

R1 VINCENNES [L-H]

C1 - PRIX DE MEHUN SUR YEVRE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - - Harness - EUR € 60,000

1. **LE GRAAL** - Made short work of a Class D at Enghien over 2,150m on 1 July. Has not been seen out since but is patently in race-mode and, with application, can wrap this up
2. **FERAHAN AS** - Has looked very ordinary since imposing across town in summer 2025 and is unlikely to spice things up
3. **LAMONT DU DOUET** - Fourth in a Class B at Laval over 2,850m on 19 August. Has been hard to fault lately but sports pads this time and is not an obvious choice
4. **EMPIRE AS** - Disqualified in both re-entry runs across town. Has been re-shod for the occasion, and even with JMB reining, is a minor place chance at best
5. **ALADIN (GER)** - Serious German type getting a second crack at Vincennes. Has been proving himself in decent company and returns to France with Matthieu Abrivard reining and a good hand to play
6. **LOVEBIRD** - Disqualified in last 2, latterly an Alencon Class A earlier in the month. Eric Raffin in the bike this time and will be no soft touch if he keeps his charge focused
7. **FAWAZ MIL** - Has finished twice runner-up, most recently on comeback at Waregem, after having imposed over course and distance in May. Has freshness on his side and from the front line can make a big impact
8. **PURE STEEL** - Finished 2nd in a Class E at Enghien over 2,150m on 12 August. Has never excelled at Vincennes but in current form is easy to like for a first-five payout
9. **LOULOU DAB** - Serious trotter starting for the first time since February. Is shod for comeback and will not be troubling the judge
10. **QUINTUS TOOMA** - Scored for just the 2nd time in his career when securing a Class E at Le Sap in late-August, however a repeat is most unlikely
11. **TROGIR** - Returns to Paris after having been disqualified over a mile in Berlin. Has placed in 2 of 3 Vincennes starts however, and although unlikely to secure the hat-trick, can still give this a good go
12. **FABIUS ORS** - Disqualified in a Class E over 2,700m here on 5 September. Is out of his league in this company and will have few friends
13. **ELFO BREED** - Won 5 on the trot in Italy before coming 7th in a Class D over course and distance late last month and will need to find more
14. **L'AMOUR MEARAS** - Left a good impression on re-entry when 3rd in a 2700m Class E on 5 September. Takes a notable leap in category though and can be passed over
15. **LE RETOUR VRIE** - Has not been seen out since coming 2nd in a Class C at Enghien over 2,150m on 26 June. Is fitted with 4 pads this time and best to hold off

Summary: LE GRAAL (1) is unbeaten in mobile starts, is clearly behind in earnings, and looks the one to beat. FAWAZ MIL (7) impressed twice here during the spring and, reconfigured for the occasion, will lead the opposition alongside LOVEBIRD (6), who will be no easy touch if Eric Raffin manages to keep him trotting. ALADIN (5) has been performing consistently well at home in Germany and should appreciate returning to France for a mobile start under these conditions. Well-drawn, he will be aiming for a podium finish, as will PURE STEEL (8), who has turned a corner since being partnered by Benjamin Rochard.

SELECTIONS

LE GRAAL (1) - FAWAZ MIL (7) - LOVEBIRD (6) - ALADIN (GER) (5)

C2 - PRIX DE DRANCY - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class D - Mounted - EUR € 40,000

