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R4 VINCENNES [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE MAMERS - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class C Race - Harness - EUR
€ 46,000**

1. LOUP SOLITAIRE - Confirmed/built on the improvement of his previous outing (2nd) at Pontchâteau by winning at Cordemais over 2650m on 21 April

2. LOWENDAL - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials, which include finishing 3rd twice and 2nd once in 4 starts last year. Didn't go unnoticed when 4th on his reappearance over 2825m at Cordemais on 24 April

3. LIVANTO KALOUMA - Won debut at Mauquenchy in February and confirmed that promise by following up at Pontchâteau in March. Lost his unbeaten record when disqualified in his 2850m Vincennes introduction on 9 April - could redeem himself

4. LUPIN DE LA VALLEE - Consistent, albeit without success, in this category last year and finished 2nd in his first start under the saddle. Reverts to the harness code disqualifications in both mounted races/comeback outings this year - the latest over track and trip on 1 February

5. LITTLE BLACK MO - Delicate colt, disqualified in three of his six outings but has acquitted himself well/competitively when remaining wise - confirmed as much by winning over 2450m at Caen on 27 April. Dark horse

6. LITTLE DAIDOU - Exciting, undefeated colt who backed up his 2750m debut success at La Capelle in March by winning over 2850m at Mauquenchy on 4 April. His limits are unknown

7. LUBIN SECRET - Consistent performer who has finished both 2nd and 3rd twice in four starts. Caught the eye when 3rd over 2200m at this venue on 16 April

8. LEOLIO - Wasn't beaten far when finishing 7th over 2875m at Enghien on 20 April when trying this shoeing configuration for the first time. Outsider

9. LITTLE TWO - Consistent, well-related colt whose full-brother is the smart performer Kill Joy Lady. Has also revealed the means to play a leading role here - finished an encouraging 3rd in a similar contest over 2875m at Enghien on 20 April

10. LANSKY VALLEE - Well-related colt with sound references/form credentials, including a debut win at Bordeaux and a last-start 2nd at Tououse over 2325m on 12 April. Not taken lightly

11. LUDIVER DES VAUX - Has sparked improvement recently to finish 3rd in consecutive outings at this level - over 2850m at this venue last month and at Enghien over 2150m on 2 May. Dangerous to discount

Summary: Thierry Duvaldestin holds the aces in this opening event with LIVANTO KALOUMA (3), whose unbeaten record was ruined by a recent faux pas, and undefeated LITTLE DAIDOU (6) who has revealed considerable means in winning both starts. Preference, however, is for the former in whom the trainer retains faith. LANSKY VALLEE (10), one of several promising sorts in this three-year-old event, has also shown enough to be competitive on his Vincennes debut. LITTLE TWO (9) and LITTLE BLACK MO (5) have the form and experience to make their presence felt too. Good race!

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LIVANTO KALOUMA (3) - LITTLE DAIDOU (6) - LANSKY VALLEE (10) - LITTLE TWO (9)

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C2 - PRIX AMBROSIA - 2175m (a1m1/4) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 40,000

