

WEDNESDAY, 31/01/24

C1 - GRAND PRIX DE VINCENNES - 2925m (a2m) - Gr3 - Harness - EUR € 80,000

1. **DOMINO DREAM** - Sanctioned in a Cagnes Class C over 2925m late last month. Steve Stefano reining this time but others still easier to trust
2. **EKIANGO DE NILE** - Disappointing 9th of 15 behind GAOTCHO JIEL (5) here recently and, in this company, will struggle to make any impact
3. **EMBLEME ORANGE** - Sanctioned in a Vincennes 2700m Class C on 20 January. Starts in front, is shod to preference, won here last month, and is not to be underestimated
4. **DIEGO DU HOULET** - 7th to GAOTCHO JIEL (5) in a 2700m Class C here 12 days ago. Raced better that day than the result would suggest but is unlikely to spring a 2nd surprise
5. **GAOTCHO JIEL** - Won a Cagnes Class C over 2700m with consummate ease 12 days ago. In exalted company this time but breaks in front and can double up
6. **GAMBLE RIVER** - Unexceptional 8th to GAOTCHO JIEL (5) in a 2700m Class C here 12 days ago. On the front line here but chances still limited
7. **FEE LUCERNAISE** - Put in quite the effort to trot 6th in the Gr.3 race of reference. Incurs the penalty this time though and chance of a repeat improbable
8. **FANTASIA DE LIGNY** - 14th of 18 in an Agen Class B over 2625m 9 days ago. Reliability not her strong suit but is barefoot this time and, if focused, can pick up a cheque
9. **GUEVARA DU PONT** - Runner-up to GRECO BELLO (10) here earlier this month. Has since freshened up at Agen, is barefoot for her return to Cagnes and can again figure prominently
10. **GRECO BELLO** - Won superbly over course and distance on 2 January despite a broken wheel. Is proven in similar company and even though incurring the penalty still looks a serious player
11. **DOUGLAS DU PONT** - Finished a place behind ECHO DE CHANLECY (17) in the Gr.3 Prix de la Côte d'Azur but races on level terms this time and no more than a minor place prospect
12. **HONKY TONK BLUES** - Surprisingly lacklustre 14th in the Gr.3 race of reference. Returns to a more reasonable level but will still first need to reaffirm
13. **ECLAT DES NOIX** - Finished a place behind EDEN BASQUE (16) here last Wednesday. Has yet to excel at this level and the handicap only compounds matters
14. **EBERTON** - Put on a good show to trot 4th in a Class A over track and trip last week and, in similar shape can get in on the action
15. **FAKIR DU RANCH** - Sanctioned in a Class A over course and distance last week. Is clearly in form though and, with application, is unlikely to disappoint
16. **EDEN BASQUE** - Put on a good show to finish 2nd in a 2925m Class A here last week. Unlikely to repeat but should still acquit himself honourably
17. **ECHO DE CHANLECY** - 4th in Gr.3 over track and trip 3 weeks ago. Has a good entry and will not be sent out at 39/1 on this occasion

Summary: Seldom out of the winners' circle when racing barefoot at Cagnes, GAOTCHO JIEL (5) won with authority here recently and steps up in class with every chance of pulling off the double. Even though 25m better off, Romauld Mourice will still be wary of recent course-and-distance winner, GRECO BELLO (10), who has already proved himself at this level. GUEVARA DU PONT (9) is another good barefoot crusader who will appreciate a return to his track of preference. Well-engaged here, ECHO DE CHANLECY (17) showed his harness form in the Gr.3 Prix de la Côte d'Azur earlier in the month and, in similar shape, will be no easy touch.

SELECTIONS

GAOTCHO JIEL (5) - GRECO BELLO (10) - GUEVARA DU PONT (9) - ECHO DE CHANLECY (17)

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**C2 - PRIX DES CYCLAMEN - 2925m (a2m) - Class D - Harness - EUR €
38,000**

1. HISTORY SIXTY ONE - Unplaced 10th when being conditioned in a Class E over 2700m earlier this month but is otherwise in excellent shape and racing barefoot for the occasion could make all the difference. Claim

2. GIGA DES PLAINES - Pleasant 3rd in the mid-January race of reference but just hind shoes off this time and unlikely to repeat

3. HAVANA MOON - Sanctioned in a Class E over 2700m here 3 weeks ago. Is plainly in good shape though and, returning to a proven configuration, looks a player

4. FERIA DE LIGNY - Sanctioned in a Class G over 2150m here mid-month on first start for new handler. Gets another crack at it and, while not a priority, will have her supporters

