

SUNDAY, 15/03/26

C1 - PRIX DE LA VILLE DE THIVARS - 2800m (a2m) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 17,500

- 1. MAGENTA** - Has yet to demonstrate any particular flair for the game and others preferred
- 2. MEC DE MUTRECY** - Not the easiest of horses to handle but is not devoid of talent. Will have come on for his recent return run and even with shoes fitted can make first 5
- 3. MAN OF WOOD** - Missed out by little in a Class F at Le Croise-Laroche on 23 February, beating Master King who has since imposed, and looks thoroughly capable of getting his nose in front this time
- 4. MARQUIS DE MALAC** - Is competitively-shod for first start for Charley Mottier. Has shown significant potential and, on good behaviour, will have a realistic chance of making the frame
- 5. MYSTIC DES THUYAS** - Opened his French account at Mauquenchy in November. Has been eliminated in 2 since but is competitively-shod for the first time and Didier Brohier will be eager to set the record straight
- 6. MAUVE D'ERABLE** - Modest filly that seldom makes her presence felt and is unlikely to change her ways
- 7. MARATA** - Produced a small surprise when 3rd in a Nantes Class F on 13 February. Takes on the boys this time though and is unlikely to spring any surprises
- 8. MUST DE LOU** - Complicated colt that ran 3rd in a Laval Class F 10 days ago only to be eliminated. Form is not in question though and will not be far off the mark if Daniel Delaroche keeps him focused
- 9. MAESTRO TEJY** - Useful type starting for first time since last August. Always gives his best but not an obvious choice on first run since last August
- 10. MELLY STAR** - Got off the mark at Cabourg in December but was subsequently eliminated in 3 straight. Is one of the better horses here though and, if applied, can figure prominently
- 11. MARIE LOU DE LARRE** - Lost her maiden status last June but form subsequently receded. Has not been seen since September and will not be troubling the judge
- 12. MILLESIME D'ARZAL** - Nicely-engaged at the limit of earnings but has yet to get into his stride this term and others easier to back

Summary: MAN OF WOOD (3) left a very good impression at Le Croise-Laroche 3 weeks ago on his first French start; Chartres should suit him and with Franck Nivard reining can get off the mark this time. The recent Prix d'Amerique-winning driver will still want to be wary of the complicated, but clearly talented and reconfigured, MYSTIC DES THUYAS (5) who will be no easy touch if applied. Also sporting modified shoeing, MARQUIS DE MALAC (4) receives an Anthony Barrier drive for the occasion and will have his chances. MELLY STAR (10) is nicely-engaged here, returns to racing shod, and can begin to rehabilitate himself.

SELECTIONS

MAN OF WOOD (3) - MYSTIC DES THUYAS (5) - MARQUIS DE MALAC (4) - MELLY STAR (10)

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C2 - PRIX ASSOCIATION DES COURSES DE RAMBOUILLET - 3300m (a2m1/8) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 20,000

1. **LE COSSE** - Back under harness after imposing in the monte code early this month and will have other ambitions
2. **LOKIE KADESH** - Pleased here last November but has done nothing of note since and can be confidently disregarded
3. **LEON DE SOURCE** - Eliminated in last 2 but has otherwise been showing his form. Sassier stable firing on all cylinders and a place on the podium is not beyond his capability
4. **LUXURY DU DOUAROU** - Useful sort that gave a good account on re-entry at Vire 2 weeks ago. Placed on sole start here, is barefoot for first objective of the season, and will have no issue with the distance
5. **LYS GEMA** - Made up for Cordemais elimination when winning a Nantes Class E with authority on 21 February, and with form maintained, can repeat
6. **LIA DE LA MORTRIE** - Opened her 2026 account on 1 February, then confirmed a month later over 2800m here. Anthony Barrier in the bike this time and even though stepping up in category, still looks competitively well in
7. **L'AS DES ISLES** - Went into hibernation last summer after winning 2 for 2. Is shod for his re-entry and unlikely to shake things up
8. **L'INCORRUPTIBLE** - Not easy to use but has impressed since starting to race with pads, and can play an important part here if he deigns to keep trotting
9. **LOVELY TRIP** - Is better than his form-book would suggest. Goes barefoot for re-entry but looks a minor place chance at best
10. **LUCKY MAN** - Honest individual starting for first time since last August. Will be race-rusty and is unlikely to have anything to contribute
11. **LARABELLO DE LOU** - Has not been seen out since flopping at Vincennes last October. Front pads fitted for Chartres bow but still not an obvious choice
12. **LOUP SOLITAIRE** - Returns to the provinces after failing to deliver at Vincennes last month. Has been in good shape for some time and looks close to winning another
13. **LIVIE DU BOUILLON** - Has enjoyed something of a resurgence since starting to race barefoot. Takes on a marginally better lot this time but still looks competitive for a place in the picture
14. **LYRA DU METZ** - Moderate mare sporting 4 pads for her return to competition but is unlikely to spring any surprises

