C1 - PRIX DU PMU "LE BRETAGNE" - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - National - Class D - Harness - EUR € 23.000

- 1. **KERIDAN** Showed significant promise before failing to complete last two races but has merit and should not be overlooked
- 2. KASHMIR JADOR Moderate type that always gives his best. Currently in decent shape but in this field will have too much to do
- **3. KISS ME AGAIN -** Solid as a rock to date. Finds himself in better company this time but should still acquit himself honourably
- **4. KALISCO PLANCHETTE** Respectable for the most part and currently in form but encounters some serious colts this time around and will have few friends
- **5. KINGSMAN D'EOLE -** Opened his account three weeks ago but has shown his limits at this level and can be passed over
- **6. KOWEIT DE CHENU -** Another good individual from the Baudouin yard but not a patch on his stablemate and a minor place chance at best
- **7. KASHMIR GRIFF -** Gave a fine account at Châteaubriant after winning on debut and in similar form should again figure prominently
- **8. KENAVO -** Well beaten here late April before making amends at a lower level and unlikely to spring any surprises
- **9. KWARTZ SIBEY -** Has done everything right so far...except win. Leading driver in the wagon this time though and will have a lot to offer
- **10. KILLERMAN -** Earnest sort that has yet to disappoint. Takes on some good elements here but still looks a major player
- **11. KARMA TEJY -** Still rather green but has bags of ability. Went close over course and distance last time out and with application has every chance of getting off the mark
- **12. KADEO JOSSELYN -** Quality colt that is never far from losing his action but on good behaviour can play a leading role

Summary: An interesting group of youngsters here with the promising KARMA TEJY (11) a live chance given how well he comported himself here early last month. That said, the good KADEO JOSSELYN (12) will have a lot to offer if he can stay in stride, and KILLERMAN (10) also looks a serious prospect in the making. KWARTZ SIBEY (9) gets Eric Raffin for the occasion and will be competitive for another place on the podium.

SELECTIONS

KARMA TEJY (11) - KADEO JOSSELYN (12) - KILLERMAN (10) - KWARTZ SIBEY (9)

C2 - PRIX PIERRE SECHE - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - Amateurs-National - Class F - Harness - EUR € 8.000

- **1. FORREST DU ROCHEL -** A veritable specialist in the amateur category. Seldom gets his nose in front but is barefoot for the occasion and can trot his way onto the podium
- 2. FLOCON DE GINAI Has been making respectable progress but insufficient to be considered dangerous
- 3. HALAFOLY ROBSEN Like a horse reborn this year. Superb at Vichy last time out and can confirm
- 4. FORGEAS DU GITE Went off the boil late last season and has picked up where he left off
- 5. FANTASIA D'ALESA Placed on re-entry but disappointing in next two and can be ruled out
- **6. FOX DU RIB -** Blows hot and cold but showed his form at Thouars last time and with hind shoes off on this occasion can pick up a cheque
- **7. HAMILTON DU PERCHE -** Not without merit but has struggled with stride issues and recent comeback run did nothing to reassure
- **8. GAULE ROMAINE** Has been struggling this term and even though better last time will still have too much to do
- 9. EXO DES LOUANGES Has done nothing of note in 6 starts this year and will have nothing to offer
- **10. EXOTIC JET -** Moderate sort that showed considerable improvement at Rambouillet recently but in this company will have his work cut out
- **11. FIFTY WINNER -** Occasionally a handful but has been flying lately with two wins from last three. On second line but still looks competitive
- **12. HELICIANE D'ERABLE -** Current leader of the amateur category that consistently gives her best. Well in on second line and can challenge for victory
- **13. FULL IRON -** Below-par at Vincennes a fortnight ago after having won there a week earlier but goes barefoot this time and can redeem himself
- **14. HIGH FIRE DAIRPET -** Fine trotter that imposed with ease on only appearance in this class. Has been showing his form in better company and looks the one to beat
- **15. FANAK DU BOCAGE -** Significantly better horse in the other discipline and can be confidently passed over
- **16. FLEUR DE LARRE -** Mixes the good with the less good but has decent references in this class and should not be written off

Summary: Winner of his only start at this level and respectable in his last two in the professional ranks, HIGH FIRE DAIRPET (14) finds himself well positioned on the second line and can keep his amateur record intact. He will nevertheless be up against the ultra-consistent amateur campaigner, HELICIANE D'ERABLE (12), and the reinvigorated HALAFOLY ROBSEN (3) who is 25m better off. Very hard to fault when unshod, FORREST DU ROCHEL (1) is also in with a shout.

