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R1 VINCENNES [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE LUSIGNY - 2175m (a1 5/16m) - European - Class C -
Mounted - EUR € 46.000**

- 1. JORGIO DE VANDEL** - Unexceptional sort debuting under the saddle after a relatively disappointing spring. Just hind shoes off this time but still not an obvious choice
- 2. JERSEY STYLE** - Has shown significant aptitude for the ridden code. Sanctioned in last two but has been entrusted to Benjamin Rochard this time and can redeem himself
- 3. JEUNE DEMOISELLE** - Showed promise at 3 but has been a total write-off all year and has no realistic chance
- 4. JIVRY** - Has yet to show any particular flair for the monté discipline and will have few, if any, takers
- 5. JAGUAR DE VILLETOT** - Faithful servant that seldom lets the side down. Enjoying a productive run of form and, even though in better company this time, will have his supporters
- 6. JAZZY FLIGNY** - Solid in 3 of the last 4 monté races he contested and returns to the code with a moderate chance of picking up some prizemoney
- 7. JAD DE CALIX** - Blows hot and cold but imposed over the short course last time when barefoot. Unlikely to have his way but, with application, can get a look in
- 8. JALIA D'AZERAY** - Reliability not her strong suit but has been showing a different side to herself lately. Drops back to a more reasonable level and must be respected
- 9. JUBY DE BAILLY** - No slouch in this branch of the game but disappointing in last 3 harness starts and is unlikely to spring any surprises
- 10. JAVA DAIRPET** - Progressive filly making her first appearance for over 4 months, but is barefoot for the occasion and is not incapable of getting her nose in front
- 11. JACK DES MALBERAUX** - Erratic type that pleased in one of two in this discipline. Is clearly in form and, reined by Eric Raffin, will generate a lot of interest
- 12. JIRI PACHA** - Regularly a case of all-or-nothing, but will be fresh, and racing barefoot may well prove key here. Claim

Summary : A superb trotter in this branch of the business when he can keep his action together, JIRI PACHA (12) ran a solid 2nd over track and trip before the spring break. After a re-entry race under harness, he goes first-time barefoot and can get straight back in the game. Principal opposition will hail from the returning, but tough, JAVA DAIRPET (10) who is barefoot for her return to competition, and the erratic but eminently capable JACK DES MALBERAUX (11) who is confirmed under these conditions. JALIA D'AZERAY (8) is enjoying something of a renaissance in the discipline and drops back in category with legitimate ambition.

SELECTIONS

JIRI PACHA (12) - JAVA DAIRPET (10) - JACK DES MALBERAUX (11) - JALIA D'AZERAY

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C2 - PRIX EMILE WENDLING - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - European - Class A - Harness - EUR € 62.000

- 1. RAGAZZA DU CHENE** - 6 times a winner from 10 career starts but is in exalted company this time and chances slim
- 2. ECLIPSE GAR** - Hardy Italian colt that failed to fire on his French debut in late July. Comes here fresh but others easier to back
- 3. KOR DE SES COMES** - Smart Spanish type but looked rather ordinary here last month and is unlikely to shake things up
- 4. ENAOZ** - Boasts a good record at home in Italy but in this company will have his work cut out
- 5. LAST CHANCE (GER)** - Unplaced in both appearances here but has been showing his form in Germany and, with Eric Raffin in the wagon this time, should not disappoint
- 6. BROTHERS IN ARMS** - Has raced just twice since moving stable but left quite the impression in a Gr.3 last time and is eminently capable of applying the pressure on KAVIARISSIME (13)
- 7. KEN DU POMMEREUX** - Impressive more than once last season but has yet to get into his stride this term. Fitted with 4 pads for the first time though and should not be totally discounted
- 8. YIN YANG** - Useful sort that latterly finished a respectable 3rd in a decent Berlin event, but still faces a stiff test
- 9. KILLER QUEEN** - Pleased in both since the spell and, most recently, 2 places behind KEYBOARD (10) over track and trip. Should give another honest account but still has more to find
- 10. KEYBOARD** - Honest sort that moved smartly up in category, over course and distance, last time out. Pads fitted again and must be worth retaining
- 11. KATINKA DU MOUCHEL** - Serious filly that showed great tenacity to win an Enghien Class B mid-August. Takes on the colts this time but will still have her chances
- 12. KOOL AND THE GANG** - Occasionally faults but otherwise a tough, consistent colt. Lost his action early last time but will not be far from the action if Abrivard assures his initial steps
- 13. KAVIARISSIME** - Classy colt that just seems to get better. Is close to his race and, with front pads fitted again, looks dangerous

