R1 VINCENNES [L-H]

C1 - PRIX OSTARA - 2100m (a1m1/4) - - Harness - EUR € 53,000

1. LERIKA DU CHENE - Finished 6th in a Class B over 2,700m here on 5 November. Starts in front, and with Eric Raffin in the bike will be no soft touch

2. LOUANGE CASTELETS - Unplaced in a Class C over 2,700m here on 3 November. Has been reconfigured for the occasion but still looks no more than a minor place chance

3. LADY BIRD JENILAT - Successful in a Class C over 2,700m here on 3 November. Takes on some better horses this time but is shod as she was earlier in the month, and from the three slot could pleasantly surprise

4. LIBERTINE DJOB - Finished 3rd in a Class B over 2,700m here on 16 October. Has hardly put a foot wrong lately, enjoys a good spot on the front line, and should again acquit herself competitively

5. LOU DU DONJON - Facile winner of a Class C over 2,850m here on 9 October. Won three times here last winter, including under these conditions, and is ideally-placed to confirm

6. LOVELY DU VALLON - Disqualified in a Class B at Le Croisé-Laroche over 2,800m on 28 September. Has looked very ordinary for some time and can be passed over

7. LITTLE STAR FLEURY - Fifth in a Class B over 2,700m here on 5 November. Will not be available at 144-1 this time, but benefits from a front-row start and will have her supporters

8. LELIA FRANCE - Ran 6th in a monté Class C over 2,850m on 29 October and will have other plans

9. LOLA DU CAMPUS - Finished 6th in a Class C over 2,700m here on 3 November. Has pleased in both starts under these conditions and looks a decent first-five prospect

10. LATIKA BELLA - Has not been seen out since finishing 6th in a Class B at Enghien over 2,875m on 27 April, but has form when fresh and is not incapable of imposing

11. LETTRE D'AMOUR - Ran 7th in a Class C over 2,700m here on 3 November. Is not the worst horse here, but is not a priority either

12. LIBERTY PAT - Disqualified on comeback in a 2625m Class E at La Rochelle three weeks ago. Is not without merit but is going to need another run

13. LAMBADA GIRL - Finished 7th in a Class F at Laval over 2,850m on 7 November. Is out of her depth in this company and can be ruled out

14. LEA D'ATOUT - Finished 15th in a Class C over 2,700m here on 3 November. Has been off the boil since last spring and is not a concern

Summary: In this opening race, LOU DU DONJON (5) is an obvious favourite, but Paul Ploquin will still be mindful of keeping her trotting. LATIKA BELLA (10), shod to preference for her first start back, LERIKA DU CHENE (1), who should be fully fit by now, and recent main-rack winner, LADY BIRD JENILAT (3), are all capable of winning this should the selection fail to finish.

SELECTIONS

LOU DU DONJON (5) - LATIKA BELLA (10) - LERIKA DU CHENE (1) - LADY BIRD JENILAT (3)

C2 - PRIX FLORENTINA - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 41,000

1. LEOLIO - Finished 6th in a Class F at Le Croisé-Laroche over 2,700m on 26 October. Is out of his league in this category and can be confidently disregarded

2. L'AMOUR D'ETANG - Finished 6th, when preparing for this, in a Class E at Cabourg over 2,750m on 22 October. Is plainly in race mode this time and can get straight down to business

3. LIPTON DU NOYER - Fifth in a Class D at Châtelaillon over 2,625m on 8 November. Has demonstrated good versatility but would be preferred at a lower level

4. LOUPIOT JACTA - Runner-up in a Class E at Enghien over 2,875m on 25 October. Is unlikely to repeat but can still pick up minor honours

5. LE TRESOR KRAAILO - 9th in a Class E over course and distance 2 weeks ago. Is preparing for a campaign in the other code, however, and can be passed over

6. LEWIS D'ALEXIANE - Disqualified in a Class D at Toulouse over 2,150m on 21 October. Has no left-handed references, though, and is not a concern

7. LOVE ACTUALLY - Disqualified in a Class E under these conditions on 6 November, just under three weeks after having imposed at Angers, and can play a small role if Yoann Lebourgeois keeps him focused

8. LONDON JONES - Won 2 of 3 before coming fifth in a Class E at Laval over 2,850m on 7 November. In this category, though, will need to find more

9. LOUVIERS - Third in a Class E at Enghien over 2,150m on 15 October. Races barefoot this time, and although not a priority, can nevertheless pick up a minor place payout

10. LIEUTENANT COLUMBO - Victorious in a Class F at Laval over 2,850m on 7 November. Always acquits himself honourably here and, under these conditions, could well open his Vincennes account

