

# SATURDAY, 13/01/24

**C1 - PRIX D'ORMESSON - 2175m (a1 5/16m) - Class - Mounted - EUR €  
41.000**

**1. HISTORICO D'ETANG** - Reliability not his thing but is better than recent performances would imply. Has yet to deliver on the main track but looks competitively well in on this occasion

**2. HAMOUR DE SISSI** - Undeniably useful in the ridden code but bites off more than he can chew and can be ruled out

**3. HETRE CHANGEEN** - Yet to open his monté account but is regularly thereabouts. Pitted against better this time though and chances slim

**4. HIDALGO DAIRPET** - Twice a winner under the saddle this winter but latest performance left a lot to be desired

**5. HEURISTIQUE** - Complicated mare but has talent in abundance. Is very hard to fault at present and, on good behaviour, should be assured a step on the podium

**6. HEUREUSE DE VIVRE** - Erratic under harness but significantly easier to trust in this branch of the business. Will be fit by now and, shod to preference, could pleasantly surprise

**7. HAIKIDO** - Can trot but has never excelled in this category over the main track, and is not about to buck the trend

**8. HUBINE KERYVON** - Arguably not as sharp as she was this time last season but has started to show signs of a return to form and is not to be written off

**9. HIRO DE L'ORMERIE** - Never far from losing his action but has decent references over 2175m here. Entrusted to a leading jockey this time and, while not a priority, is still not to be overlooked

**10. HOUARNEAU** - Rarely far off the mark when he can stay in stride. Appreciates Vincennes and, in present shape, will be no soft touch

**11. HEVA BLONDE** - Mare with quite the temperament but regularly picks up some prizemoney when applied, and will generate some interest

**12. HANDSOME BOY** - Classy trotter that has won 4 of his last 5 appearances under the saddle. Has been climbing the class ladder in fine fashion and can make it 4-on-the-trot

**Summary** : Like a horse reborn over the past 2 months, HANDSOME BOY (12) gave a fine account to beat some better horses over track and trip a fortnight ago and looks set to pull off a 4-timer. Main opposition should logically take the form of a reinvigorated HOUARNEAU (10) who made short shrift of the opposition on Christmas Day, and HEURISTIQUE (5) who gave a decent account behind the favourite here late last month. HIRO DE L'ORMERIE (9) may not be cut from the same cloth but drops back in category and, with Eric Raffin in the saddle, can well make the frame this time.

## SELECTIONS

**HANDSOME BOY (12) - HOUARNEAU (10) - HEURISTIQUE (5) - HIRO DE L'ORMERIE (9)**

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## C2 - PRIX DE QUESTEMBERT - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 46.000

1. **ISLENA** - Dependability not her thing. Pleasantly surprised behind IDOLE DELICE (2) but still has a lot more to find
2. **IDOLE DELICE** - As erratic as they come but is not devoid of ability. Pleased here earlier in the month but Raffin has nevertheless opted for another
3. **ISIA DU CHENE** - Has merit but has yet to find her feet this winter and must first reaffirm
4. **IMAGE D'HERFRAIE** - Good, consistent mare that pleased over shorter here last time out but can expect to find the going a bit tougher this time around
5. **INFANTE DE TOUES** - Previously a decent sort but has been off the boil for some time and has no realistic chance
6. **IROISE QUESNOT** - Has ability in abundance but has never delivered here. Encouraged behind IDEALE DE LA COMTE (8) last month though, will be fresh for their reunion, and should prove a decent first-5 prospect
7. **IPSIE DE LA LUNE** - Versatile sort that has been acquitting herself well at Vincennes over recent weeks. Raced better last time than the result would suggest and must not be underestimated
8. **IDEALE DE LA COMTE** - Hardy individual that missed her first goal of the winter, but made amends next time out and, stepping marginally up in category, still looks a serious proposition
9. **INTERACTIVE** - Occasionally loses focus but has ample ability, is confirmed under these conditions and, with application, can challenge for a place on the podium
10. **IMPERATRICE HEDEN** - Acquitted herself well under these conditions on penultimate start. Failed to confirm next time but is still not to be ruled out
11. **IRIS FARCEUSE** - Excelled last summer and autumn but looked very ordinary on comeback and appears to need another outing
12. **IMAGINE GIRL** - Somewhat erratic but tends to go well when unshod. Has won twice over course and distance, is plainly in form, and returns to the harness code with a decent hand to play
13. **IROMEE** - Unremarkable type that has made little impact since placing at Enghien last summer and, even with modified shoeing, still looks an outsider
14. **INDULGENTE** - Never the easiest of horses to gauge but pulled off a hat-trick before the break. Has just one run in her since though and, in this company, is not about to spring a surprise
15. **INKY PERRINE** - Quality mare that won over track and trip last month. Has everything going her way this time and will be expected to confirm