- 1. KIARHA DE NAPPES** - Has found her niche racing unshod, winning back-to-back 2800m races at Chartres recently - the latest on 14 April. Attractive outsider, even at this level
- 2. KALYPSO MI AMOR** - Honest performer with sound references - seldom finishes far off the mark and confirmed as much by finishing an improved/encouraging 2nd when tried this shoeing configuration (barefoot) over 2700m at this venue on 16 April
- 3. KARMEN DE MONTCEAU** - Inconsistent 17-start maiden who seldom finishes far off the mark but has no more than a place chance here after her last-start 9th over 2700m at this venue on 16 April
- 4. KISS ME TO LIVE** - Continues to blow hot and cold but proved she possesses the means/ability to be competitive in a race like this by winning at Angers over 2350m on 11 April. Dark horse
- 5. KEA DES RACQUES** - Fast-finishing filly whose favourable starting berth on the front row should stand her in good stead here. Sparked improvement when finishing 4th over 2700m at this venue on 23 April - not taken lightly
- 6. KAKUETA VEDAQUAISE** - Inconsistent but certainly capable of staking a claim here, if judged on her best references. Won a 2575m race at Agen in February and proved her form/well-being with a creditable 6th over 2625m at La Rochelle on 21 April
- 7. KOH SAMUI BOND** - Unreliable filly, though isn't incapable of getting into the picture here, despite her recent failure (disqualification) over 2700m at this venue on 23 April. Attractive outsider
- 8. KLASSICA DESBOIS** - Complicated filly but she did reveal considerable means last year, so could resurface in this shoeing configuration (barefoot) that she tries for the first time. Keep safe
- 9. KISS ME DE JEAN** - Made amends, after her Reims disqualification on 17 April, by winning over 2850m at Laval last time out (25 April). Ought to remain competitive without her irons
- 10. KEMILLA DE BRION** - Highly regarded filly with sufficient means to win a race of this nature. Would've featured prominently in the finish had she not gone off stride here last time over 2700m on 23 April - redemption awaits
- 11. KEENGAME** - Smart filly with undeniable quality but remains very delicate. Has won her last four completed outings, including a 2700m race Le Croisé-Laroche last time (25 March), although was disqualified in as many during that time (eight appearances)
- 12. KATARINA DE LOU** - Revealed considerable means in the provinces last year and confirmed that promise with a good 2nd in her debut at this course in April last year. Disqualified in both outings this year, though - the latest at Argentan on 15 April
- 13. KALINKA CASTELETS** - Disqualified in mounted races before and after her encouraging 4th over 2100m at this venue on 10 February. Has better references in this category, so ought to be competitive
- 14. KININE DE MONTCEAU** - Soundly beaten (unplaced) in five of her last eight appearances and was disqualified on the other three occasions. Hard to make a case for on the evidence of her last start (11th) over 2150m at Enghien on 18 April

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Summary: KEMILLA DE BRION (10) was challenging for a leading role at the time of her fault at this venue over 2700m last month and needs only to avoid disqualification to redeem herself here. KALINKA CASTELETS (13), who was disqualified in her latest outing under the saddle, is most effective in the harness category and has the means to fight for victory. Last-start winner KEENGAME (11), although probably better over further, and KLASSICA DESBOIS (8), of whom better is also expected after a much-needed comeback outing, complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

**KEMILLA DE BRION (10) - KALINKA CASTELETS (13) - KEENGAME (11) - KLASSICA
DESBOIS (8)**

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C3 - PRIX HERSILIA - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Mounted - EUR € 52,000

1. FAVORI JET - Soundly beaten in each of his last three starts, including both comeback appearances this year - the latest in this code over 2875m at Enghien on 18 April. Best watched for now

2. FENIX DU RABUTIN - Won a mounted race over 2675m at Châtillon-sur-Chalonne in May last year but hasn't looked the same since, finishing unplaced in all 8 subsequent outings - the latest in a 2600m harness race at Châlons on 28 April

3. GAMAY - Sparked improvement to finish a reassuring 3rd over 3200m at Fougères on 1 May in his second appearance after a lengthy layoff. Could have more to offer

4. HAILEY D'OURVILLE - Well-performed mare in the harness category and recently rediscovered her form in that code - finished 2nd over 2550m at Reims in a Quinte+ event non 17 April. Keep safe

5. FISH DE HOUELLE - Rejuvenated veteran who hasn't finished far off the mark in each of his last three outings in the harness category, the latest (5th) over 2725m at Graignes on 3 May. Lacks references under the saddle

6. HUIS CLOS (SWE) - Reliable trotter in this sphere and whose competitiveness under the saddle at this level has already been proven. Confirmed as much by finishing 4th over 2550m at Reims on 17 April

7. HARAGONAIS - Consistent veteran performer with sound references/form credentials under the saddle. Made no impression in 3 comeback outings in the harness code (the latest over 2800m at Rambouillet on 21 April) but will fare better here

8. GEVREY D'AUTHISE - Dependable veteran in the mounted category. Disqualified on his reappearance (15 April) over 2875m at Argentan but could have improved with the benefit of that much-needed comeback outing. Not taken lightly

9. GAVROCHE D'OMBLAIS - A model of consistency with sound references/form credentials in the mounted category at this level. Would have benefitted from a much-needed comeback outing (7th) over 2850m at Laval on 25 April - capable of doing better

Summary: HARAGONAIS (7) has been teed up for this return to his preferred discipline with three comeback outings in the harness category, and he should prove an entirely different proposition back under the saddle so seems the one to side with. HUIS CLOS (6) has performed encouragingly in consecutive recent appearances and is likely to pose a threat. GEVREY D'AUTHISE (8), despite his disqualification last time in his seasonal pipe-opener, showed enough last season to be competitive in a race of this nature. HAILEY D'OURVILLE (4) cannot be underestimated in her first start in the mounted category.

