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## R3 MESLAY-DU-M. [R-H]

**C1 - PRIX DU TRINEAU - 2875m (a2m) - Class F - Mounted - EUR €  
20,000**

- 1. KORNELIA BELLA** - Disappointing on the whole for over 2 years and has no possible chance on monte debut
- 2. KETMIE DE BABEL** - Lost her way under harness in late-spring and makes her ridden bow with little to no chance of finishing in the mix
- 3. KALIST DES LANDES** - Modest element with nothing to show for his harness efforts and is unlikely to make any waves on monte bow
- 4. KING DU PLESSIS** - Lost her action on monte debut at Nantes on 5 November. Remains shod and will struggle to make his presence felt
- 5. KODIAC DE GUEZ** - Showed promise under the saddle last year but has looked ordinary in both codes since and cannot be considered a player
- 6. KECILPOSTE** - Capable but unexceptional mare in the ridden code. Has 3 runs in her since the break, races barefoot for the first time under the saddle, and will generate some interest
- 7. KOBALT GAGOU** - Pleased during the spring and early-summer but has been off the boil for some time and can be passed over
- 8. KAROLE DE VAL** - Monte debutante returning to racing shod after being eliminated on re-entry earlier in the month. Starts on front line but others still preferred
- 9. KOMETE DE VAL** - Hardy mare making first appearance since early-September, but secured both monte successes with Clement Frecelle, and starting in front will only work in her favour
- 10. KATE DE LA MOTTE** - Debuts in the discipline after being eliminated at Cabourg. Is not without merit but at this level will have too much to do
- 11. KOKTAIL DE JANZE** - Significantly better than his recent Saint-Brieuc run would suggest. Was never at his ease that day, but is a tough nut to crack when focused and can make a big impact
- 12. KAMEL JOYEUX** - Took little time getting back in the game, running very good 2nd at Chateaubriant, and returns to the monte code with a good hand to play
- 13. KITENA** - Faces first objective of the season following a lengthy absence, but has been conditioned under harness and will be expected to play a prominent role
- 14. KADIX DEL PHEDO** - Has not been seen under the saddle in over 2 years and after 3 unconvincing comeback runs is unlikely to spring any surprises
- 15. KRUNCH DE L'ITON** - Fine servant that seldom disappoints when applied. Left a very good impression when 2nd in a Class F at Le Croise-Laroche early last month, and even from the second line looks the one to beat
- 16. KERIDA PHEDO** - Failed to confirm Vincennes effort when trounced at Vire earlier in the month. Reverts to a previous formula but still not an obvious choice

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**17. KAMIKAZE** - Useful sort with one race in him since his re-entry earlier in the month. Races barefoot for Meslay debut and the engagement will do his prospects no disservice

**18. KANDISSIME** - Quality element with nothing to prove at this level but starts for first time in 12 months. Is never far from faulting but sports a new configuration and Stephane Meunier could not have wished for a better entry

**Summary:** Very hard to fault when barefoot and focused, KRUNCH DE L'ITON (15) returns to racing right-handed after producing a good performance at Le Croise-Laroche, and with Eric Raffin in the saddle this time can make this his own. KARAMEL JOYEUX (12) is seen more often than not in the harness code, but presents solid ridden references and with Benjamin Rochard riding will be expected to contest the finish. KOKTAIL DE JANZE (11) has a pair of runs under his belt since the layoff and looks competitive for a place in the frame. KITENA (13) should also be fit by now and returns to racing barefoot.

## SELECTIONS

**KRUNCH DE L'ITON (15) - KARAMEL JOYEUX (12) - KOKTAIL DE JANZE (11) - KITENA (13)**

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**C2 - PRIX DES GUIRLANDES - 2875m (a2m) - Class F - Harness - EUR €  
17,500**