**Summary** : A fine dual-discipline mare, INKY PERRINE (15) won smartly over course and distance last time under harness. Barefoot, and entrusted to Yoann Lebourgeois for the first time, she benefits from a superb entry and must be in with a realistic shout. That said, she will still be up against the revitalised IDEALE DE LA COMTE (8) who excels with Alexandre Abrivard in the sulky, and IPSIE DE LA LUNE (7) who has impressed in two of her last three here. INTERACTIVE (9) can prove a handful but has never disappointed in this configuration and has fine references over 2700m.

### SELECTIONS

INKY PERRINE (15) - IDEALE DE LA COMTE (8) - IPSIE DE LA LUNE (7) - INTERACTIVE (9)

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**C3 - PRIX DE SARTILLY - 2175m (a1 5/16m) - European - Mounted - EUR € 59.000**

- 1. FASHION MAKER** - Fine campaigner in this branch of the game. Showed marked improvement over track and trip last month and, yet to disappoint in current configuration, is unlikely to be far from the action
- 2. GEORGES L'AVENTURE** - Not devoid of ability but has not produced the goods over recent months and must get his house in order
- 3. IES ELISABET** - Better under the saddle at home in Scandinavia. Has not delivered in the monté code over the main track since July 2021 and others will be easier to support
- 4. GREYSON** - Seen more often in the provinces but is plainly enjoying a decent run of form. Is back on his preferred main track and could yet get a look in
- 5. GLOSSY THOURJAN** - Not the most reliable of trotters but is no slouch when focused. Reassured in the race of reference but still has more to find
- 6. GAGNANT GEMA** - Hardy type that is clearly back at the top of his game. Untried over the long course but is an adaptable sort and should be in a position to apply the pressure on GAMIN D'ALJY (12)
- 7. GOLD DU VAL** - Moderate trotter that is arguably more performant over the inner course but beat GLADIATOR BOY (11) 2 months ago and will have his supporters
- 8. FILOU DE L'ELLE** - Competent sort that has climbed the class ladder in good order over recent months. Encouraged behind FASHION MAKER (1) last month and can make the first 5
- 9. GENERAL** - Productive over the final months of 2023 before being trounced here last month and, while not a priority, is still one to keep an eye on
- 10. FIDELE MADRIK** - Unreliable but has solid references under harness. Debuts under the saddle in poor form though and can be ruled out
- 11. GLADIATOR BOY** - Just one blip on his formcard here this winter. A beaten 3rd here last time but will appreciate returning to the main track and can again trot his way onto the podium
- 12. GAMIN D'ALJY** - Has yet to get off the mark in the monté game but has evident ability and, if current form transitions, the race will be his for the taking

**Summary :** Unseen under the saddle for 11.5 months, although clearly capable in the code, GAMIN D'ALJY (12) is well-engaged here and, given current form, can finally open his monté account. Marine Beudard will nevertheless encounter resistance from the regular GAGNANT GEMA (6) who will be no easy touch if he takes to the main track profile, and the capable GLADIATOR BOY (11) who finished a place behind him here 3 weeks ago. FASHION MAKER (1) is the least-wealthy in the field, but not the least-talented, and his recent course-and-distance performance bodes well for his chances.

## SELECTIONS

**GAMIN D'ALJY (12) - GAGNANT GEMA (6) - GLADIATOR BOY (11) - FASHION MAKER (1)**

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C4 - PRIX DE CROIX - SWC 5 ANS Q4 - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - Internationale - Harness - EUR € 120.000