1. **MELODY DE L'EPINE** - Debuts in the discipline after being sanctioned in a Chateauroux harness Class F on 23 August. Has been disappointing on the whole for some time and can be ruled out
2. **MADemoiselle DELF** - Gave a good account on monte bow when 2nd to MYSTIQUE ULTRA (7) in a 2175m Class E here on 1 September. Will have come on for the run and Alexis Collette can be forgiven for feeling confident
3. **MALICIA** - Ran a good 3rd to MYSTIQUE ULTRA (7) in a 2175m Class E here on 1 September. Can prove a handful but goes well for Eva Bouclet and must be respected
4. **MARBELLA CHAFS** - Ran a distant 6th in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,700m on 26 August. Is no slouch but is clearly far from her best
5. **MUSIQUE NAY** - Ran last of 7 in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,700m on 26 August and in this company has no realistic chance
6. **MAGGIOTTA** - Disqualified in a Class B at Craon over 2,750m on 6 July. Has not been seen out since but is barefoot with Eric Raffin in the irons and can be assured a competitive ride
7. **MYSTIQUE ULTRA** - Made amends for Villereal disqualification when victorious in a 2175m Class E here on 1 September and on good behaviour can bring the fight to MONDAINE (12)
8. **MELINDA DU LOISIR** - Sports a fresh formula for first target of the autumn following three harness conditioners. Has shown serious promise and Guillaume Martin will be keen to deliver
9. **MAJUSCULE** - Hard to fault when focused but disqualified in last three and others easier to trust
10. **MAYA D'AUBRIERE** - Finished 9th in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,700m on 4 September. Is new to the code but is not without merit under harness and is certainly worth keeping an eye on
11. **MEGANE DE CERISY** - Produced a 90-1 surprise when 5th in a Gr.2 over course and distance on 4 September, but is not about to confirm
12. **MONDAINE** - Third in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,700m on 26 August after having won 3 in a row. Benefits from a terrific entry and will be expected to win this

Summary: Franck Terry appears particularly well-armed in this race with MONDAINE (12), who has not put a foot out of line this summer, MYSTIQUE ULTRA (7), authoritative winner here earlier in the month, and MADemoiselle DELF (2), who made a convincing monte debut behind her that day. MELINDA DU LOISIR (8) will be fully-fit by now, has been re-shod, and makes an eagerly-awaited return to the discipline.

SELECTIONS

MONDAINE (12) - MYSTIQUE ULTRA (7) - MADemoiselle DELF (2) - MELINDA DU LOISIR (8)

C3 - PRIX DE NARBONNE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - - Harness - EUR € 46,000

- 1. MAJOR DE TIMM** - Fourth in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 24 August. Has already won for JMB this year and must be taken seriously
- 2. MAZAR DE VANDEL** - Has made no impact since winning an Enghien Class D on 23 June and is unlikely to generate much interest
- 3. MINOTOR D'ALOUETTE** - Finished 3rd in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 24 August, his first start at the venue. Has pulled a good number and will be expected to figure prominently
- 4. MODERN STYLE** - Not the luckiest when 4th in a Class D over course and distance last week. Is clearly in fine shape and looks thoroughly capable of contesting a place on the podium
- 5. MYSTIC D'YVEL** - Starts for the first time since winning a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 16 July. Has been entrusted to Matthieu Abrivard for the first time and can bring home the bacon
- 6. MATADOR** - Ran 7th on comeback in a Class B at Lisieux over 2,725m on 17 August. Will have come on for the race, has won 2 of 3 when barefoot, and looks a serious proposition
- 7. MADE IN MARETTES** - Put a pair of disqualifications behind him to win a 2725m Class B at Lisieux late last month. Faces a much stiffer test this time and confirmation seems highly unlikely
- 8. MINK BOKO** - Clearly back at the top of his game, lastly running 2nd in a Cagnes Class A on 22 August, and is unlikely to disappoint when it matters. Place chance
- 9. MAMBO PLANCHETTE** - Finished 9th in a Class B at Lisieux over 2,725m on 17 August. Has form at this level but will first need to reassure
- 10. MOJITO DE BANVILLE** - Made amends for Lisieux disqualification when 3rd in a Class D under these conditions early last week. Is unlikely to be sent out at 50-1 this time but is unlikely to be as competitive either
- 11. MANY DREAMS** - Sent for a layup after running 6th in a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 16 July. Is one of the most generous horses here but starts on back line and in this company will have too much to do
- 12. MIGHTY DREAM** - Disqualified three times in last four starts, the latest a Class C at Enghien over 2,875m on 26 June. Has been re-shod for comeback but has nothing to offer under these conditions

Summary: An interesting but fairly open race. MYSTIC D'YVEL (5) has been freshened up, and reconfigured, since his victory at Enghien on 16 July, in preparation for this ideal engagement, and looks a formidable contender. MATADOR (6), barefoot this time, will lead the opposition alongside MINK BOKO (8), runner-up in the Coupe des 5 Ans at Cagnes-sur-Mer, and MODERN STYLE (4), who finished strongly last time after taking a while to find a clear run.

