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R1 VINCENNES [L-H]

C1 - PRIX TRITON - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 46.000

1. **GREAT D'ARRY** - Modest trotter with 2 runs in him since the long layoff. Stays shod however and has no realistic chance
2. **HERMES D'ECROVILLE** - No slouch for the most part but has better references in the amateur category these days and others preferred
3. **HEUREUX DE FLEUR** - Consistently in the thick of things when he can keep his action together. By no means disgraced here 3 weeks ago and has every chance of making the frame once more
4. **GOSSIP BOY** - Unremarkable over recent months and has not delivered here since last season. Disregard
5. **HACKER LOVER** - Serious trotter that impressed in his last 2 starts here. Has just returned from a long hiatus and, if fully fit, could well set the cat among the pigeons
6. **GIANT MADRIK** - Hardy trotter that has been very hard to fault this year. Won 3 of last 4 and although not a leading contender, he has won 2 of 2 for Matthieu Abrivard. Attention
7. **HOUSTON PAJELO** - Undeniably capable and tends to acquit himself well here, but would have better prospects a level down
8. **HAMILTON DU HAM** - At the top of his game for past 4 months. Excels over 2700m on the main track and steps back up in category with a realistic chance of going one better on his recent amateur performance
9. **HONEY KING** - Has not been seen here since last winter but is a model of consistency. Appreciates Vincennes and, barefoot for the occasion, is not about to disappoint
10. **HARISON DU PLESSIS** - Quality individual with top credentials here when unshod. Barefoot again after just missing out here recently and is not incapable of setting the record straight
11. **HESCORT LOVE** - Useful sort with decent Vincennes references and should not be too hastily judged for recent sanction. Would prefer a flatter track but can still get a look in
12. **GERONIMO FUEGO** - Has not once finished out of the frame in current shoeing configuration. Got back down to business at La Rochelle but will face a tougher task this time around
13. **HERMES LUDOIS** - Has not got his nose in front for 16 months but always gives his best. Drops marginally in category and should make up for his recent disappointment

Summary : An interesting contest this with a number in contention, but a tentative nod nonetheless goes to HAMILTON DU HAM (8) who has been little short of impressive since his return to competition in the summer. That being said, HARISON DU PLESSIS (10) thrives on the main track and his latest course-and-distance effort stands him in good stead. The ever-consistent HEUREUX DE FLEUR (3) finished a place behind him that day and should again figure prominently, but may first have to defer to the fine HACKER LOVER (5) who is barefoot for his first objective of the winter meeting.

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**HAMILTON DU HAM (8) - HARISON DU PLESSIS (10) - HACKER LOVER (5) - HEUREUX
DE FLEUR (3)**

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**C2 - PRIX HERMANTARIA - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €
62.000**