1. **JOKE DE CHENU** - Useful at a lower level and is just making up the numbers here. Disregard
2. **DIVA DEL RONCO** - Unremarkable Italian mare that sprang quite the surprise here last month but a repeat seems particularly improbable
3. **JEWELCANDLE FAC** - Good type that defied her odds in a Gr.1 under the saddle mid-December. Form is unlikely to transition though
4. **DILUCA MO** - Superbly consistent Italian trotter that seldom puts a foot out of line. Trotted 5th to the favourite in the Gr.2 Prix Octave Douesnel last time out but, in this company, is unlikely to repeat
5. **DESIDERIO D'ESI** - Astonishing 4th to JUSHUA TREE (15) last time out. Would prefer a shorter trip on this occasion but, in current condition, is hard to ignore
6. **BENGAN** - Quality nordic raider that pleased on his Vincennes debut before being denied a run in the big race. Will not have to pay the price of a bad draw this time and is expected to show marked improvement
7. **DEUS ZACK** - Useful sort that won at this level 2 years ago but is out of his depth here
8. **JUSTIN BOLD** - Took his game to a new level last season. Will appreciate a return to 2850m after failing to place behind JUSHUA TREE (15) recently and, reverting to a proven configuration, will not be going home empty-handed
9. **JACK TONIC** - Never far from faulting but otherwise seldom disappoints. Tenacious 5th in the Critérium and, while untested over 2850m here, still looks competitively well in
10. **GLOBAL DANCER** - Has excellent references at home in Sweden but has yet to come good since travelling south and can be passed over
11. **JAKARTAS DES PRES** - Gives a good account for the most part but appears to have come off the boil and, even with Eric Raffin back in the sulky, looks to have his work cut out
12. **JAG STRYCK** - Hardy element that seldom makes the running, which will prove an issue this time. Has evident class but, in present shape, is not about to spring a surprise
13. **J'AIME LE FOOT** - Gave a surprisingly good account in the race of reference despite being better over these longer trips. Unlikely to open his 2024 account but is certainly not going to be available at 126/1 this time around
14. **JEAN BALTHAZAR** - Fine trotter in both codes, but better under the saddle. Stays shod and has other priorities
15. **JUSHUA TREE** - Needs no introduction. Quite simply the leader of his generation, is at the top of his game and, shod to preference, will be able to wrap this up
16. **JUST LOVE YOU** - Classy mare that has done nothing but excel over recent months but races shod this time and unlikely to shake things up
17. **JUST A GIGOLO** - Talented sort with references at the highest level under these conditions. Failed to fire last time out but would not be here if Philippe Allaire was not confident of a big run
18. **JOVIALITY (SWE)** - Excellent Swedish raider that did not disgrace herself in the Critérium. Goes barefoot this time and, although untried beyond 2640m, still looks a decent place prospect

**Summary** : Consistently-performant and unbeaten under these conditions, JUSHUA TREE (15) makes his first appearance since winning the Critérium Continental on Christmas Eve and, hind shoes off, will take all the beating. Sixth that day, despite being considerably better over longer, J'AIME LE FOOT (13) must be considered a player, as should previous leader of his generation, JUST A GIGOLO (17) who will be out to make amends for his recent flop. Unplaced when shod in the race of reference, Swedish Derby winner JOVIALITY (SWE) (18) is barefoot for the first time in Paris and must be afforded considerable respect.

## SELECTIONS

JUSHUA TREE (15) - J'AIME LE FOOT (13) - JUST A GIGOLO (17) - JOVIALITY (SWE) (18)

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## C5 - PRIX D'EVIAN - 2175m (a1 5/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 52.000

- 1. KYNTE FLUSH** - Undeniably capable but has just one run in her since the break and is unlikely to be pressed hard
- 2. KALIDA MANIA** - Regularly in the thick of things, and William Bigeon's horses are going well, but will need to improve on last Monday's performance
- 3. KIM DE BEAUM** - Occasionally tricky but is an honest trotter. Opened her Vincennes account last November, but has twice failed to confirm and others easier to back
- 4. KHARA DRY** - Regularly object of the stewards' scrutiny but can trot. Showed improvement for Eric Raffin a fortnight ago but still looks to have too much to do
- 5. KARMINA** - Not without merit but consistency is an issue. Lacklustre last time out and, even racing barefoot, will struggle to make much of an impact
- 6. KINNAIRD** - Unexceptional filly with no particular love for the main track and can be confidently ruled out
- 7. KOKINE JABA** - Blows hot and cold but her talent is not in question. Won under these conditions mid-December and the new configuration should help to place her in the first 3
- 8. KIPHYLE DESBOIS** - Honest sort that has taken well to Vincennes conditions. Progresses with every run and it would be no surprise to see her challenge for a spot in the frame
- 9. KEYRA DE CAREL** - Improving type that set her personal best in victory here a fortnight ago. Takes on better this time but is first-time barefoot and can repeat
- 10. KISS ME BOURBON** - Demonstrated significant ability early last season but struggled once stepped up in class. Showed her form under the saddle last time but, even racing unshod all 4, still represents no more than a minor place prospect
- 11. KANAILLE DES ECUS** - Serious filly that goes over any trip. Has 2 races under her belt since the layoff and, first time barefoot, can make this her own
- 12. KEY OF LOVE** - Superb for much of last season before twice losing her action here, but did reassure last time out. Has freshness on her side, hind shoes off for the first time, Alexandre Abrivard back in the sulky, and will not be far from the action
- 13. KLASSIC WAY** - Not the easiest of horses to trust but did win here 2 months ago. Will not be inconvenienced by the drop in trip, and racing barefoot will only work to her advantage
- 14. KARAKA WOOD** - Competent trotter that imposed on comeback before racing respectably on main-track debut. Shoes on again and will struggle against the newly-unshod opposition
- 15. KEMIA DU CHENE** - Just the one victory to her name but has kept improving over recent months and, sporting a new configuration, is unlikely to disappoint

