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R1 VINCENNES [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE BRACIEUX - 2850m (a2m) - Class D - Harness - EUR €
46,000**

1. GWAIL HAANAS - Trotter from Switzerland with a best of 4th (over 2100m) in six outings at this venue. Made no impression in an event for amateurs last time (9th) over 4125m on 23 January

2. CONDOR BAR - Has finished in the top five 4 times from 19 appearances at this venue, though it was over this course and distance that he obtained his best finish (2nd). Was 6th over 2850m at Mauquenchy on 15 January

3. GRAPPA BOY - Making Vincennes debut with sound references in Sweden to his name. Finished 9th in a valuable contest at Axevalla on 27 January

4. CRONOS DEGLI DEI - Italian trotter who finished 4th over track and trip on 1 February before his disqualification here in a 2200m mounted race on 13 February. Capable of getting into the picture

5. CHEMAR - Boasts a 67% first-five success rate at Vincennes (6 out of 9), albeit without success. Finished 3rd last time over 2700m on 31 December, so could get into the picture

6. INSTANT D'HAUFOR - Lightly raced campagner with serious means and sound references on this course, including 7 top-three finishes from 13 outings here. Disqualified in his last on 18 January but has the means to redeem himself

7. ISOFOU DU CHENE - Performs well at Vincennes and already has two victories to his name this winter, including over track and trip in his latest outing on 1 February. One to beat

8. DANTE GODIVA - Honest Scandinavian veteran now trained in the South-East. Finished 4th over 2100m in his first outing at Vincennes on 13 February

9. CHERRY TOP - Italian trotter with experience/references at Vincennes having finished in the first five in 6 of 13 outings at this venue. Finished 4th on this course in a 2100m Group III on 28 January

10. G.K.JUSTUS - Last-start winner of a Quinte+ event over course and distance last month, in an impressive time (1'12"9) , on 30 January. Pierre-Yves Verva retains confidence him

11. GAYLORD AM - Swedish veteran with a success rate of 67% first-five finishes at Vincennes (4 out of 6), albeit without a success. Sharper over shorter distances, though, as his 6th in a 2100m race here on 4 February attests to

12. INDIGO PIERJI - Ultra-consistent performer with a 57% record (4 out of 7) of first-five finishes at Vincennes and a 2700m victory. Has references as well as a win at Quinte+ level and was a 6th over 2100m here on 25 January

13. MISTER DONALD - Well-bred sort who has failed to live up to the standard of his illustrious parents. Seldom far off the mark but must improve after consecutive unplaced outings - latest 11th over 2100m here on 4 February.

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14. GELASQUEZ - Capable but is a delicate sort who is disqualified more often than not, including sanctions in each of his five appearances at Vincennes. Has undeniable means but has to reaffirm after his faux pas on 4 February

15. REVEN DEJAVU - Swedish veteran who placed in his first two appearances at Vincennes this winter, despite unfavourable trips around. David Thomain retains faith in him after a creditable 3rd here over 2100m on 4 February

16. JIMMY FERRO BR - Consistent for the most part and boasts sound references, including a course-and-distance win. Finished 6th in a 2850m Quinte+ on this course last month (6 January)

Summary: Even though the foreign opposition is of quality, the French locals could hold sway in this Quinté+. We are thinking primarily of ISOFOU DU CHENE (7), who has won consecutive outings here recently and seems capable of completing the hat-trick. INSTANT D'HAUFOR (6), however, need only prove himself diligent to fight for victory too. Visiting JIMMY FERRO BR (16) and G.K.JUSTUS (10), as well as CHERRY TOP (9) are also serious contenders for the podium positions. REVEN DEJAVU (15) is one of the elders but retains the means to have a say in the outcome.

