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C1 - PRIX NETTO DECOR - VIRE NORMANDIE - 2825m (a2m) - Class F Race - Mounted - EUR € 17,500

- 1. KINA FOUTEAU** - Untried filly that qualified in 1'18"3 at Laval late-May and will have a lot to offer if as good as believed
- 2. KISS ME CASTELLE** - Sanctioned in all 3 starts this season, most recently a 2400m Amiens harness Class F last weekend, and debuts in the code with very limited aspiration
- 3. KRISTA DE MONTBRAY** - 8th of 10 finishers, on comeback, in a 2850m Class E at Maure-de-Bretagne last week and has no realistic chance
- 4. KELLY DU TRESOR** - Sanctioned on re-entry in a 2800m harness Class G at Pontchâteau early-May. Mathieu Mottier engaged this time but there are limits to even his genius
- 5. KALOUMA CASH** - Yet to show much aptitude for either code, latterly sanctioned in a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne Class E last week, and can be ruled out
- 6. KONQUERANTE MESS** - Faulted in a 2150m Rânes harness Class H on 5 May. Has no place in this line-up and can be ignored
- 7. KYARA ARROW** - Sanctioned in a 2825m harness Class F on return to competition here on 25 May. Placed just once in 7 monté starts but, with shoes off, can get back in the game
- 8. KRISTA TEJY** - Modest filly that faulted in a 2400m Class F at Nort-sur-Erdre last Saturday and backs up with little to no chance of making her presence felt
- 9. KELLY D'ACADIE** - Makes first appearance since faulting in a 2450m Caen Class F early-March. Has considerable potential and, with application, can lose her maiden status
- 10. KARYNNA FLOMART** - 10th of 12 finishers in a 2825m Bernay harness claimer on 27 May. Is barefoot this time, has references racing right-handed, but others still preferred
- 11. KATIE CATZ** - 8th of 9 finishers, on return from a long absence, in a 2550m Class F at Gournay-en-Bray on 20 May. Sports a new configuration and can figure prominently if race-fit
- 12. KAELE TURGOT** - Monté debutante that has struggled of late, latterly sanctioned in a 2950m Saint-Malo harness Class F on 19 May, and can be passed over
- 13. KORFOU LEMAN** - Quickly lost her action in a 2725m Graignes Class F late last month. Races first time clockwise under the saddle and will not be far off the mark if Alexiane Lepage assures her initial strides
- 14. KARRY WHITE** - Sanctioned in a 2600m Class F at La Roche-Posay 10 days ago when still being conditioned. First time unshod-all-4 and, on good behaviour, will have her chances
- 15. KAPUCINE** - 3rd of 11 in a 3125m Questembert harness Class F late-May. Steps up in category but has been entrusted to Benjamin Rochard for the occasion and will be afforded every chance
- 16. KANA DE SUCE** - Showed early promise but has since lost her way, most recently sanctioned in a 2800m Strasbourg harness Class F. Was not disgraced under the saddle at La Capelle though and should not be written off

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17. KATLEEN REYOR - Won under harness at Graignes before coming last of 9, behind KELLY RAIN (18), in a 2850m harness Class F last week. Debuts under the saddle but will still have her supporters

18. KELLY RAIN - Takes first competitive monté steps after coming 7th of 9 in a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne harness Class F 8 days ago. Entrusted to the able Guillaume Martin for the occasion and must be respected

Summary: Clearly a filly with bags of potential, KELLY D'ACADIE (9) would have finished close at Caen before her spell; she has been given time to get her house in order and can win this if Victor Saussaye keeps her trotting. KINA FOUTEAU (1), however, qualified smartly late last month and, if as good in competition, will be no pushover. KARRY WHITE (14) is not the easiest of horses to handle but she races first time barefoot and will not be far from the action if she stays focused. KORFOU LEMAN (13) can be excused her recent faux-pas and will be competitive if she gets off on the right foot.

