R5 BEAUMONT-DE-LOMAGNE [R-H]

C1 - PRIX PIERRE DUMOUCH - 2550m (a1m1/2) - - Harness - EUR € 6,000

1. JAMES D'OVAKI - Successful in a Class G Amateurs' race at Agen Le Passage over 2,625m on 16 November. Is like a horse reborn and, on good behaviour, can trot his way onto the podium

2. J'AIME BARAKA - Finished 10th in a Class G Amateurs' race at Montauban over 2,400m on 25 October. Has done nothing noteworthy for some time and can be passed over

3. INCERTAIN LANCELOT - Disqualified in a Class G Amateurs' race at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,650m on 9 November. Sports 4 pads for the first time but is still not a concern

4. IBREIZH DEROZES - Finished 5th in a Class G Amateurs' race at Grenade-Sur-Garonne over 2,750m on 22 November, a fortnight after imposing at Castelsarrasin. Is not a priority but is still worth monitoring

5. JARNAC JULRY - Disqualified in a Class G at Grenade-Sur-Garonne over 2,725m on 31 October. Previous run was in the claiming category and is unlikely to draw much support

6. JAZZIE MARIVALOISE - Finished 7th in a Class G Amateurs' race over 2,400m here on 1 November. Is useful on a good day, but will first need to get her house in order

7. JOYAU WINNER - Showed marked improvement when third in a 2650m Bordeaux amateurs Class G three weeks ago. Cyril Baty stays faithful and can be forgiven for feeling bullish. First five

8. JAPAN GIRL - Finished 5th in a Class G Amateurs' race at Auch over 2,700m on 11 November. Showed her form at Grenade-sur-Garonne 11 days earlier in the professional ranks, but is still not an obvious choice

9. ILLICO FONTENAILLE - Finished 6th, at 249-1, in an Amateurs' race at Saint Brieuc over 3,150m on 15 November and will have few takers

10. JOYAU DE FAEL - Third in a Class G Amateurs' race at Grenade-Sur-Garonne over 2,750m on 22 November. Boasts excellent amateur credentials and, from the front line, can wrap this up

11. INSTINCT DU RENARD - Finished 3rd in a Class G Amateurs' race at Auch over 2,700m on 11 November. Incurs a penalty this time, though, and others preferred

12. GAPACHE DE HOUELLE - Finished 6th in a Class G Amateurs' race at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 22 November, just a week after running third over 2400m here, and must be respected

13. HORIZON PELSA - Finished 12th in a Class G Amateurs' race at Agen Le Passage over 2,625m on 16 November and would be preferred in the other code

14. GENIUS DE BRAYE - Should not be too hastily condemned for finishing 7th in a Class G Amateurs' race at Agen Le Passage over 2,625m on 16 November. Has otherwise been in excellent shape and is unlikely to let the side down

15. JANGO BELLO - Runner-up in a Class G Amateurs' race over course and distance on 1 November. Goes particularly well for his driver and, even from the back line, can contest the finish

16. HARKONNEN - Finished 9th in a Class G Amateurs' race at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,650m on 9 November. Benefits from a good engagement here, however, and ought to be retained

Summary: JOYAU DE FAEL (10), ideally placed at the limit of earnings, and JANGO BELLO (15), hard to fault at this level, can be considered the main protagonists. That being said, JAMES D'OVAKI (1) won two of his last three and, with application, will be dangerous. GENIUS DE BRAYE (14) deserves another chance. JOYAU WINNER (7) will be reunited with Cyril Baty and should be taken more seriously this time.

SELECTIONS

JOYAU DE FAEL (10) - JANGO BELLO (15) - JAMES D'OVAKI (1) - GENIUS DE BRAYE (14)

C2 - PRIX ROBERT PARDO - 2550m (a1m1/2) - - Mounted - EUR € 26,000

1. JAMAICAIN D'ORTUGE - Finished 3rd in a Class F at Châtelaillon over 2,625m on 8 November. Has yet to lose his maiden monté tag, and is unlikely to this time either, but starts in front and can give this a good go

2. SAMMY BOY (BEL) - Returns to the monté code after running fourth in a 2875m Enghien Class E in late October, and even in the absence of Mathieu Mottier still looks a major player

3. JILOU DU RADON - Finished 5th in a Class F at Toulouse over 2,950m on 13 November, but returns to racing shod and can be disregarded

