## R4 LAVAL [L-H]

# C1 - PRIX DU BOIS DE MISEDON - 2850m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 21,000

- **1. L'IDEALISTE -** Solid sort making first appearance since coming 3rd of 13 in a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne Class F on 25 March. Shoes back on and best to wait
- **2. LORD DE VANDEL -** Decent colt starting for first time since running 8th of 12 in a 2875m Enghien Class D last October and is going to need the outing
- **3. LEON SEVEN -** Won 2 before running 3rd of 6 in a 3150m Class F at La Roche-Posay on 1 June. Consistently gives his best and will be expected to figure prominently once more
- **4. LITCHI CASTELETS -** Pulled off the hat-trick 2.5 weeks ago in a 2800m Langon Class F. Eric Raffin maintains faith and looks a serious proposition yet again
- **5. LUPIN DU RIB -** Respectable 5th of 9 finishers behind LARGO D'ENFER (11) in a 2450m Caen Class E a fortnight ago. Unlikely to impose but can nevertheless finish in the mix
- **6. LOOKING FEEL -** Won over course and distance on comeback before repeating in a Class F over a similar trip at Maure-de-Bretagne a month ago. Steps up in category but has considerable untapped potential and can confirm
- **7. LOVER DES BROUSSES -** Serious colt making first start since being sanctioned at Vincennes in November 2023. Shod for comeback and will be race-rusty
- **8. LATINO DES ISLES -** 5th of 11 in a 2875m Argentan Class E 2.5 weeks ago. Has never excelled at Laval and is not about to start now
- **9. LOVE YOU PHYT'S -** Has won 3 from 4 this year, most recently a 3000m Nantes Class E 2 weeks ago. Will appreciate the new conditions and the 3-timer is still a distinct possibility
- **10. LOVE FEELING -** Won on turf at Rambouillet early-May before coming 3rd of 13 in a 2300m Chateaubriant Class E 3 weeks later. Entrusted to Benjamin Rochard for the first time and is unlikely to disappoint
- **11. LARGO D'ENFER -** Confirmed Nort-sur-Erdre performance when 3rd of 9 finishers in a 2450m Caen Class E a fortnight ago. Is plainly close to his race and unlikely to be far off the mark
- **12. LULU DES CARREAUX -** In the frame in 3 before finishing 6th of 8 in a 2300m Chartres Class E on 1 June. Has yet to deliver going left-handed but is reunited with Mathieu Mottier who placed with him at Meslay
- **13. L'AS DE SMARVES -** Quality element that ran 2nd of 16 in a 2800m Vichy Class E a month ago. Unlikely to create an upset but with application can get a look-in

**Summary:** Like a horse reborn this season, LOOKING FEEL (6) pulled off the hat-trick at Maure last month and on current trajectory looks eminently capable of adding another victory to his tally. That being said, he will be forced to take on the more complicated, but no less talented, LOVE YOU PHYT'S (9) who set his personal best at Nantes, and LITCHI CASTELETS (4) who bids to maintain his undefeated status. LEON SEVEN (3) returns to a hard surface in top form and is another for the shortlist.

#### **SELECTIONS**

LOOKING FEEL (6) - LOVE YOU PHYT'S (9) - LITCHI CASTELETS (4) - LEON SEVEN (3)