- 1. MALEKOU SEVEN** - 3rd at Saint-Malo on 1 November, first time out, followed by a Class G course-and-distance win 3 weeks later. Takes on a marginally better bunch this time but must still be regarded a player
- 2. MILORD DE TERNOIRE** - Respectable type that pleasantly surprised when 5th of 16 in a 2350m Angers Class F 10 days ago, although a repeat seems most unlikely
- 3. MADDALENA JEEP** - Put away after opening her account on turf at first time of asking. Returned last month to run 3rd in a Chateaubriant Class F conditioner, will have progressed for the run, and has a reasonable chance of making first 5
- 4. MILTON DREAM** - Pleased twice at Cherbourg before being trounced at Vire earlier in the month and is not about to spice things up
- 5. MISTER DU LOISIR** - Tricky character that was going well when eliminated at Nantes early this month. Franck Nivard at the helm this time and must not be underestimated
- 6. MADY DU POMMEREUX** - Useful but erratic filly that would have finished closer at Vire last month had she been more sure of stride, but form is not in question and with application can pick up some prizemoney
- 7. MELVIANA** - Won her race in August and then put away the following month. Has not been seen since and will be race-rusty
- 8. MARQUIS LA MAZURE** - Won a Class G over course and distance before running a decent 5th at Laval 11 days ago. Is plainly in fine form and will be expected to apply the pressure on MENTOR DE VILLABON (13)
- 9. MAGIC COCO** - Promising colt but has not been seen out since last April and will not be given a hard race
- 10. MEILLEUR KURYS** - No slouch on a good day but makes first appearance running 4th in a Laval Class E in early-October and may just need the race
- 11. MELODIE DU VIROIS** - Back under harness following two consecutive monte eliminations and is unlikely to influence the result
- 12. MAESTRO D'ESPACE** - Unexceptional sort that has failed to get off the mark in 17 career starts and is not expected to figure prominently
- 13. MENTOR DE VILLABON** - Beat a host of good horses here during the spring and if sufficiently fit following his conditioner, can get straight back in the game
- 14. MEET AND GREET** - Has a pair of runs in her following a 7 months break. Put in a decent effort at Cabourg earlier in the month and can again vie for a place on the podium
- 15. MEDOC DES GLENAN** - Has twice encouraged since failing to deliver here last month. Is not about to get his nose in front but should nevertheless hold his own
- 16. MAESTRO VET** - Ran 3rd at Vire on 9 November but failed to confirm when 7th behind MILORD DE TERNOIRE (2) in a 2350m Angers Class F 10 days ago. Is not a priority but is still worth keeping an eye on

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**Summary:** Winner under these conditions last May before being sent for a rest, MENTOR DE VILLABON (13) was given a much-needed freshener at Angers 10 days ago and will be reunited with Benjamin Rochard for his first goal of the winter. He will still want to be wary though of MARQUIS LA MAZURE (8) who had his way here just last month. MALEKOUM SEVEN (1) got off the mark on the same day here and must be considered a contender once more. MEET AND GREET (14) has yet to get off the mark but she always gives her best and is unlikely to be far from the action.

## SELECTIONS

**MENTOR DE VILLABON (13) - MARQUIS LA MAZURE (8) - MALEKOUM SEVEN (1) -  
MEET AND GREET (14)**

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## C3 - PRIX BAPTISTE FERCHAUD - 2875m (a2m) - Class F Amateur Riders - Mounted - EUR € 24,000

1. **HEROS JARZEEN** - Disappointing on the whole in both codes. Barefoot for first goal of the winter but has nothing to contribute
2. **JOKE DU HOUSSEL** - In the frame in last 4 starts and has solid right-handed references. Is new to Meslay but in current condition is easy to like for a spot in the money
3. **HOLD UP IDEF** - Switches back to the monte code after some mediocre performances in the amateur division. Presents decent credentials but at this level will have his work cut out
4. **JUST ME NESLE** - Quality trotter with excellent monte credentials. Is new to Meslay-du-Maine but will not be far off the mark if he stays in stride
5. **INTREPIDE NEMO** - Was in excellent shape earlier in the year but lost his way in late-spring and has done nothing to reassure since
6. **JAGUAR GEMA** - Produced a pair of fine performances before finishing a one-paced 5th of 12 in a Toulouse Class F in mid-November. Should not be too hastily-judged though and is unlikely to be going home empty-handed
7. **IDEAL DE CHAHAINS** - Was unable to secure the hat-trick when failing to deliver in a Vire Class F a month ago. Has had ample time to recalibrate and can make a big splash if the revised formula delivers on its promise
8. **HIER ENCORE** - Encouraged at Graignes in October but has disappointed 3 times since and others easier to back
9. **JUSTICE D'EOLE** - Has begun to show some form after an unproductive autumn. Eliminated on sole start here and has considerable ground to make up
10. **JUSQUINE FOUTEAU** - Capable on a good day and goes either direction, but has been failing to produce the goods lately. Debuts in the discipline, with 4 pads fitted for the first time, and represents no more than a minor place prospect
11. **JIZUKE JIEL** - Dependably performant campaigner that has not put a foot wrong for months. Is terrifically-entered here and Mehdi Lelievre can be forgiven for being bullish. Claim
12. **JUST BIRD** - Last of 7 in a Chartres Class E conditioner on 25 November. Will be close to full fitness and the new formula may be just what the doctor ordered. Chance

