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R2 CHARTRES [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE LA RESIDENCE SAINT-CHARLES - 2825m (a2m) - Class G
Amateur Drivers - Harness - EUR € 6,000**

- 1. KATNISS MORMOULIN** - Placed twice here last month and is clearly close to her race. Gives 2800m a go this time and the front-row start will do nothing to harm her prospects. Place chance
- 2. JOVIAL** - Ran 5th behind KATNISS MORMOULIN (1) on comeback here on 26 April. Shoes back on here but still looks capable of finishing in the mix
- 3. ISIS DE L'AUBE** - Good campaigner in the amateur division but will be shod for first run in 5 months and best to keep one's powder dry
- 4. JAMAICA DES ILES** - Unexceptional mare with a pair of runs in her since the long layoff. Showed little in either and is not about to upset the apple-cart
- 5. JET SETTER D'AURCY** - Imposed at Meslay-du-Maine before running 4th in an amateurs Class G at Pontchateau on 29 March. Is barefoot this time and can contest the finish
- 6. KYRA GIO** - Returns to racing shod following a pair of re-entry runs going right-handed. Is new to the venue, and to the amateur category, but still looks competitive for a spot in first 5
- 7. ILEA D'IRATY** - Back in the amateur division after being eliminated at Meral 3.5 weeks ago. Cannot be considered a priority but benefits from an excellent entry and should not be discounted
- 8. GOLDEN LORD MIJACK** - Has been a complete disappointment since last autumn and will need to get his house in order
- 9. JULEJACQ** - Has placed just once in 3 amateur starts and will be shod for first appearance since September. Disregard
- 10. JACKPOT DES BORDES** - Stays shod for first run for 2 months. Tends to show more in the claiming category, but ran 3rd on sole Chartres start and can play a part
- 11. GUTENBERG DE DYPP** - Has placed just twice in 9 amateur runs and has nothing to offer on comeback
- 12. GOLDORACK DU BOIS** - Returns to his category and discipline of choice following a good comeback in the other code 2.5 weeks ago. Excels at this level and even from the 2nd row can win this
- 13. ISARIC** - Wonderfully engaged here but stays shod for first appearance of the year and can be dismissed

Summary: A fine campaigner with a distinguished amateur record, GOLDORACK DU BOIS (12) makes his first appearance at the venue but, given the engagement, can make it a triumphant one. Very much an amateur specialist, JET SETTER D'AURCY (5) has yet to deliver at Chartres but he goes barefoot as he was when victorious at Meslay-du-Maine in March, and will have 25m fewer to travel. In the frame in 3 of her last 4 starts here, KATNISS MORMOULIN (1) will be rewarded accordingly one of these days. 5th behind her on re-entry here late last month, JOVIAL (2) will have progressed for the run and, even though shod this time, will still garner support.

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**GOLDORACK DU BOIS (12) - JET SETTER D'AURCY (5) - KATNISS MORMOULIN (1) -
JOVIAL (2)**

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C2 - PRIX FRANCE ALZHEIMER - 2825m (a2m) - Class E - Mounted - EUR € 23,000

- 1. KING NICOIS** - Respectable 5th of 12 in a 2875m Argentan Class E 3.5 weeks ago, however a repeat seems most improbable
- 2. LABEL DE L'ITON** - Showed significant monte potential last autumn. Ran 5th of 12 on comeback at Elbeuf 3.5 weeks ago, will have come on for the race, and can pick up another cheque
- 3. LIPTON NUEVO** - Complicated element that demonstrated decent aptitude for the code as a 3yo. Has yet to deliver racing left-handed but has a race under his belt and should not be overlooked
- 4. KALISTA D'AVRIL** - Tricky mare that pleasantly surprised in a Saumur harness Class F 2 months ago, but will have nothing to offer here
- 5. KENZO BY MAGALOU** - Returns to a code he has shown little to no flair for after 3 modest claiming runs and, even though reconfigured, can be ruled out
- 6. KALOU DE TESS** - Has never shown much liking for Chartres under harness and is not about to spring any surprises in this discipline
- 7. KECO DE VILLABON** - Sprang a 46-1 surprise at Cagnes last time under the saddle. Has been eliminated twice since in the other code and will not be easy to trust
- 8. KIKOU DE FAY** - Has been a complete write-off for some time and has no realistic chance
- 9. KAMES** - Twice a winner in this branch of the business but has not been seen out since last October and is going to need the race
- 10. LOOPING DU PERRE** - Still a maiden but always gives her best. Is new to the venue but goes as well left-handed as right- and with shoes off can contest a place on the podium
- 11. KOPIAD** - No slouch on a good day but was pulled-up at Châlons-en-Champagne late last month, on his first goal of the season. The good Hanna Huygens in the saddle this time and even from the back line will have his supporters
- 12. KERVIGNAC** - Ran 4th on re-entry over course and distance before tenaciously winning a Pontchateau Class F 3.5 weeks ago. Would have produced a greater margin had he not hung right but still looks the one to beat
- 13. KISMIE GRIFF** - Solid as a rock in 2 of 3 monte starts. Sports modified shoeing for return to the discipline and will not be far off the mark if Tamara Mathias-Maisonnette keeps her trotting
- 14. LIBERTY DELO** - Unraced since her comeback in Paris on 27 February but should take well to the Chartres profile and considering the entry, will be no soft touch

