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## C1 - PRIX PRESIDENT PROFESSIONNEL - 2850m (a2m) - Class B - Harness - EUR € 30,000

- 1. MARINELLA VRIE** - Won 3 in a row before enduring traffic problems at Vincennes last month, but should take well to the Laval profile and has a lot to contribute. Chance
- 2. MY AMERICA** - No slouch on a good day but is better under the saddle and will have little to offer
- 3. MAGIC INSTINCT** - Capable element making first appearance since July and has little chance of making any impact
- 4. MAERLINE D'AVEL** - Honest filly that always gives her best. There is still a lot of progress in her but on this occasion looks no more than a minor place prospect
- 5. MELODY KADESH** - Lightly-raced filly starting for the first time since pleasing under the saddle in Vincennes last May. Debuts in the discipline and has no possible chance
- 6. MIKADO CASTELETS** - Came good at Enghien a fortnight ago, convincingly winning a Class D. Takes on a better lot this time but is a progressive sort and Benjamin Rochard will be hopeful of doubling his tally
- 7. MILLIONDOLLARSBABY** - Pleasant 6th in a Class B at Les Sables-d'Olonne on re-entry. Will have progressed for the run, finished 3rd on lone Laval start, and should not be overlooked
- 8. MARIANNA** - Last of 10 in a Vincennes Gr.3 before running 5th to MIRA DE FROULAY (18), following some stride woes, but on better behaviour should show improvement. First 5
- 9. MAVANA DU DIGEON** - Lost her maiden tag at Enghien in early-October before pleasing over the Vincennes inner track a fortnight later. In this category though, will have her work cut out
- 10. MERCATO D'OLIVERIE** - Has not been seen out since winning under the saddle in Paris last June and will have other ambitions
- 11. MAMBO DU TAILLIS** - Switches to a more even surface after twice finishing runner-up at Vincennes. Enjoys a terrific entry on the front line and will be competitive for a place on the podium
- 12. MANHATTAN ROUSSAC** - Back under the saddle after a failed attempt in the other code. Not ideally-engaged and can be ruled out
- 13. MISTRAL DU BOIS** - Pleased more than once during the summer but has looked rather ordinary of late and is unlikely to create an upset
- 14. MAMJACK SACHA** - Showed marked improvement at Vincennes a fortnight ago. Is difficult to fault when focused and can get in on the action
- 15. MORNING NEWS** - Useful, and progressive, filly but has just the one run under her belt since the summer break and is unlikely to be overstretched
- 16. MOONWALK D'HERIPRE** - Fine servant that won 2 of 3 this term. Dominated a Vincennes Class B last time out and has every chance of repeating
- 17. MAESTRO JAMINI** - In the frame in last 2, latterly a Class B. Is forced to take on some better colts, and fillies, this time and is unlikely to trouble the judge

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**18. MIRA DE FROULAY** - Won a Vincennes Class B on re-entry before faulting next time but should be fully fit by now and with application will be dangerous

**Summary:** MOONWALK D'HERIPRE (16) has returned from his break in excellent shape and will take all the beating if he replicates his latest run. That being said, MARINELLA VRIE (1) is 25m better off, boasts an enviable strike-rate, and will be no soft touch. MIRA DE FROULAY (18) tasted defeat for the first time when eliminated in Paris 2 weeks ago, but Matthieu Abrivard will be out to make amends. Nicely-entered here, and clearly close to his race, MAMBO DU TAILLIS (11) is unlikely to let the side down.

