix de Wallonie last month and will be expected to exact revenge on the excellent sprinter GO ON BOY (2) who is barefoot for the occasion. Admittedly less well-positioned Swedish phenomenon, FRANCESCO ZET (12), won the Gr.1 Sundsvall Open Trot last time out and his driver knows Vincennes well. AMPIA MEDE SM (1) has sharpened up her game since moving yards and, 3rd at Mons, is unlikely to go down easily.

SELECTIONS

IDAO DE TILLARD (3) - GO ON BOY (2) - FRANCESCO ZET (12) - AMPIA MEDE SM (1)

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C5 - PRIX THERESIA - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 41,000

- 1. ILLICO DE BUSSET** - 10th of 14 in a 2625m Cherbourg Class E on 25 September. Has previously won under these conditions and the Eric Raffin-factor must be taken into account
- 2. INDICE DU CAIEU** - Showed improvement when 3rd of 12 in a 2850m monté Class D here 3 weeks ago. Has other priorities though and not a contender
- 3. ISSI TOP** - Disappointing in last 2, most recently last of 13 in a 2750m Class E at La Capelle 2.5 weeks ago, and has no possible chance
- 4. IGGY DU LOISIR** - Fell at Mansle but made amends 3 weeks ago when 2nd of 13 in a 2725m Pornichet Class F. Yoann Lebourgeois gets the nod this time and looks main threat to ILTON DE BELLANDE (5)
- 5. ILTON DE BELLANDE** - Runner-up in 4 of his last 5, missing out by little in a 2850m Class E here on 22 September. Has been going close all season and deserves to have his day in the sun
- 6. ICARE FILE** - 3rd of 12 in a 2300m Marseille-Borély Class E 9 days ago. Is plainly close to his race, gets David Thomain for the occasion, and the draw will only work in their favour
- 7. IVAN DE L'ERDRE** - 5th of 11 in a 2775m Class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne 3 weeks ago, but has otherwise been in fine condition. Is proven over these shorter trips and even though breaking wide, still looks a decent first-5 prospect
- 8. INEDIT DU PAVILLON** - Got a resounding thumbs-up for running 2nd of 11 in a 2850m Laval Class E 3.5 weeks ago. Races barefoot this time but still has a lot more to find
- 9. INFERNO POURPRE** - Consistently average all summer, latterly 6th of 14 in a 2625m Cherbourg Class E on 25 September. Handed a tough draw and cannot be considered a priority
- 10. INDY DE LA FYE** - 2nd of 11 in a 2800m Moulins Class F mid-September. Is plainly in excellent shape but neither the draw nor the opposition will do him any favours
- 11. I LOVE IGNY** - Last but one, on 2nd start back, in a 2700m Class E here a week ago. Disregard
- 12. INCISIF VAUCEEN** - Has 2 races under his belt, most recently 7th of 15 in a 2800m Cholet Class F 12 days ago. Is better than his 2024 numbers would suggest and could find himself challenging for a spot in the mix

Summary: Ideally-positioned behind the car, and eye-catching here last time out, ILTON DE BELLANDE (5) will be reunited with Matthieu Abrivard and can finally secure that first success of 2024. He will be opposed though by the similarly well-placed IGGY DU LOISIR (4) who reassured last time out, and the Vincennes-loving ILLICO DE BUSSET (1) who is barefoot for the occasion, with Eric Raffin in the bike. The dependable ICARE FILE (6) has been going well in the south and, shod to preference, is very hard to ignore.