4. LUMIO FALL - Has been disqualified in 3 consecutive starts, the latest a Class F at Toulouse over 2,950m on 13 November. Is useful when focused, but recent figures do nothing to inspire confidence

5. IBACA - Unplaced in a harness Class G Amateurs' race at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 22 November. Always gives her best, but still has a lot more to find

6. L'AS DE CAZOULENE - Ran 6th in a harness Class A over course and distance on 15 November. Failed to make his mark on monté debut last winter, but has ample ability and deserves another chance

7. KENZO D'EVA - Finished 2nd in a Class F at Laval over 2,850m on 15 November. Goes barefoot again, and the front row start will only enhance his already good prospects

8. LILI - Finished 12th in a harness Class A over course and distance on 15 November. Has demonstrated excellent aptitude for the discipline and even with an extra 25m to travel, still looks competitively well in

9. INSTANT DU BOIS - Third in a Class F Apprentices' race at Vire over 2,800m on 22 November. Has been knocking at the door all month, and with four pads fitted for the first time, should not be underestimated

10. JEANBLANC DUEM - Finished 8th in a harness Class D over 2,400m here on 1 November. Has two runs under his belt but is still not a concern

11. LATINO BEJI - Convincing winner of a Class F at Toulouse over 2,950m on 11 October, making it four monte victories in a row, and will be well-backed to make it five

12. IMHOTEP BUROIS - Finished 9th in a Class D at Toulouse over 2,950m on 21 October. Has made no impact in either code for some time and will have few, if any, friends

13. HARLEY DE QUARO - Makes his monté bow after finishing 13th at Castelsarrasin over 2,375m on 8 November, and is not about to spring any surprises

14. INVICTUS NAR - Ran 6th in a harness class F at Castelsarrasin over 2,375m on 8 November. Is new to the discipline and will have other priorities

15. IDEAL DE BANNES - Unplaced, on first start back, in a harness Class E at Saint Brieuc over 2,500m on 15 November. Is not the most faithful of horses and even though nicely-engaged, is not a priority

Summary: Winner of 4 from 5 with Quentin Seguin, LATINO BEJI (11) was particularly impressive at Toulouse last month, and despite the handicap, still looks the horse to beat. SAMMY BOY (BEL) (2), on form and winner of his sole monté start to date, will lead the opposition alongside KENZO D'EVA (7), reassuring at Laval and nicely-engaged on the front line, and LILI (8), who has returned to the code in cracking condition.

SELECTIONS

LATINO BEJI (11) - SAMMY BOY (BEL) (2) - KENZO D'EVA (7) - LILI (8)

C3 - PRIX MAX DAGUZAN-GARROS - 2400m (a1m1/2) - - Harness - EUR € 23,000

1. NABAB DE CHENU - Fifth in a Class E at Vincennes over 2,100m on 17 November. Takes on a less-exalted lot this time, and returning to racing clockwise may be just the key to his success

2. NAGRADO GOLD - Ran 7th, on re-entry, in a Class E at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November. Showed promise during the spring, will have come on for the run, and should logically show improvement

3. NO PAIN - Tricky but talented individual starting for the first time since being disqualified in a 2150m Toulouse Class C on 11 October. Is a tough nut when focused and, on good behaviour, can finish in the mix

4. NOUIC DI PALBA - Starts for the first time since winning a monté Class D at Toulouse over 2,325m on 17 April and will need the race

5. NACRE GALAXY - Successful, on return from a spell, in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,150m on 13 November. Steps marginally up in category, but is well-placed behind the car and unlikely to disappoint

6. NORMAND KISS - Starts for the first time since finishing 5th in a Class C at Caen over 2,450m on 10 October. Consistently gives everything he has and it is only a question of time before he loses his maiden status

7. NOISETTE DE QUERAY - Unplaced, on comeback, in a Class E at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November. Will have progressed for the run but is still being aimed too high

8. NANUCHKA - Finished 4th, on re-entry, in a Class D at Salon-De-Provence over 2,200m on 25 October. Will have improved for the race and, already a winner racing right-handed, must be taken seriously

9. NIKE RIVER - Finished 3rd in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,750m on 30 October. Has not put a foot out of line recently and, despite the draw, can still figure prominently

10. NAOMIE DUEM - Finished 3rd in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,150m on 13 November, her first appearance for 4 months. Takes on a superior bunch this time, however, and the draw will do her no favours

11. NEVIDENCE ROC - Surprising 2nd in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,150m on 13 November and is unlikely to confirm

12. NEZHA DU PATURAL - Ran third in a Class E here on 3 October, before being disqualified in a 2550m Bordeaux Class E a fortnight later, but more trustworthy options are available

Summary: NABAB DE CHENU (1) held his own at Vincennes recently and should be able to win a race of this nature. Pierre Pellerot will still want to be wary of NORMAND KISS (6), who is not far off breaking his duck, NANUCHKA (8), who made a fine return to competition, and NACRE GALAXY (5), who got straight down to business following a 2.5 months layup.