## SELECTIONS

**MOONWALK D'HERIPRE (16) - MARINELLA VRIE (1) - MIRA DE FROULAY (18) - MAMBO DU TAILLIS (11)**

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## C2 - PRIX PARIS-TURF - 2850m (a2m) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. LADY DE DOMPIERRE** - Tricky but has nevertheless won 2 of last 3. Steps marginally up in category but continues to run barefoot and will not be far from the action if Benjamin Rochard keeps her focused
- 2. LOKA LOKA** - Improving sort stepping up in category with a lot going for her here and Eric Raffin will be loathe to let this fine opportunity slip by
- 3. LUBIE DE LOIRON** - Imposed here last December but has not been seen out since February and with shoes fitted will have nothing to contribute
- 4. LADY SLAVE TEK** - Ran 6th to LARIA DU BELLAY (10) on comeback. Will have progressed for the race and, shod to preference, will be no pushover
- 5. LEA GIBUS** - Talented filly but never far from breaking stride. Quickly sanctioned here last time but has been entrusted to Paul Ploquin this time and with application could pleasantly surprise
- 6. LAURIANE DU RIED** - Disappointing on the whole in 2025, latterly lacklustre at Maure-de-Bretagne. Franck Nivard in the bike this time but others still preferred
- 7. LA VALLEY FLIGNY** - Got the year off to a positive start but modest since. Races shod here and is not about to shake things up
- 8. LIYAVA** - Has merit but reliability not her strong suit. Goes barefoot following unremarkable re-entry run and is unlikely to influence the result
- 9. LADY DE RICO** - Received a resounding thumbs-up for running 2nd at Cabourg 2.5 weeks ago. Goes barefoot again, with Matthieu Abrivard reining this time, and will generate interest
- 10. LARIA DU BELLAY** - Returns to the venue of her sole victory after a fine performance in Maure-de-Bretagne. Shoes off for the first time and with application can trot away with the silverware
- 11. LINA DE BASSIERE** - Below-par in last 2 after having enjoyed a fruitful spring. Has placed just once racing left-handed and others easier to back
- 12. LOLITA DES LANDES** - Has finished in the frame just 4 times in 18 starts. Is as unremarkable racing left-handed as right and can expect to have few takers
- 13. LA BAULE HAUFOR** - Never far from losing her action but has demonstrated fine aptitude for the game. Left a good impression despite being eliminated here mid-September and should be taken seriously
- 14. LOU DE BEAULAC** - Has started to come good of late, making the frame in last 2. Mathieu Mottier at the helm for the first time and considering the entry must not be underestimated

**Summary:** Spirited she certainly is but LARIA DU BELLAY (10) has buckets of ability, won over course and distance during the summer, and barefoot this time can impose. Cedric Megissier will be mindful though of a similarly reconfigured LOKA LOKA (2) who receives an Eric Raffin drive this time, and LADY SLAVE TEK (4) who will be shod as she was when imposing at Pornichet in July. LA BAULE HAUFOR (13) is well in close to the limit of earnings and on good behaviour is unlikely to disappoint.

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## SELECTIONS

LARIA DU BELLAY (10) - LOKA LOKA (2) - LADY SLAVE TEK (4) - LA BAULE HAUFOR  
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**C3 - PRIX MOET & CHANDON - 2850m (a2m) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 20,000**

- 1. LOTSO DE GUOZ** - Pleasant at Nantes last Sunday but takes on a marginally better lot this time. Is unlikely to spring any surprises but can still pick up some prizemoney
- 2. LUGANO DE HOUELLE** - Moderate colt starting for first time since July. Has merit but would be preferred competitively-shod
- 3. LOOKING CHIC** - A write-off so far this year and the road back looks long and dark
- 4. LE MISSOURI** - Generous type that always gives what he can. Has pleased in last 2 and can finish in the money if he takes to the new conditions
- 5. LOTUS GEMA** - Respectable but unexceptional sort making first appearance since July and with shoes on will have nothing to offer
- 6. LE PRINCE DE JYR** - Goes left-handed for the first time following his elimination on comeback. Has bags of talent and will be expected to bring the fight to LIBRE A VOUS SMILE (9)
- 7. LOCTON DE KERYANN** - Made very little impact at Nantes early last month following 2 below-par performances, and it is not easy to make a case for him
- 8. LORD DE JAJA** - Sprang quite a surprise when getting off the mark at Villedieu-les-Poëles in September. Failed to make any impact under the saddle next time and can be passed over
- 9. LIBRE A VOUS SMILE** - Highly consistent when he has his mind on the game. Is clearly in top condition, tends to go well for Matthieu Abrivard, and is easy to like for the win
- 10. L'AMOUR D'ETANG** - Promising sort that showed potential last winter. Will be fit by now and with hind shoes off should be good enough to trot his way into the picture
- 11. L'INCORRUPTIBLE** - Not the most reliable but opened his 2025 account at Laon in late-September. Eric Raffin gets the nod this time and will assure his gelding a competitive drive. First 5
- 12. LOOKING FEEL** - Quality element that was given an easy return run on 21 September. Will be barefoot for his first objective of the season and with application can play an active role

