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## R3 CAGNES-SUR-MER [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX HAMSTER DORE - 2925m (a1 13/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €  
8.000**

- 1. GOLD AND GREEN** - Unreliable but retains the means to have a say in a race of this nature, if judged on his best form references. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- 2. HAWK SPEED** - An unreliable sort but is undeniably capable of playing a leading role in a race of this nature with Gisèle Ambrogio engaged for the first time. Keep safe
- 3. GHALAL DE VANDEL** - Seldom far from a fault and struggling to spark the improvement needed to be competitive here, so unlikely to trouble the judge
- 4. HAKON DU VIVIER** - Confirmed at this level with two victories and a 3rd in the amateur ranks. The most likely winner of this race
- 5. HISTOIRE D'ATOUT** - Has looked rather ordinary for some time now so her chances are limited here, even at this level. Ignore
- 6. HENA MOSSA** - Showed signs of a resurgence by finishing 5th in the 'pro' ranks last time out. Should have a role to play at this level if confirming that improvement here
- 7. FERGUIE DE BIEVRE** - Inconsistent veteran mare with sufficient means to get into the picture, if judged on her best form references. Dark horse
- 8. FUSION** - Unreliable but seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- 9. GUNNAR LA MESANGE** - Inconsistent but undeniably capable of staking a claim at this level racing unshod. Not one to be taken lightly
- 10. FEU DE STAR** - Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in here. Has more of a place chance than a winning one
- 11. GABO DI ROCCA** - Has seven podium finishes to his name from his last nine outings. Should once again have a role to play
- 12. ELGUZ DE FLORANGE** - Returned to form by finishing 3rd last time and gets along well with Céline Huguet. Should have a say if confirming that improvement here
- 13. FLIGNY** - Has, for some time now, nothing noteworthy to his name to warrant any consideration in a race of this nature so can be ruled out
- 14. FOND OF YOU** - Out of sorts and has looked rather ordinary in both disciplines this year, so is hard to make a case for. Others preferred
- 15. GIRL ELEVEN** - Making her amateur debut at a track on which she has already proved her efficiency. Not taken lightly
- 16. GUS DES CHAMPS** - A model of consistency, well engaged at the ceiling of earnings. Has the means to fight for victory despite his starting position

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**Summary :** This opening event for amateurs is likely to go the way of HAKON DU VIVIER (4), who is impeccable in this category. HAWK SPEED (2), a newcomer at this level, has the means to pose a threat along with GABO DI ROCCA (11), a quality competitor who has returned to form in recent outings. GUS DES CHAMPS (16) is well engaged here at the ceiling of earnings and is also capable of playing a leading role. HENA MOSSA (6) and ELGUZ DE FLORANGE (12), appeal most of the remainder.

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**HAKON DU VIVIER (4) - HAWK SPEED (2) - GABO DI ROCCA (11) - GUS DES CHAMPS  
(16)**

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**C2 - PRIX FLEURON PERRINE - 2150m (a1 5/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR  
€ 16.000**

- 1. LE LAUREAT DU PARC** - A well-bred colt trained by Vincent Martens. Could be worth siding with here given his attractive pedigree
- 2. LAPS GEDE** - This Alto De Viette colt is trained by Alexandre Pillon, who will also partner his charge on debut. One to note
- 3. LEE ROCK BOND** - Nicolas Ensch-trained Fabulous Wood colt who will be partnered on debut by his conditioner. Not taken lightly
- 4. LYRIKO BELLO** - A Timoko colt who must be taken seriously on debut having posted a qualifying time of 1'18"4 at Laval. Keep safe
- 5. LARKE DE BELLANDE** - Nicely bred debutante from a formidable stable, so must be respected here, especially with David Békaert engaged
- 6. LEADER DES RIOULTS** - Mickaël Cormy trains this Carat Williams colt and will also partner his newcomer on debut. Watch for now
- 7. LADY DE GESVRES** - Well-related filly, the granddaughter of Nina de Gesvres, who warrants respect on debut after her impressive qualifying time (1'17"2 at Caen)
- 8. LOTUS ZEN** - Booster Winner colt trained and owned by Martial Dupuis, who has engaged Pierrick Le Moel to partner his newcomer