SELECTIONS

KELLY D'ACADIE (9) - KINA FOUTEAU (1) - KARRY WHITE (14) - KORFOU LEMAN (13)

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C2 - PRIX EFC - VIRE NORMANDIE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. LOLLIPOP CHANLECY** - Has shown better aptitude for the monté code, most recently 2nd of 8 in a 2200m Vichy Class E on 27 May. Fitted with 4 pads for the first time and, although not a contender, is still worth watching
- 2. LAURO FLIGNY** - Sprang something of a surprise when winning a 2600m Landvisiau Class G 10 days ago. Is not about to repeat but can nevertheless pick up some prizemoney
- 3. LINO DU POMMEREUX** - Has taken well to being partnered by Nathan Rousseau, most recently opening his account in a 2825m Class F here on 25 May. Has the plum spot in front and can play a leading role
- 4. LAMONT DU DOUET** - Has taken no time getting back in the game this term, winning a 2550m Gournay-en-Bray Class G on 20 May. Adrien Lamy back in the wagon and is unlikely to be far off the mark
- 5. LOULOU DES OUBEAUX** - Pleased on debut early-May before winning a 2825m a 2825m Villedieu-les-Poêles Class G 3 weeks later. Well-placed behind the car and looks a serious proposition
- 6. LORD SUN DRALIAM** - Decent 4th of 7 in a 2700m Graignes Class E 2 weeks ago. Handed a front-row draw, races padded for the first time, and should not be underestimated
- 7. LIBELLULE VERGNIER** - Raced better in a 2050m Cabourg Class E on 1 June than the result would suggest. Champion driver in charge this time and can expect to garner the lion's share of support
- 8. LUTIN DU BUST** - Showed considerable early promise but disappointing lately, latterly 7th of 8 finishers in a 2200m Caen Class E a fortnight back. Breaks wide on front row but should not be entirely overlooked
- 9. LANCIER DU GOUTIER** - Won first time out but sanctioned in next 2, most recently a 2875m Meslay-du-Maine Class F a fortnight back. Can however get a look in if he gets off on the right foot
- 10. L'INTOUCHABLE** - 5th of 8 finishers in a 2400m Amiens Class E last Saturday. Is in his category, has decent right-handed references, and will not be far from the action if Tanguy Devouassoux positions him early
- 11. LITZ VRIE** - Last of 7 on debut in a 2850m Laval Class F mid-May. Mathieu Mottier takes over in the sulky but others still preferred
- 12. LIOR DE SASSY** - Sanctioned, when well-supported, in a 2825m Class F here on 25 May. Handed a poor draw and can be passed over
- 13. LA REINE DE BEYLEV** - Sanctioned in a 2750m Cabourg monté Class D earlier this month. Here for a change of scenery and poses no danger
- 14. L'OR BLEU** - 2nd of 7 finishers in a 2775m Elbeuf claimer 2 months ago. Shoes on for comeback and the draw only complicates matters
- 15. LORCANTA** - Sanctioned in all 3 to date, most recently a 2200m Caen Class E on 22 April, and has nothing going for her here

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16. LABEL TURGOT - 3rd of 11 in a 2325m Bernay claimer late last month. Handed a shocking draw and, in this company, will have too much to do

Summary: After losing her maiden status at Rânes last month, LIBELLULE VERGNIER (7) would have finished closer next time had she negotiated the last turn better. She receives an Eric Raffin drive for the occasion, races with front pads for the first time and, despite the wide draw, can still have her day in the sun. That said, the better-positioned LOULOU DES OUBEAUX (5) looks a progressive sort and Etienne Lefranc will have his sights set on the double. LINO DU POMMEREUX (3) is ideally-placed on the front line and bids to prove his recent Vire victory was no flash in the pan. Plainly on the way up, LAMONT DU DOUET (4) races with pads for the first time and while unlikely to repeat his recent success, can still figure prominently.