SELECTIONS

ILTON DE BELLANDE (5) - IGGY DU LOISIR (4) - ILLICO DE BUSSET (1) - ICARE FILE (6)

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C6 - GRAND PRIX DE L'U.E.T. - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Gr1 Race - Harness - EUR € 400,000

- 1. KALATTINE** - Won 21 of 21 in Switzerland before coming tight 2nd to KRACK TIME ATOUT (3) in a 2100m Class A UET qualifier here 2 weeks ago. Has earned the right to race at this level and even from the inside, can figure prominently
- 2. KUIPER** - Won 3 of last 4, latterly [surprisingly] beating FAME AND GLORY(SE) (7) in 2140m UET qualifier at Åby 2 weeks ago. Unlikely to repeat but should nevertheless give an honest account
- 3. KRACK TIME ATOUT** - Gr.1-winning colt that headed KALATTINE (1) in a 2100m Class A UET qualifier here 2 weeks ago. Starts from the 3-spot and, with form maintained, can play a dominant role
- 4. EAST ASIA** - Won 3 at home in Italy before making short work of a Class A UET qualifier over course and distance 2 weeks ago, and is ideally-placed to win this
- 5. EPIC KRONOS** - Met little opposition winning his 2140m UET qualifier at Åby 2 weeks ago. Enjoys a good spot behind the car and has a realistic chance of getting his nose in front
- 6. JUSTLIKE HEAVEN(N)** - Ultra-consistent colt that ran 2nd to EPIC KRONOS (5) in a 2140m UET qualifier at Åby 2 weeks ago. Takes on an exceptional lot this time though and, even racing barefoot, represents no more than a minor place chance
- 7. FAME AND GLORY(SE)** - Came close to the 4-timer when 2nd to KUIPER (2) in 2140m UET qualifier at Åby 2 weeks ago. Breaks in front and can make a big impact if he takes to Vincennes profile
- 8. KOCTEL DU DAIN** - Runner-up in Gr.1 Critérium des 4 Ans before finishing 3rd to EAST ASIA (4) in a Class A UET qualifier over course and distance 2 weeks ago. Is proven with just front pads fitted and despite the draw can get in on the action
- 9. KAVIARISSIME** - Respectable 4th to KRACK TIME ATOUT (3) in a 2100m Class A UET qualifier here 2 weeks ago. Has been handed a tough draw but with his trainer back in the bike will be assured every chance
- 10. KAPORAL DES FORGES** - Beaten 2nd of 6 to EAST ASIA (4) in a Class A UET qualifier over course and distance 2 weeks ago. Has never delivered when barefoot though and the draw only compounds matters
- 11. KIARA DE VANDEL** - Got back in the game when 3rd to KRACK TIME ATOUT (3) in a 2100m Class A UET qualifier here 2 weeks ago, but is unlikely to repeat
- 12. POWWOW** - 3rd to EPIC KRONOS (5) in a 2140m UET qualifier at Åby 2 weeks ago. On back line here and seems to have a mountain to climb

Summary: Like a horse reborn over the summer, EAST ASIA (4) returned to Paris a fortnight ago only to thrash a good field, and looks a marginally better pick than Vincennes debutante, but in-form, FAME AND GLORY(SE) (7) who is barefoot for his Parisian bow. Compatriot EPIC KRONOS (5) has not put a foot wrong all year and his latest performance augurs well for his chances. Winner over track and trip recently, KRACK TIME ATOUT (3) returns to the venue with morale restored and will not go down without a fight.

SELECTIONS

EAST ASIA (4) - FAME AND GLORY(SE) (7) - EPIC KRONOS (5) - KRACK TIME ATOUT (3)

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**C7 - PRIX EDMOND HENRY - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Gr2 Race - Mounted - EUR
€ 120,000**

- 1. JONQUILLETE CREPIN** - Tricky character that finished valiant 2nd of 10 in a 2850m harness Class E here 2 weeks ago. Won 1 and sanctioned twice in 3 monté starts, and others easier to back
- 2. JEZABELLE BIE** - Reassuring 2nd of 10 in a Class D over course and distance 2.5 weeks ago, but at this level will have her work cut out
- 3. JUSTESS VIKING** - Honest sort that ran 5th of 16 in a 2800m Rambouillet harness Class B last Sunday. Is proven at Vincennes but in this exalted company will have little to contribute
- 4. JADE DU CEDRE** - Has not been seen out since finishing 5th of 6 in a 2850m Gr.2 here late-April. Barefoot for comeback but others still preferred
- 5. JUNE** - Sanctioned in last 3, latterly a 2700m Class B here a week ago. Has bags of ability and, if behaved, can challenge for a step on the podium
- 6. JULIANA DE RETZ** - 9th of 16, behind JUSTESS VIKING (3), in a 2800m Rambouillet harness Class B last Sunday. Goes barefoot for monté return and is not incapable of making first 5
- 7. JOUMBA DE GUEZ** - Seldom seen under the saddle but seldom disappoints either. Sanctioned when being prepared for this in 3000m Gr.1 Critérium des 5 Ans mid-September but, back under Eric Raffin, will be no soft touch
- 8. JEROBOAM D'ERABLE** - High-class trotter that ran 6th of 7 in a 2850m harness Gr.3 here, when being conditioned for this, 2.5 weeks ago. Damien Bonne on board this time and should have this in the bag
- 9. JOYNER SPORT** - Last of 15 when prepping for this in 3000m Gr.1 Critérium des 5 Ans mid-September. Has decent monté references here and, hind shoes off this time, can play a leading role