**Summary** : As a son of Ready Cash and Sometime, well-bred Vincent Martens-trained LE LAUREAT DU PARC (1) is likely to be all the rage here on debut. Well-related LADY DE GESVRES (7), a granddaughter of the very talented Nina de Gesvres, LYRIKO BELLO (4), who qualified in a good time at Laval, as well as LARKE DE BELLANDE (5), with David Békaert an eye-catching engagement, are others who could play leading roles first time out.

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**LE LAUREAT DU PARC (1) - LADY DE GESVRES (7) - LYRIKO BELLO (4) - LARKE DE BELLANDE (5)**

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**C3 - PRIX DES RENNES - 2925m (a1 13/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €  
26.000**

1. **KEZIAH DE NAPPES** - Has looked rather ordinary to this point, having made no impression in either outing, so is hard to make a case for here
2. **KRAKITO BELLO** - Disqualified on debut and only managed to finish 7th last time out, so must improve to get a look in here
3. **KATIA EL SOL** - Unplaced in both outings, although did show some improvement when finishing 6th last time. Watch for now
4. **KAHILA GEDE** - Unreliable but not devoid of resources either and is capable of getting into the picture judged on her best references. Dark horse
5. **KUALA LUMPUR** - Undefeated in two outings but has been absent since last July. Has shown enough to play a role on her return
6. **KENYA D'AVE** - Acquitted himself competitively (5th) at Vincennes recently and, with David Békaert engaged, can play a leading role here with a repeat of that performance
7. **KOTO DE PIENCOURT** - Tends to do well when avoiding disqualification and has caught the eye on occasion. Has a place chance
8. **KEY LADY** - Disqualified last time out after finishing 3rd at Vincennes behind two quality fillies. Has a winning chance here on that form
9. **KLUSAZ** - Should have more to offer after a much-needed comeback outing, so cannot be taken lightly. Has claims
10. **KIEFFER D'OURVILLE** - Seldom finishes far off the mark and could get into the picture here but has no more than a place chance
11. **KING HEUVELLAND** - Although returning from a six-month absence, has already shown sufficient means to have a say in the finish in a race of this nature
12. **KILLERMAN** - Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in here. Has more of a place chance than a winning one
13. **KELLY CHARLY ERA** - Ought to improve after a much-needed comeback outing and is returning to a track on which she has already proven herself. Respected
14. **KIF DE L'UNE** - Unreliable but not incapable of getting into the picture either. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out

**Summary** : KEY LADY (8) fluffed her lines when faulting as the favourite at Vincennes last time but she is more than capable of making amends here, if avoiding disqualification, so is good value to redeem herself in a race of this nature. KUALA LUMPUR (5), undefeated in two starts, returns from a break and is likely to make a bold bid on her reappearance, so features high on the shortlist of potential dangers alongside KENYA D'AVE (6), who has the means to expose chinks in the armour of the aforementioned pair. Returning KING HEUVELLAND (11) has also shown enough to fight for the victory, ahead of KLUSAZ (9) and KELLY CHARLY ERA (13).

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**KEY LADY (8) - KUALA LUMPUR (5) - KENYA D'AVE (6) - KING HEUVELLAND (11)**

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## C4 - PRIX MACRINE - 2925m (a1 13/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 29.000