**Summary:** Simply marvellous in this branch of the business, JIZUKE JIEL (11) makes his Meslay bow on a 4-timer and, considering the entry, has a realistic chance of pulling it off. That said, the able JUST BIRD (12) sports a new configuration after his Chartres freshener and is just a few Euros from elimination. Barring his latest effort at Vire, IDEAL DE CHAHAINS (7) is like a horse reborn and even though reconfigured is unlikely to disappoint. Although eliminated in his last 2, JUST ME NESLE (4) has talent in spades and will have a lot to contribute if his apprentice keeps him focused.

### SELECTIONS

JIZUKE JIEL (11) - JUST BIRD (12) - IDEAL DE CHAHAINS (7) - JUST ME NESLE (4)

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**C4 - PRIX DE L'HIVER - 2600m (a1m1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR €  
17,500**

- 1. LOZA** - Got off the mark at Amiens last June but has done nothing noteworthy since and it is not easy to make a case
- 2. LILY BECO** - 20 starts and yet to lose her maiden tag. Has not been seen since 26 October but sports a fresh configuration and the engagement of Benjamin Rochard will do her chances no disservice
- 3. LOLA DE CHENU** - Makes Meslay bow after running 2nd in a 3000m Nantes Class E on 1 December. Will not be available at 103-1 this time but is unlikely to be as performant either
- 4. LOKA LOKA** - Goes barefoot for first time after running 2nd of 15 in a 2050m Laval Class F 11 days ago. Is ideally-placed on front line and can make a big splash if she keeps her action together
- 5. LUCIOLE DES VENTS** - Has raised her game since starting to race barefoot. Pleased here in late-October and in present form has a realistic chance of finishing thereabouts
- 6. LUNOA D'ECHAL** - Like a horse transformed since starting to race barefoot. Returns to the harness game after failing to deliver under the saddle at Vincennes on 5 December. Is unbeaten in 2 starts with Franck Nivard and will have her chances
- 7. LAURIANE DU RIED** - Unexceptional filly back in the discipline after being eliminated under the saddle at Angers 10 days ago. Pleased twice last month but is being aimed too high this time
- 8. LEGION SMART** - Hardy filly with a pair of conditioners under her belt since the autumn break. Is unlikely to open her Meslay account but will be fully-fit by now and can pick up a cheque if Thomas Constans defies the draw
- 9. LOVELY BRUYERE** - Complicated filly that has been struggling since the autumn. Is new to the venue, has been handed a rough draw, and chances appear limited
- 10. LADY DE MONGUERET** - Well-beaten in last 2, most recently 11th of 12 in a Lyon-La Soie Class E last week, and is unlikely to garner much support
- 11. LAURA DE TOUCHYVON** - Forced to break from 2nd line but left a good impression when 2nd in a Saint-Brieuc Class F on 5 December and will not be far off the mark if she deigns to stay in stride
- 12. LA LAGUNE** - Ran 5th in a 2875m harness Class F here 3.5 weeks ago. Trainer in the bike this time and poses no danger
- 13. LANCIA DE LOU** - Would have finished close at Saint-Brieuc on 5 December had she not suffered interference. Is plainly in excellent shape and with application can impose
- 14. LOPA DE WALLIS** - Unconvincing in both comeback runs. Sports shoes again and can be ruled out
- 15. LA DIVINE ECUS** - Has not been seen out since faulting here last May. Is not without merit but will be race-rusty and the draw does her no favours
- 16. LEZIRA SPORT** - Has shown improvement over recent months but eliminated in 2 of last 3. Has no clockwise references and others safer to back

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**Summary:** Winner of a pair in the autumn, LANCIA DE LOU (13) lost her action here before suffering some misfortune at Saint-Brieuc a fortnight ago. Eric Raffin gets the nod this time and despite the draw can put things right. Better-positioned behind the car, LOKA LOKA (4) gave a reassuringly-good account at Laval early this month and races barefoot for the first time. LUNOA D'ECHAL (6) has won 4 of her last 5 harness starts and will have a lot to contribute if Franck Nivard keeps her trotting. LAURA DE TOUCHYVON (11) is not the easiest of horses but she is confirmed here, has been reconfigured, and her Saint-Brieuc run stands her in good stead.