# C2 - PRIX DU BOIS DE BOURGON - 2850m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 24,000

- **1. KELLE BLEUE -** Returns to the track almost 2 months after being sanctioned in a 2500m Reims Class F. Shoes on this time though and best to hold off
- **2. KLARISSE -** Has not been seen out since being sanctioned in a 2850m Vincennes Class D last October. Has other priorities
- **3. KALINKA SOMOLLI -** Makes first appearance since running 9th of 14 behind KANELLE STAR (8) in a 2825m Cordemais Class E on 20 April. Won her only Laval start but still has more to find
- **4. KRONA VIKING -** Disappointing so far this term, latterly sanctioned in a 2850m Mauquenchy Class E a week ago. Is not everyone's cup of tea but is capable when focused and with hind shoes off should not be underestimated
- **5. KENZA D'AMOUR -** Complicated but capable mare making first start since finishing last but one in a 2850m Vincennes Class D last January and is going to need the run
- **6. KARLA JALLERIE -** Going well when sanctioned in a 2700m Vincennes Class D late last month. Has returned to competition in fine shape and although not a priority, she races with 4 pads for first time and should not be ignored
- **7. KELLY D'ERABLE -** Rewarded with success 3.5 weeks ago when clinching a 2800m Vire Class E. Takes on a marginally better lot here but still looks competitively well-in
- **8. KANELLE STAR -** In decent shape this term, most recently 4th of 14 in a 2950m Le Mans Class E on 22 May. Has nothing to prove at this level and makes her Laval debut with a good hand to play. Chance
- **9. KOMREVEE DIESCHOOT -** Failed to confirm Tours success when 7th of 14 in a 3000m Nantes Class E 2 weeks ago. Was not the most fortunate that day but can more than make amends if Benjamin Rochard keeps her out of trouble
- **10. KAROLINA DI SEMBLE -** Made respectable return to competition when 4th of 12 in a 2600m Plestin-Les Grèves Class D on 18 May. Steps up in category but is no slouch when focused and is easy to like for a first-5 cheque
- **11. KINJAL DE BELLANDE -** Unraced since securing a 2650m Class E here on 6 March. Is plainly in competition-mode though and is in with a realistic shout of repeating

**Summary:** Sent for a rest after imposing in a fast reduction here 3 months ago, the well-engaged KINJAL DE BELLANDE (11) is barefoot for her re-entry and Matthieu Abrivard will be expecting to confirm. He will still be vigilant of KANELLE STAR (8) who has been knocking at the door, and KOMREVEE DIESCHOOT (9) who was not the luckiest at Nantes late-May. Hard to fault this year, KELLY D'ERABLE (7) is as good racing left-handed as right- and David Thomain will be keen to confirm their Vire performance.

#### **SELECTIONS**

KINJAL DE BELLANDE (11) - KANELLE STAR (8) - KOMREVEE DIESCHOOT (9) - KELLY D'ERABLE (7)

## C3 - PRIX DE LA FORET DE PAIL - 2850m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness - EUR € 27,000

- **1. JOUR ET NUIT -** Unraced since coming close 2nd of 18 in a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne Class E on 25 March. Shoes fitted this time and best to keep one's powder dry
- **2. JASON DU PERRON -** Imposed at Cholet before stylishly repeating in a 2275m Nantes Class E a fortnight back. Takes on a more exalted lot here but in current condition is easy to recommend for the win
- **3. JOCKEY -** Returns to a track he appreciates after running 5th of 10 finishers to JERICHO DU RIB (10) in a 2950m Le Mans Class D on 22 May. Shod for the occasion and with stride in check will be no easy touch
- **4. JACOB LUDOIS -** Has done nothing but improve lately, most recently winning a 3000m Nantes Class E 10 days ago. Has the Laval profile and a repeat is well within his capacity
- **5. JADE -** Has not been seen out since coming 6th of 11 in a 2100m Vincennes Class D on 21 March. Has previously won here but with shoes on can expect few friends
- **6. JUST D'ACADIE -** Pleased in 2 before faulting in a 2950m Le Mans Class D 3 weeks ago. Form is not in doubt and a first-5 place is well within his grasp, provided that Matthieu Abrivard keeps him trotting
- **7. JAMES MADRIK -** In the frame in 3 of last 4, latterly 2nd of 9 in a 3000m Nantes Class F 10 days ago. Is untried at Laval but Is plainly close to his race and must be afforded respect
- **8. JOSS CAPELLO -** 3rd of 11 to JOSHUA PEJI (11) in a 2775m Class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne earlier in the month. Is plainly in shape but would be preferred barefoot
- **9. JEAN MADRIK -** Sanctioned early in a 2800m Pontchateau Class D a week ago. Has merit but races shod and cannot be considered a contender
- **10. JERICHO DU RIB -** Won a 2950m Le Mans Class D unopposed 3 weeks ago. Less competitively shod this time and unlikely to create an upset
- **11. JOSHUA PEJI -** Sanctioned on re-entry before dominating a 2775m Class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne earlier in the month. Has a lot going for him here and is still very much in the picture