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ISOFOU DU CHENE (7) - INSTANT D'HAUFOR (6) - JIMMY FERRO BR (16) - G.K.JUSTUS (10)

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C2 - PRIX DE ROMORANTIN - 2700m (a1m 1/2) - Class D - Mounted - EUR € 40,000

- 1. KLASSIC FROMENTRO** - Lightly raced, versatile sort with references (race victories) in both codes. Races barefoot for the first time having been disqualified in a 2175m mounted race here recently on 2 February in a different shoe fitting
- 2. KIKI DU ROC** - Looked a completely different proposition in this configuration (barefoot) when winning over 2850m last time at Mauquenchy on 29 January. Confirmation expected racing fully unshod again
- 3. KFIR DEL PHEDO** - Consistent for the most part with sound references under the saddle, though has more of a place chance than a winning one. Raced barefoot when finishing 6th over course and distance on 23 January
- 4. KING DE JADE** - Runner-up on this course over 2200m when racing fully unshod for the first time last month but failed to confirm that improvement when only 8th in the benchmark race over this track and trip on 23 January
- 5. KASAR DE GENNES** - Seldom far off the mark in mounted races and has sound references on this course and at this level. Was 7th in a mounted race at this venue over 2175m on 10 February so has to improve to be competitive here
- 6. KAISER DE LARRE** - Looked sharper when fitted with this shoeing configuration for the first time on 23 January, finishing 3rd in a similar event over course and distance. Has leading claims
- 7. KING KONG BOY** - A tricky customer with considerable means. Usually does well when remaining wise but was disqualified in the benchmark race on 23 January, so will need to prove himself diligent to have a say in the outcome
- 8. KA FACTOR** - Has improved in his race on this track and must be respected here judged on those references, even with his irons (confirmed in this shoe fitting). Finished 4th in the benchmark race over track and trip (23 Jan)
- 9. KEMPEL DE GUEZ** - Disqualified on debut (only appearance) under the saddle but his form in the harness code racing unshod is beyond doubt. Was 7th in a harness race here over 2100m on 9 February but has to be respected here
- 10. KADEO JOSSELYN** - Disqualified more often than not (10 times on 17 starts), though seldom far off the mark when remaining wise. Finished 6th in a harness over 2100m at this venue on 9 February - others preferred
- 11. KARNA DES BAULTS** - Debut winner over course and distance before redeeming himself, following a disqualification at his next start, by winning over 2175m on this course last time (2 February). Should have more to come
- 12. KINGALO DU CHENE** - Delicate but has sound references under the saddle and usually does well when avoiding disqualification. Finished 5th in the benchmark race over track and trip on 23 January, so cannot be taken lightly
- 13. KER DE TOUES** - Seldom far off the mark in harness races but has been hard to win with and remains a maiden (19 starts). Switches to this code for the first time after finishing 8th in a harness race here over 2100m on 9 February

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14. KEL AIR D'EOLE - Disqualified in a harness race at Bordeaux on 29 January but has been carefully prepared for this return to the mounted category. Has the means to fight for victory but is a tricky customer - all or nothing

Summary: An interesting contest. KARNA DES BAULTS (11) is a talented sort whose ability is beyond doubt, so it could pay to follow his progress - he is the obvious favorite. He will, however, have to be wary of KEL AIR D'EOLE (14) who is delicate but confirmed over this distance and capable of fighting for victory if remaining wise. KEMPEL DE GUEZ (9) was disqualified on debut under the saddle but has made a name for herself in the harness category with this configuration (barefoot), so could have more to offer reverting to this code fully unshod now. KAISER DE LARRE (6), whose latest outing (3rd) is encouraging. KA FACTOR (8), who has sound references in this category, and KING KONG BOY (7) appeal most of the remainder.

SELECTIONS

KARNA DES BAULTS (11) - KEL AIR D'EOLE (14) - KEMPEL DE GUEZ (9) - KAISER DE LARRE (6)

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C3 - PRIX DE BALLEROY - 2700m (a1m 1/2) - Class R Claiming Amateur Riders - Harness - EUR € 18,000