## SELECTIONS

**LANCIA DE LOU (13) - LOKA LOKA (4) - LUNOA D'ECHAL (6) - LAURA DE TOUCHYVON (11)**

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## C5 - PRIX DE NOEL - 2875m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 23,000

1. **JADORE GIRL** - Complicated mare with a pair of conditioners under her belt, but is not in competition-mode yet and others easier to back
2. **JALISCA D'AMOUR** - Moderate mare starting for the first time in 2 months. Stays shod for re-entry though and best to hold off
3. **JUMPIE PURPLE** - Made up for a pair of blips when 2nd of 13 in a 2500m Reims Class G 3.5 weeks ago. Has previously won under these conditions but may just have too much to do this time
4. **JAGER BOUMBOUM** - Sprang an 84-1 surprise when 5th behind JASMIN GEMA (16) in a Chateaubriant Class E 2.5 weeks ago, however a repeat seems most improbable
5. **JIM DE SUCE** - Has been enjoying a productive run of form in the amateur division, but the step up in category looks to be a step too far
6. **JUMPING DU RIB** - Got back in the game 2.5 weeks ago when 3rd of 18, a place behind JASMIN GEMA (16), in a 3000m Nantes Class E. Seen more often than not at a lower level, but benefits from a front-line start and can get in on the action
7. **JIVE BOY** - Seldom gets his nose in front but is an honest individual. Is plainly in form but in this company will need to find more
8. **JULIO DES LANDES** - Hardy element returning to the professional ranks following a pair of eliminations. Eric Raffin at the helm for the first time and will not be far off the mark if he manages to keep his charge focused
9. **JOKER DES LANDES** - Steps up in category after running 5th in a 2800m Vire Class E on 16 November. Enjoys a front-row break but others still preferred
10. **JOHNNY DU PONT** - Has turned a corner since starting to race unshod. Should not be too hastily-condemned for his Vincennes run and from the front row can figure prominently
11. **JUSTICE DELARCHAMP** - Reliability not her strong suit but can trot when in the mood. Has yet to deliver at Meslay but is wonderfully-engaged here, and with Matthieu Abrivard reining will be afforded every chance
12. **JASON BLUE** - Ran 3rd in Bordeaux before coming 4th at Reims, but is forced to incur the penalty this time and chances appear limited
13. **JULLOU** - Clearly capable on a good day but out of the picture in last 2 and returns to the harness code with limited ambition
14. **JAMAICA DE LOU** - Placed under these conditions earlier in the year but has been off the track for 2.5 months and will be shod
15. **JAZZMAN** - Has been going good-guns for past 5 months, most recently missing out on the double at Chateaubriant, but is markedly better than most here and will take all the beating
16. **JASMIN GEMA** - Good, consistent type that has finished out of first 3 just once since July. Is in his element racing clockwise and can give JAZZMAN (15) a run for his money



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**17. JAKADI DE BOUERE** - Starts for the first time since failing to deliver on turf on 21 September. Has ample ability though, is well-engaged, and makes Meslay bow with a decent chance of picking up some prizemoney

**18. JAWAX DE KERYANN** - Serious gelding that returned to the winners' circle at Saint-Brieuc on 5 December. Is as versatile as they come and is not incapable of winning this

**Summary:** He may be new to the venue, and forced to start on the 2nd line, but JAZZMAN (15) thrives in the day's configuration and can wrap this up. JASMIN GEMA (16) has not put a foot wrong since the spring and is clearly close to winning another. Well-engaged here and comfortable winner at Saint-Brieuc a fortnight ago, JAWAX DE KERYANN (18) is easy to fancy for a place in the frame. JOHNNY DU PONT (10) enjoys a front-row break and will be no pushover if he takes to the new conditions.

