VINCENNES [L-H] - 23 January

Race 1 - PRIX ROXANE GRIFF - 2175m WALK-UP C255 RST E Monte. Purse EUR €65,000.

- 1. **GALLA DE MANCHE** Good autostart runner-up here last month. Expected to improve returning to a mounted contest.
- 2. **FOLIE DU CHOQUEL** Excellent third behind star Fantaisie (who runs in the big race today) in a stronger course mounted event last month. Key player.
- 3. **EXCELLENT DAY** Would be a surprise winner after back-to-back DQ in mounted company.
- 4. **ISLAND LIFE** Fine second in the G3 Grand Prix de Vincennes at Cagnes-sur-Mer on last French run in February. Fair sixth at Bergsåker (Sweden) in October latest. Worth a market check.
- 5. VAPRIO Running well before a late DQ on mounted debut here fifteen days ago. Can improve.
- 6. FASTER SYGA Seventh mounted victory in easier company at Bordeaux last month. Thereabouts.
- 7. **GLORIA DU GERS** Fine third in the mounted G2 Prix Joseph Lafosse last month at this track. Genuine chance.
- 8. **HEADING REFERENCE** Ultra consistent driven performer who was unplaced on sole mounted effort. May progress.
- 9. GOOD LUCK QUICK Ahead of Folie du Choquel on penultimate outing at this venue. Huge claims.
- 10. **EVENING QUICK** Held sixth in this class of a mounted event 24 days ago. One to note on best form.

Summary: GOOD LUCK QUICK (9) ran ahead of FOLIE DU CHOQUEL (2) in a stronger course mounted event two starts ago. The pair had no answer to superstar mounted performer Fantaisie (Who runs in the feature race today later on) but are expected to fight out the finish now. GLORIA DU GERS (7) hit the frame in the mounted G2 Prix Joseph Lafosse. Bold showing expected. FASTER SYGA (6) registered a seventh mounted victory at Bordeaux. Firmly in the mix.

Selections

GOOD LUCK QUICK (9) - FOLIE DU CHOQUEL (2) - GLORIA DU GERS (7) - FASTER SYGA (6)

Race 2 - PRIX DU LION D'ANGERS - 2850m WALK-UP D70 Harness. Purse EUR €39,000.

- 1. HAHICHA GIRL Fair fourth in this class here a fortnight ago. Could place.
- 2. HOLLY SHINE Sixth behind a subsequent winner at this track eighteen days ago. May progress.
- 3. **HISTOIRE THORIS** Infrequent winner who ran seventh in this company here earlier in the month. More needed.
- 4. **HUNA LILA** Five successive driven placings including three wins at a lower standard. Worth a try raised in grade.
- 5. HOSTIA Back-to-back walk up wins including at this level. Top chance running barefoot.
- HARMONISTA Running fairly without placing in previous five course starts. Others preferred.
- 7. **HISA DU MARGAS** Sixth in this grade of a course autostart nine days ago. Step forward required back in a walk up.
- 8. **HAPPY DANICA** Held tenth in a better grade course walk up earlier this month. Major claims on previous fourth here.
- 9. HELVETIKA Nose winner in this company here a fortnight ago. Consistent and holds claims.
- 10. HORS SERIE Dual course winner who failed to complete nine days ago. Place claims if delivering best.
- 11. HOPENESS DQ on mounted debut nine days ago. Infrequent winner who is likely to find a few too strong.

Summary: HOSTIA (5) arrives in top form after winning her last two walk ups including in this company here. Expected to go close under suitable conditions. HAPPY DANICA (8) looms as a major threat eased in company after a held tenth at this venue. This is a suitable target. Among the chances is HELVETIKA (9) ran out a determined winner at this level in latest. Consider. HUNA LILA (4) needs to improve raised in standard but is worth a try after an impressive spell in claiming company.

Selections

HOSTIA (5) - HAPPY DANICA (8) - HELVETIKA (9) - HUNA LILA (4)

Race 3 - PRIX DE CHAMBORD - 2175m WALK-UP E119 Harness. Purse EUR €39,000.

- 1. **FANTASTIC LOVE** 5L fifth in this class at Mauquenchy earlier in the month. Respected on previous run without shoes.
- 2. FRISKY BLACK 3L third in the same class two starts ago. Place at best.
- 3. **FRAGONARD** Returned in solid driven form but more needed raised in standard. Could find the frame.
- 4. FUTE BUROIS Midfield in both driven starts since resuming. Others make more appeal.
- 5. FOLLOW ME FLASH Fair fourth in a course autostart earlier in the month. May find a few too strong.
- 6. **FOTELLO DU PALAIS** Shaped better than his finishing positions suggested in previous two runs. Keep safe without shoes.
- 7. FALCO FLEURI Consistent type who ran into the frame at this level eighteen days ago. One to note.
- 8. FENCER DE HOUELLE Midfield in previous couple of similar driven outings. Step forward required.
- 9. FESTIVAL D'ORIENT Excellent runner-up in a stronger course walk up last month. Key chance.
- 10. **FYNIO DU POMMEREUX** Failed to complete in a weaker course autostart last month. Others more reliable.
- 11. **FALCON D'ESPACE** Improved winner in this class with pads on for the first time eighteen days ago. Thereabouts.
- 12. **FINGER DES BORDES** Back-to-back DQ tempers enthusiasm but is a talented performer when able to complete.
- 13. **FLAUBERT GEDE** Failed to complete in previous two outings but firmly in the mix if bouncing back to earlier form.
- 14. FORJAN Fair form without placing this campaign. Unlikely to feature.
- 15. **FLEURON D'IROISE** No joy since resuming. Huge claims with shoes removed and Eric Raffin taking over.

Summary: FALCO FLEURI (7) maintains excellent driven place form including a frame visit in this class earlier in the month. Notable runner. FESTIVAL D'ORIENT (9) can go close if replicating an excellent second in a better grade course walk up. Key player. FLEURON D'IROISE (15) is expected to improve sharply third up with shoes removed and Eric Raffin taking over. FALCON D'ESPACE (11) completes the shortlist.

Selections

FALCO FLEURI (7) - FESTIVAL D'ORIENT (9) - FLEURON D'IROISE (15) - FALCON D'ESPACE (11)

- 1. **HIRONDELLE DU RIB** Two mounted victories in last three runs including in the G2 Prix Emile Riotteau here. Consider.
- 2. **FANTAISIE** Thoroughly progressive mare who has won her previous seven mounted races including the G2 Prix du Calvados here. Leading claims with an excellent record barefoot.
- 3. **FLORIDA SPORT** Back-to-back mounted G3 victories in the G3 Prix Auguste Francois and G3 Prix Yvonnick Bodin. Expected to measure up.
- 4. **GRANVILLAISE BLEUE** Completed a double in the G2 Prix Joseph Lafosse here last month. Key player for a jockey with a top place record at this venue.
- 5. ET VOILA DE MUZE One from two in mounted company but flying too high in this standard.
- 6. **FREEMAN DE HOUELLE** Held sixth in the mounted G2 Prix du Calvados a fortnight ago. Improvement likely with shoes removed.
- 7. **UNIQUE JUNI** One placing from four mounted outings in France. Ran well at Solvalla (Sweden) when third last month.
- 8. **GLADYS DES PLAINES** Outstanding Group One-winning mare who can go forward with shoes removed. Thereabouts.
- 9. **FLAMME DU GOUTIER** Fine fourth in the G2 Prix d'Amerique Races Q5 earlier in the month. Place claims back in a mounted event.
- 10. **ZARENNE FAS** Excellent runner-up behind Fantaisie on second mounted start in the G2 Prix du Calvados here two weeks ago. Major appeal with an unexposed French profile.
- 11. **BILOOKA DU BOSCAIL** Improved third in the G2 Prix du Calvados. Among the place chances with shoes removed.
- 12. **ETOILE DE BRUYERE** Consistent mounted performer who ran fifth in the G2 Prix du Calvados. Could improve with shoes off.
- 13. **FEELING CASH** Unplaced in previous three Prix d'Amerique qualifiers. Could improve sharply returning to mounted company.
- 14. **BAHIA QUESNOT** Mixed driven form since a remarkable win in this event last season. Needs to step up on recent efforts but dangerous to dismiss.
- 15. **BILIBILI** 2019 and 2020 winner of this who has yet to scale those heights subsequently. Could improve sharply with shoes removed.

