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R3 LISIEUX [R-H]

C1 - PRIX DE L'HIPPODROME DE LISIEUX-NORMANDIE - 2725m (a1m1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 17,500

1. NIL DAIRPET - Qualified in 1'20'8 at Caen last June. Receives a Yoann Lebourgeois drive for career bow and should not be ignored

2. NASH PERRINE - Has not been seen since being eliminated on debut last July. Has been afforded time to grow into himself and should be good enough to figure prominently this time

3. NO LIMIT DREAM - Has yet to show any particular aptitude for the discipline and appears to have no possible chance

4. NINO PRESTO - Disappointing on the whole so far and, in this company, is unlikely to make his presence felt

5. NEBRASKA FLEURY - Somewhat surprising 3rd behind NEVERMIND DAY (10) in a Caen Class F a fortnight ago. Will not be sent out at 52-1 this time but is unlikely to be as competitive either

6. NAPOLEON RANAIS - Ran 3rd on debut at Challans before coming 4th behind NEVERMIND DAY (10) in a Caen Class F a fortnight ago. Is not about to get off the mark but can nonetheless challenge for a place in the picture

7. NELATO BELLO - Has excelled in neither start this term and even with pads fitted for the occasion is still not an obvious choice

8. NEED YOU MESLOIS - Goes clockwise for the first time after having run 4th in a Laval Class F 3 weeks ago. Is plainly on the right road and looks a decent place chance this time

9. NELSON DE BELLANDE - Respectable but unexceptional colt that finished a one-paced 5th in a Caen Class F early this month and is not about to shake things up

10. NEVERMIND DAY - Gave a fine account on debut when 2nd in a Caen Class F a fortnight back. Will have come on for the run and Benjamin Rochard will be eyeing victory this time

11. NOBLE SUPREME - Looked thoroughly professional when 2nd to a good horse on debut in a Caen Class F on 16 March. Comes here with a better idea of what to do and can wrap this up

Summary: Runner-up in a Caen Class F 10 days ago, on his career debut, NOBLE SUPREME (11) clearly has a lot of potential and it will not be long before he loses his maiden status. Mathieu Mottier will still be mindful of NEVERMIND DAY (10) who ran 2nd in a Caen Class F 4 days earlier. NAPOLEON RANAIS (6) came 4th that day and, with pads fitted, can again figure prominently, but may first have to see off NEED YOU MESLOIS (8) who seems to get better with every run.

SELECTIONS

NOBLE SUPREME (11) - NEVERMIND DAY (10) - NEED YOU MESLOIS (8) - NAPOLEON RANAIS (6)

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C2 - PRIX ROGER LEDOYEN - 2725m (a1m1/2) - Class D Amateur Riders - Mounted - EUR € 24,000

- 1. KECILPOSTE** - Completely out of the picture in both codes since last summer. Sports pads though, just as she did when twice placing at Saint-Malo, and will have her supporters
- 2. KALISA DU GITE** - Sports fresh configuration for return from her break. Is no star in the ridden code and will likely prove the point
- 3. KAPRIUS DE PLAY** - Has not been seen out since late-October. Is new to the code and is not about to spice things up
- 4. KATE METEOR** - Makes monte bow following a pair of disappointing harness efforts. Is confirmed right-handed though and the front-line start will do nothing to lessen her chances
- 5. KERCADIA BARTH** - Spirited mare with decent monte references. Has a race under her belt following the spell, starts on the front line, and on good behaviour can finish in the mix
- 6. LAUREL LA RAVELLE** - Back in his code of preference after prepping under harness at Caen a week ago. Is nicely in on the front line and has a legitimate claim on the spoils
- 7. KIRA DE CHARENCEY** - Fine campaigner but has not been seen out since September and is going to need the race
- 8. KRACK FOULONIERE** - Disappointing in Amiens comeback mid-month. Is confirmed in the discipline but will first need to reassure
- 9. LEA DE FROULAY** - Flattering 5th of 6 runners in a Graignes Class F mid-month. Reverts to racing with 4 pads but others easier to like
- 10. KILLER ANGOT** - Back under the saddle following a pair of harness conditioners. Stays shod this time though and others easier to support
- 11. LOU D'ECROVILLE** - Highly-complicated in the monte discipline but has buckets of ability, and will not be far off the mark if she stays in stride
- 12. LATINO BEJI** - Has won 3 of last 5 monte starts and has nothing to prove going clockwise. Is barefoot for first time at Lisieux and despite the handicap will be well-backed to win this
- 13. KEOPS LUDOIS** - Highly-consistent in the ridden code and went into his break on a good note. Is clearly in race-mode and can play a prominent role even though starting with a 25m penalty
- 14. LOCO FLIGNY** - Disappointing under harness since the turn of the year but has evident talent, and if ability transitions can make a big impact