SELECTIONS

MYSTIC D'YVEL (5) - MATADOR (6) - MINK BOKO (8) - MODERN STYLE (4)

C4 - PRIX DE CORBEIL - 2100m (a1m1/4) - - Harness - EUR € 46,000

1. **LOLITA TURGOT** - Modest mare returning to racing barefoot after being trounced in a Laval Class E a week ago and will have nothing to offer
2. **LYRE D'ERABLE** - Was unable to confirm good Enghien performance when 10th in a Class D over track and trip on 29 August. Is never far from surprising and from the 2 slot cannot be discounted
3. **LUMIERE DE BAILLE** - Comfortable winner of a Class E at Vincennes over 2,700m on 31 August, making it 3 from last 4, and from the 3 slot can add another victory to her tally
4. **LADY QUEEN** - Produced a 40-1 surprise when 2nd in a Class D at La Capelle on 25 August, and chances of confirmation are slim
5. **LUCY DU RILER** - Returns to a hard surface after disappointing in a Craon Class D 10 days ago. Sports a new configuration and presents good credentials with Benjamin Rochard who has a reasonable chance of picking up a cheque
6. **LA KIFFANCE PIYA** - Was being prepared for this when disqualified in a Lisieux Class D a month back. Is clearly in race-mode and is well-placed to finally open her 2026 account
7. **LUCIOLE DU VERTAIN** - Has done nothing noteworthy for over a year, lastly out of the picture in an Abbeville Class E in mid-August, and can be passed over
8. **LAISSEZ FAIRE** - Finished 8th in a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 28 August when prepping for this. Is unbeaten in 2 starts over course and distance and Giuseppe Porzio is sure to give her another competitive drive
9. **LACIENDA FLASH** - Recently returned at Craon earlier in the month following a well-earned layoff. Is preparing for a campaign under the saddle though and can be ruled out
10. **LIPA STAR** - Finished 4th in a Class C over 2,700m here on 6 June. Sprang something of a surprise that day and a repeat seems unlikely
11. **LA STAR** - Showed improvement at Vire late last month when 2nd in a 2800m Class E. Is new to Vincennes though and the nature of the track risks not suiting her
12. **LAGUNA SECA** - Unexceptional sort whose form comes in spurts. Failed to deliver in last 2 and has nothing going for her here
13. **LADY OF DURBUY** - Has just the one race under her belt since the layoff but will be partnered by Matthieu Abrivard who has form with her, and despite the draw looks a player
14. **LOULIANA DE VANDEL** - Unplaced when prepping for this in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,850m on 4 September. Has been entrusted to Eric Raffin for the first time and can play a leading role
15. **LUNE LUMALO** - Third in a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 1 August. Is barefoot for the first time this year but is still not a concern

Summary: LUMIERE DE BAILLE (3) arrives here on the back of a commanding win over the classic distance. Although she has less to recommend her over shorter distances, she can still get the better of LA KIFFANCE PIYA (6) who is barefoot for her first objective of the autumn. LOULIANA DE VANDEL (14), barefoot and partnered by Eric Raffin, and LADY OF DURBUY (13), shod to preference, come next.