Summary: If there were any doubts about his ability to stay, LYS GEMA (5) put them to bed at Nantes 3 weeks ago and in similar form can make his Chartres bow a triumphant one. Alan Gendrot will still be mindful of the better-entered LOUP SOLITAIRE (12) who was denied a run when going well at Nantes on his penultimate start, and the delicate but talented L'INCORRUPTIBLE (8) who will be dangerous if applied. Marc Sassier's second string LEON DE SOURCE (3) will be no pushover if his driver gets him off on the right foot.

SELECTIONS

LYS GEMA (5) - LOUP SOLITAIRE (12) - L'INCORRUPTIBLE (8) - LEON DE SOURCE (3)

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C3 - PRIX DE LA VILLE D'AMILLY - 2825m (a2m) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 20,000

1. **KAZAK ROYAL** - Moderate element making just 2nd start back. Has yet to win racing left-handed but is competitively-shod this time and cannot be ruled out

2. **KOUMBA DE LA NADE** - 53 starts and yet to lose her maiden tag. Has so far failed to make any impact this season and is unlikely to start now

3. **KINCI DU SOLEIL** - No slouch on a good day but would be preferred barefoot at a lower level

4. **KRAC DE CAZOULENE** - Seldom passes the post in front but has been acquitting himself well in better company lately. Sports a fresh configuration, starts on the first row and, entrusted to Anthony Barrier for the first time, can figure prominently

5. **KIRMANE DE LAVAU** - Starts for the first time since being eliminated at Cordemais mid-December. Has previously won in the day's configuration, should take well to Chartres profile, and can get in on the action if focused

6. **KENDO DU CHERISAY** - Modest type starting for the first time since late-December and has no realistic chance

7. **KALYPSO D'URSIN** - Handy individual that has not been seen out since mid-November. Enjoys a good entry but with shoes on will have little to offer

8. **KATE DE LA MOTTE** - Showed improvement at Cherbourg 2 weeks ago when 4th in a Class F. Enjoys a front-row start once more and should not be far off the mark

9. **KRAC BOREAL** - Serious sort that won here last November. Showed his form at Le Croise-Laroche a fortnight ago despite losing his action and with Franck Nivard reining will be no soft touch

10. **KALINKA MOYA** - Surprise winner at Vincennes last April but subsequently lost her way and has not been seen out since early-December

11. **KIM SPEED** - Quality mare that just recently returned following a year on the sidelines. Remains shod for return and best to hold off

12. **KENISA** - Very disappointing late last season. Is shod for re-entry and the handicap will do her no favours

13. **KISS COOL MIJACK** - Good, consistent trotter that has not raced since late-October. Debuts at the venue and stays shod for comeback, but is still worth keeping an eye on

14. **KINO DAB** - Has missed out by little in both starts to date, latterly close 2nd in a Mauquenchy Class E on 12 February. Trainer back in the bike and will be eager to get a win into her. Chance

15. **KATSUKI** - Starts for the first time since early-December. Is clearly in race-mode though, is unbeaten with his driver, and will be well-backed to win this

16. **KIF DU BIEF** - Benefits from a super entry but is no longer the horse he once was and can be confidently overlooked