Summary : A colt of significant ability, KAVIARISSIME (13) was beaten only by the excellent Kapitano De Source (who has since won the Gr.3 Yearling Cup) and, with hind pads fitted this time, can open his annual account. That said, BROTHERS IN ARMS (6) missed out by little for Gr.3 victory at Enghien last month, and comes here fresh and with a realistic chance of imposing. Occasionally a handful, but a progressive filly nevertheless, KATINKA DU MOUCHEL (11) won her last two over 2875m at Enghien, and even though stepping up in class, looks a serious proposition. Impressive across town early last month before losing his action in the Yearling Cup, KOOL AND THE GANG (12) will not be far off the mark if he can get off on the right foot.

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KAVIARISSIME (13) - BROTHERS IN ARMS (6) - KATINKA DU MOUCHEL (11) - KOOL

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AND THE GANG (12)

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**C3 - PRIX DE BAGNOLS-SUR-CEZE - 2175m (a1 5/16m) - Class C -
Mounted - EUR € 68.000**

1. FAST CASH - Very good servant in this branch of the game. Missed out by little to GOOD GIRL MARCEAUX (9) last time but, over 2175m, can exact revenge this time around

2. DAHLIA DU PONT - Third to FAST CASH (1) here recently. Should again figure prominently but chances of success limited

3. EXCELLENT DAY - Never the easiest of horses to handle but has excellent monté credentials. Is barefoot with a leading jockey in the irons and, with application, can put on a good show

4. FLEUR DU POLEA - Seldom gets her nose in front these days but is regularly in the thick of things. Appreciates Vincennes and should again finish in the mix

5. DOZULE GITAN - No slouch on a good day but has not been on his game for some time and chances appear slim

6. FINGER DE RODREY - Not as sharp as he was when imposing over track and trip during the spring and unlikely to make any impression

7. HERMINE GIRL - Disappointing on the whole in both codes this year and can be confidently ruled out

8. GALON DE VIRE - Winner at this level under harness earlier in the year. Has yet to excel under the saddle but in current form can get a look in

9. GOOD GIRL MARCEAUX - Rarely disappoints when she can keep trotting. Can take advantage of the fine entry and the double is not out of the question

Summary : Over this shorter trip, the fine FAST CASH (1) looks thoroughly capable of turning the tables on the hardy GOOD GIRL MARCEAUX (9) who had his measure over 2700m here late last month. EXCELLENT DAY (3) returns to his code of preference and, with Eric Raffin on board, can play a leading role. DAHLIA DU PONT (2) always gives his best can confirm his 3rd place in the recent race of reference.

SELECTIONS

**FAST CASH (1) - GOOD GIRL MARCEAUX (9) - EXCELLENT DAY (3) - DAHLIA DU PONT
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C4 - PRIX DE MONTIER EN DER - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - European - Class A - Harness - EUR € 71.000

1. **CONDOR BAR** - Has struggled somewhat since returning to France but could well get a look in if he replicates his latest Enghien performance
2. **CHERRY TOP** - Decent campaigner but stays shod for his return to competition and best to hold off
3. **CHARMY CHARLY AS** - Honest sort that opened his French account over 2700m here before being sent for a break. Unseen for over 3 months but is barefoot for comeback and must be retained
4. **COLIBRI' JET** - Respectable Italian type but found himself outclassed behind INTOUCHABLE (8) at Enghien and will have few takers
5. **GASOLIN** - Useful nordic raider with references at a higher level. Competitively shod for Vincennes debut and, with Gelormini reining, will be afforded every chance
6. **ILLUSION JIPAD** - Won a similar event at Enghien before placing 5th behind INTOUCHABLE (8) last time. Raffin has maintained faith and should generate some interest
7. **IRINA DE BAILLY** - Previously a good sort but has struggled in both codes lately and can be passed over
8. **INTOUCHABLE** - Occasionally unfocused but otherwise very useful when barefoot. Latest effort can be ignored and, with his mind on the game, should give an honourable account
9. **IES WE KAN** - Good dual-purpose trotter that won a monté Gr.2 earlier in the year. Showed his harness form at Cagnes and, with application, should not be far from the action
10. **IGREC DE CELLAND** - Has been very hard to fault since his first steps on the track. Valiant 4th in a Gr.2 over shorter here last time and, with form maintained, can give IDEAL DU ROCHER (13) a run for his money
11. **INVINCIBLE CASH** - Hardy individual that has already placed at Gr.2 level this season. Was by no means disgraced last time out and is expected to finish considerably closer this time
12. **INSTINCT D'AM** - Has ability but not the most reliable. Acquitted himself well at Cabourg recently though and the Lebourgeois-factor cannot be discounted
13. **IDEAL DU ROCHER** - Quality element facing his first objective of the autumn and, if at peak fitness, should be able to win a race of this nature