SELECTIONS

LUMIERE DE BAILLE (3) - LA KIFFANCE PIYA (6) - LOULIANA DE VANDEL (14) - LADY OF DURBUY (13)

C5 - PRIX BERNARD LE QUELLEC - 2700m (a1m1/2) - - Harness - EUR € 68,000

- 1. KIRA BO FACE** - Unplaced in a Group II at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 1,609m on 22 August, 12 days after having secured a 2150m Class C at the same venue. Is better over shorter and others easier to back
- 2. NIAGARA RIVER** - Ran 5th in a Class C over 2,850m here on 5 September, her first appearance following a layup, and while not a priority cannot be discounted either
- 3. KOUFRA IRIS'EYES** - Returns to racing barefoot after coming second in a Class D at Laval over 2,850m on 28 August, her first start for 4 months. Will have progressed for the race and should not be underestimated
- 4. IRISH NICE ELGE** - Made up for a pair of clinkers when 3rd in a 2850m Class C here late last month. Imposed over course and distance in June and can again figure prominently
- 5. KISS ME HONEY** - Lost her action in a Class A over course and distance on 22 August. Takes on a less-exalted lot this time and is easy to fancy for the win
- 6. XERAVA C.D.** - Second in a Class C over 2,850m here on 29 August. Is patently close to her race but may have to settle for minor honours
- 7. KEY OF LOVE** - Finished 4th in a Group III over course and distance on 22 August. Has been knocking at the door for some time and will be no pushover when matters heat up
- 8. DIABEL** - Unplaced in a Class C at Laval over 2,850m on 19 August. Is confirmed under these conditions but current form does little to inspire confidence
- 9. KEMIA DU CHENE** - Made it two from three when easily securing a Class A at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 2,925m on 22 August. Meets another good bunch here but in current form is very easy to like
- 10. JASON** - Sprang quite the surprise when 3rd in an Agon Class D on 30 August. Is out of his depth in the category and can be passed over
- 11. KELLE BEAUTE** - Has just the one race in her since the summer break. Is still being conditioned and best to keep one's powder dry
- 12. JOJO TOONS** - Won 2 straight in the spring but subsequently went off the boil. Unconvincing since his re-entry and appears to have nothing to contribute
- 13. HEUREUX DE FLEUR** - Consistently-performant type that won a Class C at Laval over 2,850m on 19 August. Seldom disappoints with Yoann Lebourgeois in the bike and has the wherewithal to make the frame

Summary: KISS ME HONEY (5), who was disqualified under the saddle last time, returns to her preferred discipline with Eric Raffin in the bike and a realistic chance of imposing. KEY OF LOVE (7) has already beaten a number of today's rivals and should again acquit herself competitively. KEMIA DU CHENE (9), winner of the Coupe des 6 Ans at Cagnes-sur-Mer and barefoot this time, and HEUREUX DE FLEUR (13), who recently returned to winning ways, are unlikely to let the side down.

SELECTIONS

KISS ME HONEY (5) - KEY OF LOVE (7) - KEMIA DU CHENE (9) - HEUREUX DE FLEUR (13)

C6 - PRIX GASTON ROUSSEL - 2850m (a2m) - - Mounted - EUR € 54,000

1. IBIZA DE CONNEE - Barring Thouars sanction has hardly put a foot wrong recently, lastly 2nd in a 2700m Class E here on 2 September. Has yet to disappoint with Cyrielle Duffy and from the front row is unlikely to start now

2. JAG ROYAL - Put in a fine finish to come 4th in a 2700m Class E here a fortnight ago. Is plainly close to his race and with a 25m head-start can give JASMINE DE NEUVY (3) a run for her money

3. JASMINE DE NEUVY - Imposed at Enghien in July before easily winning a Class D at Laval over 2,850m on 19 August and on good behaviour can make this her own

4. HANDSOME BOY - Second, at 47-1, in a Class D at Laval over 2,850m on 19 August. Louis Piton in the saddle this time but others still preferred

5. ISOCRATE D'ELA - Won a 2175m Class D here on 5 September and placed over the distance at Enghien in July. Is not about to get his head in front but can still give this a good go

6. HURIEL LUDOIS - Most impressive winner of a Craon Class D 10 days ago. Will appreciate a return to a hard surface and Emma Lacomblez can be justifiably confident of another big run