Summary: FANTAISIE (2) is expected to go close after her incredible mounted rise this term. She has won her previous seven mounted starts including in the G2 Prix du Calvados. Top chance with a superb barefoot record. FLORIDA SPORT (3) delivered back-to-back Group Three successes. Obvious appeal to be involved at the finish. HIRONDELLE DU RIB (1) scored in the G2 Prix Emile Riotteau at this venue. Firmly in the mix with two wins from three runs without shoes. GRANVILLAISE BLEUE (4) is entitled to hit the frame after completing a double in the mounted G2 Prix Joseph Lafosse. Keep FLAMME DU GOUTIER (9) safe returning to a mounted event with shoes removed.

Selections

FANTAISIE (2) - FLORIDA SPORT (3) - HIRONDELLE DU RIB (1) - GRANVILLAISE BLEUE (4) - FLAMME DU GOUTIER (9)

Race 5 - PRIX DE MIRANDE - 2700m WALK-UP 250 RST E Harness. Purse EUR €90,000.

- 1. NIFORD DES BAUX Unplaced in three driven starts. Significant improvement needed.
- 2. BENZ AS Placed in a weaker course autostart last month. Fully tested.
- 3. **BOSTON WISE L** Improved fifth on second French run in the G3 Prix Oscar Collard autostart here. Place hope.
- 4. HECTOR DES CHAMPS Infrequent winner who has yet to deliver since resuming. Others preferred.
- 5. **HEART OF GOLD** Midfield in three of previous four easier course starts. Unlikely to trouble the principles.
- 6. BALSAMINE FONT Won a fair course autostart on penultimate outing. Keep in mind without shoes.
- 7. HAMILTON RENKA Solid mounted form but something to find at this level returning to driven company.
- 8. **GLOBALIZER** Bold Eagle mare making her French debut. Seven places and seven wins from 30 runs in Sweden. Market check needed.
- 9. BUBBLE EFFE DQ in the G1 Prix d'Amerique Races Q3. May improve but others have stronger claims.
- 10. **HORACE DU GOUTIER** Good sixth in the G2 Prix Octave Douesnel second up. Key player for a driver who excels at this track.
- 11. HEARTBREAKER ONE Beaten a long way in previous three driven Group races. Opposed.
- 12. HADES DE VANDEL Fair 6L fifth in the G2 Prix Octave Douesnel two starts ago. Each-way player.
- 13. **HATCHET MAN** Consistent type who would have serious claims if allowed an uncontested lead. Keep safe.

Summary: HORACE DU GOUTIER (10) delivered a solid sixth in the G2 Prix Octave Douesnel on second start since resuming. Top claims with a driver who excels at this venue. HATCHET MAN (13) deserves maximum respect if allowed an easy lead with consistent driven form this campaign. HADES DE VANDEL (12) was ahead of the main selection in latest and rates a genuine contender. BALSAMINE FONT (6) won a course autostart two outings ago and would not be without a place chance. BOSTON WISE L (3) could make the frame.

Selections

HORACE DU GOUTIER (10) - HATCHET MAN (13) - HADES DE VANDEL (12) - BALSAMINE FONT (6) - BOSTON WISE L (3)

Race 6 - PRIX BELLINO II - 2100m MOBILE 145 Harness. Purse EUR €90,000.