- 1. KEOPS TILLAYE** - Capable on a good day but lacklustre behind KALAO DU VIVIER (10) a fortnight ago and is unlikely to influence the outcome
- 2. KRAKEN CASTELETS** - Tough individual that has won 2 of last 3, most recently in good order here, but steps up in category, with Raffin on the favourite this time, but is still worth retaining
- 3. KEYBOARD** - Moderate sort that sprang something of a surprise here before being trounced on his last start before the spell. Has one race under his belt, and pads fitted for the occasion, but still not a priority
- 4. KEYNOTE** - Capable colt that was rewarded with a facile victory at Chartres last month. Takes on some better beasts this time and looks more a minor place prospect
- 5. KANTO AVIS** - Never far from losing his action but has bags of ability and has won over track and trip. Gave a fine account when entrusted to Benjamin Rochard for the first time and can get in on the action if he stays in stride
- 6. KASSIDY KID** - Good, consistent colt that has never failed to deliver at this level. Pleased, despite some stride issues, on re-entry and will have his supporters
- 7. KAPORAL DES FORGES** - Showed significant promise during the spring and has solid credentials over 2700m here, but disappointing in his last 3 and can be passed over
- 8. KHAL'S FELLA** - Quality colt that has not been seen out since late-July but is fitted with hind pads for the first time and it would be no surprise to see him get straight back in the game
- 9. KISS ATOUT** - Remarkably impressive earlier in the year, which included securing a course-and-distance victory. Has 3 runs in him since the spell and, fitted with 4 pads for the first time, will be one to watch
- 10. KALAO DU VIVIER** - Good future prospect that seldom lets the side down. Proven over 2700m here, is close to his race, and can play a leading role
- 11. KID BELLAY** - Has delivered just once in 4 appearances on the long course but Raffin back in the sulky and can more than make amends. Chance
- 12. KARMA QUICK** - Serious future prospect with a fine strike-rate but has not been seen out since February and will need the run
- 13. KENO PETTEVINIERE** - Useful for the most part but has shown the limit of his capacity at this level and will have few takers
- 14. KEPI DU HOME** - Capable type that surprised under these conditions during the summer but has twice failed to confirm and can be ruled out
- 15. KEENAN DE JOUDES** - A veritable metronome that takes on a bigger challenge here but showed great tenacity last time out and makes his metropolitan debut with every chance of imposing

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Summary : Remarkably effective since his first steps on the track, KEENAN DE JOUDES (15) has won all three since the summer break, benefits from a very good entry at the limit of earnings, and can make his Vincennes debut a winning one. He will still face opposition from the delicate but immensely capable KID BELLAY (11) who will be piloted by Eric Raffin this time, and KALAO DU VIVIER (10) who has been a model of consistency since starting to race with pads. The justifiably well-regarded KANTO AVIS (5) reassured at Laval earlier in the month and, on good behaviour, can put on another good show.

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KEENAN DE JOUDES (15) - KID BELLAY (11) - KALAO DU VIVIER (10) - KANTO AVIS (5)

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C3 - PRIX OSTARA - 2100m (a1 5/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 53.000

1. ILE AUX MOINES - Has not won since September 2020 but boasts a good record over 2100m at Vincennes. Has 2 races under her belt, is barefoot for the occasion, and looks competitive for a place on the podium

2. IRIS DES CHAMPS - Fine servant with a decent spot in front, but makes her first appearance since February and, with shoes on, will have little to offer

3. IMPERATRICE D'ELLE - Very good in the other discipline but, under harness, has no realistic chance

4. IDYLLE DU PERSIL - Pleased more than once here last winter meeting but is unseen since August and will not be given a hard race

5. IKYTA DE LA VALLEE - Yet to be bested in 3 starts when unshod all 4, including a brace over track and trip. Well-positioned behind the car and can maintain her unbeaten barefoot stretch

6. IRINA D'ATOUT - Versatile mare that seldom disappoints when barefoot. Is clearly in excellent condition, has previously won under similar conditions, and can give IKYTA DE LA VALLEE (5) a run for her money

7. ISEULT FLOWER - Considerably better than her formcard would suggest. Gave a fine account of herself here mid-September and will not be far from the action if she can replicate that performance

8. IMAGE D'ATALANTE - Won over track and trip during the spring before being put away for the summer. Front pads fitted this time and, with freshness on her side, will not be far off the mark

9. ISLA MUJERES - Erratic mare that has never shown any particular liking for the Vincennes main track and the wide draw will only compound matters

10. IN LOVE WITH CHENU - Not the most reliable of trotters but ran 3rd to IMAGE D'ATALANTE (8) during the summer. Will have come on for her return run but still has more to find

11. IVANA DE BERTRANGE - Good, consistent sort in both branches of the business. Goes over any trip, has won over 2100m here, but would have a better chance at a marginally lower level

12. IVANJICA DE LOU - Useful mare that enjoyed a fruitful streak here earlier in the year. Has never won over 2100m, and breaks on the second row, but is shod to preference and must not be overlooked

