



THURSDAY, 30/04/26

R3 VINCENNES [L-H]

**C1 - PRIX DE SOISSONS - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class D - Mounted - EUR €
40,000**

- 1. NIGHT OPAJELO** - Yet to show any particular flair for the game. Paul Ploquin in the saddle this time but still not a priority
- 2. NOUMEA JENILOU** - Switches code after her debut elimination under harness at Caen 2.5 weeks ago. Adrien Lamy in the irons and should not be overlooked
- 3. NATASHA DES BAUX** - Modest filly switching codes for first time following a harness conditioner at Elbeuf, and is not about to create an upset
- 4. NAVY D'EURVAD** - Placed here first time out but eliminated in next 2. Hind pads fitted for the occasion and can play a part if she keeps her action together
- 5. NACARA BELLA** - Decent element taking first competitive ridden steps after a much-needed freshener at Pontchateau 2.5 weeks ago, and the engagement of Eric Raffin speaks volumes. Chance
- 6. NEMESIS DU METZ** - Ran respectable 3rd of 5 finishers on monte debut 2 weeks ago in a Toulouse Class D. Is confirmed going left-handed but may just be taking on too much this time
- 7. NEPHY ELDE** - Ran 4th at Enghien first time out prior to being trounced over the inner course here mid-month, and can be confidently passed over
- 8. NORMA FIRST** - Lost her maiden status in a 2750m Ecommoy Class E on 5 April. Takes on a better lot this time and Benjamin Rochard has opted for NUEVA DE VANDEL (9)
- 9. NUEVA DE VANDEL** - Runner-up in 2 before faulting over the inner course here on 14 April. Benjamin Rochard gets the nod this time and will not be far off the mark if he manages to keep his filly focused
- 10. NOBLE QUEEN** - Convincing winner of a 2150m Argentan harness Class F 2.5 weeks ago. Has had the monte discipline on her agenda for some time and looks thoroughly capable of getting straight down to business
- 11. NYX DE VAL** - Returns to the monte code after a harness freshener at Chateaubriant last week. Showed serious potential at Vincennes in February and will be justifiably well-backed. Chance
- 12. NINA JAVO** - Easily lost her maiden status in a 2450m Caen Class E on 25 March and even though in better company this time, still looks a serious player



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Summary: Like a different horse since starting to race in her current configuration, NOBLE QUEEN (10) takes to the monte code after opening her harness account at Argentan, and Mathieu Mottier will be expecting to double his money. Runner-up over the inner course on her sole ridden start, NYX DE VAL (11) is very easy to like, as is the reconfigured monte debutante NACARA BELLA (5) who will be partnered by Eric Raffin. Nicely-engaged here, NINA JAVO (12) has demonstrated very good aptitude for the discipline and Victor Saussaye will be legitimately confident of a big performance.

SELECTIONS

NOBLE QUEEN (10) - NYX DE VAL (11) - NACARA BELLA (5) - NINA JAVO (12)



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C2 - PRIX D'EAUZE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 40,000

- 1. MAJON** - Has done nothing of note since returning to competition and at this level will have no possible chance
- 2. MEWTWO** - Lightly-raced colt that has endured an interrupted career. Is competitively-shod for the first time but latest figures do little to inspire confidence
- 3. MOONLIGHT DU RHIN** - Acquitted himself respectably on comeback but was quickly eliminated here late last month and is unlikely to shake things up
- 4. MIGHTY DREAM** - In the frame in all 3 starts this year, latterly 2nd in a Class E over course and distance a fortnight ago. Steps up in category but goes barefoot and can play a leading role
- 5. MUZE MAKER** - Has taken particularly well to racing barefoot, most recently outclassing the opposition in a Lyon-Parilly Class E mid-month. Has earned the right to step up in category and should prove main threat to MAVERICK DE FAEL (8)
- 6. MISTER D'ECROVILLE** - Eliminated in 2 of last 4 but has otherwise been in fine form. Surprise 3rd in a 2100m Class D here 3 weeks ago and will not be available at 43-1 this time
- 7. MAROLY** - Serious gelding that has yet to get into his stride this term but can play a small role if his driver-trainer gets him off on the right foot
- 8. MAVERICK DE FAEL** - Quality individual that gave a fine account of himself on re-entry when 4th in an Argentan Class E 2.5 weeks ago. Will not be sent out at 84-1 this time, and it would be surprising were he not to win this
- 9. MALDRIC D'ECHAL** - Useful on a good day but out of the picture in last 2. Debuts, shod, for new trainer though and can start to redeem himself. First 5
- 10. MILLIUM QUESNOT** - Can trot but is no champion. Has just the one race under his belt since the break though and in this company is not about to cause an upset
- 11. MAGELLANO SUN** - Has done nothing but improve this term, most recently putting in a fine finish at Mauquenchy, and is unlikely to let the side down