SELECTIONS

LIBELLULE VERGNIER (7) - LOULOU DES OUBEAUX (5) - LINO DU POMMEREUX (3) -
LAMONT DU DOUET (4)

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C3 - PRIX OPTIQUE KRYS - 2825m (a2m) - Class F Race - Mounted - EUR € 17,500

- 1. KERALA CARISAIE** - Faulted in all 3 starts to date, most recently a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne Class F a month back, and will not be influencing the outcome
- 2. KHALILOU WILLIAMS** - Qualified in 1'17"3 at Cordemais mid-March but is not about to take the trotting world by storm. Disregard
- 3. KEPLER HAUFOR** - Disappointing since his early-May debut. Sanctioned on Sunday in a 2500m Class H at Savigny-sur-Braye and can expect to remain friendless in the markets
- 4. KAMINO DE NEUVY** - Encouraged first time out but faulted in next 2, latterly a 2700m Class F at Jullouville-les-Pins early-May, and can be passed over
- 5. KING ORLOVE** - Last of 5 in a 2700m Jullouville-les-Pins Class F on 9 May. Comes here fresh but others still easier to back
- 6. KENZO D'HUCHELOUP** - Unseen since being sanctioned in a 2450m Caen Class E last September. Hind shoes off for re-entry but still has too much to do
- 7. KARL THORDARSSON** - Has yet to show any aptitude for either discipline, most recently sanctioned in a 2725m Lisieux Class F. Is first time barefoot but still not an obvious choice
- 8. KAMES MERITE** - Sanctioned early in a 2700m Graignes Class F 2 weeks ago. Is never far from faulting but otherwise always gives his best and, with front pads fitted, can start on the road to redemption. First 5
- 9. KANSAS DE SAFRAN** - Put 4 straight sanctions behind him to win a 2550m Gournay-en-Bray Class H on 20 May. Takes on better this time but makes his Vire debut with morale intact and will be no easy touch
- 10. KING GEDE** - Pleasant 5th of 9 finishers in a 2950m Vichy Class E on 1 June. Is not about to shake things up but, with front pads fitted, can still play a small role
- 11. KAKOU ALDO** - Flew up in a 2700m Graignes Class F a fortnight ago, on just second appearance under the saddle, and has legitimate claims on the double
- 12. KIKOU DE FAY** - Dependability not his strong suit, most recently sanctioned in a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne Class E last week, but has bags of ability and, with application, can break into the frame
- 13. KOVE DU CHENE** - Makes first public appearance under the saddle after coming 8th of 10 finishers in a 2700m harness Class F at Le Croisé-Laroche last week. Is not entirely devoid of ability but is not a priority either
- 14. KARALY** - Has taken particularly well to racing barefoot, and to the monté code, latterly 3rd of 11 in a 2650m Saint-Galmier Class F late-April. Comes here fresh and can compete for victory

Summary: Although a late developer, KAKOU ALDO (11) has nonetheless taken to the monté game like a duck to water, and Mathieu Mottier will be intent on confirming his recent Graignes success. He will still want to be wary of the ideally-engaged KARALY (14) who has returned superbly to the discipline, and KANSAS DE SAFRAN (9) who got off the mark late last month. KIKOU DE FAY (12) is a difficult horse at the best of times but, on a good day, is better than most here and, even with shoes on, will justifiably generate interest.

SELECTIONS

KAKOU ALDO (11) - KARALY (14) - KANSAS DE SAFRAN (9) - KIKOU DE FAY (12)