Summary: Consistently performant when barefoot and applied, LATINO BEJI (12) returns to racing right-handed with a realistic chance of imposing. He will be opposed though by the generous and barefoot LAUREL LA RAVELLE (6) who is 25m better off, and the hardy KEOPS LUDOIS (13) who will be shod to preference for comeback. LOCO FLIGNY (14) debuts in the discipline after some lacklustre harness efforts and may well find his new vocation under the saddle.

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LATINO BEJI (12) - LAUREL LA RAVELLE (6) - KEOPS LUDOIS (13) - LOCO FLIGNY (14)

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C3 - PRIX COMMUNAUTE D'AGGLOMERATION DE LISIEUX - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. MIAMI** - Still a maiden but can trot. Has solid right-handed references and, with shoes off for the first time, can make her presence felt
- 2. MITSY DU NOYER** - Starts for the first time since failing to deliver at Cabourg on 2 January, and already looks outclassed
- 3. MARA DU SAPHIR** - Has not been seen out since getting off the mark at Cabourg last July. Will have been specifically prepared for this and considering how well the Sassier yard is going, can give MOON NORMANDY (7) a run for her money
- 4. MINDIE DES PRES** - Useful filly that should not be condemned for being eliminated on her re-entry 2 weeks ago. Is new to Lisieux but will have progressed for the race, goes barefoot, and from the 4 slot has a good hand to play
- 5. MELITTE DE RIVIERE** - Should not be criticised for losing her action in Paris a month back. At Mauquenchy, won her last mobile start event and, with her mind on the game, will be no easy touch
- 6. MALICIA** - Has not been seen out since placing under the saddle last September. Hind shoes off for comeback but will have other ambitions
- 7. MOON NORMANDY** - Got straight down to business on re-entry when dominating a Mauquenchy Class E. Handed a poor number but still looks the pick of the field
- 8. MA DOUCE DE DALINE** - Respectable for the most part but has raced just once since last summer. Hind shoes off for the first time but the draw will do her no favours
- 9. MELODIE D'AMOUR** - Showed her form in a Caen Class E last week despite losing her action. Goes barefoot again and, if applied, can contest the finish
- 10. MEXICA BELLA** - Showed promise last summer but has raced just once since and is expected to be a race shy
- 11. MASCOTTE DU STADE** - Ran 2nd at Graignes prior to coming 4th in an Amiens Class E 3 weeks ago. Is not about to win this but still has the wherewithal to finish in the mix
- 12. MALIZIOSA** - Unexceptional filly that was not disgraced in a Mauquenchy Class F 10 days ago, however confirmation is unlikely
- 13. MAYA DE KACY** - Has not been seen out since last July. Pleased on lone Lisieux run but has nothing to bring to this particular party
- 14. MARILYN D'OURVILLE** - Pleasantly surprising 3rd in a Vire Class F early this month prior to finishing last of 9 at Mauquenchy a fortnight later. Is barefoot again but others still easier to trust

Summary: MOON NORMANDY (7) may still be somewhat green but there is no doubting her ability. Facile winner at Mauquenchy on her first start since December, she has been handed a wide draw, but with Gabriele Gelormini reining can nevertheless confirm. MARA DU SAPHIR (3) is better-placed behind the car, and has not raced since last July, but will be first-time barefoot and very easy to like. MELODIE D'AMOUR (9) was full of running when eliminated at Caen and can make amends if Alexandre Abrivard successfully navigates the start. MELITTE DE RIVIERE (5) lost all chance at the start last time out but has otherwise been in excellent shape and, confirmed at the venue, will be expected to play an active role.