1. **HARIBO DU THIOLET** - Seldom far off the mark and has references at this level with this configuration. Disqualified last time out at Machecoul on 11 February, so is best watched for now
2. **GENIE DU PIN** - Most efficient in this shoeing configuration (barefoot) and did finish 2nd in a similar contest on this track over 2850m two starts back, but was 6th in an amateur race at Machecoul on 29 January. Has to reaffirm
3. **HOPE** - Consistent for the most part and has references at this level with this shoeing arrangement. Finished 5th on this course over 2100m on 8 February, so has a place chance here
4. **GINKGO DES GRANGES** - Confirmed in this shoe fitting and has sound references, though will need to improve to play a role having finished 6th in three consecutive claiming races on this course - the latest over 2100m on 30 January
5. **HERMINE SIBEY** - Won a similar event over course and distance last month and was unsuited by this shorter trip when only 8th over 2100m on 8 February. The return to 2700m will serve her interests
6. **HELICIANE D'ERABLE** - No longer the force she once was and has been off the boil for some time now. Finished a modest 10th in a claimer on this course over 2100m on 8 February
7. **GO FAST DU BREUIL** - Inconsistent veteran who, judged on his references at a higher level, certainly has the means to have a say in a race of this nature. Was disqualified in a claiming event on this course over 2100m on 30 January
8. **GENTIL COCO** - Unreliable and has continued to blow hot and cold recently but has proven his efficiency in this category. Finished 3rd in a similar contest on this course before his latest faux pas in a mounted race on 5 February
9. **GALION VOLSIN** - Consistent veteran with sound references at this level, including a 3rd (over 2850m) and 2nd (2700m) on this course last month. Was 8th over 2875m at Argentan last time but will fare better back in this grade
10. **GARRY THORIS** - Runner-up in a claiming race on this track over 2100m before his disqualification in a much stronger race here over the same distance. More than capable of bouncing back to play a leading role in this event
11. **GANYMED DE CORBERY** - Off the boil for some time now and has struggled to make any impression in his last seven starts. Finished 8th in a mounted race over 2700m on 9 February and can be ruled out here, despite reverting to this code
12. **HECTOR DES CHAMPS** - Unreliable but undeniably capable of winning a race like this, given his references in much stronger races. Was shod when finishing 9th in his second comeback outing on 6 February but will be at his peak now
13. **HELITLOPET** - Inconsistent veteran with undeniable means, judged on his references at a higher level in both categories including a last-start 7th in a mounted race on 2 February over 2200m on this course. Dark horse

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Summary: HECTOR DES CHAMPS (12) drops considerably in class so has a great opportunity to recapture the winning thread. GALION VOLSIN (9), confirmed at this level, seems best equipped of his rivals to fight for victory, although HERMINE SIBEY (5), winner of a similar contest over track and trip last month, is also capable of having a say. GARRY THORIS (10), GENTIL COCO (8) and GO FAST DU BREUIL (7) complete the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

HECTOR DES CHAMPS (12) - GALION VOLSIN (9) - HERMINE SIBEY (5) - GARRY THORIS (10)

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**C4 - PRIX DE CARHAIX - 2700m (a1m 1/2) - Class C - Harness - EUR €
38,000**

1. LEA D'ATOUT - Goetmals Wood debutante trained by Matthieu Abrivard, who will also be in the sulky. Not taken lightly

2. LAVALLOISE GIRL - Finished 12th on debut over 2200m on this course and was disqualified last time over 2850m at Laval, so is hard to make a case for. Overlook

3. LOUVE DE DAIDOU - Was sanctioned on debut at Nantes on 15 January in a 2275m race. Ought to improve with the benefit of that experience

4. LAYLA SONIA - Disqualified in three of her five outings and was soundly beaten (11th) over track and trip on 10 February. Others preferred

5. LOULIE MANATHIS - Didn't go unnoticed when finishing 5th on debut over 2850m at Laval on 7 February. Should improve with the benefit of that experience

6. LANDAISE - Has maintained a respectable level of form and consistency at a lower level. Finished 3rd in a claimer at Agen on 6 November so will need to improve in this grade to be competitive on her reappearance

7. LOLITA TURGOT - Has done well when avoiding disqualification, though is rarely far from a fault. Sanctioned in her last two outings on this course so will need to improve her application

8. LADY - Lost her unbeaten record in her third outing, and first Vincennes appearance, over 2100m on 9 January. Shouldn't be hastily condemned and remains open to improvement

9. LADAMES - Consistent for the most part and has proven her efficiency in this configuration too. Was 5th over 2100m on this course back in November and shouldn't be underestimated on her reappearance

10. LOCCA DU BELLAY - Improving last-start winner who opened her account over 2700m at Graignes on 15 December. Could win again if making further progress