Summary: Sent for a rest after winning 2 of 4 late last year, KATSUKI (15) is barefoot for his comeback, will be reunited with Paul Ploquin who won with him last October, is nicely-engaged here, and even from the second line can impose. Runner-up in both starts so far this year, KINO DAB (14) should appreciate the new conditions and it will not be long before she gets her nose in front. Eliminated when full of running a fortnight ago, KRAC BOREAL (9) won his only Chartres start and, if applied, can play a leading role. New to the venue but 25m better off, KATE DE LA MOTTE (8) is in sufficiently decent form to give this a good go.

SELECTIONS

KATSUKI (15) - KINO DAB (14) - KRAC BOREAL (9) - KATE DE LA MOTTE (8)

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C4 - PRIX EN FAVEUR DU DON DU SANG - 2825m (a2m) - Class G - Harness - EUR € 22,000

1. **JIVASO EFBE** - Pleasantly surprising 3rd in an Argentan amateurs Class G on 24 January, however a repeat seems most improbable
2. **JAG DE LAYE** - Steps up in category after running 4th in a Class F at Le Mont-Saint-Michel a month back. Is not about to repeat but will not be available at 48-1 this time either
3. **JAFFNA SHAN** - Useful for the most part when focused. Goes barefoot for Chartres bow and from the front row can give this a good go. First 5
4. **JELINA DES RACQUES** - Lost her way late last year and has continued to disappoint this term. Failed to deliver on sole Chartres run and is not about to create an upset
5. **JUST CALITY** - Has done nothing noteworthy for almost 2 years and is not about to change her ways
6. **JORSO** - 5th, a place behind JAG DE LAYE (2), in a Class F at Le Mont-Saint-Michel on 15 February, but faces a much stiffer test this time around
7. **JASMINE DU BOCAGE** - Unexceptional mare starting for first time since late-November and in this category can be confidently passed over
8. **JACADI DE PEBRAC** - Went completely off the boil last spring and will have nothing to contribute on first start since August
9. **JOISO POKER PRO** - Is competitively-shod following a pair of conditioners but would have better prospects in the claiming division
10. **JIM DU PALAIS** - Serious sort that won his sole start at the venue. Comes here fresh, is shod for competition, and can get straight down to business
11. **JASMIN DAIRPET** - Makes first appearance since September but was consistently performant prior to his break. Quite evidently in race-mode and will be expected to bring the fight to JIM DU PALAIS (10)
12. **JOYAU BLUE** - Considerably better than recent results would suggest. Is confirmed at this level and in the hands for Franck Nivard is unlikely to disappoint
13. **JERRY DE L'ERDRE** - Back at Chartres after having run 3rd in a Cagnes Class F on 3 March. Is unlikely to repeat but can nevertheless get in on the action
14. **JORPHEA D'ESPOIR** - Handy mare that ran 2nd here last October before being put away the following month. Has not been seen since though and is going to need the race
15. **JEKILL ROCQ** - Goes barefoot after having been conditioned at Angers in late-January. Is reunited with Florian Desmigneux for whom he goes well and must be considered a major player
16. **JENNA DAIRPET** - Returns to a track she has shown a liking for following a lengthy break. Is hard to knock in the day's configuration, benefits from a fine entry, and must be taken seriously

Summary: The big-hitters are on the back line here with a number in contention. JIM DU PALAIS (10) may not have been seen out since November but he won his only Chartres run, is shod to preference for re-entry, and is just preferred to the similarly-returning JASMIN DAIRPET (11) who was a model of consistency prior to his layoff, and a barefoot and well-engaged JEKILL ROCQ (15) who has been specifically prepared for this. Recent results do JOYAU BLUE (12) no justice and the engagement of Franck Nivard will do his prospects no harm.