Summary: Winner of 3 from 4 prior to being put away last September, MAVERICK DE FAEL (8) will have come on for his recent comeback run and, sporting 4 pads for the first time, will be expected to take all the beating. That said, MUZE MAKER (5) has done everything asked of him lately and his recent Lyon performance bodes particularly well for his chances. MIGHTY DREAM (4) has been knocking at the door recently and will be first-time barefoot. MISTER D'ECROVILLE (6) can prove a handful but is patently in shape and will have his chances if Matthias Legros assures his initial strides.

SELECTIONS

MAVERICK DE FAEL (8) - MUZE MAKER (5) - MIGHTY DREAM (4) - MISTER D'ECROVILLE (6)



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C3 - PRIX D'ORBEC - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class D - Mounted - EUR € 40,000

- 1. MON ALTESSE** - Has shown improvement since starting to race barefoot but, in this category, will struggle to make her mark
- 2. MEDICIS DU BOCAGE** - Lost her maiden status on comeback earlier in the month when securing a Bihorel-lès-Rouen Class F. A repeat, however, looks highly unlikely
- 3. MELODY CHANTERINE** - Got back in the game at Lisieux on 14 March, coming 2nd in a 2725m Class F. Is new to Vincennes but can play a role if she takes to the new profile
- 4. MA PIECE D'OR** - Has been kept on the boil under harness since opening her account at Cordemais in early-March. Will be barefoot this time and can bring the fight to MISS DE BAILLE (8) provided Alexandre Abrivard keeps her focused
- 5. MAMMA MIA DE LOU** - Has not been seen under the saddle since last June but is clearly in form. Paul Ploquin in the irons and, with application, can trot her way into the frame
- 6. MAYBE DU CEBE** - Sent for a break after opening her account across town last October. Will have progressed for her return run, will be reunited with Benjamin Rochard, and must be afforded respect
- 7. MALAGA DU DIGEON** - Has yet to get off the mark but regularly goes close. Has not been seen out since early-January but will be competitively-shod with Eric Raffin aboard and must not be overlooked
- 8. MISS DE BAILLE** - Eliminated more often than not but has bags of ability. Would have fought out the finish here early this month had she not faulted mid-straight and Mathieu Mottier will be keen to put things right
- 9. MAJUSCULE** - 25 starts and yet to lose her maiden tag. Has been acquitting herself honourably though and in present shape can get a look in
- 10. MENTION GRAVE** - In the frame in last 2 monte starts, both at Toulouse. Takes on a much bigger task this time around and chances appear limited
- 11. MAGGIOTTA** - Is not without merit but will need to improve on latest effort here. Is barefoot for the occasion but still represents no more than a minor place chance
- 12. MY FAIR LADY** - Ran 3rd under harness in a Meslay-du-Maine Class E on 17 March before confirming under the saddle over the inner course here on 3 April. Is barefoot for the occasion and is not about to let the side down

Summary: Winner at Meslay-du-Maine on 17 March before being eliminated when competitive over the inner course early this month, MISS DE BAILLE (8) is plainly close to winning another and can pull it off if Mathieu Mottier manages to keep her trotting. She will still come under pressure from a barefoot MA PIECE D'OR (4) who demonstrated considerable monte aptitude earlier in the season, and the talented but complicated MAMMA MIA DE LOU (5) who showed her form after being eliminated here mid-month. MAYBE DU CEBE (6) has a conditioner under her belt since the winter break and, barefoot for the first time, will be no pushover.

