

# SATURDAY, 17/02/24

## C1 - PRIX DU VAL DE BOOTZ - 2850m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 24,000

1. **IDA D'ARRY** - Somewhat flattering 4th of 5 in a 2700m Vincennes Class E on 4 January and chances of a repeat appear slim
2. **HERBES FOLLES** - 9th of 15 in a 3125m angers Class F late last month and will struggle to make any impact
3. **IMPERATRICE HEDEN** - 6th in a 2850m Vincennes Class D on 23 January. Has been struggling lately and the absence of Eric Raffin will be noticeable
4. **INDULGENTE** - 16th of 18 in a 2875m Mauquenchy Class E late-January. Lost her way after winning 3-in-a-row last season but returns to racing barefoot and will generate some interest
5. **INTERACTIVE** - 4th behind IRIS FARCEUSE (15) in a 2700m Vincennes Class D mid-January. Seldom disappoints for Benjamin Rochard and will be competitive for a spot on the podium
6. **HUMEUR LA RAVELLE** - 6th of 14 in the Challans race of reference and, shod this time, has no realistic chance
7. **IROMEE** - Showed improvement when 5th in a 2100m Vincennes Class D last weekend. