# **R5 CORDEMAIS [L-H]**

### C1 - PRIX GASPARD D'ANGIS - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 27,000

**1. HERMES HAUFOR -** Respectable 6th of 14 in a 2700m Class E at Le Croisé-Laroche on 25 March. Has form in better company and should have the measure of most here. Claim

**2. HEROS DHELPA -** Faulted early in a 2150m Argentan Class D last Monday but is plainly in shape. Handed a good spot in front, reverts to racing barefoot, and is unlikely to go home empty-handed

**3. HABIBI** - 4th of 11 in a 2900m Amiens Class F a fortnight back. Won here last month and will have a lot to offer if Mathieu Mottier keeps him trotting

**4. HEVALONE DE GUEZ -** Encouraged at Challans before finishing 8th of 10, behind HIBOU D'ERPION (7), in a 2550m Reims Class F a fortnight ago. Would have better prospects in the other code though and can be passed over

**5. GREGOR -** Sprang quite the surprise when winning a 2675m Châtillon-sur-Chalaronne Class G, at 96/1, late-March. Jean-Philippe Monclin takes over in the sulky and, while unlikely to impose this time, can at least make the first 3

**6. HARCANGELO D'AMOUR -** Won a 2800m Class H at La Guerche-de-Bretagne late last month in very good order. Champion driver at the helm and, breaking in front, will be dangerous

**7. HIBOU D'ERPION -** Took no time getting back to his best, latterly 3rd of 10 in a 2550m Reims Class F 2 weeks ago. Arguably better racing right-handed but, in present shape, is hard to ignore

**8. HIGH MONEY D'AVRAN -** 8th of 10 when prepping shod for this in a 2800m Villedieu-les-Poëles Class H. Front pads fitted but chances still slim

**9. HYM SUBLIGNAIS -** 8th of 16 in a 2700m Machecoul amateurs Class G on 24 March. Returns to racing barefoot but is unlikely to spring any surprises

**10. GRACE DE MAI -** 7th of 11 in a 2700m Graignes Class F last weekend. Very disappointing this year and has no realistic chance

**11. GRANIT GALAA** - Pleased at La Capelle before being sanctioned in a 2350m Angers amateurs Class F earlier in the month. Races barefoot this time but still not a priority

**12. GALETTO BELLO -** Starts for the first time since coming 8th of 12 in a 2650m Laval Class F last August and is sure to need the outing

**13. HISTOIRE DU LUPIN -** Sanctioned, on first start after a long break, in a 2350m Angers Class E on 3 April. One of the most performant horses here and, despite the draw, is very much in the first-5 picture

**14. GOLD DE BERG -** Has not been seen out since coming 6th, behind HIGH MONEY D'AVRAN (8), in a 2725m Graignes Class E on 5 February and will have nothing to give

**Summary:** A winner this winter at Vincennes, and 3rd on his only start here, HERMES HAUFOR (1) is forced to start on the inside but, with Anthony Barrier reining, looks the pick of the field. HARCANGELO D'AMOUR (6) flew up last time out and Eric Raffin has taken the engagement. HABIBI (3) is clearly in excellent condition and, already a winner here, must be taken seriously. GREGOR (5) has been entrusted to a very able driver in a bid to make it two on the trot.

### SELECTIONS

HERMES HAUFOR (1) - HARCANGELO D'AMOUR (6) - HABIBI (3) - GREGOR (5)

### C2 - PRIX ECHO DE CHANLECY - 2825m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness -EUR € 29,000

**1. AXIS DI GIRIFALCO** - Useful at home in Italy but has yet to impress in France, most recently sanctioned in a 2675m Lisieux Class E a month ago, and can expect to have few, if any, takers

**2. HOOLIGAN -** Serious trotter making first appearance since being sanctioned in a 2725m Graignes Class F mid-February. Hind shoes off though, adores Cordemais, and has every chance of trotting his way into the frame

**3. HOPE AND GLORY -** Makes her first appearance since coming 10th of 12 in a 2050m Lyon-La Soie Class F on 1 February. Shoes on and no threat

**4. HOLLYWOOD TORINO -** Disappointing on the whole for some time, latterly sanctioned in a 2800m Tours Class E last Sunday and can be passed over