SELECTIONS

NABAB DE CHENU (1) - NORMAND KISS (6) - NANUCHKA (8) - NACRE GALAXY (5)

C4 - PRIX FFC - FABRICE FIORITO - 2550m (a1m1/2) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 23,000

1. MUTINE DE FRECA - Runner-up in a Class F at Toulouse over 2,950m on 13 November. Moves up in category but still looks good enough to get a look in

2. MELICIE DU JOAMAX - Was on a hat-trick when trounced in a Class E at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November and is unlikely to create an upset

3. MANZONI - Was unable to secure the hat-trick when disqualified in a Class E over 2,400m here on 1 November, but is patently at the top of his game and, on good behaviour, can figure prominently

4. MUST PLEIN CHENE - Ran 6th in a Class E at Amiens over 2,400m on 12 November, 2.5 weeks after having run second in a Class E at Le Mont-Saint-Michel, and cannot be discounted

5. MORINADE - Failed to complete the 3-timer when 8th in a Class E over 2,400m here on 1 November. Starts in front but faces a tougher challenge this time and can be passed over

6. MUSE D'ORTUGE - Ran third in a Class E here on 1 November, 8 days before finishing 8th in a Class E at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m. Goes barefoot again but others still easier to back

7. MONTENEGRO - Disqualified in a Class E at Castéra-Verduzan over 2,800m on 10 August. Starts for the first time since and is unlikely to make any impact

8. MURCIELAGO MIJO - Runner-up in a Class F at Caen over 2,450m on 14 November. Faces some better horses this time, but in current condition is difficult to ignore

9. MANHATTAN GABINLEA - Fifth in a Class E over 2,400m here on 1 November but appears to be out of his depth

10. MERVEILLE DU GAZON - Finished 2nd in a Class E at Vincennes over 2,700m on 10 November. Is here for a change of scenery and can be ruled out

11. MEXICO - Unremarkable 6th in a 2800m Class D at Castéra-Verduzan in late-August. Has not raced since and is not about to shake things up

12. MILLE MERCIS - Has not been seen out since finishing 8th in a Class D at Montauban over 2,400m on 10 October. Tends to show more when race-shod but still looks competitively well in

13. MIRABEAU - Finished 9th in a Class A over track and trip on 15 November, his first start since the layup. Will have progressed for the race, but would be preferred barefoot

14. MY NAME IS CHENU - Runner-up in a Class B at Saint-Galmier over 2,625m on 3 November, after having won a Caen Class D the previous month, and should be considered a priority

15. MISTER SOLO - Fifth, a place behind MALICE D'ATOUT (17), in a Class A under these conditions on 15 November. Takes on a considerably less-exalted lot this time and will be no pushover at the business end of affairs

16. MOODY DE VIVE - Finished 11th, on comeback, in a Class A over course and distance on 15 November. Has references under these conditions but appears to be in need of another run

17. MALICE D'ATOUT - Finished 4th in a Class A over course and distance on 15 November. Takes a notable dip in category and, considering the entry, could well win this

Summary: MALICE D'ATOUT (17), who finds herself in more appropriate company this time, MY NAME IS IS CHENU (14), difficult to knock when barefoot, and MISTER SOLO (15), in shape and dropping down the category-ladder, all look capable of fighting out the finish. MURCIELAGO MIJO (8), on-form and starting on the front line, can be considered next, ahead of MANZONI (3) who can be forgiven his recent blip.