HIGH FIRE DAIRPET (14) - HELICIANE D'ERABLE (12) - HALAFOLY ROBSEN (3) - FORREST DU ROCHEL (1)

C3 - PRIX V AND B LAVAL - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - National - Class D - Harness - EUR € 27.000

- **1. I LOVE YOU TEK -** Not the most faithful of trotters but has ample ability. Appears to be back in shape and with form maintained should not be far off the mark
- 2. IN EN VRIE Showed promise earlier in the year but has since come off the boil and will have few takers
- **3. IMPERIAL MARANDAIS -** Has struggled for some time but appears to have found his way once again and a repeat of his latest effort would see him in the mix at the finish
- **4. IVORINO D'ECHAL -** Regularly in the stewards' sights but has merit and with application can get a look in
- **5. INTRIGUE JENILOU** Recently returned to competition, making it five straight sanctions and can be written off
- **6. INCONTOURNABLE -** Won in good order at Vichy last time out but shoes back on and best to hold off
- **7. IDOLE ELDE -** Serious mare when applied and unshod. Returned to the winner's enclosure at Saint-Malo and even though climbing the class ladder here should still give an honest account
- **8. ICARUS BOURBON -** Occasionally loses his action but otherwise a useful trotter and in present shape is hard to ignore
- 9. ISSU DE CORTEM Gave a good account at La Capelle last month on just second start back. Hind shoes off this time but others still preferred
- **10. IDOLE D'OURVILLE -** Not the worst horse here but has struggled with stride woes and no chance on first start back
- **11. IKELIOS -** Got back down to business at La Rochelle early last month. Unshod all four once again and is not incapable of confirming
- **12. IDOLA -** Winner of three of her last four starts. Met no opposition at Vincennes last time and can repeat
- **13. INDY DARK -** Versatile sort that has been showing his form lately and on good behaviour can put on a good show
- 14. ISLANDE MIKA Tends to show considerably more in the other code and will pose no threat
- **15. IACYNTHE DIDJEAP -** Capable on a good day but better at a lower level and expected to need another run
- **16. ICE TEA -** Not the most dependable of horses but benefits from a decent entry and should not be ruled out

Summary: IDOLA (12) has been impressive in her current shoeing configuration and after a decent breather, returns to the provinces with every chance of confirming. She will however meet resistance from recent La Rochelle winner, IKELIOS (11), and IMPERIAL MARANDAIS (3) who has done nothing but improve this season. I LOVE YOU TEK (1) appears to be back at his best and debuts at Laval with legitimate ambition.

IDOLA (12) - IKELIOS (11) - IMPERIAL MARANDAIS (3) - I LOVE YOU TEK (1)

C4 - PRIX DU CONSEIL REGIONAL DES PAYS DE LOIRE - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - Class F - Mounted - EUR € 25.000

- **1. HEROS JARZEEN -** No slouch on a good day but has just one race in him since the winter and will need the outing
- **2. HISTORICO D'ETANG -** Delicate but talented sort taking first competitive steps in the monté code and if ability transitions should not be far off the mark
- **3. HALLO DE MANCHE -** Never far from losing his action but otherwise very effective in this branch of the business and on good behaviour can win this
- **4. GALILLEA CELESTE -** Not the best horse here but recently returned to winning ways and a similar performance could see her go close once again
- 5. HOSANNA DE MESLAY Modest mare debuting in the code and unlikely to spring any surprises
- **6. HEADLINE FAC -** Took some time coming to hand this term but in the frame in last two and looks a player once more
- **7. GIFTOVER -** Nothing noteworthy on his formcard since wining at Nantes 12 months ago and can be written off
- **8. GLOIRE DE LA BASLE -** Has placed just once in 6 starts in the discipline and unlikely to shake things up
- **9. FEE DANOVER -** Won first time under the saddle but sanctioned in next three and recent form does nothing to inspire confidence
- **10. HERCULE MADRIK -** Solid in both starts under the saddle, including over track and trip, and must be taken seriously
- **11. HYDRE** Sanctioned in last two which is not indicative of her nature. Barrier back in the irons and even from the 2nd line can redeem herself

Summary: Although not always the easiest of horses to handle, HALLO DE MANCHE (3) has nevertheless taken well to his new vocation and with application can win this. Desmigneux will still want to keep an eye on the delicate but talented HYDRE (11) who is reunited with Anthony Barrier for the occasion. HEADLINE FAC (6) is back on course and should logically confirm. Third here on his first of two appearances under the saddle, HERCULE MADRIK (10) must also be respected.