Summary : Ideally engaged at the limit of earnings, IDEAL DU ROCHER (13) will be fully fit following a brace of re-entry runs and, going barefoot this time, can impose. François Lagadeuc will still be keeping an eye on the improving IGREC DE CELLAND (10) who most recently trotted 4th in the Gr.2 Prix Louis Jariel. Sixth that day, INVINCIBLE CASH (11) is considerably better than his performance would imply and can play a leading role this time around. The Danish GASOLIN (5) makes his first foray south, with a new shoeing formula, and is expected to figure prominently.

SELECTIONS

IDEAL DU ROCHER (13) - IGREC DE CELLAND (10) - INVINCIBLE CASH (11) - GASOLIN

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**C5 - PRIX JOSEPH AVELINE - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - National - Class A -
Harness - EUR € 62.000**

- 1. JAZZY DANCER** - Has been out of sorts since the spring and looks to be biting off more than he can chew
- 2. JAPAROV LIRE** - Serious sort that consistently gives his all. Imposed over track and trip during the winter and, even with shoes on, can give this a good go
- 3. JAZZ DE PERVENCHE** - Has harness references but still a better beast in the other code and can be ruled out
- 4. JASMIN PRECIEUX** - Tough colt that imposed smartly here after being bested by JUST A MIDI (6) across town and looks competitive for another spot on the podium
- 5. JAGUAR DU GOUTIER** - Classy element in both disciplines but has failed to fire lately. Takes a dip in class though and can start to make amends
- 6. JUST A MIDI** - Simply superb since starting to race unshod. Impressive winner of his last two and has a realistic chance of pulling off the hat-trick
- 7. JINGLE DELO** - Never far from losing his action but has talent in abundance. Returns fresh, unshod in front and, with application, can get straight down to business
- 8. JAZZ IN MONTREUX** - Classy trotter in the other branch of the game. Here for reasons of conditioning and not an obvious choice

Summary : Even though he regularly falls foul of the stewards, JINGLE DELO (7) is nevertheless a quality colt. With front shoes off for his return from a much-needed spell, he can wrap this up, if focused. The remarkably faithful JUST A MIDI (6) has been in cracking shape all year and has earned the right to challenge David Thomain's horse for the win. Third to her at Enghien, JASMIN PRECIEUX (4) bounced back with success over shorter here a fortnight ago, and will justifiably bid to confirm. JAPAROV LIRE (2) has been as solid as a rock all year and with Raffin in the sulky will be assured a competitive drive.

SELECTIONS

JINGLE DELO (7) - JUST A MIDI (6) - JASMIN PRECIEUX (4) - JAPAROV LIRE (2)

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C6 - PRIX DU MONT SAINT MICHEL - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - European - Class C - Harness - EUR € 68.000

1. HURRICANE RIVER - Can prove a handful but is not without merit. Withdrawn from the start at Laval but, if at his ease this time, can start to make amends

2. ZINKO TOP - Mixes the good with the less good and tends to prefer a mobile start. Has little room for manoeuvre here but with some luck in running can get a look in

3. GAMIN DES ISLES - Quality element with excellent credentials when barefoot. Beaten only by a very good horse here last time, is barefoot for the occasion and, from the front row, can give this a good go