13. IMAGE CHARENNAISE - Can prove a handful but has solid credentials at the venue. Is barefoot for just 2nd start back, has been handed a tough draw, but the engagement of an in-form Benjamin Rochard will only enhance her prospects

Summary : A useful sort with shoes on, IKYTA DE LA VALLEE (5) is simply dynamic when racing barefoot and, twice a winner over course and distance, she should be fully fit by now and can wrap this up. There will be resistance though from the reinvigorated IRINA D'ATOUT (6) who starts on her outside, and IRINA D'ATOUT (6) who caught the eye in better company on her penultimate start at the venue. ILE AUX MOINES (1) is forced to break on the inside but has nothing to prove over 2100m here and can start to come good again.

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**IKYTA DE LA VALLEE (5) - IRINA D'ATOUT (6) - ISEULT FLOWER (7) - ILE AUX MOINES
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C4 - PRIX DE L'INSTITUT DU DROIT EQUIN - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 40.000

- 1. JEZABELLE BIE** - Significantly better horse in the other code and will have nothing to offer
- 2. JOYCE DU VAL** - Capable type when she can stay focused. Returned to the winners' enclosure at Lyon-La Sole last time but shoes back on and best to hold off
- 3. JASMINE DE GREZ** - Still searching for that elusive first win but has done nothing but improve since the break and, barefoot for the occasion, is unlikely to disappoint
- 4. JONA DE REVE D'OR** - Not the worst horse in the field but has been struggling of late. Reunited with David Thomain for whom she has never disappointed but still not an obvious choice
- 5. JUTONNIERE** - Not once out of the frame when unshod. Is plainly in shape and, sporting a new configuration, should not be too far off the mark
- 6. JEANNE DELO** - Useful on a good day and has won over the distance but looked ordinary on re-entry and appears to need another run
- 7. JASMINE DE JYR** - Course-and-distance winner on her penultimate outing before the break. Has one race under her belt and is barefoot for the occasion but others still preferred
- 8. JESSY DES PISTES** - Springs the occasional surprise but has placed just once in her last 11 starts on the main track and chances appear limited
- 9. JENUFA** - Respectable filly that has hardly stepped a foot out of line since the spring. Is confirmed under these conditions but can expect to face a stiffer test this time around
- 10. JALENZA DU BOCAGE** - Has shown a different side to herself since starting to race unshod all 4. Belied her odds to impose here earlier in the month and will not be far off the mark if she takes to the main track profile
- 11. JOLIE MAJYC** - Not always the most reliable of horses but has been acquitting herself well lately. Encouraged over track and trip last time and, with application, can again figure prominently
- 12. JOYCE DES GRANGES** - Just the one win to her name in 24 starts but is not without merit and can get a look in if she replicates her latest Enghien performance
- 13. JOY TO GIS** - Clearly capable but disappointing on the whole last season. Gave a decidedly more impressive account last time out and, with form maintained, can apply the pressure on JETIDA (16)
- 14. JAVA DE LA ROUVRE** - Barring her main track run mid-September, has shown good consistency when barefoot. Ran out of steam at Enghien but returns to a more suitable trip and will generate some interest
- 15. JOLIE SMART** - Tenacious winner on her Vincennes debut here 3 months ago but did not enjoy the best of runs next time. Returns from a spell but nevertheless goes barefoot and improvement is expected
- 16. JETIDA** - Fine trotter that showed her form over shorter here on just second start back. Will have no issue with the distance and has every chance of opening her winter account

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Summary : A quality filly that has climbed the class ladder in good order, JETIDA (16) missed out by little here late last month and, given the excellent entry, must be considered the horse to beat. Mathieu Mottier will still want to be wary of the revitalised JOY TO GIS (13) who dead-heated here last Sunday, and the improving JASMINE DE GREZ (3) who returns to racing barefoot. JALENZA DU BOCAGE (10) opened her Vincennes account recently and debuts on the main track with a good hand to play.

