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R1 VINCENNES [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE SOULAC - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - European - Harness - EUR €
68.000**

- 1. ZINKO TOP** - Useful sort that has progressed nicely over recent weeks. Steps back up in category but should still be able to hold his own
- 2. DUMBO** - Useful Italian import that made little impact on his recent French debut. Hind shoes off and Matthieu Abrivard in the sulky, but will still face a stiff test
- 3. GAMIN DES PERDRIX** - Faithful servant that gave an encouraging account on recent re-entry. Will have come on for the run but still looks something of an outsider
- 4. GOLD VOICE** - Has merit and is confirmed over course and distance but has not raced for 3 months and can be passed over
- 5. GAIA D'OCCAGNES** - Enjoyed some success earlier in the year but has since come off the boil and not an obvious choice
- 6. GOLD DAIRPET** - Excellent servant with an enviable strike-rate. Missed out to GIRL DE BASSIERE (7) here last time but returns fresh and is expected to turn the tables
- 7. GIRL DE BASSIERE** - Fine mare that consistently finishes in the thick of things. Has already beaten GOLD DAIRPET (6) this term and, given her liking for Vincennes, should not disappoint
- 8. FIFTY BLACK** - Has looked a new horse since returning from her injury. Has more than once stamped her mark over track and trip and, barefoot again, can confirm her Caen performance
- 9. GIBUS** - Hardy, consistently-performant trotter that won a similar event during the summer. Impressive on re-entry and will be competitive for the double
- 10. FLASH DE VELY** - Lost his way after dead-heating with ECLAIR GOLD (13) in the spring and needs to get his house in order
- 11. GHALIE DU GOUTIER** - Rarely far off the mark when she can stay in stride. Reassured on turf last time and, considering the stable's form, is not one to be underestimated
- 12. GIMY DU POMMEREUX** - Seldom disappointing when unshod and focused. Has been excelling in a similar category lately and must be taken seriously
- 13. ECLAIR GOLD** - Has merit but blows hot and cold. Lacklustre behind GIRL DE BASSIERE (7) last time and will need to find more
- 14. FANATIC FLASH** - Tough individual that set his personal best time here over the summer. Drops back in class after a fine Gr.3 performance in the provinces and must be respected

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Summary : Kicking off the 2022-2023 Vincennes winter meeting is a competitive affair with the excellent GOLD DAIRPET (6) leading the way. At the top of his game all year, he was not beaten by much here last time out and looks eminently capable of imposing on this occasion. Alexandre Abrivard will still be keeping a keen eye on the ever-present GIBUS (9) who won with ease on comeback, and FIFTY BLACK (8) who seems to be even better after 2.5 years on the sidelines. GIRL DE BASSIERE (7) beat the favourite last time here and, in current condition, will be no easy touch.

SELECTIONS

GOLD DAIRPET (6) - GIBUS (9) - FIFTY BLACK (8) - GIRL DE BASSIERE (7)

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C2 - PRIX XAVIER DE SAINT PALAIS - 2175m (a1 5/16m) - Group 2 - Mounted - EUR € 120.000

1. ILIADE MESLOISE - Capable on a good day but has not delivered in this category since last December and can expect to have her work cut out

2. IRINA DE BAILLY - Regularly campaigned in this class but has never lived up to expectations and can be passed over

3. IN LOVE DU CHOQUEL - Can prove a handful but has ample ability. Third to I CAN DREAM (6) last time out but a repeat looks most improbable

4. IVRIG VIKING - Rarely lets the side down in the monté discipline. Shoes on this time but worth monitoring all the same

5. IVANKA DE JILME - Hardy mare making her first public appearance under the saddle but gets a leading jockey for the occasion and should not be far off the mark

6. I CAN DREAM - Excellent servant that has never failed to deliver in current shoeing configuration. Won over 2175m during the spring, was very impressive on re-entry here, and looks set to double her money

7. INA DU RIB - Fine servant with nothing to prove under these conditions. Tenacious runner-up in the Gr.2 Prix Edmond Henry and is not incapable of exacting revenge

8. INES DES RIOULTS - Regularly in the thick of things when she can keep her action together. 4th in the race of reference but unlikely to improve on that

9. IDEALE DU CHENE - Consistently performant mare with solid credentials over track and trip at this level. Returns from her break unshod all 4 and, if race-ready, will be no soft touch

Summary : An absolute revelation since being moved up in class, I CAN DREAM (6) won authoritatively on comeback and, confirmed under these conditions, will take all the beating. Gr.1 winner, INA DU RIB (7) finished a valiant 2nd that day and is again expected to prove the main threat. The versatile IDEALE DU CHENE (9) has not been seen out since trotting 3rd to the latter in the Gr.1 Prix de Normandie, but is barefoot for the occasion and is unlikely to disappoint. The good IVANKA DE JILME (5) switches codes for the first time, with Mathieu Mottier in the irons, and could well spice things up.