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**MOON NORMANDY (7) - MARA DU SAPHIR (3) - MELODIE D'AMOUR (9) - MELITTE DE
RIVIERE (5)**

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C4 - PRIX MFR VIMOUTIERS - 2725m (a1m1/2) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 23,000

- 1. LITTLE LOVE** - Showed early potential but has done nothing noteworthy since last July and can be confidently disregarded
- 2. LEADER STREET** - Previously a promising type but lost his way in second half of 2025 and has picked up where he left off. Reverts to a previous formula but still not a priority
- 3. LACERTOSUS** - Has done nothing but improve lately, most recently winning a Class G at Le Mont-Saint-Michel 2.5 weeks ago. Runs barefoot for just the 2nd time and steps up in category with a good hand to play
- 4. LUGANO DE HOUELLE** - Superb winner of a 2850m Laval Class E a month back. Has had ample time to get back to his best and can bring home the bacon if he turns
- 5. LORD DE L'AVRE** - Starts for the first time since winning a Laval Class F on 7 December. Is in conditioning-mode though and best to wait
- 6. LASTRONAUT DANOVER** - Eliminated in a Bordeaux Class E early this month on first start for almost 2 months. Has had 3 weeks to get back in shape and with a top pilot in the bike will be expected to finish close
- 7. LYNX DU RIB** - Useful trotter with just the one race in him following a 13 months' absence and is going to need another run
- 8. LEADER** - Good, consistent gelding that ran 4th of 14 in a Class F on re-entry at Le Mont-Saint-Michel 2.5 weeks ago. Placed on lone Lisieux run and will be no pushover
- 9. L'ARGENTIER** - Course-and-distance winner last July. Has 2 races under his belt since the layoff, and starts in front, but with shoes fitted is unlikely to upset the status quo
- 10. LEOPOLD DU BANNEY** - Nicely-engaged element that was somewhat below-par last time out, but form is not in question and his trainer will be anticipating redemption
- 11. LITTLE KING** - Unexceptional sort that ran 5th to L'AS DES CARAIBES (17) in Lyon on 19 January. Shoes fitted for comeback though and not a concern this time
- 12. LATINOS DU NOYER** - Has a brace of return runs to his name since his spell but would have a better chance if competitively-shod
- 13. LET'S GO MAURICIEN** - Serious sort with nothing to prove at this level but has not raced since October and will be given an easy race
- 14. LUCAS DE TOURNAI** - Handy individual with solid references under the saddle. Here for reasons of conditioning and can be ruled out
- 15. LOULOU DE L'AUNAY** - Fine 3rd at Caen on re-entry 3.5 weeks ago but failed to confirm at Vire last week and would also be preferred barefoot
- 16. LUCIANO ROYAL** - Capable going right-handed but has not been seen out since late-November and will have an extra 25m to travel
- 17. L'AS DES CARAIBES** - Blew up when appearing competitive for a place in the money at Mauquenchy 10 days ago. Failed to deliver on lone start at the venue but is no slouch and should not be overlooked

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18. LULU DES CARREAUX - Left a good impression on re-entry at Amiens. Is in competition-mode this time, goes well for Mathieu Mottier, went close on sole Lisieux start, and looks a serious proposition

Summary: LUGANO DE HOUELLE (4) produced quite the performance at Laval to open his 2026 account, and secure a first win for his new handler. He has no right-handed references but starts in front here, sporting a fresh configuration, and with application can make this his own. 25m worse off but well-engaged nonetheless, LULU DES CARREAUX (18) will be barefoot for his first goal of the year and should prove the main danger. Difficult to knock when focused, and sporting pads for the first time, LASTRONAUT DANOVER (6) should not be condemned for his re-entry elimination and the engagement of Alexandre Abrivard speaks volumes. LEADER (8) produced a solid comeback effort earlier this month and, confirmed here, is unlikely to disappoint. LEOPOLD DU BANNEY (10) has won 3 of his last 5 and the fine entry will only work to his advantage.

SELECTIONS

LUGANO DE HOUELLE (4) - LULU DES CARREAUX (18) - LASTRONAUT DANOVER (6) - LEADER (8)

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C5 - PRIX RUFFIN COUVERTURE - 2725m (a1m1/2) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 23,000