7. HIS DREAM DE CAHOT - Pleased at Saint-Malo before running 6th in a Craon Class D 10 days ago. Was by no means disgraced that day and has the wherewithal to pick up minor honours

8. HARMONY LA NUIT - Pleasantly surprising 2nd in a Lyon-Parilly harness Class D a fortnight ago, but will struggle to make her presence felt this time

9. FALTO DES LANDIERS - Has been a complete write-off since winning a Lisieux Class E on 17 May and can be confidently disregarded

10. HAIDA SAUTONNE - Erratic sort returning to the discipline after running 6th in a harness Class C at Les Sables-d'Olonne on 28 August and can expect to have few takers

11. JOUR DE FETE - Finished 7th in a harness Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 5 September. Has won twice under the saddle and, with application, should be good enough to challenge for a place on the podium

12. IGO CLEA - Ran 6th in a Class B at Vincennes over 2,700m last Friday. Has been re-shod for the occasion but a repeat seems most improbable

13. IMAGINE D'ATOUT - Has not been seen out since finishing last of 13 in a Class C Apprentices' race at Vincennes over 2,700m on 20 February. Is barefoot for comeback but is still going to need the run

14. IMPULSE JULRY - Returns to the monte code after winning a harness Class B at Aix-les-Bains in early-August. Comes here fresh but is still not an obvious choice

Summary: JASMINE DE NEUVY (3) has been superb in her last two starts and if her partner can keep her focused, she will have every chance of completing the hat-trick. That being said she will have to concede 25m to JAG ROYAL (2) who gave a good account here earlier in the month. Entrusted to a talented apprentice for a return under the saddle JOUR DE FETE (11) looks dangerous. From the front, IBIZA DE CONNEE (1) must be considered a contender.

SELECTIONS

JASMINE DE NEUVY (3) - JAG ROYAL (2) - JOUR DE FETE (11) - IBIZA DE CONNEE (1)

C7 - PRIX DE COURTENAY - 2850m (a2m) - Class C - Harness - EUR € 46,000

- 1. NUITEE D'AMOUR** - Came 2nd in a 2750m Cabourg Class D a month back. Has come close more than once to losing her maiden tag and should be able to give this a good go
- 2. NOBLE QUEEN** - Returns to the harness code, and makes her re-entry, after coming 4th in a monte Class B at Enghien over 2,875m on 27 June. Is clearly in race-mode and, while not a priority, the engagement of Matthieu Abrivard will do her chances no disservice
- 3. NENIGMA** - Finished 3rd in a Class B at La Capelle over 2,750m on 2 September. Is new to the venue but has been thoroughly professional to date and must be taken seriously
- 4. NEEDREAM** - In the frame in last 2, most recently 3rd in a 2700m claimer here on 1 September, but is biting off more than she can chew this time
- 5. NAGINATA** - Has been disqualified in 4 consecutive starts, the latest a monte Class A over 2700m here on 21 April. Sports 4 pads for harness debut and although very complicated cannot be discounted
- 6. NINA DU COJEUL** - Surprise runner-up in a Class D over 2,700m here on 26 August, her first start at the venue, but but will struggle to confirm
- 7. NANA DE L'ISLE** - Runner-up in a Class D at Enghien over 2,150m on 13 August. Should take well to the even inner track and with pads fitted for the first time will be no soft touch
- 8. NELL DES RIOULTS** - Got off the mark on Vincennes debut a fortnight ago, winning a 2100m Class E. Will have no issue with the inner course profile, has done everything right since her July debut, and will be well-backed to win this
- 9. NOBLESKA** - Gave a good account on re-entry when running 2nd in a Class D at Les Sables-d'Olonne 3 weeks ago. Will have progressed for the race and can finish in the mix
- 10. NEFERTITI** - Ran reassuring 3rd in a Pornichet Class B on 13 August. Is new to the inner course, and takes on some superior horses this time, but should nevertheless hold her own
- 11. NOBLESSE MIKA** - Ran 3rd in a Class C at Castera-Verduzan 3.5 weeks ago. Goes left-handed for just the second time in her career and is not an obvious choice

Summary: NELL DES RIOULTS (8), who opened her account over the main course just a fortnight ago, is preferred to a freshly-padded NANA DE L'ISLE (7), who is improving with every run. Similarly sporting 4 pads for the first time, NUITEE D'AMOUR (1) has some interesting form lines to her name and can make her presence if applied. NENIGMA (3), third against the colts at La Capelle will have a role to play.