Summary: Successful at Pontchateau early last month on just his 2nd start of the year, KERVIGNAC (12) returns to Charters with a realistic chance of securing his first double of the season. LIBERTY DELO (14) has just the one race under her belt this term but benefits from a superb entry and Paul Ploquin will be primed to deliver. Runner-up here last summer on her sole Chartres run, KISMIE GRIFF (13) may have little monte experience but she has shown considerable promise, has been reconfigured, and should not be underestimated. LOOPING DU PERRE (10) enjoys a 25m head-start, will be barefoot for his first target of the season, and looks competitively well in.

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SELECTIONS

KERVIGNAC (12) - LIBERTY DELO (14) - KISMIE GRIFF (13) - LOOPING DU PERRE (10)

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C3 - PRIX DE LA VILLE DE POISVILLIERS - 2800m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 19,500

1. NICKELBACK - Qualified superbly at Grosbois last autumn but has been eliminated in both starts to date. Is back under harness, has been re-shod, is clearly a fine future prospect, and it is only a matter of time before he comes good

2. NIRVANA DU CHENE - Has yet to show any particular flair for the discipline. Has been entrusted to Paul Ploquin for the first time but is still not a priority

3. NOLITA LOMIG - Placed in both starts here last November, but has not been seen out since December and may just be a little race-rusty

4. NO MORE - Unremarkable filly making first appearance since September and is unlikely to upset the status quo

5. NETEYAM - Well-related gelding that has shown significant promise, and most recently ran close at Amiens. Is fitted with pads for the first time and Yoann Lebourgeois has stayed faithful. Chance

6. NEED YOU AGAIN - Has placed just twice in 8 starts to date. Sports pads this time but others still preferred

7. NI PLUS NI MOINS - Serious future prospect that was not entirely at his ease at Cordemais 3 weeks ago but faces a less-arduous task here and should logically set the record straight

8. NELSON DU PONT - Ran 3rd, a place ahead of NI PLUS NI MOINS (7), in a 2825m Cordemais Class E 3 weeks ago. Is clearly in fine shape and can contest the finish this time

9. NALISMA - Has taken little time to show her form, most recently running 3rd in a 2300m Class E here on 26 April, and can again challenge for a place in the picture

Summary: After confirming his excellent qualification first time out, NI PLUS NI MOINS (7) did not enjoy the best of runs at Cordemais in mid-April but is a fine future prospect and will be expected to turn the tables on NELSON DU PONT (8) who had his measure, on re-entry, that day. NETEYAM (5) made up at Amiens last month for his Graignes blip and, with 4 pads fitted this time, can again play an important role. Excellent over shorter here late last month, NALISMA (9) has kept the interest of Franck Nivard who will assure her a competitive drive.

SELECTIONS

NI PLUS NI MOINS (7) - NELSON DU PONT (8) - NETEYAM (5) - NALISMA (9)

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C4 - PRIX DE LA VILLE DE BARJOUVILLE - 2800m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 19,500