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C4 - PRIX BISTROT SAINT JEAN - FLERS - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. KING MAJANO** - Has done nothing but progress since starting to race barefoot, latterly 2nd of 8 finishers in a 2725m Graignes Class F on 24 May. Steps marginally up in category but can still play a small part
- 2. KIFF DE BOUERE** - Returned to the winners' circle 2 weeks ago in a 2725m Graignes Class F. Has a decent position behind the car but, in this company, will have too much to do
- 3. KENNEDY TEXAN** - 3rd of 8 finishers in a 2300m Châteaubriant Class E on 26 May. Ideally-positioned in front and, although not a priority, can still make first 5
- 4. KALADO DE HOUELLE** - 2nd of 10 finishers in a 2700m Class F at Le Croisé-Laroche 9 days ago. Has a good spot behind the car, with Eric Raffin reining for the first time, and can be assured a competitive drive
- 5. KIR DU BOULAY** - Races barefoot for the first time after coming 5th of 13 in a 2450m Caen Class E a fortnight ago. Well-placed in front and, with David Thomain in charge this time, is unlikely to disappoint
- 6. KRONOS ZEN** - Sanctioned in a 2450m Caen Class E 2 weeks ago. Is otherwise in excellent shape and with hind shoes off for the first time, looks competitive for a cheque
- 7. KENDO CASTELETS** - Won here early-May before trotting 2nd of 13 in a 2050m Cabourg Class F 11 days ago. 4 pads fitted for the first time and looks main threat to KRUGER DU NORD (8)
- 8. KRUGER DU NORD** - 2nd, for the 3rd straight time, in a 2950m Saint-Malo Class F on 19 May. Has been handed a tough draw but still has a lot going for him and can finally open his 2024 account
- 9. KOLMI DES EPINES** - 7th of 9, behind KRONOS ZEN (6), in a 2600m Class E at Meslay-du-Maine mid-May, and can expect to have few friends here
- 10. KOFFEE ROYAL** - Won a 2850m Laval Class F mid-May when first time barefoot. Shoes off again and will be expected to finish close
- 11. KOQUIN DU PERCHE** - Reinvigorated since beginning to race barefoot, most recently 3rd of 8 in a 3000m Le Neubourg Class F on 20 May, but still represents no more than a minor place prospect
- 12. KENDO DU CHERISAY** - Capable type but has not been seen out since faulting in a 2200m Caen Class E on 21 March, and will need the run
- 13. KIMAKO VERDERIE** - Surprise winner of a 3000m Châteaubriant Class F on 19 May. On the back line and, in this field, will struggle to make his mark
- 14. KYMJO DE BELFOND** - Twice a winner this year but sanctioned in last 3, most recently a 2675m Erbray Class F on Sunday, and others easier to trust
- 15. KOWEIT** - Won here on seasonal debut but has since come off the boil, most recently 7th to KENDO CASTELETS (7) in a 2050m Cabourg Class F earlier in the month, and from the back line has no chance

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16. KEFIR DE SASSY - Made it 2 on the trot when securing a 2725m Lisieux Class F late last month but has little working in his favour this time and can be ruled out

Summary: Runner-up in all 3 starts this year, KRUGER DU NORD (8) will be partnered by Alexandre Abrivard for the first time and, even though starting wide, should still be able to wrap this up. Better-positioned in front, KIR DU BOULAY (5) trotted a place behind him at Saint-Malo and can again figure prominently, but may first have to defer to the revitalised, and padded, KENDO CASTELETS (7) who won here last month. KOFFEE ROYAL (10) has yet to deliver right-handed but showed his form at Laval and, even in spite of the draw, is still very easy to like.

SELECTIONS

KRUGER DU NORD (8) - KENDO CASTELETS (7) - KIR DU BOULAY (5) - KOFFEE ROYAL (10)

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C5 - PRIX INTERMARCHE - VIRE NORMANDIE - 2825m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR €
23,000

- 1. JEWEL LUMALO** - Sanctioned in a 2850m Rostrenen Class F on 20 May. Already looks out of his depth and can be passed over
- 2. JAGUAR DU DOLLAR** - Sent for a break after winning 2 in a row. Unplaced in a 2725m Lisieux Class E on re-entry last Friday. Unshod-all-4 this time and with Benjamin Rochard reining, will be afforded ever chance
- 3. JABIRU BOY** - Useful type that came 2nd of 16 in a 2875m Meslay-du-Maine Class E a fortnight back. Excels with Eric Raffin reining and will be competitive for a place in first 5
- 4. JAGUAR D'ANAMA** - Produced a brace of good efforts before trotting 7th to JANOU POULOT (15) in a 2200m Caen Class F on 18 May. Races barefoot this time though and can finish in the mix
- 5. JOKER DE LA BRETTE** - 3rd, a place behind JASONDOR DU VINOIS (9), in a 2950m Saint-Malo Class F on 20 May. Is unbeaten over track and trip and, although not a priority, is still worth monitoring
- 6. JOYAU PIYA** - 9th of 11 in a 2700m Class F at Le Croisé-Laroche a month back. Placed just once in 4 starts racing clockwise and will have few friends
- 7. JAGUAR GEMA** - Never far from faulting but encouraging 5th of 16 in a 2950m Vichy Class F earlier this month and can play a small role if he keeps his action together
- 8. JOS DU PILET** - Disappointing on the whole this year, most recently 9th of 11 finishers in a 2200m Caen Class E a fortnight ago, and is not about to spring a surprise
- 9. JASONDOR DU VINOIS** - 2nd of 14 in a 2950m Saint-Malo Class F on 20 May. Steps up in category, but is in decent shape, and can get a look-in
- 10. JALVENT MONTAVAL** - Rarely far from the action when barefoot and focused, latterly 4th of 12 in a 2550m Gournay-en-Bray Class F late last month, but takes on a better bunch this time and chances limited
- 11. JACKPOT DE NILREM** - Switches back to the harness code after faulting in a 2750m Cabourg monté Class E earlier this month and cannot be considered a player
- 12. JOYAU DU RIB** - Has not won for some time but is clearly back in shape, 4th of 15, earlier in the month, in a 2775m Elbeuf Class F. Fresh configuration here and is not to be underestimated
- 13. JAGUAR DE ROZEVIC** - 5th of 9 finishers in a 2800m Vichy Class E 3 weeks ago. Has solid right-handed credentials and can break into the frame if Grégoire Houel keeps him trotting
- 14. JAZZMAN BLUES** - A model of consistency over recent months, latterly tenacious 2nd of 16 in a 2150m Vichy Class F on 27 May. Pleased on lone start here and is a very attractive proposition
- 15. JANOU POULOT** - Back at the top of his game this year, most recently 2nd of 10 finishers in a 2200m Caen Class F on 18 May, and looks eminently capable of winning this