SELECTIONS

NELL DES RIOULTS (8) - NANA DE L'ISLE (7) - NUITEE D'AMOUR (1) - NENIGMA (3)

C8 - PRIX DE GAP - 2850m (a2m) - - Mounted - EUR € 46,000

- 1. ROCKY OASIS** - Unplaced in a Class E at Vire over 2,800m on 6 September. Has made no impact since late-spring and is not about to start now
- 2. BIG LITTLE MAN** - Debuts in the discipline after being eliminated under harness at Le Sap late last month. Sports 4 pads for the occasion but seems to be taking on too much
- 3. KINGALO DU CHENE** - Has endured an interrupted career but is still a useful sort and, if applied, will not be going home empty-handed
- 4. QUEEN OF THE NIGHT** - Made little impact on return to the discipline when seventh in a 2700m Class D here 2.5 weeks ago. Has been reconfigured but is still not an obvious choice
- 5. KIRIKOU DU DROPT** - Serious sort in this branch of the business. Comfortably won a Class F at Beaumont-de-Lomagne 2 weeks ago, is barefoot for the occasion, but is possibly being aimed too high this time
- 6. KEEPER PERRINE** - Has done nothing of note in either code since June, most recently finishing eighth in a 2850m Laval Class E a week ago, and can be ruled out
- 7. KING DU RIL** - Capable on a good day, and has a pair of runs under his belt since the break. Faces first real objective of the autumn and will be barefoot for the occasion. Minor place prospect
- 8. JADORE JULRY** - Was being prepped for this when sanctioned in a Divonne Class G on 29 August. Goes barefoot this time but in this category will have to find more
- 9. JANE HUDSON** - Tenacious winner of a Pornichet Class E on 20 August. Is hard to knock when barefoot and focused and enjoys a realistic chance of making the frame
- 10. KEMPEL DE GUEZ** - Entrusted to Alexandre Abrivard for his return to the discipline, having been sanctioned under harness at Sable-sur-Sarthe late last month, and will be afforded every chance. First five
- 11. KOMEDIE SOMOLLI** - Ran 6th in a Class F at Mauquenchy over 2,850m on 5 August. Is barefoot this time though, with Benjamin Rochard back in the saddle, and has every chance of finishing in the mix
- 12. MICHIGAN BRO** - Takes first competitive monte steps after being disqualified in a harness Class E at Le Sap on 30 August. Receives an Eric Raffin ride for the occasion and can get straight down to business
- 13. KENTUCKY DANICA** - Got back in the winner's circle when securing a Pornichet Class E on 20 August. Excels with his driver and looks set to take all the beating

Summary: KENTUCKY DANICA (13), a convincing winner at Mauquenchy on 5 August, has an ideal opportunity here and Mathieu Mottier is unlikely to let this chance to follow up go begging. Talented under harness and partnered by Eric Raffin for his monte bow, MICHIGAN BRO (12) could well make his mark. JANE HUDSON (9), convincing winner at Pornichet, and KOMEDIE SOMOLLI (11), who is partnered by Benjamin Rochard, can fight it out for the remaining step on the podium.

SELECTIONS

KENTUCKY DANICA (13) - MICHIGAN BRO (12) - JANE HUDSON (9) - KOMEDIE SOMOLLI (11)

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

Horse of the day

KENTUCKY DANICA (813)

Outsider of the day

LAISSEZ FAIRE (408)

Reverse forecast

KISS ME HONEY (505) - KEY OF LOVE (507)

Three pick of the day

MYSTIC D'YVEL (305) - KISS ME HONEY (505) - KENTUCKY DANICA (813)