11. LITTLE CROWN - Has won both completed races but was disqualified in her other two outings, including her latest on this course and in this shoeing configuration on 30 January. This will again be a question of her wisdom

Summary: LOCCA DU BELLAY (10) has improved in her 2 starts with this configuration and confirmed as much by opening her account last time out at Graignes in December, so it could pay to follow her progress. LITTLE CROWN (11) blotted her copybook in her first outing at Vincennes but has revealed potential but remains open to improvement so could redeem herself. LADY (8) and LADAMES (9) are also capable of getting involved,

SELECTIONS

LOCCA DU BELLAY (10) - LITTLE CROWN (11) - LADY (8) - LADAMES (9)

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C5 - PRIX DE FREJUS - 2850m (a2m) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 40,000

- 1. JALNA GIRL** - Delicate but has revealed serious means and sound reference, especially in this shoeing configuration. Disqualified in consecutive outings at this venue, the latest over 2100m on 9 February
- 2. JADE HAUFOR** - Consistent mare with sound references and is proven in this configuration (barefoot), although has been hard to win with (still a maiden after 19 starts). Finished 3rd over track and trip on 1 February - respect
- 3. JALISKA DE LA NADE** - Delicate but does tend to do well when remaining wise, though is most effective racing without her irons. Sanctioned in each of her last four starts, the latest at Nantes on 28 January, so is best watched for now
- 4. JET SOCIETY** - Never far from a fault but has the means to win a race of this nature, especially with the help of Eric Raffin in the sulky. Disqualified on this course on 9 February but retains sufficient means
- 5. JASMINE DE GREZ** - Long-time maiden (24 starts without a win) but seldom finishes far off the mark. Finished a reassuring 3rd at Agen over 2625m on 12 February
- 6. JALOUSIE MAZA** - Disqualified in three of her 10 starts but did win six of the seven completed races (was 2nd in the other). Won her latest outing on 16 January over track and trip - this will again be a question of her wisdom
- 7. JINA FOUTEAU** - Reliable mare with good/consistent form references. Has, however, improved in 2 starts with this shoeing configuration. Won at Cabourg in December before finishing 4th here over track and trip on 22 January
- 8. JUSQUINE FOUTEAU** - Consistent sort with sound references at this level in the same shoe fitting. Finished 3rd on this course on 9 February over 2100m with her irons but is likely to fare even better without her shoes now
- 9. JUMBY BAY** - Inconsistent but has already revealed the means to win a race of this nature and is most effective in this shoeing configuration. Was 7th at Mauquenchy on 29 January with her irons but should do better here
- 10. JAVA D'ANAMA** - Complicated but capable performer with sound references, though is seldom far from a fault. Finished a reassuring 5th in her first start in this configuration (barefoot) over track and trip on 22 January
- 11. JAMINISTAR** - Consistent sort with sound references and usually does well when avoiding disqualification. Finished 7th in a Group II mounted race on this course over 2175m on 3 December but is more effective racing unshod
- 12. JULIE DU CLOS** - Delicate but has revealed serious means and is sharpest with this shoeing configuration. Was disqualified in each of her last four starts, though, so is best watched for now (the latest at Agen 12 February)
- 13. JUVAMINE RENARDIER** - Placed just once in nine 2023 appearances (finished 2nd over 2150m at Enghien in April) but has been out of sorts for some time now - finished 14th over 2850m at Mauquenchy on 29 January. Others preferred
- 14. JANIS SHOW** - Delicate but has raised her game without her irons, particularly in this configuration (barefoot) in her last two starts. Won over track and trip last month before finishing 2nd here over 2100m on 9 February

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15. JADE VENESI - Unreliable but has references at this level and has already proven efficient with her irons. Finished 6th at Angers over 3125m on 31 January when returning from a layoff and would have improved her condition

16. JET SET - Has maintained good form/consistency in this configuration (barefoot) but has proved hard to win with (1 victory in 29 starts). Finished 3rd over track and trip on 22 January, so cannot be taken lightly

Summary: A hard race to assess, It could, however, pay to side with JADE VENESI (15) who is ideally engaged at the ceiling of earnings and likely to be more competitive here after an encouraging comeback outing. JUMBY BAY (9) should fight for victory, having been carefully prepared for this commitment. She heads the list of potential threats which includes JANIS SHOW (14), JADE HAUFOR (2) and JET SOCIETY (4). Last-start winner JALOUSIE MAZA (6) is unreliable but remains capable of staking a claim if avoiding disqualification.