**Summary** : Justifiably well-regarded at home, KANAILLE DES ECUS (11) can still tie herself in knots, but is better than most here; she goes barefoot this time and can impose if Yoann Lebourgeois keeps her trotting. KEYRA DE CAREL (9) has, however, won 2 of her last 3, including over course a distance, and similarly barefoot for the occasion, will be no pushover. KOKINE JABA (7) has turned a corner since starting to race with pads, but will be more competitive with hind shoes off, and can again figure prominently. Although winless since last May, KIPHYLE DESBOIS (8) is clearly close to her race and, while unlikely to impose, can still put on a good show.

### SELECTIONS

KANAILLE DES ECUS (11) - KEYRA DE CAREL (9) - KOKINE JABA (7) - KIPHYLE DESBOIS (8)

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**C6 - PRIX BELLINO II - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - European - Harness - EUR €  
80.000**

- 1. EDWIN JET** - Encouraged behind KOOL AND THE GANG (15) last time out before being dominated in the Prix de Mansle and can be confidently passed over
- 2. EHLERT PAR** - Capable Italian colt making his first appearance for new trainer. First time unshod all 4 but others still preferred
- 3. EXECUTIV EK** - Pleased in a similar event last March but has failed to make the grade here since and, even racing barefoot, can expect to have too much to do
- 4. KEYBOARD** - Has merit, and most recently trotted 4th to KEENAN DE JOUDES (12), but looks properly outclassed this time around
- 5. KOLDPLAY** - After struggling during the autumn, she has since reassured with a tight win over track and trip earlier in the month. Steps up in category but still warrants respect
- 6. KEPI DU HOME** - Failed last season to make good on his 2 year-old promise and, shod for re-entry, will have few friends
- 7. ERNEST JET** - Capable transalpine raider that produced a courageous effort last time out and will not be available at 89/1 on this occasion. Chance
- 8. KOCKTAIL LOVE** - Demonstrated significant aptitude in the first half of last year, but subsequently went off the boil. Would have finished close last time though had he stayed in stride and, unshod behind on this occasion, can redeem himself
- 9. GLOBAL ETALON** - Quality Swedish visitor that struggled in the latter stages of last season. Was not disgraced last time out but still has more to find
- 10. BROTHERS IN ARMS** - Good consistent Italian import that seldom disappoints. Unbeaten in 3 starts with hind shoes off and, barefoot for the first time, is not incapable of springing a surprise
- 11. KAVIARISSIME** - Colt with bags of ability but has struggled to express himself lately. Races first time unshod all 4 though and is not to be underestimated
- 12. KEENAN DE JOUDES** - One of the most consistent horses in the field, but takes on some tougher elements this time and unlikely to spring any surprises
- 13. KAPORAL DES FORGES** - Fine servant that appears to be close to his best. Left a good impression in the Prix de Mansle and will again be competitive for a place on the podium
- 14. EBANO D'ARC** - Undeniably capable but has yet to convince since coming to France. Is barefoot this time however and will be one to watch
- 15. KOOL AND THE GANG** - Progressive colt of considerable class that did not enjoy the best of fortune here last month. Has had time to get his house in order, races without shoes this time, and can set the record straight

**Summary** : An important rendez-vous for a host of these and, for many it is a re-run of last November's Gr.3 Prix de Château-Thierry which KOOL AND THE GANG (15) made short work of. He did not enjoy much luck the following month in the Gr.3 Prix de Mansle but, with more focus, should have the advantage of ERNEST JET (7) who finished runner-up that day. Course-and-distance winner late-November, KAPORAL DES FORGES (13) trotted a good 4th in the Mansle but, shoes off this time around, looks a major player. The able KAVIARISSIME (11) is similarly first-time barefoot and is unlikely to be far off the mark.