SELECTIONS

MALICE D'ATOUT (17) - MY NAME IS CHENU (14) - MISTER SOLO (15) - MURCIELAGO MIJO (8)

C5 - PRIX WELDOM BEAUMONT - 2400m (a1m1/2) - - Harness - EUR € 20,000

1. LOVE QUEEN - Third in a Class F at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November. Is never the easiest to gauge, but is plainly in shape and, from the front row, can give this a good go

2. LE WINNER AS - Finished 9th in a Claimer at Agen Le Passage over 2,575m on 2 November. Takes on a much better field here and will struggle to make his mark

3. LEXINGTON DU BOURG - Unplaced at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November. Has been out of sorts for some time and must first get his house in order

4. LETOILE AMERICAINE - Finished 7th in a Class E at Salon-De-Provence over 2,200m on 25 October. Has been handed a good number and can finish in the mix if Steve Stefano manages to keep her focused

5. LEADER DE CHOISEL - Failed to confirm Toulouse performance when disqualified in a Class A at Nantes over 3,000m on 16 November. Should not be condemned, though, and with application, can win this from the five slot

6. LICORNE QUICK - Finished 9th in a Class F at Castelsarrasin over 2,375m on 13 September. Is not the most reliable of mares, but has ample ability and can get a look in

7. LE PREMIER ORTHON - Unlucky 4th at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November. Breaks in front and can put things right if Manuel Criado keeps him out of harm's way. Chance

8. LANCELOT DE BEYLEV - Unplaced in a Class F at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November. Has been a write-off since March and can be confidently ruled out

9. L'INDIEN PEARL - Ran 6th in a Class F at Angers over 3,125m on 21 November. Is not the most courageous of horses, and even though sporting four pads for the first time, is not an obvious choice

10. LICORNE D'OURVILLE - Finished 5th in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,150m on 30 October. Has placed in 2 of 4 starts here and, despite the draw, can play a small role

11. LORETTE UP STAR - Finished 7th in a 2550m Bordeaux Class F three weeks ago. Races barefoot this time, but others still easier to back

12. LEWIS DE BLARY - Finished 9th in a Class E at Castéra-Verduzan over 2,800m on 28 June. Has not been seen out since and is going to need the race

13. LEAVING NEW YORK - Finished 4th in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,150m on 30 October. Has not pulled the best of numbers but imposed last time here, and if fully fit, can contest a place in the frame

14. L'AMETHYSTE - Unplaced at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November, 10 days after having run third in a Toulouse Class E, but has little going for her here and best to hold off

15. LUCKY DES GAUDINES - Somewhat surprising 2nd in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,150m on 30 October. Has been allocated a tough number, but with form maintained, can play a prominent role

16. LASCO DES LUCAS - Finished 9th at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November and will need to find more in order to play any role here

Summary: LEADER DE CHOISEL (5), reunited with Maxime Grasset with whom he finished third at Toulouse late last month, LE PREMIER ORTHON (7), who looks close to his race, LEAVING NEW YORK (13), reassuring at Toulouse, and LUCKY DES GAUDINES (15), who has been knocking at the door, are all in with a shout, and can be preferred to LOVE QUEEN (1) who left a very good impression at Bordeaux three weeks ago.

SELECTIONS

LEADER DE CHOISEL (5) - LE PREMIER ORTHON (7) - LEAVING NEW YORK (13) - LUCKY DES GAUDINES (15)

C6 - GRAND PRIX D'AUTOMNE - 2550m (a1m1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 26,000

1. JADIS PRIOR - Finished 10th in a Class F at Castelsarrasin over 2,375m on 8 November. Is not entirely devoid of ability but would be preferred at a lower level

2. KERIDA DU PADOUENG - Disqualified in a Class F Apprentices' race at Saint-Galmier over 2,600m on 20 November. Reverts to a previous configuration for the occasion, but is still not an obvious choice

3. INGLORIOUS - Fourth in a Class G Amateurs' race at Nantes over 3,000m on 16 November, but at this level, has no possible chance

4. JIRELLA DU LOISIR - Unplaced in a class F at Castelsarrasin over 2,375m on 8 November. Always gives her best but will need to pull out all the stops this time

5. KALINA STAR - Finished 5th in a Class F over course and distance on 15 November. Takes a step up in category but has earned the right to race here and can pick up some prizemoney

6. KOLORADO - Ran 7th in a Class F Apprentices' race at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,675m on 22 November. Is better than he has been for some time, but is still not a contender

7. JAVERT - Made it two wins in three starts when successful in a Class G Amateurs' race at Salon-De-Provence over 2,200m on 24 October, but faces a much tougher task this time around

8. KARL SPEED - Below-par 5th in a Class G at Agen Le Passage over 2,625m on 16 November. Has otherwise been in flying form and, from the front row, can make a big splash

9. KEEPING JYL - Second in a Class G at Agen Le Passage over 2,625m on 16 November. Is new to the venue but is nicely engaged and will be no pushover