- 1. **INMAROSA** Consistent type who ran second in the G3 Prix Albert Rayon on penultimate outing. Key chance.
- 2. **IMAGINE DARLING** Two places from three autostarts but arrives in poor form. Others preferred.
- 3. ISEULT FLOWER Held eighth in the G3 Prix Albert Rayon three runs back. Improvement needed.
- 4. IQUEM Completed a good course double before a DQ in this level. Respected on autostart debut.
- 5. **IKACOU DES CINTY** Underwhelming driven form this term but could improve returning to an autostart with shoes removed.
- 6. ICONE DE CASTELLE Unplaced in both autostarts but chance to improve without rear shoes.
- 7. IRON MESLOIS Highly tried 31 race maiden. Has ability but likely to find a few too good.
- 8. ILLUSIVE ARTIST Dual autostart winner but yet to place in this shoeing combination.
- 9. IF I TELL YOU Four-time autostart winner who hit the frame in the G3 Prix de Riberac here. Major appeal.
- 10. **INVICTUS MADIBA** Good fourth in the G3 Prix de Mansle autostart three runs back. Frame claims if replicating.
- 11. **INVICTUS D'ECAJEUL** Third behind a subsequent winner in an easier course autostart last month. Consider
- 12. **INTOUCHABLE** Consistent driven runs before a fair fifth in the G3 Prix de Riberac. Keep in mind on autostart debut.

Summary: IF I TELL YOU (9) rates the most successful of these in autostarts with four victories. Major chance after finishing in the money in the G3 Prix de Riberac. INMAROSA (1) can go close following consistent driven form and a runner-up spot in the G3 Prix Albert Rayon two outings back. IQUEM (4) is a notable autostart debutant for a good trainer and driver combination. INVICTUS MADIBA (10) ran fourth in the G3 Prix de Mansle three starts ago. Consider.

Selections

IF I TELL YOU (9) - INMAROSA (1) - IQUEM (4) - INVICTUS MADIBA (10)

Race 7 - PRIX D'ESPALION - 2100m MOBILE D181 Harness. Purse EUR €57,000.

- 1. **FOUGUE DU DOLLAR** Improved second behind a subsequent winner in an easier Cabourg autostart earlier this month. Winning chance.
- 2. FILLE DU CHENE Fourth and seventh in previous two stronger autostarts. Each-way appeal.
- 3. **ELENE BOURGEOISE** Third behind Fougue du Dollar at Cabourg earlier this month. Place claims if repeating.
- 4. **EXPRESS LADY** Infrequent autostart winner who ran eighth in easier company last time. Others boast stronger chances.
- 5. **ELODIE LET'S GO** DQ in previous couple of autostarts but bounced back to form with a course win eight days ago. Contender if completing.
- 6. FLECHE ETOILE Consistent walk up form this term but others have shown stronger autostart credentials.
- 7. **FAVORITE DARLING** Worth forgiving a below par run here last time with a strong autostart record. Major appeal.
- 8. **EVA DE GUERINIERE** 3.5L seventh when strongly supported in the market at this level two starts ago. Consider with an impressive barefoot record.
- 9. EVITA MADRIK Down the field at this track first up. Improvement likely with shoes removed.
- 10. FERIA DE L'ITON Sixth in an easier course autostart thirteen days ago. Frame prospects on earlier form.
- 11. **EXTASE DU BOUFFEY** One place from nine attempts at this venue. Others have more appeal.
- 12. **CARLA GRIFF** Fourth behind a subsequent winner in an easier Cagnes-sur-Mer autostart two runs back. Not ruled out.
- 13. FLORA VENESI Dual autostart winner but arrives in moderate form. Looking elsewhere for the winner.
- 14. EDENA BELLA Down the field in previous couple of autostarts at this level here. Hard to fancy.
- 15. FLORE MERITE Held eighth in previous attempt at this level of an autostart. Step forward needed.