- 1. LITTLESNABE** - Decent individual that ran 4th to LHASSA DU SCION (3) in a Class F at Le Mont-Saint-Michel, on re-entry, mid-February. Has shown no liking for Lisieux though and will have few takers
- 2. LEFFE DU BRISSE** - 3rd to LHASSA DU SCION (3) in a Class F at Le Mont-Saint-Michel, on comeback, mid-February. On this occasion, though, will need to find more
- 3. LHASSA DU SCION** - Never far from faulting but has won 3 of last 6 starts, including going right-handed. Alexis Popot will appreciate the head-start and will not be far from the action if he manages to keep her mind on the job
- 4. LILY BECO** - Respectable mare facing first objective of the year after a much-needed re-entry run mid-month. Benefits from a front-row start but appears to be taking on too much
- 5. LOVELY BRUYERE** - Is not completely devoid of ability but suffers from stride woes. Has placed just once in 3 Lisieux starts and even though barefoot is not a priority
- 6. LADY PETTEVINIERE** - 32 races to her name and still chasing that elusive first win. No danger
- 7. LA TERRE DU BANNEY** - Has done nothing of note since last June. Has just the one race to her name this term and already appears to be out of her depth
- 8. LAVEZZI PEJI** - Respectable but unthreatening 6th in a Meslay Class F on re-entry mid-month. Is not an obvious choice at this level but will have her supporters
- 9. LA VALLEY FLIGNY** - Sprang a 69-1 surprise when 2nd in a Meslay-du-Maine Class F early last week. Benefits from a good entry on the front line and cannot be ruled out
- 10. LOUMIA CASTELETS** - Useful mare but has not been seen out since early-December and will have nothing to offer
- 11. LADY DU CEDRE** - Quality element making first appearance since imposing at Cabourg last July. Shoes fitted and poses no threat
- 12. LAGUNA SECA** - Pleased in first 2 return runs before failing to deliver in a Laval Class E 3 weeks ago. Is confirmed racing clockwise but others still easier to back
- 13. LOUVE DE CHANLECY** - Encountered little opposition in last 3 starts. Drops back in distance, at a track she doesn't know, but is shod to preference and the 4-timer is well within her capability
- 14. LADY MAJOR** - Produced a 34-1 surprise when 2nd in a Graignes Class E mid-month, however a repeat seems improbable
- 15. LOVE GLORY** - Got back in the game at Caen 2.5 weeks ago when 3rd in a Class E. Has placed in 2 of 3 with Mathieu Mottier and is unlikely to let the side down
- 16. LUMIERE BLUE** - Most impressive this year, winning 2 before placing at Vire. Is nicely-entered here and looks a respectable first-5 chance

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17. LETTY DE BEYLEV - Not the easiest of horses to use but form is not in question. Has demonstrated good aptitude for racing right-handed and in current condition has a decent chance of finishing in the mix

18. LIBERTINE DE CHENU - As good in one code as the other and got straight down to business following her break. Benefits from a fine entry and winning this is not out of the question

Summary: Winner of 3 on the trot before being sent for a spell, LOUVE DE CHANLECY (13) is competitively-shod for her return to competition and Antoine Wiels will be expecting her to pick up where she left off. He will still want to be wary of the terrifically-engaged LIBERTINE DE CHENU (18) who returns to the harness code after 2 excellent monte performances, and LOVE GLORY (15) who held her own at Caen earlier in the month. Well in on the back row, LETTY DE BEYLEV (17) has twice come close this term and on good behaviour can contest a place on the podium. LHASSA DU SCION (3) is undeniably tricky but seldom disappoints when focused, and the front-row start will do her prospects no disservice.

SELECTIONS

LOUVE DE CHANLECY (13) - LIBERTINE DE CHENU (18) - LOVE GLORY (15) - LETTY DE BEYLEV (17)

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C6 - PRIX DU CREDIT AGRICOLE NORMANDIE - 2725m (a1m1/2) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 26,000

1. **KATKO DES CHAMPS** - Serious trotter but at a lower level. Makes just 2nd start back and can be ignored
2. **KAY** - Got straight down to business on re-entry at Bihorel-lès-Rouen mid-month, but has been fitted with shoes this time and will have other ambitions
3. **KILLER D'ENFER** - Seldom gets his nose in front but always gives his best. Has form here, and starts in front, but races shod and is not a priority
4. **KOBRA JENILOU** - Generous mare that made up for Vincennes clinker when 3rd in a Vire Class E on 1 March. Pleased on sole Lisieux start, sports pads for the first time, starts in front, and is not one to be overlooked
5. **KOLMI DES EPINES** - Had been applying himself well last season before being sent for a rest on 23 December. Will be fitted with shoes for comeback though and will have nothing to contribute
6. **KOSCA DES CAILLONS** - Encouraged at Maure-de-Bretagne in early-February but failed to confirm at Chartres on 1 March and can be passed over
7. **KINJAL DE BELLANDE** - Useful mare with 2 runs under her belt since returning from a 12 months' absence. Will be barefoot for the occasion, breaks from the front line, and can get in on the action
8. **KENAVO PAROYO** - Impressive in first semester of 2025 before subsequently losing his way. Is barefoot for 2nd start back but still faces a stiff test
9. **KORA DE BLARY** - Looked decidedly ordinary on re-entry at Le Mont-Saint-Michel 2.5 weeks ago when last but 1 in a Class F. Sports a fresh configuration but still not a contender
10. **KATANE DU CORTA** - Very disappointing last autumn and winter. Has not been seen out since late-December and appears to have no possible chance
11. **KISS YOU PIYA** - Respectable element starting for the first time since August. Is padded for the occasion though and others preferred
12. **KAIROS DU PERCHE** - Occasionally spirited, as he showed at Le Mont Saint-Michel 2.5 weeks ago. Has otherwise been acquitting himself decently, reverts to a successful formula, and can get a look in
13. **KADEAU DE L'AVRE** - Handy element making first appearance since running 2nd at Enghien 5 months ago. Shoes on and no threat
14. **KITTS ET NEVIS** - Capricious he might be but has talent in spades. Will have come on for his excellent return run and, barefoot for the occasion, can win this
15. **KISS WOOD** - Seldom far from losing his action but won his last clockwise start and, with application, is unlikely to be far off the mark
16. **KLASSICA BLEUE** - Ran 3rd in a Caen Class D on comeback before losing all chance early at Vincennes last weekend. Is quite plainly in good shape and Alexandre Abrivard will be minded to get her off on the right foot