SELECTIONS

I CAN DREAM (6) - INA DU RIB (7) - IDEALE DU CHENE (9) - IVANKA DE JILME (5)

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**C3 - PRIX DES CLEMATITES - 2200m (a1 3/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR €
33.000**

- 1. LUKAKU DE LOU** - Untried colt from an excellent nursery. Qualified decently during the summer and will be one to watch
- 2. LOVELY TRIP** - Pleased in qualification before failing to fire on recent debut. Will have come on for the run but others still preferred
- 3. LOMAC GEDE** - Showed significant improvement at Nantes 2nd time out. Entrusted to Eric Raffin here and again looks a reasonable first 5 chance
- 4. LOTUS PAULOIS** - Defied expectations to trot 2nd to LE PONT FOULT (14) 11 days ago but a repeat looks decidedly improbable
- 5. LUCKY JACKSON** - Still rather green but has ample ability. JMB takes over at the helm and can get him back in the game
- 6. LOMBOK JIEL** - Dynamic winner at La Capelle on debut mid-October and, in similar form, can double his money
- 7. LEADER DU CHATAULT** - Well-regarded at home and has already shown his potential. Modified shoeing for Vincennes debut and can win this if Monthulé keeps him trotting
- 8. LAPIS LAZULI** - Won first time out but has not been as sharp since and is unlikely to spring any surprises
- 9. LORD DES FANES** - Has twice come close to getting off the mark. Sanctioned on lone left-handed start but will have his chances if Lebourgeois gets him off on the right foot
- 10. LAGNU MAG** - Encouraged first time out but has since failed to live up to expectations and can be disregarded
- 11. LIVRE BLANC** - Twice sanctioned at Vincennes after having made a promising debut across town but, on good behaviour, can get a look in
- 12. LAZAN DE PASSIEU** - Improving colt that always gives his best. 5th on lone start over track and trip and is not incapable of picking up another cheque
- 13. LINDSTEDT** - Debut winner before producing a less performant run at Enghien next time. Takes on better here and chances limited
- 14. LE PONT FOULT** - Debuted nicely before losing his maiden tag at Reims next time. Steps up in category but still looks competitive for a cheque

Summary : Facile winner on debut, LEADER DU CHATAULT (7) was sanctioned early at Enghien next time but races with hind pads on this occasion and can set the record straight. Hugues Monthulé would be wise to keep an eye on brilliant debut winner, LOMBOK JIEL (6), and LUCKY JACKSON (5) who has his handler in the sulky this time. LE PONT FOULT (14) looks a decent future prospect and has earned the right to race in this company.

SELECTIONS

**LEADER DU CHATAULT (7) - LOMBOK JIEL (6) - LUCKY JACKSON (5) - LE PONT FOULT
(14)**

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C4 - PRIX D'EMBRUN - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 40.000