5. HOLLY MESLOISE - 10th in a Vincennes Class D over 2100m 10 days ago but left a fine impression here mid-December and can win this if she replicates that performance

6. GANA DE LIGNY - Sanctioned over course and distance a fortnight ago after having imposed under these conditions a month earlier and, if behaved, can finish in the mix

7. GRAINE DE MAX - Put on a good show in a Cagnes Class D over track and trip a fortnight ago but under these conditions is unlikely to shake things up

8. GIMME SHELTER - Trotted a decent 6th, against the males, in a Class D over 2150m here on 8 January and is eminently capable of trotting her way onto the podium

9. FRANCE D'OCCAGNES - Sanctioned in a Cagnes Class D over 2150m here earlier this month. Currently off the boil and others preferred

Summary: Beaten by little on her Cagnes debut last month, HOLLY MESLOISE (5) returns to the Côte d'Azur after failing to fire on the Vincennes main track and will be expected to get back down to business. She will still encounter resistance from HISTORY SIXTY ONE (1) who races barefoot following a conditioner over 2700m here 3 weeks ago. GIMME SHELTER (8) does not have the boys to contend with this time and should logically improve on her effort here earlier in the month. GANA DE LIGNY (6) may not be the most reliable mare here but she will be no soft touch if she can keep her action together.

SELECTIONS

**HOLLY MESLOISE (5) - HISTORY SIXTY ONE (1) - GIMME SHELTER (8) - GANA DE
LIGNY (6)**

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C3 - PRIX DES IMPATIENS - 2925m (a2m) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 38,000

1. **HARCOUEL** - Good 4th in a Class E over 2150m here last week. Up against older, tougher horses this time but is clearly on the way back and must be respected
2. **FAX MADRIK** - Out of his depth when last behind ESPIT CHUPITOS (5) in a Class D under these conditions on 5 January and can expect to remain friendless
3. **FAST D'AVEZE** - Last of 14 finishers in a Class F over course and distance on comeback 3 weeks ago and will have nothing to offer
4. **D'AMOUR DE MAGNY** - Showed his form despite being sanctioned in a Marseille-Vivaux 2650m Class E 10 days ago. Has 3 times failed to confirm last month's success and, even though unshod behind this time, others still preferred
5. **ESPIT CHUPITOS** - Thrashed behind HIGH FIRE DAIRPET (9) here mid-month and, even though sporting a modified configuration, has no realistic chance
6. **FOLLOW DREAM** - Last of 13 in a Toulouse Class D conditioner over 2150m 12 days ago. Races barefoot this time and, if fully fit, can figure prominently
7. **GORDON FLASH** - Unremarkable 5th to HIGH FIRE DAIRPET (9) in a Class D over track and trip mid-month and will need to find more
8. **GATSBY WIC** - Unlucky 6th behind FARCEUR ACE (12) in a Class D over track and trip on 5 January. Not expected to shake things up but should nevertheless show improvement
9. **HIGH FIRE DAIRPET** - Winner of a Class D over course and distance a fortnight ago, bringing his tally to 3-on-the-trot and is eminently capable of pulling off the 4-timer
10. **HAMILTON RENKA** - Last of 14 to HEROS DES MOTTES (14) recently on first appearance since last May and is not about to spring a surprise
11. **FRAPPE FORT** - 9th in a Class D under these conditions earlier this month and is unlikely to improve on that
12. **FARCEUR ACE** - Oddly lacklustre 10th of 12 finishers in a Class D over track and trip on 5 January but has had time to freshen up and should give a more competitive account on this occasion
13. **GHOST** - 8th of 9 finishers when still being conditioned in a Class D over course and distance last week. Unshod all 4 this time and, if applied, can trot his way onto the podium
14. **HEROS DES MOTTES** - 4th in a 2925m Class B here on 19 January. Goes very well when barefoot and the drop in category makes him look dangerous. Claim
15. **ETIENOS DE CHENOU** - Unthreatening 10th of 12 finishers in a Cagnes 2150m Class D 3 weeks ago and once again appears outclassed

Summary: Three timers a winner over course and distance over the past six weeks, HIGH FIRE DAIRPET (9) is unbeaten at the venue and legitimately bids to keep his Cagnes record intact. He is still expected to come under fire from the venue-loving HEROS DES MOTTES (14) who is hard to knock when unshod all four. GHOST (13) should be fully fit after a pair of Cagnes conditioners and, barefoot for the occasion, is unlikely to be far off the mark. FOLLOW DREAM (6) similarly faces his first objective of the year and, with shoes off, must be considered a decent place prospect.