11. LOBSTER DU BELLAY - Unplaced, when prepping for this, in a Class D at Graignes over 2,725m on 29 October. Is shod as he was when fourth under these conditions in late-September and can repeat

12. LET'S GO VAL - Finished 3rd in a Class C at Laval over 2,850m on 1 November. Has won two of the last three races he has finished and, with application, can put on another good show

Summary: Likely at full fitness by now, L'AMOUR D'ETANG (2) will be shod to preference for his first objective of the winter meeting and is thoroughly capable of getting his head in front. It's a relatively open affair though and LIEUTENANT COLUMBO (10), in form and reconfigured for the occasion, LET'S GO VAL (12), barefoot and back in business, and LOBSTER DU BELLAY (11), re-shod and entrusted to Eric Raffin for the first time, are all decent contenders.

SELECTIONS

L'AMOUR D'ETANG (2) - LIEUTENANT COLUMBO (10) - LET'S GO VAL (12) - LOBSTER DU BELLAY (11)

C3 - PRIX DIKE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - - Harness - EUR € 35,000

1. MAGIC D'AIMTE - Disqualified in a Class E at Laval over 2,850m on 7 November. Finds himself in good company here and has no possible chance

2. MAJOR DU BELVER - Unlucky 5th in a Class E over course and distance on 2 November, a month after having imposed at Laval. Has won three of four with Benjamin Rochard who will be determined to put things right

3. MILLIUM QUESNOT - Ran 6th in a Class E over 2,850m here on 12 November. Consistently gives his best, and has pulled a good number, but still looks a minor place prospect at best

4. MAKIAVEL DE BUSSET - Finished 16th in a Class B at Le Croisé-Laroche over 2,825m on 26 October. Goes barefoot for his first objective of the meeting and looks competitively well in

5. MELIUS AVIS - Ran 6th in a Class B at Le Croisé-Laroche over 2,825m on 26 October. Is still chasing that elusive first win and looks set to keep on searching

6. MALIGNO - Ran 7th in a Class D at Enghien over 2,150m on 15 October. Races barefoot for the first time, and being reunited with Mathieu Mottier will do his prospects no disservice. First five

7. METAVERS ERA - Disqualified in a Class E at La Capelle over 2,700m on 11 November. Will have come on for the race and with Alexandre Abrivard in the bike will be no easy touch

8. MANNINEN SEVEN - Disqualified in a Class D over 2,700m here on 6 November. Is forced to start wide but is behind in earnings, and it is only a question of time before he returns to winning ways

Summary: Brimming with talent but as spirited as they come, MANNINEN SEVEN (8) will be difficult to beat if JMB can keep him trotting. That said, MAJOR DU BELVER (2) tends to excel with Benjamin Rochard and should not be judged too harshly for his recent blip. METAVERS ERA (7) has a race under his belt and, on good behaviour, can play a leading role.

SELECTIONS

MANNINEN SEVEN (8) - MAJOR DU BELVER (2) - METAVERS ERA (7) - MAKIAVEL DE BUSSET (4)

C4 - PRIX TRITON - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 56,000

1. KING FROMENTRO - Finished 5th to KERVELEAN (4) in a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 25 October. Is shod to preference this time and worth keeping an eye on

2. KOQUERY DU BUISSON - Unplaced in a Class C over 2,100m here on 13 November. Reliability not his strong suit and recent figures do little to inspire confidence

3. IVON DE LA MONERIE - Finished 5th in a Class E over 2,850m here on 6 November. Is an honest trotter, but in this category may just have too much to do

4. KERVELEAN - Made short work of a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 25 October. Has done nothing but excel over recent months and looks set to confirm

5. KELLER DE L'ITON - Gave a good account when runner-up to KERVELEAN (4) in a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 25 October. Seldom disappoints with Eric Raffin and is unlikely to begin now. Chance

6. KETBERNY - Finished 5th in a Class F at Nantes over 3,000m on 4 November. Failed to deliver in the Enghien race of reference, however, and others easier to back

7. KHARNAS - Finished 8th in a Class D over 2,850m here on 3 November. Has been out of sorts for some time and can be passed over

8. JORLANDO - Has not been seen out since finishing unplaced in a 2625m Chebourg Class E last April and is going to need the race

9. KANNABIS JELOCA - Ran 6th in a Class D over 2,850m here on 3 November. Has absolutely earned the right to race in this company, though, and should not be underestimated

10. KARMA - Nicely-bred individual whose recent blip over 2,850m here can be ignored. Form is not in question and Robin Lamy will be eager to set the record straight