1. **MY LADY DE CAHOT** - Has been a write-off so far this term and appears to have no realistic chance
2. **MISS SCARLET** - Moderate filly returning to racing shod after being trounced at Laval 2 weeks ago and will have few takers
3. **MA VIE DE HOUELLE** - Useful future prospect that should not be condemned for faulting here last week when plainly in rude health. Pierre-Yves Verva reining this time and on better behaviour can trot her way onto the podium
4. **MERVEILLE MIKA** - Like a horse reborn since starting to race barefoot, most recently 4th of 11, a place behind MOON DES ARRIS (11), in a Class F over track and trip late last month. Is not about to win this but can still figure prominently
5. **MELODY DU CEBE** - In the frame in last 2, most recently missing out by little at Reims 2 weeks ago. Top driver in the bike this time and will be expected to finish close
6. **MAJESTY QUICK** - Has demonstrated respectable aptitude for both codes but ran unexceptional 5th in 26 April race of reference and will need to find more
7. **MAVISTA** - Is not devoid of ability but has quite the temperament. Will, however, be competitively-shod for the first time and cannot be ruled out
8. **MUTINE DE L'ITON** - Ran 2nd at Caen in March on her first barefoot start prior to being conditioned at Graignes last week. Is plainly in competition-mode this time and must be taken seriously
9. **MA LADY DU GARDEN** - Out of the picture in all 3 starts this term and makes her Chartres bow with limited prospects
10. **MARIBELLA** - Quality filly that showed significant potential last season. Faces first objective of the new year and can wrap this up if she stays in stride
11. **MOON DES ARRIS** - Twice 3rd over course and distance last month, latterly going close in a Class F. Is unlikely to lose her maiden status this time either but can nevertheless pick up a cheque
12. **MY PRINCESS HAUFOR** - Showed early potential but has looked decidedly ordinary in 2 starts this season and must first re-establish her credentials

Summary: Barefoot for the first time following a pair of much-needed fresheners, MARIBELLA (10) is easy to fancy for the win. Clement Duvaldestin will still be mindful of MUTINE DE L'ITON (8) who will also be barefoot after prepping at Graignes, and the promising MA VIE DE HOUELLE (3) who was eliminated when going well under these conditions late last month. MELODY DU CEBE (5) has taken her game up a notch since starting to race barefoot and Yoann Lebourgeois gets the nod this time.

SELECTIONS

MARIBELLA (10) - MUTINE DE L'ITON (8) - MA VIE DE HOUELLE (3) - MELODY DU CEBE (5)

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**C5 - PRIX LE TRIANGLE MAINVILLIERS - 2800m (a2m) - Class E - Harness
- EUR € 19,500**

1. MANOUCHE - Respectable type that was eliminated on comeback at Châtelailon-La Rochelle on 26 April. Is unlikely to shake things up but can play a part if he keeps his action together

2. MYSTERE PERRINE - Showed promise at 3 but has been very hard to use since. Is reunited with Paul Ploquin but others easier to trust

3. MAESTRO D'ELFE - Showed marked improvement on his Lisieux comeback run when 2nd in a Class F at Le Croise-Laroche, at 164-1, 2.5 weeks ago. A repeat, however, seems unlikely

4. MAESTRO CASTELETS - Showed promise last season when trained by Thierry Duvaldestin. Has just the one race in him this year, is competitively-shod for the first time, and will be no easy touch if Yoann Lebourgeois manages to keep him focused

5. MELIUS AVIS - Placed twice in the spring of 2025 but has done nothing noteworthy since and can be disregarded

6. MATCH LOVE - Is considerably better than his recent Graignes result would suggest. Franck Nivard reining this time and can has a decent chance of trotting his way back into the picture

7. MARHABATH - Has thrived since being entrusted to Matthias Legros. Is unlikely to repeat his Amiens success but can nonetheless trot his way back onto the podium

8. MAN OF WOOD - Quality individual that has not put a foot wrong since leaving Austria. Has excelled at Chartres and will be a tough nut to crack

Summary: Simply excellent since coming to France, MAN OF WOOD (8) enjoys a tremendous entry here and, considering his liking for these conditions, will be well-backed to win this. MARHABATH (7), who most recently got off the mark at Amiens, represents the principal threat. MATCH LOVE (6) failed to live up to expectations at Graignes last week but is shod to preference this time and with his trainer back in the bike can get back down to business.

SELECTIONS

MAN OF WOOD (8) - MARHABATH (7) - MATCH LOVE (6) - MAESTRO CASTELETS (4)