## SELECTIONS

**KOOL AND THE GANG (15) - ERNEST JET (7) - KAPORAL DES FORGES (13) - KAVIARISSIME (11)**

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## C7 - PRIX LES SENIORS DES COURSES - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - European - Harness - EUR € 52.000

1. **CINDERELLA JET** - Never far from losing her action but is otherwise very hard to knock. Shoes on for re-entry though and best to hold off
2. **CELIAZ** - Well-travelled Italian sort that won over course and distance last February but, in this company, can expect to have too much to do
3. **IKYTA DE LA VALLEE** - Fine servant, notably when barefoot. Stays shod for first start of the year though and others preferred this time
4. **IRINA D'ATOUT** - Another good William Bigeon-trained runner of considerable talent. Shod for re-entry though and can be passed over
5. **MARION FOUTY BON** - Classy Swedish import that has yet to take prove herself at Vincennes. Had gas in the tank when sanctioned here last time though and, on better behaviour, can pleasantly surprise
6. **RIET HAZELAAR** - Tough individual that was by no means disgraced in a Gr.3 on her Vincennes debut. Comes here fresh and is not one to be underestimated
7. **GLOBAL YANKEE** - Yet to prove herself since coming to France but will be fully fit by now and, barefoot with Gabriele Gelormini reining, looks the main threat to BANGLA D'ESI (14)
8. **HAITIAN FIGHT SONG** - Has not won since the spring but is a very capable mare. Specifically prepared for this, she returns to racing unshod behind and can make the frame this time
9. **IRIS FROM** - Serious sort that seldom disappoints when unshod. Finished a place behind IDYLLE EXPRESS (13) last time out and, even in the absence of Alexandre Abrivard, can still pick up a cheque
10. **GALIE DE CELINIERE** - Won a good race here this time last year, but has placed just once since, and will have few friends
11. **ILAYA** - Justifiably well-regarded mare that hardly put a foot wrong last season. Finished ahead of GLOBAL YANKEE (7) last time out and will have her supporters
12. **GOLDEN GRACE** - Faithful servant that seldom goes home empty-handed. Unraced since early-November however and, shod for the occasion, is best to wait
13. **IDYLLE EXPRESS** - Sanctioned in 2 of last 3 but has buckets of talent and boasts fine Vincennes credentials. Lost her action last month when full of running but Raffin knows what makes her tick and will be out to set the record straight. Minor place chance
14. **BANGLA D'ESI** - Can prove a handful but benefits from a good entry, is at the top of her game, and can wrap this up if she stays in stride
15. **IBIZA BELLA** - Competent trotter with solid references at this level. Very unlucky last time out but has had time to freshen up and, if race-fit, is not incapable of spoiling the party
16. **FLORE MERITE** - Unexceptional type that went into her break on a low note and has picked up where she left off

**Summary** : A tricky character she may be but there is no doubting the form of BANGLA D'ESI (14) who romped home over track and trip late last month and, stepping back up in category, still looks the pick of the field. Alexandre Abrivard is nonetheless going to keep a watchful eye on good nordic raider, GLOBAL YANKEE (7), who is barefoot for her first objective of the new year, and HAITIAN FIGHT SONG (8) who is shod to preference after a decent freshener behind the favourite a fortnight ago. RIET HAZELAAR (6) has not been seen out for almost 2 months but has Björn Goop in the wagon and the drop in class will only work to her advantage.

### SELECTIONS

**BANGLA D'ESI (14) - GLOBAL YANKEE (7) - HAITIAN FIGHT SONG (8) - RIET HAZELAAR (6)**

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**C8 - PRIX DU FOREZ - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Group 3 - Harness - EUR € 90.000**