SELECTIONS

HARAGONAIS (7) - HUIS CLOS (SWE) (6) - GEVREY D'AUTHISE (8) - HAILEY D'OURVILLE (4)

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C4 - PRIX DE QUIBERON - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class B Race - Harness - EUR € 52,000

- 1. KRONO DU TRIO** - Showed early promise but has, largely, flattered to deceive. Finished an improved/encouraging 4th over track and trip last time but will need to confirm that progress to be competitive here
- 2. KUSAERI** - Inconsistent but isn't incapable of getting into the picture. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th over this track and trip on 13 April. Outsider
- 3. KENDO JIEL** - Last-start winner of a 2150m harness race at Enghien on 20 April. Ought to remain competitive with a repeat of that performance
- 4. KASSIDY KID** - Showed early promise in the provinces before an encouraging Vincennes introduction but has been off the boil for some time now. Finished 9th over 2850m on this course last time (28 February) - others preferred
- 5. KERALDO** - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials, including a creditable 6th over course and distance on 13 April. Not taken lightly
- 6. KRAKEN CASTELETS** - Honest colt with the undeniable means to stake a claim in a race of this nature. Seldom far off the mark and didn't go unnoticed when 6th over this track and trip on 26 April
- 7. KARMA** - Highly regarded colt who bounced back from a disappointing previous display with a last-start success over track and trip on 23 February. High on the shortlist
- 8. KALINOU QUICK** - Made a successful start for trainer-driver Romain Derieux, winning over 2100m at this venue on 22 March. Must be respected, even at this higher level
- 9. KATIM DU GOUTIER** - Consistent performer with sound references/form credentials - and in good company too. Has already proven his competitiveness at this level and confirmed as much with an encouraging 4th over track and trip on 26 April
- 10. KAISER RIVER** - Group performer as a three-year-old in 2023 but has looked a shadow of his former self in two comeback outings this year - the latest (disqualified) over this track and trip on 23 March. For another dau
- 11. KATAR** - Progressive sort who reeled off a hat-trick of wins to close out a fruitful 2023 campaign. Looked better than ever in winning on his reappearance over this course and distance on 13 April

Summary: It is hard to oppose thriving KATAR (11) who is at the top of his game after four consecutive race victories and capable of extending his winning sequence, especially after scoring on his reappearance over this course and distance last month. KARMA (7) should, however, keep the selection having regained freshness following his last-start success over track and trip in February. KALINOU QUICK (8), who is the third of four last-start winners in the race, deserves a shot at this level and ought to acquit himself competitively too. KATIM DU GOUTIER (9) completes the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

KATAR (11) - KARMA (7) - KALINOU QUICK (8) - KATIM DU GOUTIER (9)

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**C5 - PRIX NIOBE - 2175m (a1m1/4) - Class D Race - Mounted - EUR €
40,000**

- 1. KAISER GIBUS** - Soundly beaten in his last six completed outings (10 starts) and was disqualified on the other four occasions. Hard to make a case for
- 2. KYO FERFAY** - Has rediscovered his form/consistency recently, finishing 3rd in back-to-back outings including his latest at this venue over 2700m on 30 April. Dark horse
- 3. KETMAL** - Inconsistent but isn't incapable of getting into the picture in a race of this nature. Didn't go unnoticed when 5th in a mounted race over 2700m at this venue on 30 April
- 4. KARNA DES BAULTS** - Unexposed, lightly raced gelding with two wins and a recent 3rd Over 2200m at this venue on 9 April) from three completed races (five outings). Not taken lightly
- 5. KLASSIC FROMENTRO** - Has found his niche racing without irons and confirmed as much by winning over 2875m at Enghien on 8 March. Candidate for success
- 6. KALONEK DU MONT** - Inconsistent but isn't incapable of getting into the picture, if judged on his best references. Finished 9th at this venue over 2175m on 10 February - improvement needed
- 7. KING STALLION** - Delicate but proved he retains sufficient means with a reassuring last-start success over track and trip on 30 April. Can follow up
- 8. KROME** - Consistent performer under the saddle with sound references/form credentials to play a leading role, especially after an encouraging 3rd on his reappearance over 2875m at Enghien on 26 March. Keep safe