**5. HEROS DE CHOISEL** - Back at the top of his game, securing the double in a 2800m Pontchâteau amateurs Class G 2 weeks ago. Has yet to deliver at Cordemais but in present condition is very hard to ignore

**6. FUN LOVER -** 9th of 10, on return from a layoff, in a 2800m Class H at Villedieu-les-Poëles on 24 March and appears to have nothing going for him here

**7. GRAND VENT RUSH -** 7th of 11, when preparing for this, in a 2725m Graignes Class F mid-March. Barefoot this time and has a reasonable chance of picking up a minor place cheque

**8. GERONIMO FUEGO -** Fine 2nd over course and distance on 1 March before coming in 11th of 15 behind HOLD UP RANAIS (12) in a 2850m Laval Class E 12 days later. Is shod this time and not a priority

**9. FRODO S** - 4th of 12, at 76/1, in a 2100m Vincennes Class C a fortnight ago. Takes a dip in class and, if still on the boil, will be no easy touch

**10. GALANTIS -** Talented trotter but has not been seen out since coming 5th of 15 in a 3000m Châteaubriant Class C last July. Is barefoot for re-entry but perhaps best to keep one's powder dry

**11. GIANT MADRIK -** Oddly out of sorts when 10th of 13 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D on 5 March but has buckets of ability and, even incurring the 25m handicap, still looks the principal danger to HOLD UP RANAIS (12)

**12. HOLD UP RANAIS -** Impressive winner at Vincennes late-March before coming 8th of 13 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D a week later. Is reunited with Eric Raffin and, even from the 2nd row, will be expected to set the record straight

**13. EDI JOSSELYN** - Makes his first start for 2 months after coming 7th of 16 in a 2850m Vincennes Class D. Is not without merit though and, entrusted to Mathieu Mottier, will be afforded every chance

**14. GIANINA BELLA -** Disappointing of late, most recently finishing last but one in a 2825m Lignières Class E last weekend. Barefoot this time but others still easier to trust

**Summary:** After failing to confirm his excellent late-March success, HOLD UP RANAIS (12) is aimed lower this time, will be reined by the champion driver, and has a realistic claim on the prize. He will be opposed though by the tough and consistent GIANT MADRIK (11) whose latest effort can be disregarded, and HEROS DE CHOISEL (5) who is 25m better off as he bids for the 3-timer. HOOLIGAN (2) similarly breaks from the front and will not be far from the action if Olivier Raffin keeps him trotting.

#### SELECTIONS

HOLD UP RANAIS (12) - GIANT MADRIK (11) - HEROS DE CHOISEL (5) - HOOLIGAN (2)

### C3 - PRIX TERRE D'ESTUAIRE - 2825m (a2m) - Class D Race - Harness -EUR € 26,000

**1. IN VIVO -** Showed modest improvement when 5th of 7 in a 2825m Class F at Le Croisé-Laroche last Monday but not enough to be considered a player

**2. IMOKO HAUFOR -** Unraced for 2 months after being sanctioned in a 2700m Vincennes Class E. Stays shod for the occasion but can get a look-in if he stays in stride

**3. IVALJO** - Put in a decent time to finish 5th of 12 in a 2625m Class F at Châtelaillon-La Rochelle 3 weeks ago. Takes a step up in category and appears to have too much to do

**4. IRRESISTIBLE GABY** - Honest mare that won a 2500m Class F at Bihorel-lès-Rouen on 1 April. Eric Raffin reining this time and, although in better company, she starts on the front row and will be expected to make her presence felt

**5. ILLICO PRESTO FAC -** Won at Cholet last month before coming last of 8 in a 2850m Loudéac Class F 3 weeks ago. Is a tough nut to crack when focused, and the engagement of Mathieu Mottier will only enhance his prospects

6. ILESLOR DES KECHES - 13th of 15, behind IRRESISTIBLE GABY (4), on re-entry in a 2625m Class E at Châtelaillon-La Rochelle on 24 March. Shoes on once again and will pose no danger

**7. IMAM FLASH -** Sanctioned on re-entry late last month in a 2700m Machecoul Class F. Is still being conditioned and can be passed over