## SELECTIONS

**JAZZMAN (15) - JASMIN GEMA (16) - JAWAX DE KERYANN (18) - JOHNNY DU PONT (10)**

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## C6 - PRIX DES CADEAUX - 2600m (a1m1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 20,000

1. **KISMETE DES BRUMES** - Hardy element that made up for her Vire clinker when clinching an Amiens Class F from KHOSIAB (6) 3 weeks ago. Starts on the rail, with a top driver in the bike, and will not be sent out at 36-1 this time. Chance
2. **KIARA DES BORDES** - Won a Vincennes claimer in mid-October before running 2nd in a Cordemais Class F 3.5 weeks ago, and although not a contender, from the 2-spot is still worth monitoring
3. **KINGALA** - Honest mare that pleased here earlier in the year. Always gives her best and although unlikely to impose can nonetheless get in on the action
4. **KALIE DREAM** - Was unable to confirm her Sables-d'Olonne performance when thrashed in a Nantes Class A a month ago. Is well-positioned on the front row but others still easier to support
5. **KANTA EMJI** - Started to come good during the autumn but has since come off the boil and her Angers performance did nothing to reassure
6. **KHOSIAB** - Ran 2nd to KISMETE DES BRUMES (1) at Amiens prior to coming 3rd in an Angers Class F 10 days ago. Is unlikely to have her day in the sun but can nonetheless challenge for a spot on the podium
7. **KITTY RANAISE** - Unexceptional sort starting for first time since September. Not the horse she was in 2024 and can be ruled out
8. **KATANA** - Has not been seen out since flopping in a Laval Class E 3 months ago. Breaks wide on front row and with shoes fitted is unlikely to worry the opposition
9. **KARA DU BELLAY** - Made short work of a 3000m Chateaubriant Class F, on re-entry, 2.5 weeks ago. Leading driver at the helm this time and is in with a realistic shout of doubling her money
10. **KITTY** - Never far from losing her action but showed her form at Nantes on penultimate start, and should figure prominently if Matthieu Abrivard assures her initial strides
11. **KAPELLA FABULET** - Failed to confirm Nantes performance when denied a run in a Graignes Class F last Friday. Form is not in question and Alexis Collette gets the nod here. First 5
12. **KAYSA DE THIEZAC** - Particularly modest mare that has made little impact in either code for some time and is not about to change her ways
13. **KAELE TURGOT** - Has done nothing but improve in last 3 outings, latterly 2nd of 13 in a 3000m Nantes Class F on 1 December. Did not win the draw-lottery but still looks good enough to trot her way into the money
14. **KIRSTY DU PASSAGE** - Has started to show some form following a lean spell during the summer. Was well-beaten at Nantes last time though and the change of shoeing will make little difference
15. **KHALEESI DE BELI** - Winner of a monte Class F here 3.5 weeks ago and will have other ambitions

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**16. KUEEN** - Pleased in first 2 following the spell but made no impact at Mauquenchy last time and can be passed over

**Summary:** Reunited with Eric Raffin after smartly imposing on comeback at Chateaubriant late last month, KARA DU BELLAY (9) will have come on for the race and even though handed a rough number here, she still looks the pick of the field. Opposition will take the form of KISMETE DES BRUMES (1) who returned to winning ways at Amiens three weeks ago, and the delicate KITTY (10) who won well at Nantes before losing her action at Angers. As for KHOSIAB (6), she ran 2nd at Amiens before coming 3rd at Angers and her dependability will stand her in good stead.

## SELECTIONS

**KARA DU BELLAY (9) - KISMETE DES BRUMES (1) - KITTY (10) - KHOSIAB (6)**

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**C7 - PRIX DE LA NEIGE - 2600m (a1m1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 20,000**

- 1. KEEPSAKE** - Mixes the good with the less good and has form going both directions. Will be barefoot following his Nantes re-entry run and, although not a priority, is still worth keeping an eye on
- 2. KEEP TRUST** - Returns to racing barefoot following a trio of conditioners. Enjoys a decent draw but others easier to support this time around
- 3. KING BABEL** - Has a brace of runs in him following the autumn spell. Is plainly in good shape and from the 3-spot Eric Raffin will be justifiably confident
- 4. KER MIEL** - Serious type that consistently gives his best and was not disgraced when 5th behind KOBRA JENILOU (9) in a 2750m Class F at Cabourg 10 days ago. Benefits from a good spot in front and looks a more serious proposition this time around
- 5. KNOCKANDO** - Showed improvement 2.5 weeks ago when 2nd in a Mauquenchy Class F. Starts once again on the front row and can finish in the mix
- 6. KANSAS BONBON** - Kicked 2025 off in excellent fashion but has done nothing of note since and is not about to shake things up
- 7. KOKA RIGHT** - Drops marginally in category after running 6th behind KOBRA JENILOU (9) in a 2750m Class F at Cabourg 10 days ago. Franck Nivard reins this time and from the front row can give this a good go
- 8. KING BLACK DANOVER** - Modest individual that has not troubled the judge for some time and is not about to start now
- 9. KOBRA JENILOU** - Not once out of first 3 in 8 career starts. Ran 2nd on comeback at Cabourg in a 2750m Class F 10 days ago. Will have come on for the run and can win this if his driver successfully navigates the start
- 10. KRONOS D'EOLE** - Not the most dependable horse here and breaks from 2nd line, but is confirmed in this category and with some luck in running can get a look in
- 11. KNIGHT TALE ONE** - Imposed at Savenay in late-September but disappointed in next 3. Starts on back line and cannot be considered a priority
- 12. KELSAM DU RUISSEAU** - In the frame in last 2 and has form at the venue. Is never far from faulting but can play a prominent part if he stays in stride
- 13. KERU DE LOU** - Useful individual with a pair of conditioners under his belt following 13.5 months on the sidelines. Is barefoot for the occasion and even from the 2nd line can put in a good showing
- 14. KINCI DE BERCE** - Finished 8th, at 163-1, in 8 December Angers race of reference and can be confidently disregarded
- 15. KAYAK** - Has failed to make any impact since returning to competition. Is some way off last season's mark and is not about to make any waves
- 16. KING PRESTIGE** - Quality trotter making just 2nd start since June. Stays shod and has pulled a tough number, but has buckets of ability and can play a part