1. **IVANHOE RENKA** - Unreliable but seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Hard to trust but is not easily ruled out either
2. **ISA MAUVE** - Struggling to regain any form or spark the improvement needed to be competitive here, so unlikely to trouble the judge
3. **IESOLO D'HERIPRE** - Has looked distinctly ordinary for some time now so his chances are limited, even at this level. Ignore
4. **INTRIGUE DE MAX** - Has nothing noteworthy to her name, that warrants any consideration here, for some time so can be ruled out. Overlook
5. **ICARE DU LOISIR** - Seldom finishes far off the mark and could get into the picture, though has no more than a place chance
6. **ISLA DE BANVILLE** - Usually does well when avoiding disqualification so is not one to be underestimated. Capable of getting into the picture
7. **IBERIQUE TURGOT** - She left a good impression during her victory on September 10 at Salon-de-Provence. We must therefore take it back.
8. **IL VILLAGGIO** - Unreliable but not incapable of getting into the picture judged on his best references. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
9. **IPPON DE MONTCEAU** - Pulverized his opposition in winning back-to-back recent outings. On that evidence, seems more than capable of completing his hat-trick
10. **IVILLA BLUE** - Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in here. Has more of a place chance than a winning one
11. **ILOUMAX** - Races barefoot now, unlike in his last outing, and retains the means necessary to play a role in a race of this nature
12. **IRIS RIVOISE** - Seldom finishes far off the mark and has the means to get a look in here, although no more than a place chance
13. **IN THE AIR DELO** - Honest performer who has been regaining momentum of late, which his latest start (3rd) proves. Place chance
14. **IATHUS DANICA** - He was only able to express himself too late recently at Vincennes. With a clear course, he is able to fight for the first places.
15. **ILLICO DE BOUTEAU** - Was not beaten far last time at Le Croisé-Laroche, finishing behind IATHUS DANICA (14). Can get a look in here on that form

**Summary** : IPPON DE MONTCEAU (9) could not have been more impressive in winning consecutive starts recently and a repeat of either performance should be enough to see him complete the hat-trick. IATHUS DANICA (14) caught the eye last time at Vincennes and is likely to give cheek, while ILOUMAX (11) is also capable of posing a threat racing barefoot on this occasion. IBERIQUE TURGOT (7) has the means to play a leading role too, with ILLICO DE BOUTEAU (15), the highest earner in the race. appealing most of the remainder.

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IPPON DE MONTCEAU (9) - IATHUS DANICA (14) - ILOUMAX (11) - IBERIQUE TURGOT  
(7)

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**C5 - PRIX FORTUNATO II - 2150m (a1 5/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €  
26.000**

- 1. JUSTIN WOOD** - Brilliant winner of his last start on the big Vincennes track and looks well placed to win again with a repeat of that performance here. One to beat
- 2. JEZABEL JENILOU** - Has acquitted herself well on the big track at Vincennes recently. Unshod again, she ought to be competitive among the leading positions
- 3. JUJUBEE** - In good form and physical condition with a new shoe fitting adopted this time. Should make her presence felt
- 4. JACK DES MALBERAUX** - Delicate but has serious means so cannot be underestimated with David Békaert at the helm. Not taken lightly
- 5. JESON BOY** - Last-start winner of the four-year-old Grand Prix at Lyon-Parilly. Never disappoints when barefoot so should have a role to play here
- 6. JOCONDE TURGOT** - Won consecutive outings before finishing 4th last time and races unshod behind for the first time on this occasion. Could have more to offer
- 7. JOIE DE BERTRANGE** - Unreliable but not incapable of getting into the picture judged on her best references. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- 8. JIQUEL** - Consistent performer with sound form references, but has more of a place chance than a winning one here
- 9. JASMINA GEDE** - More effective under the saddle but is not incapable of getting a look in switched to the harness code. Dark horse
- 10. JACKPOT DU VIVIER** - Finished an encouraging 5th on her reappearance and is presented barefoot this time around for trainer Romuald Mourice. Keep safe
- 11. JET DE CANVILLE** - Unreliable but seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out
- 12. JADE EL SOL** - Has nothing noteworthy to her name for a considerable period now so can be ruled out. Others preferred
- 13. JOY FOR EVER** - Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in here. Probably for another day so is best watched for now
- 14. JOKER DU MIDI** - Unreliable although not devoid of resources. Has been out of sorts in both disciplines so needs to reaffirm
- 15. JASONIA DANICA** - Talented filly but is more effective when racing unshod, so is best watched for now. For another day
- 16. JIFF LINE** - Struggling to regain any form or spark the improvement needed to be competitive here, so unlikely to trouble the judge