11. KER POULGWEN - Victorious in a Class F at Chartres over 2,825m on 6 November. Appears to be back at the top of his game and can again finish close

12. KIKI AND CO - Disqualified in four of last five starts, the latest a monté Class D at Vincennes over 2,700m on 27 October. Goes barefoot this time, but other more trustworthy options available

13. KING D'HERMES - Imposed at Laval 11 days before finishing runner-up in a Class F at Durtal over 2,825m on 11 October. Has yet to win at the venue but presents solid main-track credentials, and considering the entry must be afforded significant respect

14. KANCALAIS - Ran second twice before coming 4th in a Class D over 2,850m here on 3 November. Is confirmed here and, given the engagement, is unlikely to be far off the mark

15. JACK DES MALBERAUX - Runner-up in a Class E at Chartres over 2,800m on 28 June. Has not been seen since but will still have other priorities

Summary: Wonderfully performant when barefoot, KERVELEAN (4) was most convincing across town three weeks ago and should again have the measure of KELLER DE L'ITON (5) who finished runner-up to him that day. In excellent form, KING D'HERMES (13) also makes plenty of appeal, as does the dependable KANCALAIS (14) who benefits from a good entry. KER POULGWEN (11) scored in commanding fashion at Chartres recently and can justifiably expect more support this time around.

SELECTIONS

KERVELEAN (4) - KELLER DE L'ITON (5) - KING D'HERMES (13) - KANCALAIS (14)

C5 - PRIX KERONIS - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 40,000

1. MANDARINE TIVO - Disqualified in a Class E at Laval over 2,850m on 7 November. Races shod this time and will have few takers

2. MAJORELLE - Starts for the first time since winning a Class E at Enghien over 2,875m on 24 March and is not about to create an upset

3. MAMZELLE D'HERIPRE - Ran 7th in a Class D over 2,100m here on 6 May. Has not been seen out since, though, and will need the run

4. MARISA DU CHATELET - Surprising 4th in a Class A at Le Croisé-Laroche over 2,825m on 8 November and a repeat seems unlikely

5. MISS BLACK BERRY - Disqualified in a Class D under these conditions on 10 November. Has done nothing of note in 2026 and is not about to start now

6. MERYTATON - Starts for the first time since being disqualified in a Class C over 2,100m here on 20 March. Shoes fitted and no threat

7. MAMAMIA DES ARRIS - Disqualified in a Class D over course and distance on 10 November. Has merit though and, if applied, can make her presence felt

8. MOON DU VIVIER - Finished 3rd in a Class D over 2,850m here on 25 September. Comes here fresh and Yoann Lebourgeois can be forgiven for feeling confident

9. MOONSTAR JYL - Fourth in a Class D over course and distance on 10 November. Is clearly back on the right road and can play a small role

10. MARIE CHARLOTTE - Won a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 8 October, just her second start back, and enjoys a realistic chance of repeating

11. MAYA PONT VAUTIER - Finished 8th in a Class D at Enghien over 2,150m on 7 October, just under three weeks after having imposed over course and distance, but more reliable alternatives are available

12. MY HAPPY STORY - Disqualified in a Class D over course and distance on 30 October. Is better than recent figures would suggest, and it is only a question of time before she returns to winning ways

13. MANUELLA DE PLAY - Has not been seen out since finishing 7th in a Class C at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 2,925m on 15 August. Tends to prefer a flatter track, and even with four pads fitted for the first time, is not a concern

14. METALLICA SMART - Dead-heated in a Class E over 2,100m here on 3 November. Alexandre Abrivard in the bike this time and confirmation is a distinct possibility

15. MAYA DE MAHEY - Comfortable winner of a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 24 October. Has not put a foot wrong for some time and can again challenge for a place on the podium

16. MUSE DE MONTCEAU - Ran 6th in a Class D at Enghien over 2,150m on 7 October. Has no love for Vincennes, however, and can be ruled out

17. MEGAFLECHE - Finished 10th in a Class E conditioner at Chartres over 2,825m on 6 November. Is in race mode this time and unlikely to return home empty-handed

18. MERRY - Ran 7th in a Class B at Le Croisé-Laroche over 2,825m on 26 October. Clearly needs to reaffirm but in this lot could get a look in

Summary: An open race with plenty of runners and several possible winners. It is difficult to separate MARIE CHARLOTTE (10), who will be partnered by Paul Ploquin for the first time, METALLICA SMART (14), winner here 2.5 weeks ago, and the well-engaged MAYA DE MAHEY (15), who has taken a step forward since beginning to race competitively-shod. Fresh from a short layup, MOON DU VIVIER (8) is easy to like for a place in the picture.