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**Summary:** Wonderfully-consistent since his first steps on the track, KOBRA JENILOU (9) gave a very good account on his Cabourg re-entry and can win this if he takes to the new profile. He will still have to take on the better-positioned and reconfigured KER MIEL (4) who has been handed a fine draw, and an unshod-behind KING BABEL (3) who benefits from an Eric Raffin drive for the occasion. KELSAM DU RUISSEAU (12) seldom disappoints when applied and barefoot, and is patently close to his race.

## SELECTIONS

**KOBRA JENILOU (9) - KER MIEL (4) - KING BABEL (3) - KELSAM DU RUISSEAU (12)**

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## C8 - PRIX COULON - 2600m (a1m1/2) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 30,000

1. **JANE CASH** - Serious mare making first appearance since early-October. Is plainly in conditioning-mode and can be passed over
2. **JOKER GEMA** - 4th in a Vincennes Class C before being headed in a Toulouse Class E on 14 November. Has already won 6 times this year and has every chance of remaining unbeaten at Meslay-du-Maine
3. **JOOST D'OLERON** - Is considerably better than latest results would suggest. Has no foreign horses to contend with this time and from the 3-spot can give JOKER GEMA (2) a run for his money
4. **FAXIMA** - Undeniably capable but disappointing of late. Benefits from a good draw but stays shod and best to hold off
5. **JACQUARD** - Fine trotter in the other branch of the business. Remains shod and will have other priorities
6. **HERAKLION DESBOIS** - Reliability not his strong suit but ran 2nd at this level during the summer and, barefoot with Matthieu Abrivard reining, is easy to like for a first-5 payout
7. **IN EN VRIE** - Previously a good sort but has looked ordinary over recent weeks and with shoes fitted can be ruled out
8. **IDEAL DELADOU** - Imposed at Caen before losing his action at Vire 11 days ago. Starts wide on front line but finished runner-up in both starts at the venue and cannot be ruled out
9. **JUDY MATIDY** - Returned to victorious ways 3 weeks ago when dominating a 2400m Amiens Class E. Not ideally-drawn but is plainly at the top of her game and is unlikely to be far from the action
10. **JERICHO DU RIB** - Faithful campaigner with solid references at this level. Does not have it all in her favour this time but still has the wherewithal to contest the finish
11. **JUSTE SNOB** - Back under harness after 2 fine performances in the ridden code. Shoes on this time though and a minor place chance at best
12. **INKY PERRINE** - A disappointment in both disciplines in 2025 and races here with nothing to offer

**Summary:** Somewhat disappointing in late-summer, JOKER GEMA (2) has started to come good again, enjoys a decent spot on the front row, and has never been defeated here. Benjamin Rochard will be keen to keep that fact relevant but will still be wary of JOOST D'OLERON (3) who will be fully-fit by now, and the in-form JERICHO DU RIB (10) who, despite a 2nd row draw and a less-performant formula, should not be underestimated. Robin Lamy simply thrives with JUDY MATIDY (9) and in spite of the draw still looks competitively well in.

### SELECTIONS

JOKER GEMA (2) - JOOST D'OLERON (3) - JERICHO DU RIB (10) - JUDY MATIDY (9)