**Summary:** Not once out of the first 3 when applied, LIBRE A VOUS SMILE (9) has been going close lately and racing barefoot for the first time could well see him back in the winners' circle. He will still be pitted against the good LE PRINCE DE JYR (6) who will be partnered by Benjamin Rochard following a re-entry elimination, and L'AMOUR D'ETANG (10) who will be shod to preference after 2 comeback runs. Hard to knock when barefoot and focused, LOOKING FEEL (12) is ideally-engaged here and Florian Boudet will be out to prove a point.

## SELECTIONS

**LIBRE A VOUS SMILE (9) - LE PRINCE DE JYR (6) - L'AMOUR D'ETANG (10) - LOOKING FEEL (12)**

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## C4 - GRAND PRIX DE LA VILLE DE LAVAL - 2850m (a2m) - Class A - Harness - EUR € 70,000

1. **HEVA BLONDE** - Makes first appearance for 2.5 months. Is destined for a season in the other code and can be passed over
2. **GOUROU** - Considerably better than recent numbers would suggest. Has placed just once in 9 Laval starts, but has previously won in the day's configuration and can get a look in
3. **GALANT DE BRUYERE** - Somewhat below-par in 2 since winning at Cagnes on 11 September, and with shoes on will not be influencing the outcome
4. **GASOLIN** - Has started to come good again following a modest start to 2025. Is new to Laval but last 2 runs at this level have been most encouraging. First 5
5. **HISA DU MARGAS** - Moderate mare that has previously won here but has not been particularly performant lately and can be passed over
6. **KARAKA WOOD** - Set her personal best time in a Vincennes Class B before confirming in the other code. Is patently close to winning her race and will be expected to play a leading role
7. **JALENDRA DE MALAC** - Serious mare that has excelled since switching trainer last year. Is confirmed at this level and Eric Raffin can be justifiably confident. Claim
8. **HARMONY LA NUIT** - Out of the picture in last 2, latterly when preparing for this. Has never disappointed here when barefoot and from the front row can give this a good go
9. **KILLIAM FROMENTRO** - Serious trotter that lost his action early last time out. Races shod and best to keep one's powder dry
10. **ILLUSION JIPAD** - Serious mare with form at a superior level but has not been seem out since May and is going to need the race
11. **KATINKA AIMEF** - High-class monte mare starting for the first time since winning a Gr.1 in June. Shoes fitted and not a concern
12. **JAZZ IN MONTREUX** - Tricky sort in the harness code. Is here for reasons of conditioning and will have few friends
13. **GAZELLE DE VAL** - Has a pair of runs under her belt following her 6-months break. Is preparing for a campaign under the saddle though and others preferred
14. **IBISCUS MAN** - Hardy element with a decent track-record at this level. Placed last time here, will have been specifically prepared for this, and should not be far off the mark
15. **KING OPERA** - 3rd in a Vincennes Gr.2 before confirming at Gr.1 level in September. Comes here fresh and despite the presence of more battle-hardened horses, he can still hold his own
16. **HARLEY GEMA** - Ran Ino Du Lupin close in a Lyon Gr.3 before failing to fire at Feurs. Is very much at her ease at Laval and should logically contest the finish