SELECTIONS

HIGH FIRE DAIRPET (9) - HEROS DES MOTTES (14) - GHOST (13) - FOLLOW DREAM (6)

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C4 - PRIX DES PALMIERS - 2700m (a1m 1/2) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 23,000

1. **ITTY D'AIMTE** - Sprang quite the surprise when 6th to ILLICO RIVOIS (3) recently although a repeat appears improbable
2. **ISIS DE SYVA** - Facile winner of a Class F over course and distance on 19 January. Has been superb when barefoot over recent months and should be able to wrap this up
3. **ILLICO RIVOIS** - Beat a few of these in a similar event here on January 19. Handed a s super draw this time and will not be available at 34/1 on this occasion
4. **ISA MAUVE** - Courageous 3rd to ISIS DE SYVA (2) in a 2925m Class F here 12 days ago. Little chance of imposing but will not be available at 38/1. Place chance
5. **IRON CASH** - Sanctioned in a 2925m Class F here on 19 Jan. Was clearly in form that day and can make a serious challenge if Christophe Martens keeps him trotting
6. **ICARE FILE** - Sprang something of a surprise when missing out by little in a Class F over 2150m here last month. Comes here fresh, starts in front and is sure to garner support
7. **IDA DES MONTES** - Surprisingly out of sorts when 7th to ISIS DE SYVA (2) in the race of reference but is significantly better than that and, if focused, can more than make amends
8. **IVALJO** - Made little impact on re-entry behind ILLICO RIVOIS (3) recently. Shod to preference this time but others still preferred
9. **ICARE DES CHAMPS** - Looked very ordinary when last of 8 in a Class B over course and distance and will again have nothing to offer
10. **ISOCRATE DU CITRUS** - Respectable place behind ILLICO RIVOIS (3) under these conditions earlier this month. Not ideally drawn but is regular for the most part and will once again give everything he has
11. **IZORA BARZAT** - Did not enjoy the best of trips when 5th in the race of reference but is clearly in form. Handed a (perhaps advantageous) 2nd line draw but will not be far from the action if she stays out of trouble
12. **ISPAHAN DE CAREL** - Left a good impression when 5th of 12 on comeback in a 2650m Marseille-Vivax Class E 10 days. Hind shoes off this time and, although handed a tough draw, is not to be overlooked

Summary: Very impressive since she started racing barefoot, ISIS DE SYVA (2) opened her Cagnes account in very good order recently and, well-positioned behind the car, can double her money. Multiple winner at the venue, IRON CASH (5) was sanctioned when full of running last time, but is similarly breaking from a decent spot and, with application, can apply the pressure. IDA DES MONTES (7) can be forgiven her recent blip and Nicolas Ensich will be vigilant to keep her on the bit all the way this time. Winless since imposing here last March, ISA MAUVE (4) got back in the game behind the favourite recently and, in similar form, can repeat.

SELECTIONS

ISIS DE SYVA (2) - IRON CASH (5) - IDA DES MONTES (7) - ISA MAUVE (4)

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C5 - PRIX DES NENUPHARS - 2925m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 22,000

- 1. JUST STAY ENJOY** - Sanctioned in last week's race of reference, making it 3 in a row, and will have few takers
- 2. JAG DE LA VALLEE** - Sanctioned behind JOSE DU CHERISAY (5) in a 2150m Class E here last week. Just hind shoes off this time but still not an obvious choice
- 3. JAMES COOK** - Sanctioned on re-entry in a Toulouse Class E over 2325m 3 weeks ago. Stays shod and no threat
- 4. JUPITER DU GOUTIER** - Below-par last of 7 behind JOSE DU CHERISAY (5) in a 2150m Class E here last week and will struggle to make his mark
- 5. JOSE DU CHERISAY** - Pleasing 4th in a Cagnes Class E over 2150m last week but needs to find more if he is to play much of a part
- 6. JAZZ BLUE** - 2nd in a 2950m Toulouse Class E last week. Is confirmed under these conditions and looks a solid first-5 chance
- 7. JEAN DE LA LUNE** - Made a good return to the harness game when coming close to beating JUMBO DES PRES (10) in a similar event on 11 January. Jean-Charles Féron driving this time however and no more than a first-5 prospect
- 8. JAGUAR JENILOU** - Put in a good finish to come 5th in the race of reference and, in similar form and with different tactics, can go closer this time
- 9. JAZZY JOSSELYN** - Unraced since finishing 6th in a Lyon-Parilly Class E over 2600m late-November. Has come close more than once here and, barefoot for the occasion, can play a small role
- 10. JUMBO DES PRES** - Was being conditioned when 10th in a Marseille-Vivauz 2650m Class E 10 days ago. Has solid references here and is in with a realistic shout of opening his 2024 account
- 11. JAGUAR'S EYES** - 10th on comeback in a 2700m Lyon-La Soie Class G on 12 January. Has a good record when fitted with pads and looks main danger to JUMBO DES PRES (10)
- 12. JOJO LAPIN** - 6th on an easy re-entry in a Cagnes Class D over 2150m on 13 January. Barefoot this time around and should be capable of making the frame