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MISS DE BAILLE (8) - MA PIECE D'OR (4) - MAMMA MIA DE LOU (5) - MAYBE DU CEBE
(6)



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**C4 - PRIX DE LAVAU - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class A - Harness - EUR €
62,000**

1. NIKITA DU MOUTHIEU - Useful sort that was not over-extended on her comeback run here in late-March. Will have come on for the race but may still be race-rusty

2. NOOR DU CAMPUS - Should not be too hastily-judged for coming 5th in a 2175m Class B here late last month. Form is not in question and will be reunited with Alexandre Abrivard who won with her here in February

3. NO ONE - Won over the short course here on 20 March before failing to confirm over 2175m 2 weeks ago. Partners again with Mathieu Mottier who scored with her last month and is unlikely to be far from the action

4. NUIT MYSTIC - In the frame in 3 of 4 this term, latterly 3rd to NEW WAVE (10) in a Class C over course and distance on 31 March. Has ground to make up though and others easier to back

5. NIKKI BEACH JISCE - Like a horse reborn this season, winning 2 for 2. Should have no issues with the main track and Eric Raffin can be forgiven for feeling bullish

6. NEW YORK CITY - Takes to the main course for the first time after having won a 2200m Class D here on 14 April. Takes on some superior horses this time but can nevertheless hold her own

7. NOUMEA DES BROUETS - Gave a very good account here on 31 March when 2nd to NEW WAVE (10) in a Class C over course and distance. Has been knocking at the door since her first competitive steps and will be rewarded with victory one of these days

8. NOT ALONE - Takes to the main track for the first time after twice placing in the southwest, but appears to be biting off more than she can chew

9. NO LIMIT DELO - Useful filly from a yard in excellent shape. Has acquitted herself well in both starts this season and it will not be long before she makes her way back into the winners' circle

10. NEW WAVE - Convincing winner of a Class C over track and trip on 31 March. Will be reined by Matthieu Abrivard this time and will be no soft touch

11. NEREIDA - Back under harness after being eliminated early in a monte Class A under these conditions last week, and is unlikely to spring any surprises

Summary: After winning unopposed at Laval on her comeback, NIKKI BEACH JISCE (5) went on to comfortably impose over the inner course next time and trainer Jocelyn Robert will be justifiably confident of securing the hat-trick. Eric Raffin will still be keeping an eye on NO LIMIT DELO (9) who is clearly on the right road, and NEW WAVE (10) who climbs the category-ladder after opening her account over course and distance a month back. NOUMEA DES BROUETS (7) is still chasing that elusive first win but ran close 2nd to Raffin's horse last month and must be taken seriously.

SELECTIONS

**NIKKI BEACH JISCE (5) - NO LIMIT DELO (9) - NEW WAVE (10) - NOUMEA DES
BROUETS (7)**



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C5 - PRIX DE FONTENAY-SOUS-BOIS - 2850m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 41,000

1. LOIR ET CHER - Modest trotter going barefoot following a modest comeback at La Capelle recently and can be ruled out

2. LEADER ATOUT - Ran 4th in a 2175m Class E here on 11 April after having imposed at Mauquenchy 9 days earlier, and is eminently capable of making the frame

3. LARIMAR - Has gone from strength to strength since moving yards, latterly easily winning an Argentan Class E 2.5 weeks ago. Is unlikely to repeat but can nevertheless challenge for a place on the podium

4. LYS GEMA - Has enjoyed a productive run of form since beginning to race barefoot. Is new to Vincennes but is clearly a serious Sassier second-string and must be respected

5. LORD DES GRANGES - Form has done nothing but regress since placing in a Class E under these conditions on 14 January, and can be confidently disregarded

6. LUGANO - Showed considerable improvement when 2nd in a 2800m Villedieu-les-Poëles Class E 11 days ago, but has little love for Vincennes and others easier to back

7. LUCHADOR - Looked very ordinary when 9th of 10 finishers behind LEADER ATOUT (2) in a 2175m Class E here on 11 April. Is not entirely devoid of talent though and can pick up some minor honours

8. LORD DE CHENU - Has not been seen out since imposing at Laval on 18 February, but clearly means business, and will be unsurprisingly well-backed to win this

9. LITCHI CASTELETS - Serious type that has finished 2nd in 3 of last 4 starts. Benefits from a terrific entry though and, already a winner for Eric Raffin, can give LORD DE CHENU (8) something to think about

Summary: Winner of 6 of his last 7 starts, most recently over 2 months ago at Laval, LORD DE CHENU (8) is nevertheless configured as he was when dominating a Class E over course and distance in January, and can get straight back in the game. Louis Baudouin will still be mindful of the marginally better-engaged LITCHI CASTELETS (9) who has been knocking at the door since the start of his season, and the in-form LEADER ATOUT (2) who is better than his latest result would suggest. LARIMAR (3) excels in his current configuration and makes his Vincennes bow with a good hand to play.