**8.** IN PETTO - Encouraged on comeback when 5th of 13 in a 2850m Mauquenchy Class D a month ago. Will have come of for the run and is well-placed to make a considerable impact

**9. IHLUNA -** Races shod this time after coming 4th of 15 in a 2750m Ecommoy Class F 3 weeks ago and, even from the first row, is not about to shake things up

**10. INES DE BEYLEV -** 9th of 18, when being given a freshener, in a 2450m Caen Class E on 27 March. Has references at this level but racing shod will do her no favours

**11. IDEFIX DHELPA -** 10th of 11 in a 2825m Chartres Class E, when being conditioned, 3 weeks ago. Shoes on again and best to wait

**12. IERMES DE GUEZ -** Faulted in a 2800m Tours Class E last weekend. Tricky but good campaigner and although never having delivered here, he has talent to burn and, on good behaviour, can win this

**13. IMAGE D'ATALANTE -** Would have finished 2nd in a 2850m Vincennes Class E 9 days ago had she stayed in stride, and Anthony Barrier is unlikely to allow the same thing to happen twice. Place chance

**14. INVICTUS D'ECAJEUL** - Returns to the harness code after finishing last of 9 in a 2175m Vincennes monté Class E on 9 April. Appears to be in decent shape but, even racing barefoot, cannot be considered a priority

**15. IBERA -** Rejuvenated since leaving the capital, most recently holding on to win a 2850m Laval Class D on 7 March. Just front pads fitted this time but can still challenge IERMES DE GUEZ (12) for the win

**Summary:** Most of the big-hitters break from the second line here, with the complicated but talented IERMES DE GUEZ (12) and obvious contender, provided Romain Congard can keep him trotting. IBERA (15), however, is back at her best, has never disappointed at Cordemais, and even in the day's configuration, still looks a major threat. Also benefiting from a good entry is IMAGE D'ATALANTE (13) whose return to form resurfaced earlier this month. IN PETTO (8) is 25m better off and his recent Mauquenchy performance bodes well for his chances.

### SELECTIONS

IERMES DE GUEZ (12) - IBERA (15) - IMAGE D'ATALANTE (13) - IN PETTO (8)

# C4 - PRIX LE PICOTIN - 2825m (a2m) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 23,000

**1. JASMINE DES FLOTS -** Returns to racing with front shoes off after faulting in a 2700m Méral Class H on 7 April, and looks thoroughly outclassed

**2. JIPSIE DU LAYON -** 8th, on return to competition, in a 3250m Saumur Class F 2 weeks ago and is not about to set off any fireworks

**3. JOLIE MOME CHIC -** Disappointing 9th, behind JAVA FAST (6) in a 2875m Meslay-du-Maine Class F on 19 March. Has yet to excel in this category and chances limited

**4. JACINTHE D'AZUR -** Has ability but sanctioned in last 3, most recently on comeback in a 2625m Class E at Châtelaillon-La Rochelle on 24 March. Is still being conditioned and best to hold off

**5. JAYA KALOUMA -** Sports a new configuration after coming 6th of 13 in a 2800m Rambouillet Class E a fortnight back, but is not the easiest to trust and others preferred

**6. JAVA FAST -** Showed improvement when 3rd of 17 in a 2875m Meslay-du-Maine Class F on 19 March. Shoes off this time and looks a player

**7. JASMINE DU ROY -** Sanctioned, on return from a spell, in a 2800m Chartres Class F 3 weeks ago. Is capable when focused but may still be biting off more than she can chew

**8. JUDICIEUSE PRIOR -** Went into her winter break on a high note, but fell in a 3250m Saumur Class F, on re-entry, 2 weeks ago. Races shod but is still not to be written off

**9. JAVA DE BANVILLE -** Sanctioned on comeback in a 2750m Toulouse Class F mid-March, having shown considerable potential last season. Is prepared for competition and, if fully-fit, can apply the pressure on JADE RENARDIER (14)

**10. JEDICOVA DICARI -** Sanctioned in last 2, most recently a 2150m Mauquenchy Class F on 4 April, but if allowed to express herself, will not be far off the mark

**11. JUST PRINCESS -** Has 2 races in her after missing all of 2023, latterly sanctioned in a 2725m Lisieux Class F last weekend. Front pads fitted though, and while unlikely to impose, is still worth keeping an eye on