- 1. JACKMAN** - Tricky character that tends to go well when unshod. Races first time barefoot after 3 re-entry runs and, with application, can go far
- 2. JIGSAW D'AMOUR** - Hardy colt that has won at this level, but unseen since the spring and will not be over-taxed
- 3. JILORD VIVA** - Honest type that gave a decent account behind JIANFRANCO (16) in the race of reference. Chances of repeating somewhat slim but will not be sent out at 50/1 this time around
- 4. JACK QUICK** - Very impressive last summer but has since come off the boil. Front pads fitted this time but others still preferred
- 5. JYPSON KALOUMA** - Pleased more than once at the turn of the year but has produced nothing since and will have few friends
- 6. JERENAL D'HAMELINE** - Useful type that was by no means disgraced here last time out. Alexandre Abrivard reining on this occasion and improvement expected
- 7. JEREZ** - Not the most reliable but has merit all the same. Failed to confirm his September success and, even with Nivard reining, represents no more than a minor place prospect
- 8. JOUR DE FETE** - Can prove a handful but is hard to knock when unshod and focused. Has 3 runs in him since the layoff and, unshod all 4 this time, can get straight down to business
- 9. JOB DES LOUANGES** - Decent trotter with references in this category. Reassured at Parilly last time, is barefoot on this occasion, but still appears to have too much to do
- 10. JONAS** - Evidently capable but has been struggling for some time and must get his house in order
- 11. JE REVE DU BOIS** - Quality individual that was oddly out of sorts here last time. Returns fresh though and should logically make amends
- 12. JACK DES MALBERAUX** - Erratic but can trot when the mood takes him. Does not dislike Vincennes but faces a fairly stiff test this time around
- 13. JO DU DON** - In excellent form over past 3 months. Still full of running when sanctioned at Caen and, is just unshod in front this time, and can redeem himself
- 14. JE T'AIME** - Respectable for the most part and latterly reassured at Caen. Has never disappointed on the short course here and, barefoot this time, will generate some interest
- 15. JOCKEY** - Occasionally loses focus but is otherwise a quality element. Imposed impressively at Chartres a fortnight ago and, although unlikely to repeat, should still acquit himself competitively
- 16. JIANFRANCO** - Has come into himself since starting to race unshod. Is untried over 2850m on the inner track but, in current shape, is very easy to like

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Summary : Very much an open affair this but preference still goes to the tricky but immensely capable JOUR DE FETE (8) who will be fully fit by now and, racing barefoot, looks a serious proposition. JMB will still want to be wary of the progressive JIANFRANCO (16) who has been knocking at the door lately. Seldom disappointing when he can stay in stride, JE REVE DU BOIS (11) comes here fresh and returning to the inner track may well prove just the ticket. JERENAL D'HAMELINE (6) returns to racing shod after debuting decently here last month and looks more competitive this time around.

SELECTIONS

JOUR DE FETE (8) - JIANFRANCO (16) - JE REVE DU BOIS (11) - JERENAL D'HAMELINE (6)

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**C5 - PRIX D'AUBAGNE - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €
40.000**

1. **KRACUS DE GUEZ** - Capable but it is regularly a case of all-or-nothing. Reassured at Laval last month but still represents no more than an interesting outsider
2. **KILIM QUICK** - Just one blot on his copybook in 5 career starts. Is proven left-handed, is clearly in form, and looks a possible spoiler
3. **KAISER DES GRANGES** - Moderate type that has placed just once in 14 starts and is not about to shake things up
4. **KADOR DE SEVRE** - Mixes the good with the less good but got it right at Laval last time out. Will be fresh for his metropolitan debut and will generate some interest
5. **KYOTO JIEL** - Pleased at Strasbourg 10 days ago but has no love for Vincennes and can be ruled out
6. **KASH DE TAGOR** - Blows hot and cold but has shown improvement lately. In considerably better company this time and chances of a repeat seem slim
7. **KING ROC** - Evidently useful but is a handful at the best of times. Has no references going left-handed and is unlikely to spring a surprise
8. **KRONOS D'EOLE** - No slouch but is still chasing that elusive first win. Reassured at Enghien recently but still has more to find
9. **KADEO JOSSELYN** - Justifiably well-regarded colt that will be at peak fitness by now. Is one of JMB's hopes for the winter meeting and, shod to preference, should not disappoint
10. **KARAMEL DES BOSC** - Showed promise earlier in the year but sanctioned in last 3 and others easier to trust
11. **KRICK DU GUESCLIN** - Quality individual that progressed nicely over the summer. Pleased over track and trip before the spell and, hind pads on, can repeat
12. **KADEHO DE FRAMIST** - Handy sort that gave a good account on lone partnership with Eric Raffin. Is better than his latest run would suggest and, hind pads fitted for the first time, will be worth keeping an eye on
13. **KIR NORMAND** - Useful sort that went into his spell on a high note. Got a race in him last month, will have come on, and with front pads fitted, must be taken seriously
14. **KAMARAN MADRIK** - Improving sort but can prove a handful. Debuts in the capital, with freshness on his side, and looks a player
15. **KING FLY** - Has ability but is not always in a position to express it. Is unbeaten over the distance but others still preferred

Summary : Although sanctioned more often than not, KADEO JOSSELYN (9) is an undeniably talented colt. He has 3 runs in him, is fitted with 4 pads for the occasion and, with application, should have this in the bag. He will be opposed by the progressive KRICK DU GUESCLIN (11) who returns to racing with hind pads after a much-needed freshener in the provinces, and KIR NORMAND (13) who presents a very similar profile. Winner of all 3 races he has managed to finish, KAMARAN MADRIK (14) goes first time left-handed but will be no pushover if he turns.