SELECTIONS

MARIE CHARLOTTE (10) - METALLICA SMART (14) - MAYA DE MAHEY (15) - MOON DU VIVIER (8)

C6 - PRIX URSA - 2850m (a2m) - - Mounted - EUR € 49,000

1. DUMA NEH D'ASTI - Returns to the monté discipline after finishing 10th in a 2,500m Reims Class E late last month but will struggle to make his presence felt

2. LAKE'S EDINA - Quality Nordic import making debut for new handler. Has shown significant monté potential at home and looks a serious proposition

3. JAVA DU PLESSIS - Finished 9th in a harness Claimer over course and distance on 29 September. Is patently the weak link here and can be disregarded

4. JUMPER MATIDY - Fifth in a Class F at Mauquenchy over 2,850m on 7 November. Is seldom far from losing his action, but clearly has ability and, on good behaviour, can pick up a first-five cheque

5. DEVIL OP - Fourth when preparing for this in a harness Class D at Reims over 2,550m on 10 November. Has been knocking at the door for some time, thrives with his driver, and is not about to let the side down

6. JASONDOR DU VINOIS - Won a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 22 October, 2.5 weeks after having imposed at Alençon, and can challenge for a place in the picture

7. JOPLIN DES CROUAS - Disqualified in a harness Class E at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November and makes his ridden debut with limited ambition

8. JAGUAR DE VILLETOT - Successful in a Class E under these conditions on 10 November, 9 days after having run second at Machecoul, and will be no pushover

9. JULIE DU CLOS - Disqualified in a harness Class E at Châtelaillon over 2,500m on 8 November. Would be preferred barefoot, however

10. JOIE DES VENTES - Ran 7th in a Class E over track and trip on 6 November. Regularly gives her best, but has too much to do on this occasion

11. JUMBY BAY - Disqualified in a Class E over course and distance on 6 November. Showed considerable monté potential that day, though, and will be well-backed to win this

12. JINA FOUTEAU - Finished 8th in a Class E over 2,850m of the inner course on 6 November, her first appearance in the discipline. Will have come on for the race, will be more competitively-shod this time, and cannot be discounted

13. JADORE D'ISQUES - Fifth in a harness Class E at La Capelle over 2,750m on 1 November. Has placed just once in five monté starts and is not an obvious choice

Summary: Despite being disqualified at her first attempt under the saddle, JUMBY BAY (11) will be reunited with Mathieu Mottier, who knows her well, and can open her monté account. They will nevertheless feel some heat from the likes of LAKE'S EDINA (2), who makes her French debut with Alexandre Abrivard in the saddle, and the in-form and barefoot DEVIL OP (5), who caught the when being conditioned under harness at Reims. JASONDOR DU VINOIS (6), freshly re-shod and on a hat-trick, looks competitively well in.

SELECTIONS

JUMBY BAY (11) - LAKE'S EDINA (2) - DEVIL OP (5) - JASONDOR DU VINOIS (6)

C7 - PRIX AGATHE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class B - Harness - EUR € 52,000

1. NEW WORLD - Disqualified in a Class B over 2,175m here on 5 November. Is otherwise hard to fault when focused and cannot be discounted

2. NAPOLITANO D'AWA - Finished 8th in a Class A over course and distance on 13 October. Is clearly better than that, but appears to be out of his depth on this occasion

3. NAMOUR DE MONTFORT - Finished 3rd in a Class C over 2,850m here on 20 October. Is useful on a good day but would have better prospects at a lower level

4. NORD CALITY - Won a Class A at Le Croisé-Laroche over 2,825m on 8 November. A repeat seems unlikely but is worth retaining for minor honours

5. NOVATO BELLO - Disqualified, on comeback, in a Class B at Laval over 2,850m on 1 November. Is a colt with buckets of talent but is unlikely to be pushed too hard this time

6. NAPOLEON DE GAGOU - Disqualified in a Class B over 2,175m here on 5 November, just over a fortnight after having run second in a Class C over the inner course. Sports 4 pads this time and will have his supporters

7. NEPTUNE DE JEAN - Made it 3 from the last 5 when successful in a Class D over 2,175m here on 6 November. Is confirmed over the distance and can give NEW ATOUT (13) a run for his money

8. NEWTON DE CORS - Finished 4th in a Class B over 2,175m here on 5 November. Has been climbing the category-ladder in good order and is not about to disappoint

9. NOVO SUPREME - Finished 8th, on return, in a Class B over 2,175m here on 5 November. Has yet to excel at Vincennes and can be passed over