**12. JORPHEA D'ESPOIR -** 8th of 17 in a 2625m Class E at Châtelaillon-La Rochelle on 24 March. Shoes on this time and has other priorities

**13. JUTONNIERE -** Unseen since being sanctioned in a 2700m Vincennes Class D late-November. Barefoot for re-entry though and is not incapable of getting straight back in the game

**14. JADE RENARDIER -** Back at the top of her game with 2 straight successes, most recently in a 2350m Angers Class E 10 days ago, and should be able to wrap this up

**15. JUDICIEUSE** - Failed to confirm her good Laval performance when 12th of 13 in a 2150m Enghien Class E on 26 March. Sports a new configuration, drops back down the ladder, and will be expected to redeem herself

**Summary:** Winner of 2 straight after starting to race barefoot with Eric Raffin reining, JADE RENARDIER (14) has every chance of defying the handicap and pulling off the hat-trick. After a much-needed lung-opener, the promising JAVA DE BANVILLE (9) is barefoot for her first objective of 2024 and, 25m better off, will be no pushover. The well-entered JUDICIEUSE (15) is back in her category, shod-competitively, and can more than make up for her Enghien performance. JAVA FAST (6) appears to be back on the right road and, racing first time barefoot, and breaking from the front, is not to be underestimated.

### SELECTIONS

JADE RENARDIER (14) - JAVA DE BANVILLE (9) - JUDICIEUSE (15) - JAVA FAST (6)

### C5 - PRIX CRACK MONEY - 2825m (a2m) - Class F Race - Mounted - EUR € 20,000

**1. IGOR THEPOL -** Faulted early, when unsupported, in a 3125m Angers Class E 10 days ago and will not be influencing the outcome

**2. HAPPY JAVANAIS -** Has not been seen out since trailing in 13th of 14 in a 2950m Class E at Le Mans last December and can be confidently disregarded

**3. ILLUSTRE SAX** - Makes his monté debut after trotting 9th of 15 in a 2625m Class E at Châtelaillon-La Rochelle on 24 March. Anthony Barrier onboard and is ideally-positioned to get in on the action

**4. IMOUR DU VEILLEROT -** Back under the saddle after coming respectable 6th of 13 in a 2800m Pontchâteau harness Class F early-March. In this company though, will need to find more

**5. ISPANO BELLO -** Terrific winner of a 2850m Mauquenchy Class E on 4 April. Sports a new configuration and Mathieu Mottier can make this his own

**6. IRVANA JEPHI** - In cracking form this year but faulted in a 2875m Enghien Class F on 12 March. Should appreciate Cordemais profile and can play a leading role if Alexiane Lepage keeps her focused

**7. HORS PISTE COSSE -** Returned to competition in excellent shape, latterly close 3rd in a 2825m Chartres Class G last weekend. Has yet to deliver at Cordemais but in current condition is very easy to like

**8. HOLD UP D'OUDON -** 6th, behind HORS PISTE COSSE (7), in a 2600m Nancy Class G late-March. Has ability, appreciates Cordemais, and will have his supporters

**9. IQUEM MARVIC -** Sanctioned in a 2400m Amiens harness Class F 2 weeks ago. Races barefoot for the occasion, with a leading jockey in the irons, and looks a serious proposition

**10. ISABELLA KILY -** Unremarkable 8th of 14 in a 2800m Rambouillet Class F a fortnight ago. Appears to be off the boil and even fitted with a new shoeing formula is unlikely to make many waves

**Summary:** After 3 straight sanctions under harness, ISPANO BELLO (5) switched codes at Mauquenchy and duly imposed. With 4 pads fitted for the first time, he may just have the measure of the reinvigorated IRVANA JEPHI (6) who should not be too hastily judged for her Enghien sanction. After a brace of return runs, IQUEM MARVIC (9) has been entrusted to Eric Raffin, is barefoot for the occasion, and will be no soft touch. In the frame in his last 3 monté starts, HORS PISTE COSSE (7) is sent out with front pads this time and is not going to be far from the action.