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**Summary:** Winner of 7 in a row before running 3rd in a Vincennes Gr.3 last June, JALENDRA DE MALAC (7) may not have been seen out since but is barefoot, reunited with Eric Raffin, won last time here, and can strike again. She will however be fitted against the talented KARAKA WOOD (6) who was superb in a monte Gr.2 3 weeks ago. HARLEY GEMA (16) returns to a track she adores after a modest effort at Feurs, Benjamin Rochard will be back in the bike, and even from the back row will have a lot to offer. A reconfigured KING OPERA (15) makes his first start since running 3rd in the Criterium des 5 Ans and even against older horses will have his chances. IBISCUS MAN (14) is another returning individual but seldom disappoints when focused and is plainly in competition-mode.

## SELECTIONS

**JALENDRA DE MALAC (7) - KARAKA WOOD (6) - HARLEY GEMA (16) - KING OPERA (15)**

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**C5 - PRIX CREDIT AGRICOLE - ANJOU MAINE - 2850m (a2m) - Class D -  
Harness - EUR € 31,000**

- 1. JARDYLAND** - Has never delivered here but is no slouch when focused. Sports 4 pads for the occasion and although not a leading contender, can still get in on the action
- 2. JUEN EMONDEVILLE** - Comfortable winner over course and distance before running 2nd in Paris. Is reunited with Benjamin Rochard and will be expected to contest the finish once again
- 3. JOURNAL INTIME** - Has done nothing but improve this autumn, most recently securing a Vincennes Class E. Seldom disappoints for Matthieu Abrivard and in current shape is easy to like for a place on the podium
- 4. JOLYSTAR GEDE** - Eliminated in 5 of 6 before the break. Has placed in 2 of 3 here but has not been seen out since May and is going to need the race
- 5. JETPACK** - Handy element that always gives his best, but out of the picture in last 2 and is being aimed too high
- 6. JINA FOUTEAU** - Serious mare with a race in her since the spell. In the frame in last 4 barefoot starts and can play an active role if she takes to the Laval profile
- 7. JONQUILLE DE MEAT** - Erratic but useful mare that showed considerable improvement when 3rd to JACINTHE DES ULMES (10) at Les Sables and with form maintained can play a prominent part
- 8. JOSS CAPELLO** - Unable to secure the hat-trick when unplaced in Bordeaux 2 weeks ago. Has never excelled at Laval but should not be written off either
- 9. JUSTE SNOB** - Previously a good sort but has been disappointing this year and has no possible chance
- 10. JACINTHE DES ULMES** - Made up for Cabourg blip when dominating at Les Sables-d'Olonne 12 days ago. Posted 1'12"8 over 2800m and is in with a shout of doubling her money
- 11. JAVELOT** - Honest type but not the most performant these days. Has decent barefoot form at Laval, but others still easier to back
- 12. JAG HAUFOR** - Sent for a 2.5 months spell after completing a hat-trick. Has 2 runs under his belt since and with shoes off this time can return to winning ways
- 13. IQUITA VILI** - Unraced since winning a monte event at Le Croise-Laroche last May and will have other ambition

**Summary:** Four times a winner in 7 races with David Thomain in the bike, JAG HAUFOR (12) won his last 3 barefoot starts and after 2 return runs, can expect the lion's share of support. A wonderful servant for the past 14 months, JACINTHE DES ULMES (10) will be shod as she was when victorious at Les Sables-d'Olonne recently and with Eric Raffin reining should put up considerable resistance. Solid in 3 of his last 4 outings, JUEN EMONDEVILLE (2) is in with a shout, and JOURNAL INTIME (3) will not be far behind.