10. NABAD DU ROCHER - Disqualified in a Class A under these conditions on 13 October. Is more comfortable on a flatter surface, however, and is not a concern

11. NEGOCIABLE - Third in a Class B over 2,175m here on 5 November. Is clearly back in business and will be dangerous when push comes to shove

12. NERPRUN - Made it 2 from 3 when successful in a Class C over 2,850m here on 20 October. Takes on a better lot this time but is still good enough to hold his own

13. NEW ATOUT - Disqualified in a Class A freshener over course and distance on 13 October. Is a tough nut when focused, won his only start with Yoann Lebourgeois in the bike, and is easy to fancy for the win

Summary: NEW ATOUT (13) may not be the easiest of horses to use but he has bags of ability and, if behaved, will be hard to beat. Unbeaten in two starts with Eric Raffin, NEPTUNE DE JEAN (7) will be no soft touch. Winner of his only start with Clément Duvaldestin, NEGOCIABLE (11) is easy to like. NEWTON DE CORS (8) finished a place behind the latter a fortnight ago and must be taken more seriously this time around.

SELECTIONS

NEW ATOUT (13) - NEPTUNE DE JEAN (7) - NEGOCIABLE (11) - NEWTON DE CORS (8)

C8 - PRIX LEONA - 2850m (a2m) - - Mounted - EUR € 52,000

1. GREENDAY I.T. - Opened his monté account at home in Sweden three weeks before running fourth over 3140m under harness at Gävle on 17 October. Is not out of it, but is not an obvious choice either

2. MOJITA - Disqualified, on comeback, in a Class D over 2,175m here on 2 November. Will have come on for the race and is worth monitoring

3. MATFABEN D'ENJE - Has been disqualified in 3 consecutive starts, the latest a Class D over 2,175m here on 2 November, but won last time over 2700m here and should not be overlooked

4. MAMZELL L'AVENTURE - Sprang something of a surprise when second in a Class D over 2,175m here on 2 November, but with form maintained can finish in the mix

5. MINA DRY - Ran 7th in a Group II over 2,700m here on 12 November. Goes barefoot this time but others still preferred

6. MISSY DE JIEL - Unplaced in a Group II over 2,700m here on 12 November. Has form at the venue but would be preferred a level down

7. MYSTIC PARKER - Third in a Class C over 2,175m here on 6 October. Seldom disappoints in this branch of the business and is most unlikely to start now

8. MARQUISE DE MAGNY - Fifth in a harness Class C over 2,100m here on 23 October. Has placed in one of two ridden starts, but still appears to have too much to do

9. MIMI D'AUTHISE - Finished 5th in a Group II over 2,700m here on 12 November. Returns to a more reasonable level and, with form maintained, can bring the fight to MEMPHIS ELLIS (11)

10. MADAME CHENU - Unplaced in a harness Class B at Laval over 2,850m on 1 November. Is back in her code of preference, though, and will be competitive for a first-five payout

11. MEMPHIS ELLIS - Disqualified and placed last in a harness Class C over 2,100m here on 23 October. Opened his monté account over shorter here early last month and is in with a realistic shout of confirming

12. MAINTENANTOUJAMAIS - Unplaced in a Class B at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,750m on 19 October, 2.5 weeks after having opened his ridden account, and looks main threat to MEMPHIS ELLIS (11)

13. MAGNOLIADARCHE - Ran 6th in a Group III over course and distance on 20 October. Takes a noticeable drop in category but incurs the penalty and can be ruled out

14. MEPHISTO DU CLOS - Finished 4th in a Group III under these conditions on 20 October. Has demonstrated decent monté aptitude but the extra 25m will do him no favours

Summary: He may be tricky under harness but MEMPHIS ELLIS (11) appears to have found his new calling and, nicely-engaged, can confirm last month's success. Paul Ploquin will still be keeping an eye on the versatile and barefoot MAINTENANTOUJAMAIS (12) who similarly benefits from a good entry. MIMI D'AUTHISE (9) and MYSTIC PARKER (7) finished second and third respectively behind our selection in early-October and can again figure prominently.

SELECTIONS

MEMPHIS ELLIS (11) - MAINTENANTOUJAMAIS (12) - MIMI D'AUTHISE (9) - MYSTIC PARKER (7)

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

Horse of the day
MANNINEN SEVEN (308)

Outsider of the day

MY HAPPY STORY (512)

Reverse forecast
MARIE CHARLOTTE (510) - METALLICA SMART (514)

Three pick of the day
MANNINEN SEVEN (308) - NEW ATOUT (713) - MEMPHIS ELLIS (811)