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SELECTIONS

KADEO JOSSELYN (9) - KRICK DU GUESCLIN (11) - KIR NORMAND (13) - KAMARAN
MADRIK (14)

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C6 - PRIX DU DORAT - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €
71.000

1. **HELENCIO** - Honest trotter that rarely goes home empty-handed but has no particular love for Vincennes these days. Reunited with Eric Raffin but still not a priority
2. **HANNIBAL TUILERIE** - Good, consistent trotter that seldom lets the side down. Is currently on the boil and another success is not beyond his capacity
3. **HUBBLE DU VIVIER** - Serious element with nothing to prove under these conditions but has not been seen out since June and will need the run
4. **HIDDEN TEXAS** - Seldom wins these days but always gives his best. Unlucky in a good event here a fortnight ago and Gelormini will be out to set the record straight
5. **HARMONISTA** - Enjoyed a productive winter here last season. Has kicked off in similarly good shape and, if applied, will not be far from the action
6. **HAMANDINA** - Quality mare with fine Vincennes credentials but stays shod this time and best to hold off
7. **HOVE PONT VAUTIER** - Faithful servant that was unable to confirm his recent success, but has good finishing speed and should not be ignored
8. **HAVE SEVEN** - Can prove a handful but hard to knock when barefoot and focused. Will be fully fit and can get his winter season off to a victorious start
9. **HISTOIRE MODERNE** - Hardy mare that defied her odds here mid-October. Will not be bothered by the step back up in trip and should give another competitive account
10. **HEART OF GOLD** - Has form at this level but is never the easiest of horses to gauge and other more suitable options available
11. **HOTLINE DE CARSI** - Tough individual that has been very impressive recently but is being prepped for another turf event and can be passed over
12. **HOLERO LOVE** - Has hardly stepped a foot out of place since the start of the season. Clearly in cracking form and can apply the pressure on HAVE SEVEN (8)

Summary : Jean-Michel Bazire has given most of his winter-meeting horses 3 return runs and the excellent HAVE SEVEN (8) is no different. At peak fitness, barefoot for the occasion, and proven under these conditions, he looks a leading proposition. HOLERO LOVE (12) is in similarly good shape, won a Craon Gr.3 on his penultimate start, and will be no pushover. HANNIBAL TUILERIE (2) is a model of consistency, has solid references over 2700m here, and will have his chances. HISTOIRE MODERNE (9) has been on an excellent run since the spring and her recent effort here bodes well for her prospects.

SELECTIONS

HAVE SEVEN (8) - HOLERO LOVE (12) - HANNIBAL TUILERIE (2) - HISTOIRE MODERNE
(9)

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C7 - PRIX D'AMIENS - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 53.000

- 1. IRON DU GERS** - Fine trotter that rarely steps a foot out of place when unshod all 4. Will be fully fit by now and, with JMB at the helm, looks the horse to beat
- 2. IBIS PETTEVINIERE** - Won 2 on the trot before being sent for a spell. Has one race in him, and is barefoot for the occasion, but more a minor place chance this time around
- 3. INVICTUS DE HOERDT** - Won twice over course and distance last season but has failed to impress this term and not an obvious choice
- 4. IGGY POP DE CHENU** - Has enjoyed a fine run of form since the summer. Steps up in category but is clearly in shape and should not be ignored
- 5. IRIS DES ROSEAUX** - Took some time coming to hand over the summer but routed the opposition last time and, with form maintained, can double his money
- 6. IRON DE GINAI** - Has made no impact outside the claiming division for some time and will have few takers
- 7. IDEAL DELADOU** - Delicate trotter but seldom disappoints when focused. Below-par last time though and others easier to back
- 8. ICE TEA** - Reliability not his strong suit but pleasantly surprised over shorter here last time out. Repeat unlikely but will have his supporters
- 9. IDEAL DE CASTELLE** - Temperamental type but has shown a return to form over recent months. Shoes back on this time but can still trot his way into the money
- 10. IMPACT CASTELETS** - Fine servant in the claiming category but has no realistic chance here
- 11. IDEAL DE RIVRAY** - Seldom seen in the capital but gave a fine account last time here before confirming his form a fortnight later. Unshod all 4 this time and looks a decent place prospect
- 12. IF YOU CAN** - Capable on a good day and has been racing respectably of late. First time in current shoeing configuration but still not a priority
- 13. INDIEN DE FONTAINE** - Honest sort that consistently gives his best. Left a good impression at Chartres last time out but others still preferred
- 14. IN RED** - Never far from losing his action but reassured with a tenacious win here last time out and, confirmed under these conditions, can play a leading role
- 15. IACYNTHE DIDJEAP** - Enjoyed a productive summer before prepping at Chartres a fortnight ago. Is barefoot, with Alexandre Abrivard driving, and should not be far off the mark
- 16. IL VIENT DU LUDE** - Has not got his nose in front since the winter but has shown his form more than once over recent months. In this company though, will need to find more