SELECTIONS

LORD DE CHENU (8) - LITCHI CASTELETS (9) - LEADER ATOUT (2) - LARIMAR (3)



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C6 - PRIX DE TIFFAUGES - 2100m (a1m1/4) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 46,000

- 1. LOVER JULMA** - Handy element making first appearance since failing to deliver here on 19 February, and is going to need the run
- 2. LE GRAAL** - Has started to come good again over recent weeks. Goes barefoot for the first time and from the 2-spot must not be underestimated
- 3. LOUNA DU LOCHEUR** - Quality mare that has not put a foot out of line for some time. Is competitively-shod, has placed in 2 of 3 under these conditions, and has a realistic chance of making the frame once more
- 4. LUTELLIA MONNERIE** - Pleased in both starts over course and distance but has struggled of late and is unlikely to spice things up
- 5. LAUSSAC DU BUISSON** - Returns to racing barefoot after prepping on a saturated Enghien track last month. Could not have asked for a better entry and Franck Nivard will be minded to deliver
- 6. LUCIANO VREDEBEST** - Fine trotter that clinched victory on comeback in a Meslay-du-Maine Class E earlier in the month. Will have progressed for the race and is sufficiently well-placed to make a big splash
- 7. LORELEI DE REUX** - Surprising 4th in an Ecommoy Class D early this month, however a repeat seems most improbable
- 8. LOUISON** - Has raced and placed at a superior level but sports pads for comeback and can be ruled out
- 9. LYANA D'ARC** - Unlucky 3rd in a Class D under these conditions on 14 April. Not ideally-drawn but is clearly in excellent shape and Mathieu Mottier will be keen to set the record straight
- 10. LUTIN JABA** - Starts for the first time since May 2025 and with shoes fitted will have nothing to offer
- 11. LEVEL ONE SYGA** - Never far from faulting but has otherwise been in fine shape. Stays shod in a bid to reproduce his Enghien victory but faces a much stiffer test this time around
- 12. LUSANIO DE WARNOC** - Smartly won a 2700m Class D here earlier in the month, but under these conditions is unlikely to confirm
- 13. LOUANGE CASTELETS** - Has not got her nose in front for some time but will have come on for her re-entry run and will not be far from the action if Anthony Barrier successfully navigates the start
- 14. LIL BOSS ONLY** - Wonderfully dependable type with solid references here, latterly 3rd under these conditions 3 weeks ago. Was handed a poor draw that day too but will be barefoot and must be worth retaining
- 15. LAGO DE PERVENCHE** - Previously a good sort but has made no impact so far this term and is unlikely to start now



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Summary: Terrifically-engaged, ideally-placed in front, and barefoot as he was when successful under these conditions in January, LAUSSAC DU BUISSON (5) is easy to fancy for the win. Franck Nivard will still want to be wary though of the Vincennes-liking LUCIANO VREDEBEST (6) who was victorious on his comeback at Meslay-du-Maine 3 weeks ago, and the consistent LOUNA DU LOCHEUR (3) who sports a fresh configuration for the occasion. LYANA D'ARC (9) was unlucky here mid-month and even in spite of a tough number, should nevertheless give this a good go.

SELECTIONS

LAUSSAC DU BUISSON (5) - LUCIANO VREDEBEST (6) - LOUNA DU LOCHEUR (3) -
LYANA D'ARC (9)



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**C7 - PRIX D'ALFORTVILLE - 2700m (a1m1/2) - Class D - Harness - EUR €
46,000**

- 1. KARMEN DE MONTCEAU** - Out of the picture in all 3 starts this year and has nothing to contribute here
- 2. KALITY D'ERABLE** - Not the most dependable of horses but can trot. Goes barefoot following her return run and, with her mind on the game, can pick up a cheque
- 3. KEJAIME DE HOUELLE** - Faces first objective of the season after her re-entry at Meslay-du-Maine last month. Has won all 5 races with Benjamin Rochard and should again acquit herself competitively
- 4. KISS ME DE MADKER** - Steps back up in category after running 3rd in a Graignes Class E 2.5 weeks ago. Has been reconfigured for the occasion, with Eric Raffin at the helm this time, and should prove competitive when it matters
- 5. KABALVA** - 4th to KALIAKIE PHEDO (9) at Meslay-du-Maine before failing to impress in an amateurs Class G here early this month, and can be passed over
- 6. KELOMA DREAM** - Back in the capital after running fine 2nd in an Ecommoy Class D in early-April. is plainly close to her race and should prove main threat to KALIAKIE PHEDO (9)
- 7. KISS ME DU LIVET** - Barring a pair of sanctions, has hardly put a foot wrong this term. In this company though is unlikely to set off any fireworks
- 8. KRACOTTE VERGNIER** - Has not put a foot wrong since imposing at Cagnes on 18 December. Is confirmed at the venue, with a top pilot reining, and can finish close
- 9. KALIAKIE PHEDO** - Serious mare back in race-mode after being prepped at Chateaubriant last week, and a repeat of her Meslay-du-Maine performance would see her impose
- 10. KANELLE STAR** - Useful on a good day but has not had many of those recently and cannot be considered a priority