SELECTIONS

HALLO DE MANCHE (3) - HYDRE (11) - HEADLINE FAC (6) - HERCULE MADRIK (10)

C5 - PRIX HARMONIE AMBULANCE - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 27.000

- **1. HALFAN SPEED -** Highly impressive over recent weeks. Has excelled over track and trip and can confirm recent victory at La Rochelle
- 2. GEORGES DU HOUR Went into his break on a low note and recent re-entry did nothing to inspire confidence
- **3. HEROS DU POMMEREUX -** Boasts a solid record when unshod behind. Has two races in him and at peak fitness can play a role
- **4. GALANT DE BRUYERE -** Reliability not his strong suit but has decent references in this shoeing configuration and must not be underestimated
- 5. GRAVELLE PAGUERIE Useful sort that seldom lets the side down but stays shod this time and best to hold off
- **6. HERBES FOLLES -** Took little time getting back into shape. Sanctioned at Thouars but with application can get in on the action
- **7. GINO DOLUCIO -** Back in the professional ranks after winning an amateur event but still no more than a minor place prospect
- **8. HELIOS DU CONROY -** Has found his way again after a pair of poor runs and with form maintained can pull off the three-timer
- **9. GOPTION MONTAVAL** Modest mare with better chances at a lower level and others preferred
- **10. HAIDA DU BELLAY -** Good, consistent mare that has been prepared with this race in mind. Goes barefoot on this occasion and can get straight down to business
- 11. GABY STAR Decent on a good day but just second start back and with shoes on will have little to offer
- **12. GERGOVIE DE GODREL -** Winner of last two starts under harness. Thrives over these longer trips and even from the second line will be no easy touch

Summary: Superb since returning from his spell, and solid in both starts here, HALFAN SPEED (1) can expect to garner the lion's share of support. He will nevertheless be up against the hattrick-seeking HELIOS DU CONROY (8), and the specifically prepared HAIDA DU BELLAY (10) who is 25m worse off. GERGOVIE DE GODREL (12) also finds herself on the second line but she is in cracking form and must be taken seriously.

SELECTIONS

HALFAN SPEED (1) - HELIOS DU CONROY (8) - HAIDA DU BELLAY (10) - GERGOVIE DE GODREL (12)

C6 - PRIX HENRI DESMONTILS - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - European - Class C - Mounted - EUR € 39.000

- **1. DEVS DEFINITIF -** Useful sort that has taken superbly to the monté discipline. Is not far from getting off the mark and must be afforded significant respect
- **2. HOMER DE FROMENTEL -** Quality trotter that flew up in Paris late last month. Adores Laval and again looks the pick of the field
- 3. HEROS DE BEYLEV Yet to achieve this term the form he showed in 2022 and must first reaffirm
- **4. GAVROCHE BEST -** Faithful servant for the most part. Oddly sanctioned in last two but can play a role if he stays in stride
- **5. GRETA -** As tricky as they come but has bags of ability. If applied though, will be a serious player
- **6. SELF EXPLOSIVE -** Scandinavian import that has thrived since coming to France. Has solid credentials in this category and looks main threat to HOMER DE FROMENTEL (2)
- **7. DRACO JIEL -** Somewhat disappointing of late but has won under these conditions and being reunited with David Thomain may well prove key to his redemption
- **8. FLEUR DU POLEA -** Seldom seen in the winners' enclosure but always gives her best and in current condition looks a decent place prospect once more
- **9. HERMINE GIRL -** Well-regarded but regularly bites off more than she can chew and in present shape will have little to offer
- **10. FINGER DE RODREY -** Imposed at Vincennes last month but subsequently failed to confirm at Caen and unlikely to shake things up
- **11. FORCE VIVE -** Won here earlier in the season but placed just once in three since and others preferred

Summary: One of the most consistent horses here, HOMER DE FROMENTEL (2) latterly won in style at Enghien and in similar form should have this in the bag. Leading the opposition is the similarly dependable SELF EXPLOSIVE (6) who has been enjoying a fruitful 2023. Others in contention include FLEUR DU POLEA (8) who has been hard to fault of late, and GRETA (5) who seldom lets the side down when focused.

SELECTIONS

HOMER DE FROMENTEL (2) - SELF EXPLOSIVE (6) - FLEUR DU POLEA (8) - GRETA (5)

C7 - GRAND NATIONAL DU TROT - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - National - Harness - EUR € 90.000