Summary: Perfectly-engaged at the limit of earnings, JANOU POULOT (15) has been in flying form this season, is as versatile as they come, and sporting a new configuration, can make his Vire debut a winning one. Charley Heslouin can nevertheless expect to meet significant resistance from JAZZMAN BLUES (14) who has gone from strength to strength this term, and JOYAU DU RIB (12) who sports front pads for the first time. JAGUAR DE ROZEVIC (13) is seldom far from the action when focused and reverts to a previous formula for the occasion.

SELECTIONS

JANOU POULOT (15) - JAZZMAN BLUES (14) - JOYAU DU RIB (12) - JAGUAR DE ROZEVIC (13)

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C6 - PRIX LE CLUB DES ENTREPRENEURS AUTOUR D'UNE TABLE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. KEVIVE DE MAIL** - Moderate 4th of 6 finishers, behind KORSICANA (6), in a 2400m Amiens Class E late last month, and looks to have her work cut out
- 2. KORIGANE D'ERABLE** - Decent sort that trotted 7th of 10 finishers in a 2450m Caen Class E on 18 May. Should be fit by now, has hind shoes off for the first time, and has never disappointed for David Thomain
- 3. KASSIOPEE DREAM** - 8th of 10 in a 2450m Caen Class E on 18 May. Has delivered just once racing right-handed and can be ruled out
- 4. KEY WEST DE CHENU** - 8th of 10 finishers, on comeback, in a 2600m Class F at La Roche-Posay 10 days ago. Barefoot as she was at Lisieux before the spell and, from the 4-spot, should not be written off
- 5. KERIA FLEURY** - Made up for her Caen blip when 3rd, a place behind KLASSICA BLEUE (10), in a 2600m Meslay-du-Maine Class E on 16 May. In same configuration here and can challenge for the win
- 6. KORSICANA** - Useful sort that trotted 3rd of 6 finishers, on re-entry, in a 2400m Amiens Class E on 27 May. Breaks in front and, with form maintained, can get in on the action
- 7. KABALVA** - Defied her odds to come 2nd of 6 finishers in a 2950m Saint-Malo Class F on 19 May. Is proven at Vire and is in with a decent shout of making first 5
- 8. KELLY DU LUPIN** - Good, consistent filly that made a fine comeback when 4th of 7 finishers in a 2600m Class F at La Roche-Posay 10 days ago. Will have come on for the run and, even though drawn wide, will have her chances
- 9. KOETANE D'AVRIL** - Back to racing clockwise after trotting 4th of 7 in a 2850m Class E at Maure-de-Bretagne a month ago. Hind shoes off this time but still has more to find
- 10. KLASSICA BLEUE** - Won a 3125m Questembert Class F late last month. Hails from a yard on fire and the engagement of Alexandre Abrivard will only work to her advantage. Claim
- 11. KALEDA DE LA COUR** - Won at Lisieux before missing out on the double when pipped in a 2850m Maure-de-Bretagne Class F last week. Is being aimed higher this time, sports 4 pads for the occasion, and chances appear limited
- 12. KAROLINE CADE** - Complicated filly that has been sanctioned in 4 of last 5. Is not devoid of ability, returns to racing with front pads fitted, but the draw will do her no favours
- 13. KHALEESI LA VIE** - Returned to winning ways late last month, securing a 2375m Eauze Class F. Shoes back on and not a realistic proposition
- 14. KINA DU GOUTIER** - Unexceptional filly that finished 7th of 10 in a 2300m Châteaubriant Class E late-May and can be confidently disregarded
- 15. KORONA DU CHIFFRES** - Won 2 of last 3, latterly a 2550m Class F at Gournay-en-Bray on 20 May. Takes on better this time, and has been handed a tough draw, but is still very easy to like
- 16. KISS ME DE MADKER** - Occasionally a handful but appears to have found her feet, most recently 4th of 10 in a 2300m Châteaubriant Class E late last month, and with Eric Raffin reining, will not be available at 94/1. Chance