## SELECTIONS

**JAG HAUFOR (12) - JACINTHE DES ULMES (10) - JUEN EMONDEVILLE (2) - JOURNAL**

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## C6 - PRIX ANNICK ET GEORGES DREUX - 2850m (a2m) - Class A - Mounted - EUR € 53,000

- 1. LASKO DES BROUSSES** - Quality element debuting at the venue after running 3rd in a Vincennes Class B. Is clearly close to his best and will be expected to finish close
- 2. JOY ALISSA** - Useful Swede that won at Vincennes last winter. Is plainly in shape but will have too much to do this time
- 3. INDIGO DU PORET** - Eliminated on his return to the code at Caen a fortnight ago. Boasts form at the highest level and can make this his own if he gets off on the right foot
- 4. IMAGINE D'ATOUT** - Left a good impression on re-entry when 3rd in a Caen Class B. Will have progressed for the race, sports a fresh configuration, and will be no shrinking violet
- 5. ILTON ROYAL** - Should not be too hastily-judged for coming 6th behind IMAGINE D'ATOUT (4) at Caen recently. Has references at this level, pleased on sole Laval outing, and is unlikely to go home empty-handed
- 6. KYRIELLE** - Not the most reliable of mares but has placed at Gr.2 level. With shoes on though will not be at her most performant
- 7. HALICIA BELLA** - Makes just 2nd appearance in the discipline after a disappointing harness performance at Craon and is unlikely to make her presence felt
- 8. IMPALA DE VAL** - Quality trotter that seldom disappoints at a similar level. Is undefeated in 2 starts under these conditions and has a reasonable chance of maintaining his perfect Laval record

**Summary:** What this races lacks in numbers, it makes up for in quality. INDIGO DU PORET (3), who was on the sidelines for over 2.5 years, failed to get around Caen unscathed on his return to the discipline, but Mathieu Mottier will be keen to set the record straight and is well-placed on the front line to do so. He will still be keeping an eye on the classy IMPALA DE VAL (8) who won last time here, but who breaks 25m further back. LASKO DES BROUSSES (1) showed improvement in Paris on his 2nd start back and will be no pushover on his Laval bow.

### SELECTIONS

INDIGO DU PORET (3) - IMPALA DE VAL (8) - LASKO DES BROUSSES (1) - IMAGINE  
D'ATOUT (4)

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## C7 - GRAND PRIX ANDRE DE LA VAISSIERE - 2850m (a2m) - Class B - Harness - EUR € 30,000

1. **L'ETOILE D'URSIN** - Flattering 5th of 7 finishers at Enghien early last month. Is clearly making headway but in this company, and with front pads fitted, is not about to set off any fireworks
2. **LALIGA DEL PHEDO** - Hardy filly preparing for a campaign in the other code and will not be troubling the judge
3. **LASCAUX DEL PHEDO** - Useful trotter in the other code. Here for a change of scenery and has no possible chance
4. **LOOK AT ME LULU** - Ran away with an Angers Class B a month ago. Has never delivered at Laval but in current condition is very easy to like
5. **LOBBY MESLOIS** - Respectable sort with a race in him following the rest. Has decent references at a lower level and with shoes fitted is unlikely to cause an upset
6. **LOUSTIC DELAURIERE** - Talented individual that seldom puts a foot wrong when focused. His Angers run will have done him good and can impose if he gets off on the right foot
7. **LIQUIDATEUR** - Put away in June after winning a pair, returned with a most encouraging Angers performance, and can again challenge for a place in the frame
8. **LE METEQUE** - Completed the double in a Vincennes Class C in late-September. Has earned the right to take his chances at this level but would be preferred barefoot
9. **LIBRIO BELLO** - Remarkably consistent sort that won here earlier in the year. Returns to the venue on a 5-timer but with shoes on looks more a first-5 chance
10. **LUMINOUS STAR** - Got back in the game when 3rd to LIBRIO BELLO (9) at Les Sables-d'Olonne just under 2 weeks ago. Sports a new configuration and will not be sent out at 50-1 this time
11. **LOUVE DE REVE D'OR** - Showed her form despite losing her action in a monte Gr.1 just over a month ago. Has been re-shod for the occasion and makes her Laval debut with a decent hand to play
12. **LISSANDRO** - Complicated but talented colt that is being prepared for a different goal and can be passed over
13. **L'AS DESBOIS** - Gives a good account for the most part but disappointing in Paris last time and appears to be in conditioning-mode here
14. **LILAS CASTELLE** - Ran surprise 2nd at Vincennes before travelling to Solvalla for nothing and with shoes on will have nothing to contribute
15. **LEMON TREE** - Not as sharp as he was at 2 and 3 but left a good impression behind LIBRIO BELLO (9) at Les Sables-d'Olonne. Cannot be considered a priority but is still worth keeping an eye on
16. **LONDON** - Comes here fresh after having been eliminated in Critérium des 4 Ans. Has solid references when shod and even from the 3rd line must be regarded a player