Summary: KING STALLION (7) was imperious when bouncing back to something of his best in winning over this course and distance a week ago, and is good value to follow up with another victory here on the evidence of that display. KLASSIC FROMENTRO (5) is most effective in this shoeing configuration(barefoot) so is capable of challenging for race honours, while KARNA DES BAULTS (4) also has the means to get involved if confirming the improvement of his last start. KROME (8) is another with legitimate ambitions to finish on the podium.

SELECTIONS

KING STALLION (7) - KLASSIC FROMENTRO (5) - KARNA DES BAULTS (4) - KROME (8)

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**C6 - PRIX ANAHITA - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class C Race - Harness - EUR €
46,000**

1. LADY BEAUTIFUL - Complicated filly disqualified in 4 of her last 7 appearances. Soundly beaten (10th) over 2150m at Enghien recently (2 May). Overlooked

2. LOLITA DE LA BUTTE - Seldom finishes far off the mark when avoiding disqualification but is rarely far from a fault. Didn't go unnoticed when 6th in a 2825m harness race at Cordemais on 24 April - more needed

3. LAVASINA - Debut winner at La Capelle in November and has confirmed that promise in each of her three subsequent starts, including an encouraging 2nd over 2350m at Angers on 11 April. Keep safe

4. LYRA DU METZ - Progressive filly who has won both/back-to-back outings in this shoeing configuration recently. Won a 2875m claimer at Enghien on 18 April

5. LUNABELLA D'OMAHA - Undefeated after victories at Lisieux on debut and at Caen over 2200m on 22 April. Makes an ambitious attempt to preserve her invincibility on her Vincennes debut

6. LOREZZA ERA - Consistent for the most part and boasts sound references/form credentials, including a last-start 2nd over 3000m at Marseille-Borely on 17 April. Outsider

7. LETTY DE BEYLEV - Delicate filly lacking wisdom but not ability. Disqualified over 2850m at this venue on 23 April but shouldn't be hastily condemned

8. LARIFLETTE - Bounced back from her previous failure (disqualification) to finish 2nd in a 2875m claimer at Enghien on 18 April. More needed here

9. LAURENE DE BAILLY - Seldom finishes far off the mark when avoiding disqualification but is rarely far from a fault. Finished a reassuring 5th over 2850m at this venue last time on 23 April

10. LA SPEZIA DE LOU - Talented filly with the undeniable means to fight for victory, having won once and finished 3rd three times in four completed outings (five starts). Has leading claims after an encouraging 3rd over 2200m at this venue on 16 April

Summary: It could pay to follow the progress of undefeated LUNABELLA D'OMAHA (5), whose victories at Lisieux and Caen last month were good enough to suggest that she could fight for victory on her Vincennes debut. She will, however, have to thwart the likely challenge of LA SPEZIA DE LOU (10) who has the form and experience to pose a threat. Enigmatic LETTY DE BEYLEV (7) is hard to trust but dangerous to discount, having already revealed sufficient quality to play a leading role in a race of this nature. Improving LAVASINA (3) appeals most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

**LUNABELLA D'OMAHA (5) - LA SPEZIA DE LOU (10) - LETTY DE BEYLEV (7) -
LAVASINA (3)**

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**C7 - PRIX FLORA - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class C Race - Mounted - EUR €
46,000**

1. LENOTRE DE HOUELLE - Well-related colt (full-brother to Be Mine De Houelle) who didn't go unnoticed when 6th on debut in a 2650m harness race at Alencon on 21 April. Open to improvement

2. L'APOGEE IMPERIAL - Runner-up on debut at Ecommoy and confirmed that promise by finishing 3rd on his Vincennes introduction over 2200m last month - blotted his copybook when disqualified over track and trip on 30 April, not hastily condemned

3. LORD CATH - Disqualified in consecutive outings before finishing an improved/encouraging 2nd in a mounted race over track and trip on 30 April. Confirmation awaited