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Summary: Alexandre Abrivard renews his acquaintance with KLASSICA BLEUE (10) after she got off the mark late last month and even though placed on the second row, she still looks good enough to hold off the better-positioned KERIA FLEURY (5) who finished a place behind her at Meslay-du-Maine mid-May. Back in business following a brace of sanctions, KISS ME DE MADKER (16) is reunited with Eric Raffin, who has already won with her, and will be no soft touch if he can defy the draw. KELLY DU LUPIN (8) starts in front of her on the first line but has consistency on her side and returns to racing clockwise with a good hand to play.

SELECTIONS

KLASSICA BLEUE (10) - KERIA FLEURY (5) - KISS ME DE MADKER (16) - KELLY DU LUPIN (8)

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C7 - PRIX CREDIT AGRICOLE - VIRE NORMANDIE - 2825m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 23,000

1. **JEWENNE DE L'EPINE** - Untried mare that qualified in 1'16"1 at Caen 3 weeks ago but is not about to rock the boat on career debut
2. **JASMINE DE LYONS** - Last of 9 in a 2750m Cabourg monté Class E on 1 June. Has other priorities and can be passed over
3. **JADE AR CARAC** - Sanctioned, through no fault of her own, in a 2700m Graignes Class E on 24 May. Has taken her game to a new level recently and, with application, will be no soft touch
4. **JUST BE READY** - 5th of 15 in a 2700m Class F at Le Croisé-Laroche 9 days ago. Is plainly on the boil and even with shoes on, can bring home the bacon
5. **JUSTICE DELARCHAMP** - 3rd of 14, on her first objective of the season, in a 2150m Vichy Class F late-May. Fitted with 4 pads this time and, while unlikely to shake things up, can still get in on the action
6. **JULIETTE MIXO** - 9th of 10 finishers when prepping for this in a 2950m Vichy Class F early-June. Shoes on again and no threat
7. **JANE QUICK** - Has merit but not the most dependable, latterly sanctioned in a Class F over course and distance late-May. On better behaviour though, can get a look-in
8. **JADORE GIRL** - Regularly a case of all-or-nothing. Made it 3 straight sanctions when faulting in a 2875m Meslay-du-Maine Class E 2 weeks ago and is unlikely to cause an upset
9. **JOCONDE DES PRES** - Blows hot and cold but made short work of a Class F over track and trip on 25 May and, unshod-all-4 this time, is a very attractive proposition
10. **JANICK DU VIVIER** - Sanctioned, when favourite, in a 2700m Graignes Class E on 24 May. Is better than recent numbers would suggest and should not be overlooked
11. **JAZZ SESSION** - 3rd of 13 in a 2725m Graignes Class F 2 weeks ago. Form is heading in right direction and will be competitive for a place on the podium
12. **JESSIE METEOR** - Faulted in a 2775m Elbeuf Class F 10 days ago and, in this company, will struggle to make any impact
13. **JOCASTE DAIRPET** - Confirmed her form when 2nd in a Class F over course and distance on 25 May. François Lagadeuc reining this time and is unlikely to disappoint
14. **JEZABELLE BIE** - Very disappointing this year, most recently sanctioned in a 2875m Meslay-du-Maine Class E a fortnight back, and can be written off
15. **JALNA DES HAYES** - Has ample ability but below-par lately, most recently 8th of 11 finishers in a 2875m Meslay-du-Maine Class E 2 weeks ago, and will have nothing to offer