- **1. HORACE DU GOUTIER -** Remarkable so far this season. Unraced since winning at Saint-Brieuc but is shod for competition and from the front row will take all the beating.
- **2. IMPRESSIONIST -** Occasionally loses focus but is otherwise in excellent condition. Drops back in class and with application can challenge for the win
- **3. GALILEO BELLO -** Regularly loses his action but otherwise never one to be underestimated. Is confirmed at this level and will generate some interest
- **4. HOWDY PARTNER -** Has won a GNT leg already this term. Less effective in last two but can still make the first five
- 5. FESTIF CHARMANT Takes a giant step up in category after two decent efforts at a lower level and will have his work cut out
- **6. HIDALGO DES NOES -** Quality element that is very hard to fault when unshod. Steps up in class but must still be afforded respect
- **7. GEISHA SPEED -** Remarkably consistent in both codes. Has a good entry on first line and even though stepping up in class could pleasantly surprise
- **8. EZALYO SMART -** Mixes the good with the less good but is confirmed at this level. Latest effort however did nothing to inspire confidence
- 9. DERBY DU DOLLAR Considerably better in the claiming division these days and can be ruled out
- 10. FALCO D'HAVAROCHE Capable sort but is being prepared for another engagement and best to wait
- **11. GOELAND D'HAUFOR -** Serious sort that lost his action last time when full of running and on better behaviour can put on a good show
- **12. HIP HOP HAUFOR -** Not as sharp as he was in Prix d'Amérique but left a good impression in last GNT leg and even with shoes back on will garner significant support
- **13. FIGARO DE LARRE -** Serious trotter in the other branch of the business and here for a change of scenery
- **14. HAPPY VALLEY -** Good, consistent mare that seldom disappoints when applied. Good second last time out and even from the 2nd line looks a serious proposition
- 15. DOUX PARFUM Seldom makes any impression at this level and chances slim at best
- **16. ECUREUIL JENILOU -** Quality individual but has not been seen out since February and the 50m handicap does nothing to improve his chances

Summary: Behind in earnings after a lengthy interruption to his career, HORACE DU GOUTIER (1) has returned to competition in style and from the front line can pull off the three-timer. He will still be facing a serious challenge from the delicate but talented IMPRESSIONIST (2) who drops in class, and the ultra-consistent HAPPY VALLEY (14) who finished runner-up in the last GNT stage. GOELAND D'HAUFOR (11) will have his chances if he can keep his action together.

HORACE DU GOUTIER (1) - IMPRESSIONIST (2) - HAPPY VALLEY (14) - GOELAND D'HAUFOR (11)

C8 - PRIX BARONS GUY ET JACQUES DE MEYNARD - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - National - Class C - Harness - EUR € 27.000

- 1. JINGLE LOVER A winner here last season but has not been seen out since December
- 2. JAMAIQUE PAJELO Quality filly in the monté discipline. Here for reasons of conditioning and no threat
- **3. JET EXPRESS -** Impressive winner of last two at Caen. Changes direction this time but is confirmed racing left-handed and looks a serious proposition
- **4. JACK L'EVENTREUR -** Showed promise as a 2yo but disappointing this year and recent reentry did nothing to reassure
- 5. JACADI BROUETS Can trot on a good day but below-par in both this term and needs to reaffirm
- **6. JO DU DON -** Decent sort that left a good impression on comeback a fortnight ago. Will have come on for the run and must not be underestimated
- **7. JIGOVE -** Delicate but has talent in spades. Latest start should be ignored and can be backed with confidence this time around
- **8. JUVENIA BELLA -** Quality filly with an enviable strike-rate but unseen since February and best to wait
- **9. JORGIO DE VANDEL -** Not the easiest of horses to handle but has evident ability and with application can go far
- **10. JOLIKOVA D'ARIANE -** Hardy filly that was unlucky at Vincennes last time out. Is clearly in form and can make amends
- 11. JANGA FLIGNY Went completely off the boil after winning at Vincennes last December and will have few friends
- **12. JERENAL D'HAMELINE -** Fine trotter that has shown a liking for Laval but unseen since November and expected to need the run
- **13. JEROCASH DE PHYT'S -** Serious colt whose form is better than it appears. In decent company here but still looks the leading contender
- **14. JOYAU DE MORTREE -** Moderate type that has struggled so far this season and others easier to back
- 15. JUNE Decent sort in both codes but returns from a layoff and is likely to be race-rusty
- **16. JIM PERRINE -** Quality element with one race under his belt following the break and if at peak fitness should be able to trot his way into the frame

Summary: Although unplaced at Vincennes last time out, JEROCASH DE PHYT'S (13) raced better than the result would suggest and can demonstrate his form here. Eric Raffin will still want to keep a watchful eye on the progressive JET EXPRESS (3) who returns to racing left-handed on a hat-trick. JIM PERRINE (16) will have come on for his return run and even with shoes on should not be far off the mark. JIGOVE (7) will have his chances if he can keep his action together.

JEROCASH DE PHYT'S (13) - JET EXPRESS (3) - JIM PERRINE (16) - JIGOVE (7)