4. FARANDOLE DI PALBA - Gave a very good account in a Class D over track and trip earlier in the summer but disappointing since and not an obvious choice

5. GLAMOUR EAGLE - Faithful servant that consistently gives his best. 2 places behind GAMIN DES ISLES (3) recently and from the first line can play an important role

6. FIFTY BLACK - Appears to have lost nothing during his lengthy, enforced layoff. Won his last three with relative ease and, although climbing the class ladder, still looks a major player

7. FLAMME VIVE - Won a similar event late last year but has since lost her way and will have few friends

8. DEGANAWIDAH - Unexceptional veteran that rarely makes his presence felt and is not about to break the mould

9. GENDREEN - Excellent trotter that has been flying for the past 15 months. Comfortably won a similar event over 2700m here late last month and can exact revenge on FIFTY BLACK (6) who has already beaten him this term

10. GALILEO BELLO - Never far from losing his action but has bags of ability. Authoritative at Enghien before finishing 3rd to GENDREEN (9) last time and, with application, should again finish close

Summary : Off the track for 2.5 years, FIFTY BLACK (6) has swept almost all in front of him since returning to competition this spring. He comfortably beat the good GENDREEN (9) at Enghien in early July and is not incapable of doing so again. Barefoot this time, GALILEO BELLO (10) rarely disappoints when applied and his recent 3rd to the latter will stand him in good stead. GAMIN DES ISLES (3) is 25m better off and, clearly close to his race, will be no pushover.

SELECTIONS

FIFTY BLACK (6) - GENDREEN (9) - GALILEO BELLO (10) - GAMIN DES ISLES (3)

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**C7 - PRIX DE FORMERIE - 2100m (a1 5/16m) - Autostart - Class E -
Harness - EUR € 52.000**

1. GUINNESS - Can prove tricky but is otherwise very hard to fault when applied. Left a good impression behind GALAXIE DU HOME (7) here recently and, with the inside line, can again make the frame

2. GRANITA DE VIETTE - Blows hot and cold but returned to winning ways just over a fortnight ago. Boasts an excellent Vincennes record and from the 2-spot will have her chances

3. GEOLE DE LA TOUQUE - Fine mare that has turned a corner this summer but races shod this time and best to hold off

4. GOLDEN GRACE - Not as sharp as she was on her first start of the year when imposing over course and distance, but always gives her best and from the 4-spot must be taken seriously

5. FURBIZIA DODVILLE - Regular sort that prepped for this at Graignes. Shoes off this time but chances still appear slim

6. GOLDWYN DU CAUX - A total revelation since moving to the Laurent stable. Recently opened her Vincennes account and looks set to make it five wins on the trot

7. GALAXIE DU HOME - Has found form again after a patchy start to the summer season. Starts wide on the front line but still looks a player

8. GAZETTA DE LOU - Respectable but not cut from the same cloth as others here. Reassured last time out but others still preferred

9. FOR LOVING YOU - Alternates decently between the amateur and professional ranks, and is currently in form, but has been handed a tough draw and no more than a minor place prospect this time around

10. GO TO AMERICA - Regularly acquits herself well in the amateur division but takes on a good bunch this time and is unlikely to shake things up

Summary : Five times a winner in her last six starts, including at the venue last month, GOLDWYN DU CAUX (6) returns on a 5-timer and can pull it off. The more erratic GRANITA DE VIETTE (2) got back in the game at Graignes recently and, shod competitively this time, looks the main danger to the favourite's supremacy. Something of a revelation lately when barefoot, GALAXIE DU HOME (7) gave an excellent account over track and trip last weekend and again looks competitively well in. GUINNESS (1) is good for you, as the ad goes, and given her current form, she may well prove the point.