**Summary:** Unopposed winner at Nantes earlier in the month, JACOB LUDOIS (4) has simply gone from strength to strength this term and trainer Stéphane Bourlier will be awaiting confirmation. Two weeks ago, JASON DU PERRON (2) posted a similar performance at the same venue and looks the main threat. Damien Bonne could not have wished for a better entry for JOSHUA PEJI (11) and David Thomain will be in the bike for the first time. JOCKEY (3) has enjoyed a fine run of form over the past 3 months and even with shoes back on must be considered a player.

#### **SELECTIONS**

JACOB LUDOIS (4) - JASON DU PERRON (2) - JOSHUA PEJI (11) - JOCKEY (3)

## C4 - PRIX MICHEL BONNE - 2850m (a2m) - Class C Race - Harness - EUR € 31,000

- **1. JOLLY CHIC -** 11th of 13, a place behind JASPER PIYA (5), in a 2200m Caen Class C 13 months ago and will be in need of the run
- **2. JIRI PACHA -** 4th of 10 finishers in a 2675m monte Class G at Le Mont-Saint-Michel late last month and will have other ambitions
- **3. JAD DE CALIX -** Starts for first time since coming 7th of 8 in a 2875m Enghien monte Class E late-April. Shoes on and not a concern
- **4. JUPITER TURGOT -** Made a solid re-entry before running 2nd of 16 in a 2850m Lyon-Parilly Class D on 24 May. Will have come on for the run, will be reined by Eric Raffin, and will have his supporters
- **5. JASPER PIYA -** Has not been seen out since finishing last but one in a 2700m Vincennes Class C last December. Is barefoot for re-entry and should not be entirely overlooked
- **6. JANE CASH -** Failed to pull off the hat-trick when quickly sanctioned in 4 June race of reference, but form is not in question and on good behaviour will be no pushover
- **7. JACKMAN -** Imposed at Vincennes before running 2nd of 7 to JOJO TOONS (13) in a Class C over track and trip last week. Appears to be back to his best and will not be far from the action if Nicolas Bazire can keep him focused
- **8. JAVA D'ANAMA -** Sanctioned in last 2, latterly a 2825m Durtal Class F on 18 May. Has bags of ability though, won here 12 months back, and merits respect
- **9. JEUNE AMI -** Last of 7 to JOJO TOONS (13) in a Class C over track and trip last week. Shoes back on and poses no danger
- **10. JERENAL D'HAMELINE -** Fine servant that ran 2nd of 16 on comeback in a 2875m Argentan Class D 2.5 weeks ago, and it will not be long before he trots his way back into the winners' circle
- **11. IQUEM -** 9th of 17, on first start since January, in a 2800m Pontchateau Class F a week ago. Is still being conditioned and can be passed over
- **12. JINGLE LOVER -** Won over course and distance before coming 4th of 16 in a 2100m Vincennes Class C a month back. Left quite the impression in Paris and a similar effort would see him win this
- **13. JOJO TOONS -** Won 2 of last 3, latterly a Class C with ease over course and distance last week and will justifiably garner significant support. Chance

**Summary:** Excellent here in April, JINGLE LOVER (12) went on to hold his own in Paris and, unbeaten at Laval when competitively-shod, he will have a legitimate claim on the silverware. A tough nut to crack and impressive here just 8 days ago, JOJO TOONS (13) enjoys a fine entry and can repeat. JACKMAN (7) ran 2nd to him that day and can again make the frame, while JERENAL D'HAMELINE (10) returns to a track he likes after a terrific re-entry run and must not be underestimated.