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Summary : A multiple winner at Vincennes and very hard to knock when barefoot, IRON DU GERS (1) has 2 runs under his belt since the long layoff and faces his first objective of the season with a good hand to play. He will, however, have to contend with recent run-away Caen winner, IRIS DES ROSEAUX (5) who is not incapable of repeating. IN RED (14) got back in the game here late September, returns fresh, and should not be underestimated. Runner-up to him that day, IDEAL DE RIVRAY (11) went on to please at Agen and, barefoot for the occasion, has every chance of making the frame.

SELECTIONS

IRON DU GERS (1) - IRIS DES ROSEAUX (5) - IN RED (14) - IDEAL DE RIVRAY (11)

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**C8 - PRIX DES CEVENNES - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - European - Harness - EUR
€ 90.000**

- 1. ZEROZEROSSETTE GAR** - No slouch on a good day but is in exalted company this time and will have few friends
- 2. BILO JEPSON** - Unbeaten in 2 starts over track and trip this year, latterly in good order. Just front shoes off this time though and more a place chance on this occasion
- 3. HIP HOP HAUFOR** - Does not always deliver but is a tough nut when applied. Goes barefoot after prepping at Le Mans and looks a major player
- 4. ELITE DE JIEL** - Tends to come into her own over the winter months. Has a trio of races in her and should logically improve on her recent effort here
- 5. GENTLY DE MUZE** - Quality individual that excelled here last winter. Makes his first appearance since the summer though and best to wait
- 6. HOKKAIDO JIEL** - Like a horse reborn in 2023. Shod less-competitively for his return from the summer break but can still get in on the action
- 7. HORSY DREAM** - Unbeaten in 3 starts since the summer break, last 2 with Eric Raffin. Takes on some big guns here but he already has a brace of Gr.1s under his belt and must be afforded significant respect
- 8. ECUREUIL JENILOU** - Very effective at a lower level and, given the opposition, has no realistic chance
- 9. FIRE CRACKER** - Never far from faulting but recently reassured here. Takes a big hike in category though and others easier to trust
- 10. ELVIS DU VALLON** - Honest type that consistently finishes in the mix. Little chance of imposing but is plainly in form and will not be far off the mark
- 11. GU D'HERIPRE** - Has done nothing noteworthy since winning a Gr.2 here mid-2022 and no threat on first start since the break
- 12. ELIE DE BEAUFOUR** - Classy type that has done almost everything asked of him over recent months. Missed out by little in a Toulouse Gr.2 recently but has an ideal opportunity to put things in order

Summary : Closing out Day 1 of 93 Vincennes racedays over the next 4 months is a Gr.3 stacked with quality and it will be no surprise that ELIE DE BEAUFOUR (12) garners the lion's share of support. Nothing is written in stone though and Eric Raffin will be hoping he and HORSY DREAM (7) can continue their remarkably successful partnership. Prix d'Amérique 4th, HIP HOP HAUFOR (3) faces his first objective of the winter season and, barefoot for the occasion, will not go down without a fight. Just unshod in front for his return to competition, HOKKAIDO JIEL (6) is unlikely to replicate his Gr.1 Prix René Ballière performance but can still acquit himself competitively.

SELECTIONS

**ELIE DE BEAUFOUR (12) - HORSY DREAM (7) - HIP HOP HAUFOR (3) - HOKKAIDO JIEL
(6)**

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