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17. KAGNOTTE D'AZIF - In the frame in 2 of last 3, most recently 3rd in an Amiens Class F mid-month. Presents excellent right-handed credentials and, considering the entry, is easy to fancy for a place in the frame

18. KAPELLA DAIRPET - Failed to confirm January run when suffering traffic problems in Paris last weekend. Has a lot going for her here, however, and can wrap this up if Mathieu Mottier keeps her out of trouble. Chance

Summary: Occasionally a handful but otherwise a game trotter, KITTS ET NEVIS (14) gave a good account of himself on re-entry early this month, and racing barefoot this time is in with a realistic shout of imposing. Yoann Lebourgeois will still be mindful of the superbly-entered and in-form KAPELLA DAIRPET (18) who was most unlucky at Vincennes last Saturday, and KLASSICA BLEUE (16) who was eliminated early that day after having made a fine comeback at Caen. KAGNOTTE D'AZIF (17) placed in an Amiens Class F mid-month and will be reunited with her regular partner. KISS WOOD (15) is never easy to gauge and comes here on a hat-trick of eliminations, but perhaps a return to racing right-handed can change all that.

SELECTIONS

KITTS ET NEVIS (14) - KAPELLA DAIRPET (18) - KLASSICA BLEUE (16) - KAGNOTTE D'AZIF (17)

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**C7 - PRIX LARCHER PUBLICITE - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class F - Harness -
EUR € 26,000**

- 1. HESPERANCE ELTE** - Useful on a good day and won here last summer. Has just the one run in him since the break but will be barefoot and should be taken seriously
- 2. HOLLY GREEN** - Made up for Vincennes run when 3rd in a Laval Class D, at 37-1, 3 weeks ago. Has been entrusted to Gabriele Gelormini for the first time and the draw will only help his cause
- 3. HIGH MONEY D'AVRAN** - No star but is not the worst horse here either. Takes a dip in category after being trounced in a Vincennes Class E a month back but will still need to find more
- 4. IMAKO VERDERIE** - Enjoyed a fruitful autumn and early-winter. Lost his action at Caen 2.5 weeks ago but enjoys a good draw, and makes his Lisieux debut with a reasonable chance of making first 5
- 5. IROCKO STRYCK** - Tricky but well-regarded type making first start since November. Shoes fitted and not a concern
- 6. HEIDI DU BISET** - In the frame in 3 of last 4 starts, most recently good 3rd in a Graignes Class F mid-month. Is in her category and it is only a question of time before she gets her head back in front
- 7. IVARUN** - Bit off more than he could chew in Paris recently but returns to racing clockwise and will have his chances if applied
- 8. ICE TEA** - Unraced since failing to deliver in Paris on 28 December, and would be preferred in the amateur division
- 9. IDEALE DE LA COMTE** - Previously a useful trotter but has been off the boil for some time and has no possible chance on comeback
- 10. HYPERION DU BOCAGE** - Placed twice in the amateur division before failing to fire behind HEIDI DU BISET (6) at Graignes mid-month, and is unlikely to create an upset
- 11. HUNMEC SOMOLLI** - Has yet to deliver since returning from a lengthy absence but ran 6th behind HEIDI DU BISET (6) at Graignes mid-month and, although not a priority, can still play a small part
- 12. HELIOS D'EURVAD** - Has done nothing noteworthy since placing in a Caen amateurs Class F last September. Was eliminated on re-entry 10 days ago and can be confidently disregarded
- 13. INDIGO DU PERCHE** - Reassuring 3rd of 11 in a 2550m Reims Class F on 14 March. Yoann Lebourgeois takes over in the bike and even from the 2nd row can contest the finish
- 14. IN LOVE D'ECAJEUL** - Back at the top of his game with 2 straight victories, most recently with ease at Caen. Is unbeaten with François Lagadeuc who will be hoping to keep that fact relevant