SELECTIONS

JIM DU PALAIS (10) - JASMIN DAIRPET (11) - JEKILL ROCQ (15) - JOYAU BLUE (12)

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C5 - PRIX DE LA VILLE DE LUISANT - 2825m (a2m) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 26,000

1. **JENKA DE MORMOULIN** - Would have finished 3rd in a Vincennes Class E last month had she not blundered 100m out, but can make amends if Damien Bonne manages to keep her focused
2. **HARLEY DE JANEIRO** - Has failed to make the frame since this time last year. Is barefoot for the occasion but still not a concern
3. **INDIRISS** - Has been a complete write-off since December 2024 and is not about to change his ways
4. **JILBOUR DEFONTAINE** - By no means the worst horse here but has better right-handed credentials and would be preferred barefoot
5. **JOYCE DE COSSE** - Has gradually improved over recent months but with shoes fitted has no realistic chance
6. **JAG DE ROZEVIC** - Kicked the year off with a solid effort at Angers but has failed to fire in 2 since. Can trot when minded to but still represents no more than a minor place chance
7. **JUNIOR DU CHATELET** - Consistently in the thick of things when focused. Is unseen since last August but is clearly in race-mode and from the front line should be considered a player
8. **JOKER DU PONT** - Pleased a couple of times last autumn but has since come off the boil. Shoes off on this occasion but still has nothing to contribute
9. **JOYAU DARLING** - Gives a good account for the most part and has won at the venue. Is barefoot for first start of the new season and Killian Achard will be eager to capitalise on his front-row entry
10. **IT'S PAT** - Capable element but form went south late last year, and will have limited prospects on first start back
11. **I LOVE IGNY** - Not the easiest of horses to handle but has won 2 for 2 at Chartres. On back line but still looks a serious proposition
12. **JOYEUX DU LANDRET** - Won 3 of 4 prior to being sent for a holiday. Hind shoes off for comeback and cannot be ruled out
13. **I KEEP CALM** - Won 2 of last 3 left-handed runs before coming 4th going clockwise last month. Has no Chartres references but in current condition is still easy to fancy for the win
14. **JORIA MESLOISE** - Has yet to show much love for Chartres but has hardly put a foot wrong since last summer and with Paul Ploquin in the bike is unlikely to disappoint. Chance

Summary: Twice a winner in 3 starts before giving a good account at Saint-Brieuc, I KEEP CALM (13) is reunited with Franck Nivard who won with him last year, and will be well-supported for a repeat. Leading the opposition is I LOVE IGNY (11) who is unbeaten in 2 starts here, and the in-shape JORIA MESLOISE (14) who has been reconfigured for her return to the venue. JUNIOR DU CHATELET (7) is barefoot for his own return from a well-earned rest and the 25m head-start stands him in good stead.

SELECTIONS

I KEEP CALM (13) - I LOVE IGNY (11) - JORIA MESLOISE (14) - JUNIOR DU CHATELET
(7)

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C6 - PRIX ASSOCIATION DES COURSES LA FERTÉ-VIDAME - 2300m (a1m1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 17,500

1. **NASH ROYAL** - Qualified in 1'20'5 in Grosbois in early-November and has too much to do first time out
2. **NINJA DU HOULME** - Qualified in 1'18'6 at Caen on 21 January but finished last but one on debut a month back and will need to find considerably more
3. **NUAGE DE JAFRAN** - Qualified decently at Grosbois before the turn of the year but has yet to make good on his promise. Can finish in the mix though if he gets off on the right foot
4. **NINO DE TIMBOEUF** - Given a rest after having debuted decently in good company last November. Is still learning his trade but a first-5 place looks to be well within his reach
5. **NUMBER ONE LOVER** - Qualified well last autumn but looked ordinary when 6th behind NEVADA NAY (12) in a Class F over course and distance 2 weeks ago, and is unlikely to shake things up
6. **NEHO CINQ** - Disappointing first time out before coming 5th, a place behind NEVADA NAY (12), in a Class F over course and distance 2 weeks ago. Franck Nivard at the helm this time but still not a priority
7. **NEMO D'ARNHEM** - Eliminated in 5 of 6 starts so far, including under these conditions, and can be passed over
8. **NO SECRET** - Ran 3rd on debut, finishing between Net Money, 5th in a Gr.1, and Nobel Venesi, 3rd in a Gr.3. Claim
9. **NOBEL DE PAIL** - Qualified nicely last year at Caen and ran 3rd of 11 on debut a fortnight back in a Cherbourg Class F. Will have progressed for the race and can again compete for a place on the podium
10. **NOTHINGELSEMATTERS** - Gave a good account of himself on debut last month when 3rd in a Laval Class F. Is still rather green but has bags of potential and can deliver
11. **NOTUS VOLO** - 3rd in a 2550m Reims Class F on 1 March. Hails from a yard in good shape and is unlikely to disappoint
12. **NEVADA NAY** - Has raced respectably in both starts to date. Is not about to take Chartres by storm but is unlikely to let the side down either