10. KALINEO PENEME - Unplaced in a Class F under these conditions on 15 November. Form has done nothing but regress recently, and chances are limited

11. INTUITIF BOY - Unplaced in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,950m on 13 November. Has done nothing of note for some time and is not about to start now

12. JACOTTE DE TIZE - Finished 6th in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,950m on 13 November. Can trot when focused, is ideally-engaged, and must be worth retaining

13. I AM PHYT'S - Fifth in a Class E at Grenade-Sur-Garonne over 2,725m on 22 November. Has placed in two of three here, but still appears to be taking on too much

14. KEYS - Finished 6th in a Class E at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 9 November. Is clearly better than that though and given her liking for the Beaumont profile, can make this her own

15. JUNO DE BANVILLE - Finished 5th in a Class F at Castelsarrasin over 2,375m on 8 November, after having won a Class F there just three weeks earlier, but will need to find more this time

16. JUPPY UP - Finished 2nd in a Class F at Castelsarrasin over 2,375m on 8 November. Appears to be back on the right road and will be competitive when push comes to shove

17. IRRATI DUEM - Fifth in a Class E at Toulouse over 2,950m on 13 November. Sports a new shoeing profile for the occasion, connections could not have wished for a better entry, and Manuel Criado will be keen to deliver

Summary: Very much at home here, KEYS (14) drops in category and looks thoroughly capable of imposing. Matthéo Gergouil will still want to keep an eye on KARL SPEED (8) and KEEPING JYL (9), both of which start in front. JUPPY UP (16), one of the more reliable elements here, is re-shod and looks competitively well in, while the well-engaged JACOTTE DE TIZE (12) can put in a good showing provided she keeps her action together.

SELECTIONS

KEYS (14) - KARL SPEED (8) - KEEPING JYL (9) - JUPPY UP (16)

C7 - GRAND PRIX DYNAVENA - 2550m (a1m1/2) - - Harness - EUR € 44,000

1. JURAE VET - Finished 15th in a Class E at Saint-Galmier over 2,650m on 20 November. Has otherwise been in decent shape but still looks no more than a minor place prospect

2. IVRAM - Unplaced in a Class E Apprentices' race at Châteaubriant over 3,000m on 24 October. Has been fitted with four pads for the first time but is still not a priority

3. JEFF DE MONPAZ - Made it two on the trot when dominating a Class E at Toulouse over 2,950m on 13 November. Steps up in category but is on the front line and can secure the three-timer

4. JAMBIER D'OURVILLE - Finished 2nd to JALTO DU TREMONT (5) in a Class D at Saint-Galmier over 2,600m on 3 November and it would be no surprise to see him turn the tables

5. JALTO DU TREMONT - Won a Class D at Saint-Galmier over 2,600m on 3 November, making it 2 in a row. Is unlikely to pull off the hat-trick, but can nevertheless finish in the mix

6. JACANA - Unplaced in a Class D at Amiens over 2,400m on 12 November. Returns to racing shod and will have nothing to contribute

7. KAXIG IN - Held his own to come sixth in a 2100m Vincennes Class D a fortnight ago. Takes on a less exalted lot here and, from the front row, can play a leading role

8. IKY JOY - Ran 6th in a Class E at Grenade-Sur-Garonne over 2,725m on 22 November, 11 days after having run third in an Auch Class D. Hind shoes off this time, but others still preferred

9. JOLIE DE L'AUMANCE - Finished 3rd in a Class E at Grenade-Sur-Garonne over 2,725m on 22 November. Appears to be back on track, is confirmed at the venue, and will have her supporters

10. INDOCILE - Unplaced, on comeback, in a Class E at Laval over 2,850m on 15 November. Seldom makes her presence felt and is unlikely to begin now

11. HOMMAGE DE TILLARD - Finished 3rd in a Claimer at Lisieux over 2,725m on 11 October. Steps up in category but benefits from a terrific entry on the front row and should not be overlooked

12. HOLDING GIRL - Unplaced in a Class C over 2,400m here on 15 November. Has been out of the picture since late-April and can be passed over

13. IRON D'ESPOIR - Unplaced in a Class C over 2,400m here on 15 November. Has looked decidedly ordinary lately and appears to have no possible chance

14. GALANT DE CAREL - Unplaced in a Class C at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,650m on 9 November. Faces a different test here but it won't be any easier

15. ICARE DU BERYL - Fourth in a Class C at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,650m on 9 November, 2.5 weeks after having won a Toulouse Class C, and looks a player once again

16. HARRY CARISAIE - Fifth in a Group III at Salon-De-Provence over 3,000m on 24 October. Benefits from a good entry on the second line and is unlikely to return home empty-handed

Summary: Given the manner of his two recent wins, JEFF DE MONPAZ (3) should be capable of extending his winning streak. KAXIG IN (7), who has form at a superior level, and ICARE DU BERYL (15), on the second line but also on a hat-trick, will lead the opposition alongside JAMBIER D'OURVILLE (4) and JALTO DU TREMONT (5) who recently crossed swords at Saint-Galmier.