#### SELECTIONS

ISPANO BELLO (5) - IRVANA JEPHI (6) - IQUEM MARVIC (9) - HORS PISTE COSSE (7)

### C6 - PRIX HIPPODROME DE LA LOIRE - 2825m (a2m) - Class E Race -Harness - EUR € 19,500

**1. KORIOLIS DE ZIETTE -** 3rd of 11, at 143/1, in a 2800m Cholet Class F 3 weeks ago, but a repeat seems decidedly improbable

**2. KAISER DE BANVILLE -** Has not been seen out since coning 5th of 10 in a 2550m Dieppe Class E last September. Competitively-shod for the occasion and, if race-fit, can figure prominently

**3. KINGWOOD DE GUELLE -** Last of 11 in a 2675m Class F at Le Mont-Saint-Michel, on comeback, early last month. Is still being conditioned though and best to hold off

**4. KILIMANDJARO PLAYA -** Complicated sort that got off the mark in a 2800m Cholet Class F on 1 March. Anthony Barrier reining again and will be eyeing the double

**5. KEMEUNEUR -** Lost his maiden status in a 2800m Class H at Villedieu-les-Poëles 3 weeks ago. Steps up in category but imposed so well last time that it is hard to see him not finishing close

**6. KING DES MALBERAUX -** Failed to confirm his Cherbourg victory when faulting in a 2700m Graignes Class F on 17 March but has a lot going for him here and can set the record straight. Chance

**7. KAFU -** Unraced since coming 2nd, at 52/1, in a 3000m Nantes Class F 2 months ago and the extra 25m will do him no favours

**8. KARMA TEJY -** Modest 6th of 13 in a 2850m Laval Class E late-March. Starts on the back row and is not about to influence the result

**9. KARAT COOL -** Last of 12 when prepping for this, shod, in a 2350m Angers Class E 10 days ago. Shoes on again and not a priority

**Summary:** A temperamental type he may be but KING DES MALBERAUX (6) is clearly a capable trotter, is ideally-engaged in front, and can win this if Eric Raffin keeps him focused. KILIMANDJARO PLAYA (4) has been sanctioned more often than not but opened his account earlier in the month and looks the principal threat. KEMEUNEUR (5) has no positive references racing left-handed but his form is certain and, with Jean-Philippe Monclin reining, must be afforded respect. The promising KAISER DE BANVILLE (2) sports a new configuration for his much-awaited comeback and looks good enough to finish in the mix at the business end of affairs.

#### SELECTIONS

KING DES MALBERAUX (6) - KILIMANDJARO PLAYA (4) - KEMEUNEUR (5) - KAISER DE BANVILLE (2)

### C7 - PRIX ELIE DE BEAUFOUR - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class E Race - Harness - EUR € 19,500

**1. LOVELY DE L'AUMOY -** 6th, behind LEONARDO TURGOT (2), in a 2350m Angers Class F on 3 April. Is seldom far from losing his action and will have few friends

**2. LEONARDO TURGOT -** Qualified modestly but pleasant 2nd of 10 in a 2350m Angers Class F on debut earlier in the month. Will have come on and, from the 2-spot, is unlikely to disappoint

**3. LE CAPORAL -** Opened his account in a 2750m Elbeuf Class G 2 weeks ago. Is well-placed in front but takes a hike in category and seems more a minor place prospect this time around

**4. LOUP SOLITAIRE -** In the frame in 2 of 3, latterly 2nd in a 2200m Pontchâteau Class F a fortnight back. Raffin reining again and will be expected to impose this time

**5. LASTIVKA -** Showed improvement 3 weeks ago when 4th of 11 in a 2100m Cholet Class F but is pitted against tougher elements this time and cannot be considered a serious player

**6. LEVADIA** - Pulled-up in a 2200m Pontchâteau Class F on 8 March. Has yet to show any aptitude and can be written off

**7. LEMON DE LA VALLEE -** Sanctioned in a 2350m Angers Class F on 3 April, after having debuted modestly and, once again, looks to have too much to do

**8. LEO PERRINE -** Has potential but faulted in a 2850m Laval Class E on 30 March. Handed a tough draw but still has the wherewithal to finish in the mix