Summary: In the space of 2 months earlier in the year, JEROBOAM D'ERABLE (8) secured a pair of Gr.2's and the Gr.1 Prix de Normandie; he has 2 races under his belt since the spell and, shod to preference, can get straight down to business. Already a Gr.1 monté winner for Eric Raffin, JOUMBA DE GUEZ (7) returns to the discipline with just hind shoes off and, if applied, can give Clément Thomain's horse something to think about. JUNE (5) has struggled with stride woes lately but has solid Vincennes references and will be no easy touch if Mathieu Mottier keeps her trotting.

SELECTIONS

JEROBOAM D'ERABLE (8) - JOUMBA DE GUEZ (7) - JUNE (5) - JOYNER SPORT (9)

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C8 - PRIX PAULINA - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class B Race - Harness - EUR € 52,000

1. **LAVANDE DE ROCHE** - 3rd of 11, a place behind LAGUNE (4), in a Class C over track and trip on 19 September. Forced to start on the inside but has already won over the distance and can give LAGUNE (4) a run for her money
2. **LOOK MESLOIS** - Complicated colt that was sanctioned, on re-entry, in a 2700m Class B here on 22 September. Is never far from faulting but has had time to recalibrate and will be dangerous if he deigns to stay in stride
3. **LAMATTA** - Produced her best main-track performance 2 weeks ago, coming 4th of 10 in a 2700m Class B, but a repeat seems improbable
4. **LAGUNE** - Made up for Enghien sanction when 2nd of 11 in a Class C over track and trip on 19 September, and a similar performance would see her bring home the bacon this time
5. **LOUISIANE KAT** - Sanctioned early in a 2700m Class B here 2 weeks ago. Is a horse made for 2850m though and, if focused, will have her chances
6. **FIDELIS DANCE** - 9th of 11 in a 2700m Class A here on 7 September. Is back at a more suitable level and must be taken seriously
7. **FOLLETOCAR** - All-or-nothing for this colt. Sanctioned 3 weeks ago over 2100m in Rome but can play a small role if Björn Goop keeps him trotting
8. **LOVELY KOOL** - Steps back up in class after coming 4th of 12 in a 2100m claimer here 10 days ago, but is not about to influence the result
9. **OLIVIA W BOKO** - Has not been seen out since finishing last but one in a valuable Jägersro event over 1640m late-July. Is clearly a talented filly and with the help of Eric Raffin, will be no easy touch
10. **FUNKY ROC** - 8th of 11 over 2100m in Rome 3 weeks ago. Has merit but has yet to deliver at Vincennes and a minor place prospect at best
11. **LOUISIANE MAGNY** - Sent for a break after running 2nd to LOUISIANE KAT (5) in a Class D over course and distance last June. Unseen since and will need the outing
12. **LIBRE PENSEUR MEEK** - Reassured mid-September before being sanctioned, when full of running, in a 2100m Class C here last week. Is no slouch when focused and, despite the draw, merits a certain respect
13. **LILY ROSE** - Quality filly starting for first time since coming 2nd of 10 in a 2700m Class C here late-May, and best to wait
14. **SHOW DE LA FUTAIE** - Makes French debut on back of a fine 2300m success at Mons 3 weeks ago. Hind pads fitted for the occasion but, in this category, will struggle to make her mark
15. **LORENZO DE CHENU** - Good future prospect making first appearance since winning a 2700m Class C here mid-May and is not about to shake things up
16. **QUEEN OF PARIS** - Has not been seen out since finishing last but one over 2140m at Hagmyren on 21 June, and will have few takers