4. LIGHTNING JIEL - Consistent performer in the harness category, albeit without success - seldom far off the mark, confirmed by his 6th over 2150m at Enghien on 2 May

5. LOTUS ZEN - Has placed just twice in nine appearances alternating between the two trotting disciplines. Has only a minor role to play here after finishing 8th in a 2875m harness race at Enghien on 20 April

6. LIONHEART - Unbeaten in two starts as a two-year-old last season. Lost his unbeaten record when 3rd over 2825m at Cordemais on 24 April but acquitted himself well enough - intriguing prospect under the saddle, could have more to offer

7. LABEL SPEED - Debut winner over track and trip in February but was disqualified in consecutive subsequent outings. Reassured, somewhat, by finishing 6th on this course on 23 April

8. LUSSABEAU - Seldom finishes far off the mark when avoiding disqualification but is rarely far from a fault. Finished a reassuring 5th in a 2875m claimer at Enghien on 18 April

Summary: LIONHEART (6) showed enough (form, ability, etc) in the harness category to suggest that he could be as - if not more - effective under the saddle, so it could pay to side with him making a winning debut in the mounted code. LORD CATH (3), runner-up over course and distance recently, is likely to fight for victory if confirming that improvement. L'APOGEE IMPERIAL (2) was at fault that day but showed promise in two previous outings, and could join the fight if bouncing back to the form of either earlier display. LENOTRE DE HOUELLE (1) is unexposed but ought to improve with the benefit of an introductory outing, so shouldn't be underestimated.

SELECTIONS

LIONHEART (6) - LORD CATH (3) - L'APOGEE IMPERIAL (2) - LENOTRE DE HOUELLE (1)

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C8 - PRIX ANTARES - 2850m (a2m) - Class G Amateur Drivers Race - Harness - EUR € 12,000

- 1. IDEAL DE FOURCADE** - Appears to have lost his way recently, having been disqualified in both outings this year - in 4 of his last 5 starts. Others preferred
- 2. HUNE DE CONDE** - Soundly beaten in her last three completed outings (six starts) and was disqualified in the other three starts. Hard to make a case for
- 3. HOMAYA DU BOCAGE** - Seldom finishes far off the mark but rarely wins her races (has only 3 victories from 56 starts). Finished a modest 9th on her reappearance over track and trip on 23 April
- 4. ISOLEE DU BOUILLON** - Finished 2nd in a similar contest over track and trip on 23 April so, on that evidence, has a good winning chance. One to beat
- 5. FILOU DE PAM** - Has rediscovered form and consistency recently and often performs well with Tom Vallette as his partner. Caught the eye when 3rd over 2800m at Pontchâteau on 31 March
- 6. ENRIQUE** - Well-performed veteran but has been unreliable/inconsistent recently. Could only finish 8th at Enghien on 2 May over 2875m - others preferred
- 7. ELCAPO** - Well-performed veteran but hardly inspires any confidence having been disqualified on his return over 3000m at Châteaubriant on 2 May. Best watched for now
- 8. GALAK DE LA CAVEE** - Finished a well-beaten 14th in a 2450m harness race at Caen on 22 April but raced shod on that occasion and will be presented without his irons for this commitment.
- 9. IMPACT PLAYER** - Rediscovered his form/consistency last year before a subsequent layoff and has references at a higher level. Absent since finishing 3rd over 2825m at Le Croisé-Laroche on 11 September
- 10. HILDA DU THYRAL** - Carefully prepared for her return to this level, having won a similar contest over 2875m at Enghien in March before finishing 7th at Le Croisé-Laroche over 2700m on 15 April

Summary: ISOLEE DU BOUILLON (4) finished 2nd in her first appearance in this category and seems ideally engaged to reconnect with success in a race/against opposition of this ilk. HILDA DU THYRAL (10) won at this level two starts back, so is likely to fight for victory, though the same could be said of veteran GALAK DE LA CAVEE (8), who ought to be more competitive without his shoes. FILOU DE PAM (5) can also make his presence felt.

SELECTIONS

ISOLEE DU BOUILLON (4) - HILDA DU THYRAL (10) - GALAK DE LA CAVEE (8) - FILOU DE PAM (5)