SELECTIONS

GOLDWYN DU CAUX (6) - GRANITA DE VIETTE (2) - GALAXIE DU HOME (7) - GUINNESS (1)

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**C8 - PRIX D'EAUBONNE - 2100m (a1 5/16m) - Autostart - Class E -
Harness - EUR € 52.000**

- 1. GUERRIER CASTELETS** - Seen more often than not in the amateur category these days, but latterly gave a fine account in the professional ranks and should not be far from the action
- 2. FILOU DE L'ELLE** - Faithful for the most part when applied. Impressed over track and trip earlier in the month and from the 2-spot will have his chances
- 3. GRAND SOURIRE** - Reliable type that seldom strays from the straight and narrow. Has a lot going for him here and should again figure prominently
- 4. GAMIN D'ALJY** - Useful sort that has won under these conditions. Presently in form, is entrusted to a leading driver, and from the 4-spot can make a big impact
- 5. FAKIR DE VILLODON** - Modest type that got back in the game at Cherbourg recently but a repeat looks decidedly unlikely
- 6. FOKKER DE BAILLY** - Useful on a good day but has never delivered over 2100m here. Presently in decent shape though and will generate some interest
- 7. GILBERTO** - Has yet to get his nose in front this season but has been on a productive run of form and, even though starting wide, must not be overlooked
- 8. GAI MATIN** - Never far from losing his action but has talent in spades. Highly impressive at Cagnes and, although drawn wide, he is reunited with Eric Raffin and can set the record straight
- 9. FARSIGHT ABSOLUTE** - Unremarkable trotter that has looked very ordinary for some time and will struggle to make his presence felt
- 10. FLASH DE VOUEDE** - Not the worst horse here but has not made the frame in 8 starts this year and can be passed over
- 11. FLAMENCO** - Won over a similar trip two years ago but better over longer and the draw will do him no favours

Summary : Delicate he might be but GAI MATIN (8) is a remarkable sort when focused. He imposed with authority at Cagnes last time only to lose the race in the stewards' room but, on better behaviour, can more than make amends. FILOU DE L'ELLE (2), on the other hand, is far more dependable and his latest course-and-distance run bodes well for his prospects. GRAND SOURIRE (3) has hardly put a foot out of place since 2021, went close on his lone appearance under these conditions, and benefits from a good spot on the front line. Shod as he was when imposing over track and trip last year, GAMIN D'ALJY (4) has the plum spot in front and, with Lebourgeois at the helm, will be given every chance.

SELECTIONS

GAI MATIN (8) - FILOU DE L'ELLE (2) - GRAND SOURIRE (3) - GAMIN D'ALJY (4)

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**C9 - PRIX D'ARGELES - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class E - Harness - EUR €
41.000**

- 1. HANAPIER** - Has placed just once in 6 starts here but has been flying on the Riviera recently and does not make the long trip to Paris to see the sights. Attention
- 2. HAXOS DE DIGEON** - Form has regressed somewhat since winning a Reims amateur event and will struggle to make his presence felt
- 3. HED** - Unremarkable type that has not looked competitive for some time and appears to have little to offer
- 4. HERCULE DU PARC** - Very good in both codes, with a preference for the monté discipline, but nevertheless out of his depth here
- 5. HA YES MAX** - Respectable sort in both codes but will encounter significantly better horses this time and chances limited
- 6. HUNT** - Consistently in the thick of things when applied. Has more than once come close to opening his summer account and, while unlikely to pull it off this time, should still not go home empty-handed
- 7. HURRICANE CARTER** - Remarkably tough and consistent trotter that remains unbeaten this season. Untried at the venue but Lebourgeois in the sulky and can make it 10 in a row
- 8. HOMARD LAND** - Hardy sort that has thrived in the provinces this year. Went close at Saint-Malo and, despite the step up in category, can still make his presence felt
- 9. HELLO JOHN** - Decent type with references at a marginally better level here. Is clearly in excellent shape and returns to a hard surface with every chance of making the frame
- 10. HASHTAG CHAMANT** - Useful sort with nothing to prove at this level. Ideally-entered, is in form, and can play a prominent role if he keeps his action together

Summary : Winner of his last nine, five of them coming this season, HURRICANE CARTER (7) debuts in the capital and can again impose, provided he takes to the Vincennes profile. Sanctioned mid-race here last time out, HASHTAG CHAMANT (10) benefits from a good entry and, if applied, can put the pressure on the favourite. One of the most honest trotters around, HELLO JOHN (9) is enjoying a fruitful run of form and, although yet to impose here, still looks competitive. HOMARD LAND (8) rarely puts a foot out of place and in current shape, with shoes off, can give this a good go.

SELECTIONS

**HURRICANE CARTER (7) - HASHTAG CHAMANT (10) - HELLO JOHN (9) - HOMARD
LAND (8)**