Summary: FAVORITE DARLING (7) boasts a strong autostart record so is worth forgiving a below par run at this track in latest. Expected to go close if delivering best. FOUGUE DU DOLLAR (1) ran runner-up behind a future winner at Cabourg. Bold showing likely. EVA DE GUERINIERE (8) is ideally placed with an impressive record without shoes. Each-way contender. FILLE DU CHENE (2) and ELENE BOURGEOISE (3) appeal for place positions.

Selections

FAVORITE DARLING (7) - FOUGUE DU DOLLAR (1) - EVA DE GUERINIERE (8) - FILLE DU CHENE (2) - ELENE BOURGEOISE (3)

Race 8 - PRIX MICHEL MARCEL GOUGEON - 2700m WALK-UP 345 Harness. Purse EUR €90,000.

- 1. **GLORANIE DES NOES** Fair mounted form after winning an easier Saint-Galmier walk up. This demands significant improvement.
- 2. GOLD RIVER Placed in previous five driven events including here fifteen days ago. One to keep on side.
- 3. **GIROLAMO** Held in previous four driven Group outings. Likely to find a few too strong again.
- 4. **GAMAY DE L'ITON** Three driven placings in-a-row including a fine third in the G2 Prix Doynel de Saint-Quentin. Winning chance.
- 5. **GASPAR DE BRION** Completed a driven double in an easier course event two starts ago. Leading claims up in class with a top record barefoot.
- 6. GOLDY MARY Tenth in the G2 Prix d'Amerique Races Q4 on penultimate outing. This is easier.
- 7. GRAND ART Fine sixth in the G2 Prix d'Amerique Races Q4 here last month. Among the place options.
- 8. GIANT CHIEF Ninth in the G2 Prix d'Amerique Races Q4. Could bounce back with a good course record.

Summary: GAMAY DE L'ITON (4) ran a fine third in the G2 Prix Doynel de Saint-Quentin. Has been found a strong opportunity for a winning chance. GASPAR DE BRION (5) is expected to go close with a solid course record without shoes. GIANT CHIEF (8) could improve after a ninth in the G2 Prix d'Amerique Races Q4. Each-way pick with good course form. GRAND ART (7) cannot be ruled out for a placing.

Selections

GAMAY DE L'ITON (4) - GASPAR DE BRION (5) - GIANT CHIEF (8) - GRAND ART (7)

Race 9 - PRIX DE LA FERTE MACE - 2175m WALK-UP A40 Harness. Purse EUR €50,000.

- 1. JAZZY DANCER Has shown ability thus far but others make more appeal after a DQ a fortnight ago.
- 2. JIVRY Sixth when reappearing in an easier course walk up last week. Should strip fitter.
- 3. JOKER DES MOLLES Three straight DQ tempers enthusiasm. Others more reliable.
- 4. JAKARTAS DES PRES Reached the frame in this company here second up. Each-way appeal.
- 5. JOYAU DE MORTREE Improved third in a weaker course walk up last week. Not guaranteed to replicate.
- 6. **JOYEUX MESLOIS** Four consecutive placings before a fair fifth at this level. Thereabouts.
- 7. JASPERS TURGOT 5L eighth in this class here 22 days previously. Place hope.
- 8. JUBILE PRIOR 4.25L seventh in this company here earlier in the month. Frame prospects.
- 9. JAGUAR WIT Hit the frame in the G3 Prix Timoko three outings back. Leading hope.

Summary: JAGUAR WIT (9) is the most likely winner if replicating a fine placing in the G3 Prix Timoko three starts ago. Major chance. JOYEUX MESLOIS (6) is a consistent type who ran fifth in this company last time. Found a suitable race to go close. JUBILE PRIOR (8) rates among the frame chances after a 4.25L defeat at this level in latest. JAKARTAS DES PRES (4) can continue solid driven form with a third straight placing.

Selections

JAGUAR WIT (9) - JOYEUX MESLOIS (6) - JUBILE PRIOR (8) - JAKARTAS DES PRES (4)