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**Summary :** A pleasing winner of his last start at Vincennes recently, JUSTIN WOOD (1) looks well placed to follow up here racing unshod from a favourable starting berth. He will, however, have to thwart the likely challenge of JOCONDE TURGOT (6), without her hind shoes now, as well as JEZABEL JENILOU (2), who has performed impeccably when barefooted. JESON BOY (5), a brilliant winner of the four-year-old Grand Prix at Lyon-Parilly, and JACKPOT DU VIVIER (10) could also have a say in the outcome. Good race!

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**JUSTIN WOOD (1) - JOCONDE TURGOT (6) - JEZABEL JENILOU (2) - JESON BOY (5)**

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**C6 - PRIX BOLD EAGLE - 2150m (a1 5/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €  
26.000**

**1. HANDY JET** - Has been regaining momentum of late, finishing an improved 3rd last time. Capable of staking a claim in a race of this nature

**2. HARRY LE BEAU** - Has rediscovered his form and consistency of late so, from a good starting spot with his shoes off, is capable of making life difficult for the principals

**3. HIGH BLACK HORSE** - Seldom far from faulting but usually does well when keeping stride. Has the means to have a say if remaining wise

**4. HOLLY DOLL** - Switches from the mounted code with legitimate ambitions, though has more of a place chance and can aim for a place in this meeting.

**5. HOCO MESLOIS** - Trained and driven by Pierre Belloche, this capable sort races unshod behind in his first start at Cagnes-sur-Mer. Respect

**6. HEART OF GLASS** - Races unshod behind now after a much-needed comeback outing. Has serious means and is one of the contenders for victory

**7. HOKIO** - Made an encouraging comeback and will race completely unshod on this occasion. Makes plenty appeal - the one to beat

**8. HYDROMEL** - Consistent for the most part and runner-up in consecutive outings recently, so won't be winning out of turn. Candidate for success

**9. HOLLENBOURG** - Versatile sort who is capable although inconsistent in both disciplines. Not without a chance here reverting to this category

**10. HIGHWAY DE NAPPES** - Unreliable type though not incapable of getting into the picture judged on her best references. Hard to trust but is as hard to rule out

**11. HAPPY LOVE** - Inconsistent although not entirely incapable of getting a look in here. Has more of a place chance than a winning one but is probably best watched for now

**12. HADAYA VISAIS** - Unreliable but seldom finishes far off the mark on a going day. Hard to trust but is not easily ruled out either

**13. HARDE DESTINEE** - Showed signs of improvement last time so could get a look in if confirming that improvement. Place chance

**14. HABANNA** - Seldom finishes far off the mark so has earning potential, though no more than a place chance. Outsider

**Summary** : Having finished an encouraging 3rd last time on his return from a break, HOKIO (7) has a great opportunity here to recapture the winning thread, especially with all four shoes removed for this engagement. His opposition is likely to be led by HYDROMEL (8), who also races completely unshod this time around, with HEART OF GLASS (6) and HARRY LE BEAU (2) others capable of playing a role. HOCO MESLOIS (5) and HIGH BLACK HORSE (3) complete the shortlist.