Summary: Always competitive, currently on a fine run of form, and unbeaten racing right-handed, there is a lot to like about JUST BE READY (4). Although shod for the occasion, Benjamin Rochard has been engaged, and has every chance of opening her 2024 account. She will still be opposed by the tough JADE AR CARAC (3) who was unlucky to be sanctioned last time out, and JAZZ SESSION (11) who looks to be close to her race. Hard to fault when unshod, JOCONDE DES PRES (9) won over course and distance late last month and although stepping up in class, will be barefoot and still looks competitive for a place cheque.

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JUST BE READY (4) - JADE AR CARAC (3) - JAZZ SESSION (11) - JOCONDE DES PRES (9)

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C8 - PRIX SENIORS DES COURSES - 2825m (a2m) - Class F Race - Harness - EUR € 26,000

- 1. HOW DEEP FERM** - Makes first appearance since coming last of 10 in a 2850m Mauquenchy amateurs Class G last December and will have nothing to contribute
- 2. HELIA DE BAFFAIS** - Useful mare that held her own when 5th of 17 in a 2200m Caen Class D a fortnight ago. Has previously won over course and distance and, from the front line, can give IRIS DES ROSEAUX (11) something to think about
- 3. ICARE DE PHYT'S** - Won at Vichy before faulting in a 2675m Erbray Class F on Sunday. Pitted against better here and chances limited
- 4. IALTA DE VANDEL** - Was prepping for this when 11th of 17, behind HELIA DE BAFFAIS (2), in a 2200m Caen Class D 2 weeks ago. Barefoot this time and can play a leading role
- 5. IMPERIEUSE STEED** - 11th of 16 in a 2825m Chartres Class F early-May. Seldom gets her nose in front but can trot and, with his mind on the game, can get in on the action
- 6. ICARE D'ACADIE** - 8th of 17, behind HELIA DE BAFFAIS (2), in a 2200m Caen Class D 2 weeks ago. Benefits from an Eric Raffin drive this time and should not be overlooked
- 7. HIDALGO DU RIB** - Has not been seen out since coming last of 11 in a 2875m Argentan Class E last November. Shoes on and no threat
- 8. INDICE DELADOU** - Sanctioned, at 170/1, in a 2850m Laval Class C a week ago. Here for reasons of conditioning and can be ruled out
- 9. IGGYPOP D'HERFRAIE** - Impressive winner of a 2675m Class F at Le Mont-Saint-Michel a month ago, making it 3 from 4. Incurs the penalty but will still justifiably garner support
- 10. INSTRUCTOR** - Talented trotter making first start since coming one from last in a 2100m Vincennes Class A late-November. Front pads fitted and best to hold off
- 11. IRIS DES ROSEAUX** - Classy trotter that rarely lets the side down when barefoot. Last but one in a 2875m Class D at Meslay-du-Maine 2 weeks ago, when prepping for this, but shoes off this time and will be the horse to beat

Summary: Just €150 from exclusion, Thierry Duvaldestin could not have hoped for a better entry for IRIS DES ROSEAUX (11) who is barefoot for his Vire debut and, even from the back line, can make this his own. Clément Duvaldestin will still be keeping a keen eye on front-row starters HELIA DE BAFFAIS (2), who left a good impression in better company last time out, and IALTA DE VANDEL (4) who races barefoot on her return to a track she appreciates. IGGYPOP D'HERFRAIE (9) has won 3 of his last 4 barefoot starts and, despite the handicap, still looks competitive for a place in the frame.

SELECTIONS

IRIS DES ROSEAUX (11) - HELIA DE BAFFAIS (2) - IALTA DE VANDEL (4) - IGGYPOP D'HERFRAIE (9)