SELECTIONS

JETIDA (16) - JOY TO GIS (13) - JASMINE DE GREZ (3) - JALENZA DU BOCAGE (10)

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C5 - PRIX VIBILIA - 2200m (a1 3/8m) - Class - Mounted - EUR € 41.000

1. IAROSLAVA - Reliable in the ridden code and was not disgraced behind ISIS PASSION (11) at Caen. Is untried at Vincennes but should appreciate the new profile and will have her supporters

2. ICALINE DIESCHOOT - Has yet to impose in the discipline but regularly makes her presence felt when applied. Sanctioned in last 2, but sports a revised shoeing formula, and the Eric Raffin-factor cannot be ignored

3. IDYLLE DES BERTHES - Unexceptional mare but can trot. Encouraged on recent return to the discipline but others still preferred

4. IVORY PERRINE - Modest mare that has twice failed to make the grade under these conditions and appears to have too much to do

5. IONA GENDREENNE - Hardy mare that has thrived since changing disciplines. Benefits from a Benjamin Rochard ride this time and looks the principal danger to IRINA DU RIS (9)

6. INTRIGANTE - Mixes the good with the less good but can trot. Unraced for over 4 months though and, even though barefoot for re-entry, is unlikely to trouble the judge

7. INKY PERRINE - Disappointing in her first 4 monté starts but showed a different side at Laval recently and, while unlikely to impose, can still pick up a cheque

8. INES D'HERMES - Undeniably complicated but is very useful in this branch of the business. Will be fully fit by now and with Paul Ploquin back in the irons, will be afforded every chance

9. IRINA DU RIS - A quality element under the saddle, she can nonetheless prove a handful. Boasts decent Vincennes references and, on good behaviour, can make this her own

10. IDA D'ARRY - Consistently acquits herself competitively under the saddle and will appreciate this more even surface. Barefoot for second start since the break and looks good enough to challenge for a spot in the frame

11. ISIS PASSION - Solid as a rock since returning to the monté discipline. Put on a good show at Caen recently and, fitted with 4 pads this time, will be competitive for a place on the podium

12. ILLUSION DU RUEL - Has raced just twice under the saddle but has shown promise. Is barefoot this time but, in this company, will face a stiff test

Summary : Although a difficult horse to handle, IRINA DU RIS (9) has nevertheless demonstrated fine aptitude for the monté code. She won over course and distance last season and, shod to preference this time, can confirm. Similarly impressive since switching codes, IONA GENDREENNE (5) returned to winning ways at Graignes and, entrusted to Benjamin Rochard this time, could well pull off the double. The tricky INES D'HERMES (8) has just once raced over the short course but has 4 monté victories to her name and, if behaved, can finish in the mix. IDA D'ARRY (10) has yet to lose her maiden tag but always gives her best and, shoes off this time, can figure prominently.

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IRINA DU RIS (9) - IONA GENDREENNE (5) - INES D'HERMES (8) - IDA D'ARRY (10)

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**C6 - PRIX EURYNOME - 2100m (a1 5/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR €
38.000**

1. LIBERTINE DJOB - Excellent in qualification before being sent out at a bizarre 112/1 on career debut. Showed marked improvement in a similar event across town a month back and, even from the inside line, should not be far off the mark

2. LADAMES - Got off the mark at Cabourg last month when fitted with pads for the first time. Raced better here a week later than the result would suggest and, reunited with David Thomain, will be no pushover

3. LIBELLA DU HOULBET - Won at the first time of asking but has not been as sharp since. Encouraged at Graignes and is nicely-positioned behind the car, but still seems to have her work cut out

4. LIBEREE DELIVREE - Progressive filly that opened her account when beating LAKARA (8) at Cabourg last month and is expected to put on another good show on her metropolitan debut

5. LOUISIANE DE BOMO - Highly impressive in qualification and has not disappointed since. Comes here fresh, is well-placed behind the car, and can maintain her unbeaten status