## SELECTIONS

**HOKIO (7) - HYDROMEL (8) - HEART OF GLASS (6) - HARRY LE BEAU (2)**

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C7 - PRIX FLORESTAN - 2925m (a1 13/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €  
33.000

- 1. GALAXY VAUCEENNE** - Remains barefoot. On good form with two wins in her last three starts. Not disgraced when third last time out and has a winning chance
- 2. GEODE DU CHERISAY** - Unreliable but has won three times at this course this year. Not barefoot this time and could be best watched
- 3. GALINETTE BLEUE** - A winner of three of her last four starts but returns from a break and may need this race. Can win if fit
- 4. GOLDIE DRY** - On a very long losing streak and was only ninth last time out. Barefoot and capable of improvement but others are preferred
- 5. GIGA DES PLAINES** - Remains barefoot. well tried this year without winning but always gives of his best and can contest the finish
- 6. HISTOIRE DU MIDI** - Not disgraced when fourth last time out but is on a very long losing streak and others are preferred for win purposes
- 7. HAVANA MOON** - She has not been seen in competition since her victory on September 20, at Marseille-Borély. Has a winning chance if fit
- 8. FORLANE DEBAILLEUL** - Remains barefoot. In good form of late and won twice over this track and trip at the beginning of the year. Go close
- 9. FOU DRE DE BENGAL E** - Disappointing last run and has been well tried this year without winning. Capable of much better and is not out of it
- 10. HOLLY MESLOISE** - Did not show her best last time out and last won over a shorter distance but is down in class. Can bounce back and win
- 11. GANA DE LIGNY** - Clearly needed last run and has been a disappointment this year but is capable of an upset on best form

**Summary** : HOLLY MESLOISE (10) is better than the last run would suggest and is down in class. Could be ready to bounce back to score. GANA DE LIGNY (11) needed the last run and is capable of winning if finding the best form. FORLANE DEBAILLEUL (8) won twice over this course and distance at the beginning of the year and is in good form of late. She should be a big threat. FOU DRE DE BENGAL E (9) has been well tried this year without winning but could contest the finish.

## SELECTIONS

HOLLY MESLOISE (10) - GANA DE LIGNY (11) - FORLANE DEBAILLEUL (8) - FOU DRE DE BENGAL E (9)

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**C8 - PRIX VARENNE - 2925m (a1 13/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 58.000**

1. **DOUGLAS DU PONT** - Well tried this year without winning. Unreliable of late and was disqualified last time out. Others are preferred
2. **GIROLAMO** - Well tried this year without adding to win tally. Third in penultimate start but this is a tougher ask. Others are preferred
3. **FRAGONARD DELO** - Fourth in a claimer last time out and is barefoot this time. Needs to more to beat these rivals
4. **FELIX DU BOURG** - Fourth in a very good field at Vincennes last time out. Won over this course and distance in July and is capable of winning again
5. **ECLAT DES NOIX** - Remains unshod. Won twice earlier this year but has mostly been disappointing since then. Might play a minor role
6. **ESPERANZO** - Remains unshod. More than a year since last win but has been in good form of late. Can contest the finish once again
7. **EBERTON** - Picked up eleventh win over this track and trip in August but he has been disappointing since. Can upset
8. **EL GRECO BELLO** - Not disgraced when fifth last time out. His last win was over this course and distance in August. Capable of scoring again
9. **FAKIR DU RANCH** - Unshod on all four feet after a comeback. Likes this course and distance and won here in February. Can bounce back and win
10. **FIFTY FIVE BOND** - Remains unshod. Has not won for some time but was not disgraced when fifth last time out. Has a winning chance
11. **EDEN BASQUE** - Disqualified last time out. On a long losing run but ran some fair races over this track and trip in July and is not out of it

**Summary :** EL GRECO BELLO (8) is a course and distance winner this year and he was not disgraced when fifth last time out. He can score in the lucky last but it should be a competitive finish. FIFTY FIVE BOND (10) was not disgraced when fifth last time out and should do better this time but is on a long losing streak. FAKIR DU RANCH (9) likes this track and trip and deserves the utmost respect in this line-up. EDEN BASQUE (11) was at his best this year in July at this track and is not out of it.

## SELECTIONS

**EL GRECO BELLO (8) - FIFTY FIVE BOND (10) - FAKIR DU RANCH (9) - EDEN BASQUE (11)**