Summary: A very tough campaigner when racing unshod, JUMBO DES PRES (10) made a good impression here when first time barefoot and, sporting a modified configuration on this occasion, may just be a better bet than the hardy JAGUAR'S EYES (11) who is barefoot for his first objective of the new season. JAGUAR JENILOU (8) produced a solid effort to trot 5th to the favourite last time out and, in this company, can go closer. Nicely-engaged here, JOJO LAPIN (12) pleased on his mid-month comeback and, also unshod all four, will be competitive for a place in the frame.

SELECTIONS

JUMBO DES PRES (10) - JAGUAR'S EYES (11) - JAGUAR JENILOU (8) - JOJO LAPIN (12)

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C6 - PRIX DES JACINTHES - 2925m (a2m) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 20,000

1. **KEEPING JYL** - Has not been seen out since trotting 7th of 10 in a modest 3025m Salon-de-Provence Class F last November and, barefoot or not, is a rank outsider
2. **KOKA DE MALAC** - Sanctioned in a Saint-Galmier Class G over 2650m 10 days ago. Is as capricious as they come and, even racing barefoot, is unlikely to influence the result
3. **KID OF CROWN** - 3rd of 3 here to have been sanctioned in a Marseille-Vivauz 2650m Class E on 21 January. Is not without merit, and races with pads, but needs to get his house in order
4. **KUBLAI KHAN** - Sanctioned at the first turn in a Marseille-Vivauz Class E over 2650m 10 days ago and is unlikely to be generate much interest
5. **KORCOVADO** - Lost his action in a Marseille-Vivauz Class E over 2650m 10 days ago. Unplaced on lone appearance here and not a priority
6. **KENAVO DU BOUILLON** - Missed the start before losing his action soon after in the race of reference. Is not devoid of ability but others still easier to back
7. **KOREDE** - Unraced since trotting 8th in a Dieppe 2550m Class F last September. Is barefoot for comeback though and will be worth monitoring
8. **KING MAKER** - Demoted after producing a good effort behind KYLLIAN (13) in a Class E over track and trip on 13 January. Mourot will be out to put things right and is not to be underestimated
9. **KLASSIC MENCOURT** - Looked a different horse when 2nd in a Class F under these conditions a fortnight ago. Will have come on for the run and looks a major player once again
10. **KRUNCHY** - Proven here but unraced since being sanctioned over 2150m here last summer and is sure to need the outing
11. **KASH DIBAH** - Has not been seen out since being sanctioned in a Nantes 2275m Class E last October. Has bags of ability though and, if race-ready, will be no pushover
12. **KOALA** - Inherited 4th [from KING MAKER (8)] to KYLLIAN (13) in the mid-month race of reference but is still here on his merits and, hind shoes off again, will have a part to play
13. **KYLLIAN** - 3rd in a Class E over 2925m here on 13 January. Will not be at 21/1 this time around and has a decent chance of getting that maiden money off his back
14. **KENZO DE KERUZOC** - Unthreatening 6th to KYLLIAN (13) in a Class E under these conditions earlier in the month. Is better than the result suggests though and is in with a shout of making the first 5

Summary: A relatively open affair this but it is still hard to ignore the consistent KYLLIAN (13) who has taken well to Cagnes conditions. Third in a similar event earlier this month, he looks a leading candidate for success. KLASSIC MENCOURT (9) showed marked improvement here a fortnight ago when first time barefoot and could prove the main threat, although if KASH DIBAH (11) is fully-fit and focused, he could well spoil the party. KING MAKER (8) trotted closest to the favourite last time, before being demoted, but can make amends if Nicolas Mourot keeps him out of trouble.