Summary: Simply dynamic when shod as she is, KALIAKIE PHEDO (9) returns to Vincennes in top shape and, with application, can impose. She will still be opposed by KELOMA DREAM (6) who has been particularly competitive lately, and KEJAIME DE HOUELLE (3) who will be shod to preference following a necessary freshener at Meslay-du-Maine. Consistently-performant when barefoot and focused, KRACOTTE VERGNIER (8) has yet to disappoint here and the engagement of Mathieu Mottier will only enhance her prospects.

SELECTIONS

**KALIAKIE PHEDO (9) - KELOMA DREAM (6) - KEJAIME DE HOUELLE (3) - KRACOTTE
VERGNIER (8)**



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**C8 - PRIX DE MENTON - 2175m (a1m1/4) - Class D - Harness - EUR €
56,000**

1. JOKER DU PONT - Opened her seasonal account in a 2825m Chartres Class F mid-March at 45-1 and even with Gabriele Gelormini in the bike this time is unlikely to repeat

2. ICE HAUFOR - Has been out of sorts since last September and although reconfigured is not about to spring any surprises

3. I LOVE IGNY - Pleasant 4th in a Class F at Le Croise-Laroche 10 days ago, but will have a mountain to climb this time

4. JYTRACE DE HOUELLE - Serious individual that seldom disappoints when barefoot. Imposed under these conditions late last year, has never failed to deliver for Mathieu Mottier, and appears to have a good hand to play

5. JUSTICIA GLAM - Beat JAG HAUFOR (11) in a 2100m Class E here on 27 March before being conditioned at Meslay-du-Maine 3 weeks ago. Has form with Benjamin Rochard and can again finish close

6. JOYCE DES GRANGES - Has not won since last August but consistently gives what she can. Has never excelled over 2175m here but will nevertheless have her supporters

7. INSTALL D'ALOUETTE - Considerably better than recent numbers would imply, most recently very unlucky in a 2700m Class E here a fortnight back, and will not be going home empty-handed if kept out of harm's way

8. ILARIA KILY - Has been enjoying something of a renaissance recently, winning 2 on the trot. Is confirmed at the venue and is not without a chance of picking up minor honours

9. JADE RENARDIER - Superb in first 3 starts this year only to be found wanting in 27 March race of reference. Excels with Anthony Barrier though and has a realistic chance of contesting the finish

10. JALDO D'OCQUE - Has been firing on all cylinders since early last month, winning 2 of last 3. Has no love for the venue but in current condition is very hard to ignore

11. JAG HAUFOR - Denied a run, finishing 6th behind JUSTICIA GLAM (5), in a 2100m Class E here on 27 March. Is plainly in rude health though and can redeem himself if kept out of trouble

12. JOYEUSE ENTREE - Tends to show more in the monte code these days and best to keep one's powder dry

13. ILLICO DE BOUTEAU - Got back in the winners' circle 2.5 weeks ago at Saint-Omer but in this company will struggle to make his presence felt

Summary: Rather unlucky over 2100m here late last month, JAG HAUFOR (11) is clearly better than his result would suggest and David Thomain will be out to put things right. JUSTICIA GLAM (5) ran a surprise 3rd that day, is barefoot this time, and can again figure prominently, but may first have to see off JADE RENARDIER (9) who clearly has a point to prove. JALDO D'OCQUE (10) is not a big Vincennes fan but he is patently at the top of his game and will be reunited with Matthieu Abrivard.



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SELECTIONS

JAG HAUFOR (11) - JADE RENARDIER (9) - JUSTICIA GLAM (5) - JALDO D'OCQUE (10)

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

Horse of the day

KALIAKIE PHEDO (709)

Outsider of the day

LIL BOSS ONLY (614)

Reverse forecast

LORD DE CHENU (508) - LITCHI CASTELETS (509)

Three pick of the day

LORD DE CHENU (508) - LAUSSAC DU BUISSON (605) - KALIAKIE PHEDO (709)