SELECTIONS

JEFF DE MONPAZ (3) - KAXIG IN (7) - ICARE DU BERYL (15) - JAMBIER D'OURVILLE (4)

C8 - PRIX CLAUDE ET ARLETTE BAIOTTO - 2400m (a1m1/2) - - Harness - EUR € 23,000

1. LORELEI - Unplaced in a Class E at Vincennes over 2,700m on 6 November. Has otherwise been on a fruitful run of form. Takes on a more suitable lot this time and is unlikely to disappoint

2. LEWIS D'EVRON - Ran second in a 2950m monté Class F at Toulouse on 13 November. Is no slouch under harness either, but nevertheless represents no more than a minor place chance

3. LEADER DE L'ITON - Made up for Cabourg clinker when victorious in a Class D at Toulouse over 2,150m on 21 October, and a similar performance would see him confirm

4. LIBERTINE DE FRECA - Finished 5th in a Class A over 2,550m here on 15 November. Has pleasantly surprised more than once lately, has pulled a good number, and will have her supporters

5. LOCKWOOD EFJI - Third in a Class E at Angoulême over 2,750m on 4 October, confirming his Toulouse performance, and from the 5 slot, can put on a good show

6. LOVE ME TRUE - Unplaced in a Class E at Marseille-Borély over 3,000m on 21 November, three weeks after having imposed at Vivaux, but is still not a priority

7. LA SPEZIA DE LOU - Starts for the first time since being disqualified in a 2150m Class D at Cagnes-sur-Mer in late July. Clearly means business on comeback, and the front row draw will do her chances no disservice

8. LOUSTIC VAUCEEN - Finished 8th in a Class A over 2,550m here on 15 November. Has solid form in the day's configuration and looks competitive for a place on the podium

9. LOULOU'S TEAM - Finished 7th in a Class A over 2,550m here on 15 November. Has not been at his sharpest lately and will need to take his game up a notch

10. LOVE LAND - Finished 3rd in a Class F at Montauban over 2,400m on 25 October. Is not the most reliable of trotters and a repeat seems most improbable

11. LEMON CURD - Capricious but talented individual making first appearance since being disqualified in a 2625m Class E at La Rochelle in late July. Is barefoot for the occasion and can play a part if his trainer-driver successfully navigates the start

12. LABEL TURGOT - Unplaced in a Class C at Toulouse over 2,950m on 25 September. Should not be too hastily condemned, however, and will be expected to finish close this time

13. LEWIS GRIFF - Handy element making first appearance since finishing eighth in a 2550m Class B here in July. Will be shod for return and can be ruled out

14. LUCIDE CASTELETS - Finished 10th, on re-entry, in a Class D at Toulouse over 2,150m on 21 October. Is not devoid of ability but is still in conditioning mode and best to keep one's powder dry

15. LORD DE BANVILLE - Starts for the first time since being disqualified in a Claimer at Vincennes over 2,700m on 6 February and is unlikely to spice things up

16. LAZIO BUROIS - Unplaced in a Class A over 2,550m here on 15 November, his first start since early September. Is barefoot for re-entry, but others still preferred

Summary: LEADER DE L'ITON (3) has hardly put a foot out of line for months and looks a formidable contender. LOUSTIC VAUCEEN (8), reconfigured and wonderfully-engaged, and LABEL TURGOT (12), course-and-distance winner in September, can be considered next, ahead of LORELEI (1), who returns to a more realistic level.

SELECTIONS

LEADER DE L'ITON (3) - LOUSTIC VAUCEEN (8) - LABEL TURGOT (12) - LORELEI (1)

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

Horse of the day
LEADER DE L'ITON (803)

Outsider of the day
MANZONI (403)

Reverse forecast
SAMMY BOY (BEL) (202) - LATINO BEJI (211)

Three pick of the day
LATINO BEJI (211) - KEYS (614) - LEADER DE L'ITON (803)