**9. LISSANDRO -** Qualified nicely in 1'18"8 last October. Sanctioned, when well-supported, on debut in a 2000m Rambouillet Class F a fortnight ago and can put things right if Romain Congard keeps him focused

**10. LOTUS PIERJI -** Qualified in 1'20"4 last autumn before faulting in a 2750m Elbeuf Class G, first time out. Anthony Barrier reining this time but other still preferred

**11. LE BEAU GOSSE -** Qualified in 1'18"6 last September. Faulted early, on debut, in a 2725m Graignes Class F but nevertheless caught the eye and, with application, can go close

**Summary:** Some interesting candidates here but a tentative nod nevertheless goes to the ideallypositioned LOUP SOLITAIRE (4) who has shown considerable promise. Eric Raffin will still be wary of JMB's LISSANDRO (9) who, even though unfavourably-drawn, still looks a decent prospect in the making, and the similarly promising novice, LE BEAU GOSSE (11) who should bounce back from his debut sanction. LEONARDO TURGOT (2) belied his qualification to place at Angers first time out and will have progressed for the run.

#### SELECTIONS

LOUP SOLITAIRE (4) - LISSANDRO (9) - LE BEAU GOSSE (11) - LEONARDO TURGOT (2)

### C8 - PRIX DE L'UNAT - 2650m (a1m1/2) - Class G Amateur Drivers Race -Harness - EUR € 6,000

**1. HIMALAYA -** Pleasantly surprised when 3rd of 10 finishers, on comeback, in a 2700m Méral amateurs Class H a fortnight ago. Takes on some better horses this time but can still hold her own. First-5 chance

**2. HIPPIE DU BREIL -** Somewhat disappointing 8th of 15 in a 2750m Ecommoy Class F after producing a brace of fine runs, and returns to the amateur category with a good hand to play

**3. HACKER MESLOIS -** Returned to victorious ways in a 2775m Elbeuf claimer last weekend. Handed a good draw and debuts for new yard with legitimate ambition

**4. ILLIMITEE -** Pulled off the hat-trick when romping to victory in a 2700m Vincennes Class F late-December. Intentions are clear and can make it 4-on-the-trot

**5. GIPSY DU JOUAN -** Makes first appearance since trotting 7th of 9 in a 3000m Châteaubriant amateurs Class G last September. Stays shod and no threat

**6. FLEUR DU BOISROND -** Last of 14 in a 2750m Ecommoy Class F 3 weeks ago. Has imposed just once at this level and is not about to cause an upset

**7. GUITARE DIGEO -** Scored her 2nd amateur success when impressing over 2900m in a Class G at Challans mid-March. Comes here fresh, with 4 pads fitted, and can play a prominent role

**8. GO GARFIELD -** Unbeaten in 3 amateur starts before coming 4th of 15 in a 2450m Caen Class F on 18 March. Forced to start wide but still has a chance to maintain his unbeaten status at this level

**9. IBIS DE FEU -** Starts for the first time since coming last but one in a 2650m Marseille-Vivaux Class G last November and will need the outing

**10. GOING DES TITHAIS -** Unraced since finishing last of 12 in a 2875m Argentan amateurs Class G last November. Stays shod and not a priority

**11. FALCON DE L'ARZ -** Unseen since being sanctioned in a 2900m Challans amateurs Class G early-October. Races barefoot but can still be confidently ruled out

**12. FOREVER YOUNG -** Returns to racing with front pads after trotting 7th to GUITARE DIGEO (7) on comeback in a 2900m Challans amateurs Class G on 17 March and, from the back row, will have nothing to offer

**Summary:** Like a horse reborn since starting to race in her current configuration, ILLIMITEE (4) may not have been seen out since Christmas Day but she goes barefoot for her return and can pick up where she left off. That being said, GO GARFIELD (8) has taken to the amateur division like a duck to water and, despite the wide draw, still looks to have a claim on the trophy. HIPPIE DU BREIL (2) has already won in this category and, given the opposition, will not be far from the action. Claimed after winning a claimer, HACKER MESLOIS (3) makes his first appearance for Bruno Marie and, from the 3-spot, should not be underestimated.

#### SELECTIONS

ILLIMITEE (4) - GO GARFIELD (8) - HIPPIE DU BREIL (2) - HACKER MESLOIS (3)