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C6 - PRIX TABAC LOTO CADEAUX LUCE - 2825m (a2m) - Class E Amateur Riders - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. KILLER SUN DRALIAM** - Gave a fine account on comeback at Cholet but was less convincing later in the month. Should be fit nonetheless and has a reasonable chance of putting things right
- 2. KASIMODO DREAM** - No champion but always gives his best. Has, however, not been seen out since early-December and is unlikely to spice things up
- 3. JAIN DE JANVILLE** - Debuts at the venue after running 6th to JINA D'ERPION (11) in a Reims Class G a fortnight ago and will need to find more
- 4. KERATINE GLAM** - Starts for the first time since winning a Chateauroux Class F last September. Is competitively-shod for return though and will have her supporters
- 5. KINGMAMBO BELLO** - Can prove a handful but showed last November that he can trot. Is confirmed here and with application can go far
- 6. JASMINE DU ROY** - Possesses ample ability but is never far from losing her action. Has no Chartres references and is unlikely to create an upset
- 7. JIVASO EFBE** - Rather disappointing since placing at Argentan in January. Is nicely-entered on the front line though and Enzo Le Bec will be keen to deliver
- 8. JODLEUSE MAG** - Completely lost her way after imposing over course and distance in March 2025. Has one run in her this term, and will be competitively-shod, but is still not a concern
- 9. KEEPER PERRINE** - Quality element preparing for a campaign in the other code and can be passed over
- 10. KASPAROVA** - Has yet to get into her stride this term and will first need to re-establish her credentials
- 11. JINA D'ERPION** - Returned to winning ways in a Reims Class G 2 weeks ago. Martin Goetz keeps the drive and, from 2nd row or not, should still take all the beating
- 12. KOWEIT DE CHENU** - Has been showing his spirit of late, but also his form. Reverts to racing unshod-behind and on good behaviour can bring the fight to JINA D'ERPION (11)
- 13. J'ADORE D'EURVAD** - Blows hot and cold, and has placed just once here, but will have progressed for her comeback run and is sufficiently well-entered to make a good go of it. First 5

Summary: JINA D'ERPION (11) has done nothing but improve this season, most recently dominating a Reims Class G with Martin Goetz in the bike. She has yet to race at Chartres but is comfortable going either direction and can confirm. Eliminated in 2 after imposing at Cherbourg in March, KOWEIT DE CHENU (12) would have finished close at Laval recently had he kept trotting, but he has been reconfigured and will be no pushover if his young driver keeps him focused. KILLER SUN DRALIAM (1) should not be too hastily-judged for failing to deliver at Beaumont-de-Lomagne and from the front row can be brought back into the fold. Stablemate KINGMAMBO BELLO (5) returns to a track he likes after being eliminated on comeback and Arthur Bordeau will be keen to set the record straight.

SELECTIONS

JINA D'ERPION (11) - KOWEIT DE CHENU (12) - KILLER SUN DRALIAM (1) -

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KINGMAMBO BELLO (5)

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**C7 - PRIX EPI CENTRE LECLERC - 2825m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR
€ 23,000**

- 1. LOUISON DE FORGAN** - Produced a 146-1 surprise when 2nd over course and distance in early-April, but failed to confirm at Châtelailon-La Rochelle 3 weeks later and can be passed over
- 2. LEON SEVEN** - Useful sort that was eliminated on re-entry late last month. Has evident ability though and can get a look in if Nicolas Bazire keeps him focused
- 3. LABEL MAGIC** - Got back in the game late last month when 2nd in a Challans Class F but in this company will struggle to make his presence felt
- 4. LOVE ET CASH RENKA** - Gave a fine account of himself at Angers despite being eliminated. Sports 4 pads for the first time and on good behaviour can impose
- 5. LOYAL DU CHENE** - Imposed at Saint-Omer on 12 April before coming 3rd in a Class F at Le Croise-Laroche 10 days ago. Is freshly-configured, with Paul Ploquin in the bike, and will be expected to finish in the mix
- 6. LIZAO DU GUESCLIN** - Won 2 on the trot before being well-beaten at Châtelailon-La Rochelle in late-March. Comes here fresh but still no more than a minor place chance
- 7. LOYAL DOL** - 2nd at Machecoul before springing something of a surprise at Le Croise-Laroche 10 days ago. Is new to Chartres but should take well to its conditions and is unlikely to let the side down
- 8. LORD DES FANES** - Has just the one win to his name but put in quite the showing at Cherbourg early last month and, in similar form, could well double his win-tally
- 9. LANSKY VALLEE** - Showed improvement on 2nd start back, coming 5th in a Cordemais Class D 3 weeks ago. Will be close to his best and with Franck Nivard reining is unlikely to be far from the action
- 10. LEOPARD WIT** - Has turned a corner since starting to race barefoot, most recently 3rd in an Argentan Class E. Is plainly close to winning another and can play a leading role
- 11. L'INTOUCHABLE** - Races respectably for the most part but was rather disappointing at Argentan last time and must raise his game
- 12. LAIKA DES MARES** - Back under harness after being eliminated in a monte Gr.2 a fortnight ago, and is clearly out of her depth