#### **SELECTIONS**

JINGLE LOVER (12) - JOJO TOONS (13) - JACKMAN (7) - JERENAL D'HAMELINE (10)

## C5 - PRIX DU BOIS DE L'HUISSERIE - 2850m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 24,000

- **1. KALISCO PLANCHETTE -** 6th of 10 finishers in a 2675m Erbray Class F last Saturday and will need to find significantly more
- **2. KID D'ECHAL -** Has been knocking at the door over recent weeks, latterly 3rd of 8 in a 2800m Rambouillet Class F 2 weeks ago. Shod as he was at La Capelle and should prove competitive for a place in the frame
- **3. KALL ME CENSERIE -** 2nd over track and trip before running 9th of 11 finishers in a 2825m Sablé-sur-Sarthe Class F 2.5 weeks ago. Reunited with Matthieu Abrivard who will be determined to put things right
- **4. KELCANTO BELLO -** Quality element that won a 2675m Class F at Le Mont-Saint-Michel on 30 May.ls consistently in the thick of things and can bring the fight to KENDALL (10)
- **5. KRONOS DE VANDEL -** Back under harness after running 4th of 10 in a 2625m Cherbourg monte Class E on 21 April, and is not about to spring any surprises
- **6. KINGSTON DE BLARY -** Showed improvement when 3rd of 8 in a 2700m Graignes Class E on 23 May. Front shoes off this time and is worth keeping an eye on
- **7. KEVERT -** Sanctioned in a 2625m Paray-le-Monial Class E on 1 June. Is useful when focused, and sports a new configuration, but others still preferred
- **8. KLASSIC WINNER -** Got back on track at Pontchateau a week ago when 3rd of 8 in a 2800m Class E. Has delivered just once in 4 here though and is unlikely to shake things up
- **9. KILOU -** Ran 2nd at Amiens coming 5th of 8 finishers in a 2950m Le Mans Class E 3 weeks ago. Races barefoot for first time though and with Eric Raffin reining will have his chances of finishing in the mix
- **10. KENDALL -** Authoritative winner of a 2600m Meslay-du-Maine Class E mid-May. Blows hot and cold but goes barefoot for first time at Laval, is nicely-engaged, and can double up
- **11. KLEMS DE JAVIE -** Sanctioned when unsupported in a 2800m Pontchateau Class E a week ago. Seldom disappoints when barefoot here and considering the entry must be retained

**Summary:** Easy winner at Meslay-du-Maine mid-May, KENDALL (10) may not be the most dependable of horses but a similar effort would be enough to wrap this up too. Laurent Koubiche will nevertheless be wary of recent Mont-Saint-Michel winner KELCANTO BELLO (4) who seldom puts a foot out of line, and a reconfigured KID D'ECHAL (2) who has gone close more than once recently. Runner-up here before failing to fire at Sablé-sur-Sarthe, KALL ME CENSERIE (3) tends to go well for Matthieu Abrivard and will be expected to play an active role.

#### **SELECTIONS**

KENDALL (10) - KELCANTO BELLO (4) - KID D'ECHAL (2) - KALL ME CENSERIE (3)