SELECTIONS

JADE VENESI (15) - JUMBY BAY (9) - JANIS SHOW (14) - JADE HAUFOR (2)

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C6 - PRIX DU TARN - 2700m (a1m 1/2) - Class D - Mounted - EUR € 40,000

1. **KARLA D'AVENIR** - Disqualified in her last five races with the latest being at this course on 6 February. Best watched for now
 2. **KALINE DE DUSSAC** - Unreliable and has major disqualification issues but showed improvement when third last time out in Class E over this course and distance. Might play a minor role
 3. **KIVIANA** - Yet to win a race and is coming off a disqualification at this course on 30 January. Capable of earning some money on best form
 4. **KERIDA PHEDO** - A bit of a disappointment when 5th last time out in Class E at this course over 2175m on 30 January. Capable of better and could play a minor role
 5. **KROKEUSE DE DIAM'S** - Disappointing of late and is coming off three disqualifications in a row with the latest being at this course on 9 February. Others are much preferred
 6. **KAOLINE DES AGETS** - Has yet to win a race but has been runner-up twice including last time out in Class E at this course over 2175m on 30 January. Not out of it
 7. **KALY D'EOLE** - Yet to win a race and was only fourth in a claimer last time out on 22 January. Needs to do much more to beat these rivals
 8. **KARA DU FER** - Has yet to win but has finished third in last three starts including in Class E over this track and trip on 6 February. Place chance
 9. **KADANSE DU CORTA** - Not disgraced when fourth and barefoot in Class D at this course over 2200m on 8 January. Not out of it
 10. **KIROLETA** - Much improved of late and is hat-trick seeking after some nice wins including in Class E last time out over this track and trip. Can complete the treble
 11. **KER ISA** - Has disqualification issues and was 7th in Class D over this track and distance on 22 January. Others are preferred
 12. **KATCHINA FOR CLARA** - Yet to win and has major disqualifications but showed improvement when 6th in Class D over this track and distance last time out. Others are preferred
 13. **KEVA MADRIK** - Has major disqualification issues and is coming off one at this course on 9 February. Capable of earning some money when smart
 14. **KILIA PETTEVINIERE** - Has disqualification issues but was runner-up last time out in Class D over this track and trip and should make a bold bid of scoring if wise
 15. **KISMIE DU SAPHIR** - Fair form of late and was 5th last time out in Class D over this track and trip. Place chance in this line-up
 16. **KAPELLA** - Disappointing of late and is coming off a disqualification at this course on 20 January. Has run well in a Mounted race before and can go close
- Summary:** KILIA PETTEVINIERE (14) has been good of late in this discipline and could be the one to be with if smart. KIROLETA (10) has made good progress of late and has every chance of completing a hat-trick. KAPELLA (16) ran well when last seen in a Mounted race and is clearly not out of it. KADANSE DU CORTA (9) is consistent and was not disgraced when fourth at this course last time around.

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SELECTIONS

KILIA PETTEVINIERE (14) - KIROLETA (10) - KAPELLA (16) - KADANSE DU CORTA (9)

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C7 - PRIX DE CHALLANS - 2700m (a1m 1/2) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 40,000