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**Summary:** It is a nerve-racking experience watching LOUSTIC DELAURIERE (6) at the start but once under way, he is as tough as they come and should be able to wrap this up if Alexis Collette assures his initial strides. A Gr.1 winner earlier in the year, back-line starter LONDON (16) races shod but at this level will be expected to finish close. LOOK AT ME LULU (4) is 50m better off, reverts to an earlier formula, and the nature of her Angers success bodes well for her chances. Third to her that day on his comeback, LIQUIDATEUR (7) is confirmed at the venue and will have come on for the run.

## SELECTIONS

LOUSTIC DELAURIERE (6) - LONDON (16) - LOOK AT ME LULU (4) - LIQUIDATEUR (7)

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**C8 - PRIX ANDRE-LOUIS DREUX - 2850m (a2m) - Class C - Harness - EUR  
€ 31,000**

1. **KOH LANTA** - Unlucky to be eliminated at Enghien 3 weeks ago. Will be fit by now, is freshly-reconfigured, and can play a prominent part
2. **KIWI CHARENTAIS** - Useful at 3 but has looked ordinary since and will have nothing to contribute on his seasonal reappearance
3. **KILLER BOND** - Endured a tough trip on re-entry mid-October. Has never let the side down here but in this company will have too much to do
4. **KASSKOU CLEMAXELLE** - Gave a good account at Enghien despite racing nose to the wind. Has placed in 2 of 4 here and, sporting 4 pads for the first time, with Eric Raffin reining, must be considered a contender
5. **KILLER DE CAHOT** - Races barefoot following a brace of comeback runs. Has form at the venue and the wherewithal to get in on the action
6. **KERRO DE HOUELLE** - Authoritative winner of a Class E under these conditions on 25 September but races with shoes this time and best to wait
7. **KOSTELLO DE LOU** - Made up at Enghien last month for his Vincennes blip. Is as honest as they come but looks a minor place chance at best
8. **KELCANTO BELLO** - A talented trotter with a strike-rate that should be higher. Returns to the venue on a 4-timer and from the front row is eminently capable of pulling it off
9. **KOQUIN D'AMOUR** - Useful type that pleased last time here. Has not raced since April though and can be ruled out
10. **KIR NORMAND** - Last month scored first win for 22 months but failed to confirm in Paris and with shoes on is unlikely to generate much interest
11. **KAHIA DE LA CROIX** - Faithful servant that secured victory at Vincennes a month back but is here for reasons of conditioning and can be passed over
12. **KISS ME AGAIN** - Good trotter what won tenaciously in Bordeaux 3 weeks ago but is racing shod this time and others preferred
13. **KONDOR** - Capable but not always the most dependable. Has not been seen out Ince July and with shoes fitted will have little to offer
14. **KHARNAS** - Defied his odds against better horses in Paris 8 days ago. Won his only start at the venue and is not incapable of spoiling the party for KELCANTO BELLO (8)
15. **KOMERE DE CORDAY** - Returned to victorious ways after just a pair of conditioners. Was particularly impressive at Vincennes and looks dangerous despite the 25m penalty
16. **KALISKANA** - Returns to racing shod after pulling off the hat-trick at Vincennes a fortnight ago. Imposed at Les Sables-d'Olonne with shoes on and although not a priority, is still worth retaining for a first-5 cheque