### C6 - PRIX DE LA FORET DE BELLEBRANCHE - 2850m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 21,000

- **1. LILY ROSE D'URFIST -** Back under harness after being sanctioned in a 2950m Le Mans monte Class E 3 weeks ago. Hind shoes off but still not a priority
- **2. LILI DU CHERISAY -** 4th of 6 finishers in a 3150m Class F at La Roche-Posay on 1 June. Will be fully fit by now and should prove competitive for a place in the picture
- **3. LIBERTE CERISE -** Returns to racing shod after running 10th of 13 in a 2700m Vire Class E on 19 May. Is not entirely without merit but in this field appears to have slim prospects
- **4. LOLA DU CLOS -** 4th of 11 behind LUTTE DE COSSE (11) in a 2800m Pontchateau Class E a week ago. Sports a fresh configuration but still not an obvious choice
- **5. LINA LA RAVELLE -** 11th of 12 in a 3000m Nantes Class D 10 days ago. Races barefoot for the occasion and should be good enough to contest the finish
- **6. LADY DU COUDOU -** Failed to confirm Chartres score when unluckily sanctioned in a 2950m Le Mans Class E 3 weeks ago but will not be far from the action if she deigns to stay in stride
- **7. LAURENCE MADRIK -** Got the maiden monkey off her back in a 2650m Class F at Les Sables-d'Olonne last week and with form maintained has every chance of doubling her money
- **8. LUTECE PLANCHETTE -** 2nd of 12 in a 2600m Meslay-du-Maine Class E mid-May. Has already won left-handed this year and the Eric Raffin-factor cannot be ignored
- **9. LEELY DE BLARY -** Opened her 2025 account at Saint-Brieuc early last month when successful in a 2575m Class E. Shod the same way here and is unlikely to disappoint
- **10. LA MISS ROYALE -** Sanctioned, on return to competition, in a 2950m Le Mans Class E 3 weeks ago. Has bags of ability and races without front shoes for first time, but still represents a minor place chance at best
- **11. LUTTE DE COSSE -** Runner-up in last 2, latterly a 2800m Pontchateau Class E a week ago. Takes on a better lot this time though and chances limited

**Summary:** LAURENCE MADRIK (7) took her game to a new level when imposing at Les Sables-d'Olonne early last week and appears thoroughly capable of repeating. Hugues Monthule will still be keeping an eye on LEELY DE BLARY (9) who returned to the winners' enclosure in early-May, and LINA LA RAVELLE (5) who is dynamic here when barefoot. LUTECE PLANCHETTE (8) keeps on improving and will be rewarded with another victory one of these days.

#### **SELECTIONS**

LAURENCE MADRIK (7) - LEELY DE BLARY (9) - LINA LA RAVELLE (5) - LUTECE PLANCHETTE (8)

## C7 - PRIX INITIATIVE MAYENNE - 2850m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 21,000

- **1. MELINA SIMARDIERE** Faulted on debut in a 2750m Ecommoy Class F on 11 May. Nicolas Bazire in the bike this time but still not a concern
- **2. MONA SAUTONNE -** Lost her action in a 2800m Rambouillet Class F 2 weeks ago, first time out. Trainer back in the bike but others still preferred
- **3. MY CHARLY ERA -** Has not raced since faulting on debut in a 2200m Orleans Class G on 21 April. Has had time to recalibrate but still represents no more than a minor place prospect
- **4. MY LADY DESBOIS -** Sanctioned on debut in a 2600m Class F at La Roche-Posay on 1 June and will first need to prove she can keep trotting
- **5. MAKITA BERRY -** Pleasant 4th of 10 in a 2675m Class F at Le Mont-Saint-Michel late last month. Is not about to spring a massive surprise but nonetheless has the wherewithal to finish in the mix
- **6. MANON PIERJI -** Got off the mark on debut 2 weeks ago in a 2525m Savigny-sur-Braye Class G. Takes to hard surface this time but is eminently up to the task and Paul Ploquin can be confident of another big run
- **7. MARIE DI LEONE -** Ran 2nd to MY DARLING HAUFOR (9) here before being sanctioned in a 2700m Graignes Class E last week. Is on the right road though and must be taken seriously
- **8. MA JOLIE CHOSE -** Was going nowhere when sanctioned in a Class D under these conditions last week. Has no left-hand references and is not about to spice things up
- **9. MY DARLING HAUFOR -** Impressive winner of a Class F over course and distance, on debut, mid-May. In better company this time but has bags of potential and will have a claim on the race
- **10. MAFALDA -** Unexceptional 6th of 10 finishers in a 2950m Le Mans Class E 3 weeks ago. Is seldom far from faulting but is not without merit and with application can make her presence felt
- **11. MOON DES ARRIS -** In the frame in all 3 starts to date, most recently 2nd of 14 in a 2800m Rambouillet Class F a fortnight ago. Unlikely too get her nose in front but can still compete for a spot on the podium
- **12. MERRY RIVER -** Finished 3rd but was subsequently disqualified in a 2950m Le Mans Class E 3 weeks ago. Is not the easiest of horses to handle but on good behaviour should be able to finish close

**Summary:** Comfortable winner on debut late last month, MANON PIERJI (6) steps up in category but still looks a marginally better bet than MY DARLING HAUFOR (9) who delivered here at the first time of asking. Runner-up to the latter here mid-May, MARIE DI LEONE (7) will be reined by the champion driver this time and warrants respect. Disqualified for interference at Le Mans last time, MERRY RIVER (12) nevertheless showed her form and Benjamin Rochard will be determined to set the record straight.