1. **ROUGE TERRE (GER)** - Returned to form when scoring in Gernamy last time out on 22 October. Likely to need this come back run
2. **KENZA D'AMOUR** - Unreliable of late and is coming off a disqualification at this course on 4 February. Others are preferred
3. **KAMBRIA JOSSELYN** - Has struggled at this course and was 7th last time out in Class D at this course over 2175m on 20 January. Others are much preferred
4. **ESEDOMANI** - Very consistent and is coming off a win at Milan over 1650m on 21 January. Has been placed this distance so could play a minor role
5. **ELI JET** - Has disqualification issues and is coming off one at at this course on 1 February. In good form before that and can contest the finish
6. **KAIRA DU DAMIER** - Only fair of late and was 6th in Class D at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 225m on 10 February. More needed to win this race
7. **EMILY LP** - Disappointing form of late and was 9th last time out in Class D at this course over 2850m on 1 February. Others are preferred
8. **KININE DE MONTCEAU** - Yet to win a race and was disqualified at this course on 10 February. Very unlikely to win
9. **KLASSE DE BRUZEAU** - Struggling of late and is coming off a disqualification at this course on 1 February. Capable of better but others are preferred
10. **KAGNOTTE D'AZIF** - Holding form well and was runner-up on Class D over this course and distance on 4 February. Should be right there at the finish yet again
11. **ESPERIA FONT** - Not disgraced when 6th last time out in Class D at this course over 2850m. Could earn some more money
12. **KATOUCHKA** - Won three times in 2023 but is coming off a disqualification at this course on 14 January. Best watched for now
13. **KISS ME DU LIVET** - Yet to win a race but is holding form well and was third in Class D at this course over 2100m on 10 February. Not out of it
14. **KALINKA SOMOLLI** - Has won four times already so perhaps the last start disqualification at this course on 31 December is best ignored. Can bounce back to score if wise
15. **KIM FOREVER** - Won three of her first four starts but has lost her way of late and was 5th last time out in Class D over this course and distance on 1 February. Can bounce back to score

Summary: KIM FOREVER (15) has not regained the heights of her good beginning but is in fair form and could be ready to score again. KAGNOTTE D'AZIF (10) is in good heart and looks sure to fight out the finish yet again. KISS ME DU LIVET (13) is holding her form well but has yet to win a race. KALINKA SOMOLLI (14) has ability so can be forgiven the last start disqualification and she deserves the utmost respect.

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**KIM FOREVER (15) - KAGNOTTE D'AZIF (10) - KISS ME DU LIVET (13) - KALINKA
SOMOLLI (14)**

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C8 - PRIX DE LAMBALLE - 2100m (a1m 1/4) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 35,000

1. **SPARTAKUS** - Disappointing two runs in France and was 8th last time out in Class E at this course over 2700m on 13 February. Others are preferred
2. **JACADY SLY** - Has struggled of late and was only 9th in a Mounted race last time out on 6 February. Best watched for now
3. **JULIUS BERRY** - Unreliable but was not disgraced when 5th in Class E at this course over 2700m on 17 January. Can contest the finish
4. **DEMETRIO** - Probably found the distance a bit far last time out when 9th in Class E at this course over 2700m on 30 January. Should do much better this distance
5. **JASON DU PERRON** - On a long losing run and was 6th in Class E at Machecoul on 11 February. Capable of better and can win in this line-up
6. **JASEUR** - Has some ability but is coming off three disqualifications in a row with the latest being at Vincennes on 17 January. Can upset if wise
7. **JO THUNDER** - Yet to win but did run well when third in Class F at Vincennes over 2175m on 1 February. Go close in this line-up
8. **JOPLIN DES CROUAS** - Hard to trust with four disqualifications in a row with the latest being at Nantes on 15 January. Best watched for now
9. **DONALD GIO** - Has major disqualification issues and is coming off five in a row with the latest being at this course on 13 February. Others are much preferred
10. **DRAKE GAR** - Unreliable and has disqualification issues but is capable of winning when in the mood like he was last time out at Milan on 4 February
11. **DUMA NEH D'ASTI** - On a long losing run but was not disgraced when 5th at Milan last time out on 4 February. Might place
12. **MISTER JOE** - Better over this type of distance but has lost his way of late and was 12th in Class E at this course over 2700m on 13 February. Might place

Summary: JASON DU PERRON (5) is better than what he has shown of late and being back at this course could bring out the best in him, JO THUNDER (7) showed improvement last time out and could be a threat to these rivals. JULIUS BERRY (3) is unreliable but was not disgraced when fifth last time out and can do better this time around. DEMETRIO (4) should like this shorter distance and is not out of it.

SELECTIONS

JASON DU PERRON (5) - JO THUNDER (7) - JULIUS BERRY (3) - DEMETRIO (4)