SELECTIONS

KYLLIAN (13) - KLASSIC MENCOURT (9) - KASH DIBAH (11) - KING MAKER (8)

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C7 - PRIX DES VIOLETTES - 2150m (a1m 1/4) - Class C - Harness - EUR € 24,000

- 1. LADY MYSTIC** - Opened her account with victory in a Bordeaux Class B over 2000m last month. Has come on superbly from every run and is not incapable of doubling up
- 2. LET ME SIXTY ONE** - 3rd, a place behind LAPS GEDE (6), in a Cagnes Class C over track and trip earlier this month. Not the luckiest on that occasion but is still not a priority
- 3. LADY BEAUTIFUL** - Got off the mark in a Class D over 2925m here on 19 January. Takes on better this time but is well-placed in front and will not be available at 54/1 this time around
- 4. LUCIANO STAR** - Unraced since being sanctioned in a Vincennes Class A over 2200m 4 months ago but should take well to Cagnes conditions and must not be underestimated
- 5. LORD ELLINGTON** - Victorious on re-entry in a Class C over course and distance last week. Will have come on for the run and steps up in category with legitimate ambition
- 6. LAPS GEDE** - 2nd in a Class C over 2150m here earlier this month, despite some misfortune. Has a lot going for him here and looks a serious proposition
- 7. LANAKEN** - Second in a Lyon-Parilly Class B over 2100m on 17 January. Should appreciate the Cagnes profile and, despite starting wide, still looks a respectable first-5 chance
- 8. LOVELY PRESTANCE** - Remarkable winner of a 2925m Class F on debut here a fortnight ago. Drawn wide and drops in trip but can still bring home the bacon
- 9. LOU D'ECROVILLE** - Sanctioned when heavily-backed in a Class D over 2925m here on 19 January. Showed her form that day, races with front pads this time, but others still preferred

Summary: After having qualified decently at home in the Netherlands last month, LOVELY PRESTANCE (8) made short work of her debut here a fortnight ago and, even though drawn wide, she still looks the one to beat. That said, LADY MYSTIC (1) has gone from strength to strength since her fine debut and makes her maiden Cagnes appearance with a good hand to play. LUCIANO STAR (4) has twice confirmed his potential and, although unraced since the autumn, he is ideally-positioned behind the car and can play a leading role. LAPS GEDE (6) has shown more in competition than he promised in qualification and deserves to be taken seriously.

SELECTIONS

LOVELY PRESTANCE (8) - LADY MYSTIC (1) - LUCIANO STAR (4) - LAPS GEDE (6)

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C8 - PRIX DES NARCISSES - 2150m (a1m 1/4) - Class G Amateur Drivers - Harness - EUR € 8,000

1. IVILLA BLUE - Encouraged in a 2650m Marseille-Vivieux Class E 10 days ago. Benefits from a good entry here and will not be sent out at 31/1 this time around. Claim

2. IRON D'ERONVILLE - 4th in a similar event over track and trip on 16 January. Plainly close to his best and, barefoot from the 2-spot looks the pick of the bunch

3. GALAXY DU REYNARD - 3rd in a Class F over 2925m here on 5 January. Appreciates Cagnes conditions and, from the 3-spot, can again finish close

4. GOLD AND GREEN - Sanctioned in a Cagnes Class F over 2925m on 5 January when clearly in excellent condition. Gets a good spot behind the car and, with application, can figure prominently

5. GOLDORACK DU BOIS - Unseen since finishing unplaced in a provincial event last July and can be confidently passed over

6. HERNANIE DE GODREL - 3rd in a Cagnes Class E over 2925m just last Friday. Form is not in doubt and is not one to be overlooked either

7. HADOL DE FAEL - Sanctioned in a 2925m Class F monté event here mid-month and returns to the harness code with little to offer

8. GHALAL DE VANDEL - Sanctioned when clearly not at his ease in a Cagnes Class E over 2925m last week. Breaks wide and is unlikely to spring a surprise

9. HISTOIRE DE COEUR - Not pressed when last of 11 on comeback in a Cagnes Class E over 2925m 5 days ago. Alone on the back row and chances appear limited

Summary: A useful sort with references at a superior level, IRON D'ERONVILLE (2) showed his form over course and distance mid-month and racing barefoot this time, should be good enough to win this. Virginie Boudier-Cormy will still be keeping a keen eye on a revitalised IVILLA BLUE (1) who makes her amateur debut off a good performance at Marseille-Vivieux recently. By now a veteran of the amateur category, GALAXY DU REYNARD (3) has excellent Cagnes credentials and is not about to disappoint, and neither should the capable GOLD AND GREEN (4) provided Louis Pégus can keep him trotting.

SELECTIONS

IRON D'ERONVILLE (2) - IVILLA BLUE (1) - GALAXY DU REYNARD (3) - GOLD AND GREEN (4)