Summary: Although eliminated in both starts since his winter spell, LOVE ET CASH RENKA (4) will be fully-fit by now, has been reconfigured, and can win this if Yoann Lebourgeois manages to keep him focused. That being said, LORD DES FANES (8) gave a fine account of himself at Cherbourg a month back and even from the 2nd row will not be sent out at 26-1 this time. LEOPARD WIT (10) also incurs the handicap but reassured in no uncertain terms at Argentan and can be backed with confidence. In the thick of things for the most part, LOYAL DOL (7) benefits from a fine entry and Benjamin Rochard will be keen to make it pay off.

SELECTIONS

LOVE ET CASH RENKA (4) - LORD DES FANES (8) - LEOPARD WIT (10) - LOYAL DOL (7)

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**C8 - PRIX DE L'ODYSEE - 2800m (a2m) - Class F - Harness - EUR €
26,000**

1. HIBISCUS NORMAND - Produced a 58-1 surprise when 3rd in a Vincennes amateurs Class F last week, however a repeat seems unlikely

2. JEALOUS GIRL - Has been racing respectably of late but will need to find more than she did at Le Croise-Laroche 10 days ago

3. JUPITER FRANCE - A veritable metronome when barefoot, most recently running 2nd in a Feurs Class F 2.5 weeks ago. Is new to Chartres but should appreciate its profile and will not be far off the mark

4. JAVA DE BOITRON - Won at Pontchateau before being prepped at Neuillé-Pont-Pierre on 26 April. Is barefoot this time but is arguably being aimed too high

5. JUPITER MADRIK - Never far from faulting but has otherwise been in cracking form this year. Has yet to impose at Chartres but, in current condition, that could change

6. JADE DE PAME - Handy mare that has been reconfigured after surprisingly losing her action at Lyon-Parilly 2 weeks ago. Is clearly in fine fettle and, with application, can make first 5

7. JAMAIQUE DAIRPET - Has not got her nose in front since September but has nevertheless been acquitting herself honourably and, barefoot this time, can play a small part

8. JACADI BROUETS - Returned from his spell in excellent shape, running 2nd in a Chateaubriant amateurs Class F 2 weeks ago. Has already proved himself in the pro division this year and will be competitive for a place in the picture

9. HELIOS D'EURVAD - Showed improvement in Neuillé-Pont-Pierre race of reference but will still have few friends

10. JOGGER KILY - Looked rather ordinary in an Enghien claimer 10 days ago. Is no longer the horse he once was and can be passed over

11. JUNIOR ANGELE - Reliability not his strong suit but got back in the winners' circle at Ranès late last month. Takes on a better bunch this time but still has the wherewithal to make his presence felt

12. JIM D'ALOUETTE - Good, consistent trotter that placed here on his sole start at the venue. Is plainly close to his best and the choice of driver speaks volumes. Claim

13. IDEAL DU BOUILLON - Made amends for a pair of eliminations when 2nd in a Class F at Neuillé-Pont-Pierre late last month. Is not as competitively-shod this time and cannot be considered a player

14. JASMIN VIVANCIERE - Is clearly in race-mode after being given an easy run at Chateaubriant a fortnight ago. Top pilot at the helm this time and is unlikely to disappoint

Summary: Very hard to knock in the day's configuration, JIM D'ALOUETTE (12) held his own in a Cordemais Quinte 3 weeks ago, should be at peak fitness by now, and will be expected to play a leading role. Yoann Lebourgeois will still want to be wary of the tricky JUPITER MADRIK (5) who returned to victorious ways at Le Croise-Laroche last month, and the nicely-engaged JASMIN VIVANCIERE (14) who will have Benjamin Rochard in the bike this time. JACADI BROUETS (8) gave a good account in the amateur division to kick off the spring and returns to the professional ranks with a good hand to play.

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JIM D'ALOUETTE (12) - JUPITER MADRIK (5) - JASMIN VIVANCIERE (14) - JACADI BROUETS (8)

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

**Horse of the day
JIM D'ALOUETTE (812)**

**Outsider of the day
JADE DE PAME (806)**

**Reverse forecast
NI PLUS NI MOINS (307) - NELSON DU PONT (308)**

**Three pick of the day
NI PLUS NI MOINS (307) - MARIBELLA (410) - JIM D'ALOUETTE (812)**