6. LA JOIE DE VIVRE - Has yet to make good on her promise after qualifying well during the summer and can expect to have few friends

7. LITTLE STRAWBERRY - Showed decent aptitude for the game during the summer. Eased back in at Enghien last month and, 4 pads fitted this time, should show some improvement

8. LAKARA - Qualified nicely during the summer and has looked a decent trotter in the making since beginning to race. Starts wide but will appreciate returning to a mobile start and must be afforded respect

9. L'ILE DU TRIEUX - Has evident ability but has yet to show her true worth. Entrusted to Matthieu Abrivard this time but still no more than a minor place prospect

10. LYMKA PRINCESSE - Career debutante that made no waves in her spring qualification and is unlikely to shake things up

11. LIPIKA JOSSELYN - Well-regarded filly that missed the start on her debut last Sunday. On the second line but will be dangerous if Romain Congard gets her off on the right foot

12. LA FEE DU NOYER - Gave a fine account of herself on Enghien debut during the summer before subsequently being disqualified. Returned modestly after her holiday and, even with pads fitted for the occasion, still appears to have her work cut out

Summary : A good bunch of juveniles here with no one given standout, although LOUISIANE DE BOMO (5) can expect to receive considerable support after confirming her fine qualification with two straight successes. LADAMES (2) has a very different profile but she has taken well to racing with pads and, with better fortune this time, can turn the tables on the progressive LAKARA (8) who is forced to start wide. Ideally-positioned on the front line, LIBEREE DELIVREE (4) beat the latter at Cabourg last month and must also be considered a player.

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LOUISIANE DE BOMO (5) - LADAMES (2) - LAKARA (8) - LIBEREE DELIVREE (4)

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C7 - PRIX LEONA - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - European - Mounted - EUR € 52.000

- 1. JAD DE CALIX** - Is not without ability but sanctioned more often than not and can expect to remain friendless in the markets
- 2. JAZZY THOURJAN** - Trotter of considerable ability but can prove a handful. Impressed on recent re-entry here and looks competitive for a spot in the mix at the business end of the race
- 3. JACKPOT DU CHOQUEL** - 21 starts and yet to lose his maiden tag but is not without merit. Breaks in front and has a decent chance of making the first 5
- 4. JIL** - Competent, courageous trotter taking a big dip in category after finishing 6th in the Gr.1 Prix des Elites. Prepped shod at Laval but shoes off this time and, with application, can have her day in the sun
- 5. JIMAKO VERDERIE** - Occasionally loses focus but left a good impression on her first start back. Is untried on the inner course but has sufficiently good credentials on the main track to be considered a major player
- 6. JALISCO FLIGNY** - Gr.2-placed last winter before coming off the boil and has picked up this term where he left off
- 7. JUPITER DE PLAY** - Showed significant flair for the monté code last winter during which time he notched up a Gr.3 victory. Breaks on the 2nd line but still looks a leading proposition
- 8. JULIANA DE RETZ** - Not as sharp as she was last season. Did reassure behind JIMAKO VERDERIE (5) in the race of reference though and, even from the back row, must not be underestimated

Summary : A Group-class filly with a magnificent entry on the front line here, JIL (4) won her only start over track and trip and, barefoot for her first goal of the winter season, can get straight down to business. She will, however, be directly opposed by the difficult, but clearly talented, JUPITER DE PLAY (7) who gave a very good account in the Gr.3 Prix Olry-Roederer despite losing his action, and is a horse with the capacity to overcome the 25m handicap. Fourth that day, and hard to knock when applied, JIMAKO VERDERIE (5) also incurs the penalty but still looks a serious player. The capable JAZZY THOURJAN (2) reassured on the main track earlier in the month and, if similarly well-behaved, can get in on the action.

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JIL (4) - JUPITER DE PLAY (7) - JIMAKO VERDERIE (5) - JAZZY THOURJAN (2)