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**Summary:** Eliminated here last June, KELCANTO BELLO (8) has since gone on to win 3 on the trot and, unbeaten in the day's configuration, and terrifically-engaged, will be fancied to keep that fact relevant. Antoine Wiels will still want to be wary of recent Vincennes winner KOMERE DE CORDAY (15) who completed the 5-timer here last season, and the versatile KHARNAS (14) whose latest performance did not go unnoticed. With 25m fewer to travel, reconfigured for the occasion, and the leading driver in the bike, KASSKOU CLEMAXELLE (4) is most certainly one for the shortlist.

## SELECTIONS

**KELCANTO BELLO (8) - KOMERE DE CORDAY (15) - KHARNAS (14) - KASSKOU  
CLEMAXELLE (4)**

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## C9 - PRIX GEORGES PORCHER - 2850m (a2m) - Class G Amateur Drivers - Harness - EUR € 6,000

1. **HYAK DES FONTAINES** - Has been at the top of his game for past 5 months. Went close in Marseille recently, starts on front line, and should again acquit himself competitively
2. **HOTLINE JAVANAISE** - Unexceptional mare that has looked ordinary for some time and will need to show marked improvement on recent Maure-de-Bretagne performance
3. **JISKA DE DREAM** - Placed just once in 2 amateur starts. Not always the easiest of horses to handle but is not devoid of ability, breaks in front, and should not be written off
4. **HADOL DE FAEL** - Placed at Pontchateau last May but has been out of the picture in 10 since and has no realistic chance
5. **GOLD GEDE** - Reliable type at this level of competition. Has a race under his belt since the layoff, is proven under these conditions, and from the front row is unlikely to be far off the mark
6. **ICI HAUFOR** - Has been very disappointing for an extended period and will simply have nothing to offer
7. **ICARE DE VAL** - Has done nothing noteworthy on the track for quite some time. Unplaced in both amateur starts and is not about to change his ways
8. **JAZZ DE BERCE** - Takes first steps in the amateur category after having encouraged in Jarnac. Enjoys a very good entry but still no more than a minor place chance
9. **HASARD BLOND** - Should not be condemned for faulting on re-entry last month. Presents solid amateur credentials and in spite of the handicap can play a small role
10. **IN VIVO** - Sent for a break after running 3rd under these conditions last June. Fine second on Feurs comeback and even from the 2nd row is still the one to beat
11. **HELBERT FOUTEAU** - Serious element but has not been seen out since March and will need the race
12. **IZAROF DE GUEZ** - Runner-up in last 3, latterly an Alencon amateur Class E a fortnight ago. Is new to Laval but still looks good enough to finish close
13. **GRACIEUX GALBE** - Tricky sort with respectable amateur references. Has placed in 2 of 4 at Laval but seems to be taking on too much this time
14. **JULLOU** - Not once out of first 4 in last 6 starts, most recently 3rd in a Vincennes Class E. Ran 3rd on lone amateur start and current form augurs well for his chances of imposing
15. **JUPITER FRANCE** - Fine servant making amateur debut after the summer break. Shoes on and best to hold off
16. **IN LOVE GEDE** - Not always the most performant but Marc Sassier could not have asked for a better entry and has a decent chance of winning a race for first time since July 2023

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**Summary:** Excellent on his re-entry in the professional ranks, IN VIVO (10) makes just his second appearance in the amateur division and, breaking from the back line or not, he still looks the pick of the field. JULLOU (14) has been knocking at the door since his August comeback and looks the principal danger, although IN LOVE GEDE (16) benefits from a fine entry and the talented Michel Poirier will be hoping to make hay. Always game in this class of contest, IZAROF DE GUEZ (12) is close to his race and must be taken seriously.

## SELECTIONS

**IN VIVO (10) - JULLOU (14) - IN LOVE GEDE (16) - IZAROF DE GUEZ (12)**