Summary: After having qualified well and debuted nicely in good company last July, NO SECRET (8) will have grown into himself over the intervening months and returns to competition with a decent chance of imposing. NOTHINGELSEMATTERS (10) qualified on the same day, made a good impression on his recent Laval debut, and looks the main danger. NOTUS VOLO (11) goes left-handed after having run 3rd on his own debut at Reims 2 weeks ago, sports front pads this time, and will be justifiably well-supported. NOBEL DE PAIL (9) similarly held his own first time out and Anthony Barrier gets the nod here.

SELECTIONS

NO SECRET (8) - NOTHINGELSEMATTERS (10) - NOTUS VOLO (11) - NOBEL DE PAIL (9)

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**C7 - PRIX FRANCE ADOT 28 - 2300m (a1m1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR €
17,500**

- 1. NATALIA MELODY** - Set off no fireworks in qualification last June but is well-related and will be one to monitor first time out
- 2. NIKITA DU CLOSEAU** - Looked ordinary in qualification last August. Faces a decent lot first time out and will struggle to make her mark
- 3. NOCCIOLINA** - Untried filly that qualified respectably last June. Yard has started to come good and will be expected to play a leading role
- 4. NOCHE BELLA GRIFF** - Qualified in 1'18'9 in Grosbois last August. Takes on some better elements on debut and is unlikely to spice things up
- 5. NUTTY DREAM** - Well-related filly making career debut at a track she should appreciate. Has the pedigree for a big run and must be considered a contender
- 6. NAHEMA BLUES** - Ran flattering 4th of 5 finishers in a Class F at Lyon-La Soie 2.5 weeks ago and in this company will not be springing any surprises
- 7. NAVIDA PURA VIDA** - Could have finished closer in a Cagnes Class F on debut a fortnight ago had she negotiated the final turn more cleanly, but will have come on for the race and has the wherewithal to finish closer
- 8. NOBLESSE DU CHENE** - Fastest qualifier here, posting 1'17'8 last autumn. Ran 4th at Le Croise-Laroche last weekend first time out, is plainly better than that though, and is not to be underestimated
- 9. NORMA DU LEARD** - Never over-extended when 4th in a Laval Class E 2.5 weeks ago. Will appreciate this shorter trip and can get that maiden monkey off her back
- 10. NOCE DE REVE** - Has yet to take trotting by storm and most recently failed to impress at Cordemais. Should acquit herself honourably but is not about to influence the outcome
- 11. NORMA DU TRIEUX** - Has acquitted herself respectably so far but is not the most courageous filly in the field and looks a minor place chance at best
- 12. NIGHT ERCA** - Unremarkable filly that has finished no closer than 4th in 9 starts to date and can expect to have few takers

Summary: NORMA DU LEARD (9) held her own at Laval recently on her first start since October. She will have progressed for the run and with Paul Ploquin back in the bike can lose her maiden tag. She should still face opposition from the untried pair of NUTTY DREAM (5) who has form on her dam's side, and NOCCIOLINA (3) whose grand-dam showed serious potential at the start of her career. NAVIDA PURA VIDA (7) was better on her recent debut than she was in qualification and Florian Desmigneux can be justifiably confident of a good run.

SELECTIONS

NORMA DU LEARD (9) - NUTTY DREAM (5) - NOCCIOLINA (3) - NAVIDA PURA VIDA (7)