#### **SELECTIONS**

MANON PIERJI (6) - MY DARLING HAUFOR (9) - MARIE DI LEONE (7) - MERRY RIVER (12)

# C8 - PRIX DU BOIS DE GAMATS - 2850m (a2m) - Class E Race - Mounted - EUR € 21,000

- **1. LIGHTNING ARCTIC -** Sanctioned, on monte debut, in a 2775m Class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne early last week. Has yet to finish a race unscathed and must get his house in order
- 2. LUPO D'ECHAL Has not been seen out since being sanctioned in a 2750m Cabourg Class E last October. Benjamin Rochard in the saddle this time but still not a priority
- **3. LANDO -** Sanctioned on re-entry in a 2700m harness Class F at Le Croise-Laroche 10 days ago. Always gives what he can but still needs to find more
- **4. LINUX FONTENAILLE -** Ran 2nd over course and distance on monte debut mid-May before finishing 7th of 13 in a 2500m Savigny-sur-Braye harness Class F a fortnight later. Will have been kept on the boil and with application can again make the frame
- **5. L'ULTIME D'AXEL -** Unremarkable 7th of 9 finishers behind LUIGI KALOUMA (6) in a 2475m Niort Class F on 18 May.
- **6. LUIGI KALOUMA -** Failed to confirm late-May success when sanctioned in a 2400m Nort-sur-Erdre Class F on Monday. In superior company here and chances limited
- **7. LAZIO -** 6th of 10 finishers to LEODAGAN (12) in a Class F over course and distance mid-May. Takes on a decent lot once again and looks no more than a minor place chance
- **8. LAGON DU DEZERT -** 5th of 16 in a 2700m Graignes Class F a week ago. Races barefoot for the first time in this discipline and must be retained
- **9. LEMON KING -** 5th of 7 finishers in a 2775m Class E at Les Sables-d'Olonne early last week. Is never far from faulting but sports modified shoeing and will not be far off the mark if Guillaume Martin keeps him focused
- **10. LAURO FLIGNY -** 8th of 13 when preparing for this in a 2650m harness Class F at Les Sables-d'Olonne on 3 June. Shoes off for the occasion and can wrap this up if he replicates his Le Mans performance
- **11. LIEUTENANT COLONEL -** Unplaced in last 2, most recently 7th of 10 finishers in a 2875m Argentan Class E 2.5 weeks ago, and would be preferred a level down
- **12. LEODAGAN -** Won well over course and distance before coming 4th of 9 in a 2550m Reims Class E on 1 June. Is clearly one for the future and will be expected to contest the finish
- **13. LONELY RIDER -** Makes first start under the saddle after finishing last but one in a 2800m Rambouillet harness Class F 2 weeks ago. Top jockey in the irons though and must be taken seriously
- **14. L'ESPOIR INDIGO -** 8th of 10 finishers in a 2875m Argentan Class E 2.5 weeks ago. Has shown his potential in the other code and sporting a competitive configuration is not to be overlooked

**Summary:** Solid at Le Mans on just his second appearance in the discipline, LAURO FLIGNY (10) was given a freshener early last week and, barefoot with Eric Raffin aboard, looks the one to beat. They will still encounter resistance from LEODAGAN (12) and LINUX FONTENAILLE (4) who finished 1-2 here mid-May. LONELY RIDER (13) is new to the code but will be partnered by Paul Ploquin and has a realistic chance of getting straight down to business.

#### SELECTIONS

LAURO FLIGNY (10) - LEODAGAN (12) - LINUX FONTENAILLE (4) - LONELY RIDER (13)