1. **GIBOULEE DE MARS** - Honest mare that always tries hard but tends to show more at a lower level and is unlikely to garner much support
2. **DOUXOR DE GUEZ** - Not devoid of ability but bites off more than he can chew here and will have few takers
3. **HARLEM DE BUCY** - None other than last year's Gr.1 Prix de Paris runner-up. Went into his spell on a decent note but has not been seen out for over 2 months and is expected to need the race
4. **GRACE DU DIGEON** - Dynamic this time last year and excels over 2700m. Is clearly back at her best and, even though in better company this time, still looks a player
5. **FOUGUE DU DOLLAR** - Good class of horse in the monté discipline. Here for reasons of conditioning and will pose no danger
6. **FIFTY FIVE BOND** - Competent type with solid references under these conditions. Encouraged behind GOELAND D'HAUFOR (7) on penultimate outing but still represents no more than a minor place prospect
7. **GOELAND D'HAUFOR** - Reliability not his strong suit but can trot when focused, and has references in this class. Back at a more suitable distance and is expected to improve on his latest effort
8. **FAKIR DE MAHEY** - Went through a rough patch late-summer but since came good with 3 straight frame-finishes in decent company and can bring the fight to HAPPY VALLEY (13)
9. **HORACE DU GOUTIER** - Fine provincial trotter with excellent Gr.3 credentials. Disappointed last time out but will be fresh and, returning to his preferred configuration, should get straight back in the game
10. **GIGOLO LOVER** - Complicated but is preparing for a campaign under the saddle and can be ruled out
11. **ELITE DE JIEL** - Produced some fine efforts this time last season but has been less performant over recent months. With some luck in running though, can get a look in
12. **GASPAR DE BRION** - Tough element that took his game to a new level late last season. Is better than his recent effort would suggest and has a realistic chance of trotting his way onto the podium this time
13. **HAPPY VALLEY** - Has not won since July but is a fine servant for the most part. Impressive in her last 2 in this category and can bring home the bacon this time around

**Summary** : Seldom disappointing at this level of competition, HAPPY VALLEY (13) gave a fine account of herself here a fortnight ago and, simply superb over 2700m, will be a tough nut to crack. Jean-Philippe Dubois is unlikely to find this all plane sailing though given how well FAKIR DE MAHEY (8) has been comporting himself in exalted company recently. Second overall in the GNT last season, HORACE DU GOUTIER (9) has nothing to prove in this class and, shod to preference this time, can make up for his flop in last month's Final. Winner of a provincial Gr.3 immediately followed by a Gr.2 last autumn, GASPAR DE BRION (12) looks more competitive than he did in the Prix Jean Boillereau here in early-December.

## SELECTIONS

**HAPPY VALLEY (13) - FAKIR DE MAHEY (8) - HORACE DU GOUTIER (9) - GASPAR DE BRION (12)**



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C9 - PRIX DE TIGNES - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €  
43.000

**1. LAMIE DU MESNIL** - Capable sort that showed improvement behind LIPANGA DE GUEZ (6) early-December and, while not a leading contender, will still not be sent out at 34/1 on this occasion

**2. LUDIVINE** - Sanctioned on debut before trouncing the opposition on the short course earlier in the month. Pitted against better this time, but will have come own for the run, and should not be overlooked

**3. LIBEREE DELIVREE** - Has shown decent aptitude but, in this category, can expect to be outclassed

**4. LA BELLE STAR** - Got off the mark at Cabourg late last month but has yet to show much liking for Vincennes and others preferred

**5. LYLOU DES THUYAS** - Showed early promise but has since shown the limits of her capacity and is unlikely to spring a surprise

**6. LIPANGA DE GUEZ** - Still rather green but can trot. Is confirmed over the main track, is plainly in excellent condition and, with application, can pleasantly surprise

**7. LUNGA DES BROUSSES** - Handy sort with consistency on her side. Is proven on the main track and can figure prominently if Franck Nivard gets her off on the right foot

**8. LA JOIE DE VIVRE** - Struggled early on but has quite evidently come into herself. Acquitted herself well in better company last time out and will not go down easily

**9. LOURGA** - Demonstrated excellent aptitude during the summer before coming off the boil. Steps back up in category, although in relatively modest company, and has a reasonable chance of trotting her way into the frame

**10. LILI DRY** - Promising filly that has shown considerable versatility. Should take well to the long course profile and can get 2024 off to a victorious start

**Summary** : Unlikely ever to be afforded a better entry, LILI DRY (10) makes her first appearance on the main track after twice going close on the short course, and looks eminently capable of securing a maiden Vincennes success. David Thomain will still be justifiably wary of the improving LA JOIE DE VIVRE (8), who has turned a corner over the past month. LOURGA (9) is no star but, in this company, will have a decent chance of making the frame. Although sanctioned as often as not, LIPANGA DE GUEZ (6) has nonetheless earned the right to be considered a player.

## SELECTIONS

LILI DRY (10) - LA JOIE DE VIVRE (8) - LOURGA (9) - LIPANGA DE GUEZ (6)