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Summary: IN LOVE D'ECAJEUL (14) has been enjoying something of a resurgence since switching yards. He has pulled a rough number here but still makes his Lisieux bow with every expectation of securing the hat-trick. Better-placed in front, HEIDI DU BISET (6) has been knocking at the door and will be barefoot for the first time at Lisieux. Starting just behind her, INDIGO DU PERCHE (13) showed marked improvement at Reims recently, has been reconfigured, and a top pilot has been engaged for the occasion. IVARUN (7) seldom disappoints when applied and his latest Vincennes run can be ignored.

SELECTIONS

IN LOVE D'ECAJEUL (14) - HEIDI DU BISET (6) - INDIGO DU PERCHE (13) - IVARUN (7)

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C8 - PRIX DE LA SOCIETE DES COURSES DE LISIEUX - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 20,000

- 1. MARQUIS SOMOLLI** - 6th of 10 finishers, on comeback, in a 2450m Caen Class E 2.5 weeks ago. Will have progressed for the race, and in this category looks a significantly better bet. Chance
- 2. MALOU DU BOIS** - Unexceptional gelding that has so far failed to leave his mark this term and in current condition, is unlikely to this time either
- 3. MIRAGE DE BRAY** - Courageous 3rd in a 2550m Reims Class E on comeback 12 days ago. Is not a contender but benefits from a good number and cannot be entirely ruled out
- 4. MY JIBAY** - Modest sort with better prospects at a much lower level and can be confidently disregarded
- 5. MACBETH** - Showed promise last spring but subsequently lost his way. Sports pads for the first time but is still not a priority
- 6. MY DREAM MESLOIS** - Has bags of talent but eliminated in last 6 starts. Alexandre Abrivard drafted in for the occasion and can make a big splash if he keeps him focused from one end of the race to the other
- 7. MAESTRO BILOU** - Disappointing for the most part. Showed little at Caen on re-entry, and is forced to break wide. Is competitively-shod for the first time but still unlikely to cause an upset
- 8. MAESTRO D'IDEF** - Made a good impression when 2nd in a Caen Class F on 2 March. Has ground to make up but has had time to come on and is not about to disappoint. Place chance
- 9. MEETING MESLOIS** - Got off the mark at Cabourg in October but eliminated in all 4 since. Front pads fitted this time but will still have few friends
- 10. MULTIPASS** - Put in a good finish in a Caen Class E 2.5 weeks ago. Presents solid credentials at this level and will have a lot to offer if his trainer successfully negotiates the start
- 11. MINOS DES CHARRONS** - Useful but complicated individual starting for first time since July. Has yet to make his mark for new trainer but will be competitively-shod and worth a second look
- 12. MONTANA KALOUMA** - Would have finished in the money had he stayed trotting on re-entry in a Caen Class E 2.5 weeks ago, and will be well-backed to make amends
- 13. MEPHISTO JAVANAIS** - Handed a tough number but likes a mobile start. Will be shod to preference following his Caen prep and, with application, will have a decent chance of making first 5
- 14. MILLION DREAMS** - Got off the mark on 1 March at Vire, on first barefoot start, but also 19th career outing. Shoes off again and although unlikely to repeat, should nevertheless acquit himself competitively

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Summary: Although eliminated on his seasonal bow at Caen earlier this month, MONTANA KALOUMA (12) has otherwise shown significant potential. He is forced to start on the back row but will be fitted with 4 pads for the first time and, with application, will take all the beating. By no means disgraced when being conditioned at Caen that day, MARQUIS SOMOLLI (1) will also be fitted with pads and has been accorded the 1 slot. MAESTRO D'IDEF (8) picked up there where he left off at Pontchateau before the break and despite the draw will have an important part to play. MULTIPASS (10) ran better at Caen than the result would suggest and merits serious attention.

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MONTANA KALOUMA (12) - MARQUIS SOMOLLI (1) - MAESTRO D'IDEF (8) - MULTIPASS (10)