Summary: Very hard to fault since late-spring, LAGUNE (4) came close to opening her metropolitan account in a similar event here 3 weeks ago and, from the 4-spot, has every chance of imposing this time. LAVANDE DE ROCHE (1) finished closest to her that day and despite an unappealing draw, she sports a new configuration and looks the main danger. FIDELIS DANCE (6) takes a step down in class and will be competitive for a place in the frame. The talented LOUISIANE KAT (5) has endured some stride woes recently but can play a prominent role if Robin Lamy gets her off on the right foot.

SELECTIONS

LAGUNE (4) - LAVANDE DE ROCHE (1) - FIDELIS DANCE (6) - LOUISIANE KAT (5)

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C9 - PRIX GORDONIA - 2850m (a2m) - Gr3 Race - Mounted - EUR € 90,000

- 1. GUINNESS D'HERFRAIE** - 4th behind EXTREME DESBOIS (3) in 22 September race of reference. Will have progressed for the run but is taking on too much this time around
- 2. FIASCHETTO** - Last of 9, on first start since the layoff, in a 2600m Cherbourg Class A on 25 September, and has no realistic chance
- 3. EXTREME DESBOIS** - Won 3 of last 4 races he has finished, latterly 2nd of 8 in 2850m Gr.1 Prix Georges Dreux on 22 September and, if applied, can go one better this time
- 4. IN LOVE DU CHOQUEL** - Remarkably consistent this year, most recently running 2nd to EXTREME DESBOIS (3) in 2875m Gr.2 at Enghien 2 months ago. Has freshness on his side and, excellent under these conditions this season, must be respected
- 5. FIFTY FIVE BOND** - Placed at Cagnes before trotting 5th of 8, under harness, over 2350m at Avenches mid-September. Has decent Vincennes references but others still preferred
- 6. HARLEM DE BUCY** - Debuted nicely under the saddle on 24 August, coming runner-up to EXTREME DESBOIS (3) here late-August. Finished 6th of 12 in a 2875m Gr.3 at Meslay-du-Maine 9 days ago and looks to have a good hand to play
- 7. INES DES RIOULTS** - 10th of 12, on return to competition, in a 2850m Parilly Gr.3 on 18 September. Sports 4 pads this time but still not an obvious choice
- 8. GRANIT MESLOIS** - 5th of 7, behind EXTREME DESBOIS (3), in 2850m Gr.1 Prix Georges Dreux on 22 September. Is considerably better than that though and has a good opportunity to redeem himself
- 9. GRACE DU DIGEON** - Back under the saddle after coming 2nd of 13 in a 2600m Cherbourg harness Gr.3 on 25 September. Has little experience in the code, unlike her jockey, who will be expected to guide him into the mix
- 10. FILWELL** - Game trotter that finished 3rd, a place behind EXTREME DESBOIS (3), in 2850m Gr.1 Prix Georges Dreux on 22 September. Current title-holder, and Camille Levesque will be legitimately out for revenge. Claim

Summary: Winner of this race 12 months ago, and nicely-engaged here, FILWELL (10) will attempt to turn the tables on this year's monté revelation, EXTREME DESBOIS (3) who finished close in the Gr.2 Prix Camille Lepecq, only to be disqualified. Runner-up to Benjamin Goetz's veteran here late-August, HARLEM DE BUCY (6) makes just her 2nd public appearance under the saddle, with hind shoes off, and is not one to be underestimated. Justifiably well-regarded at home, GRACE DU DIGEON (9) showed her form under harness last time out and returns to the monté discipline with a good hand to play.

SELECTIONS

FILWELL (10) - EXTREME DESBOIS (3) - HARLEM DE BUCY (6) - GRACE DU DIGEON (9)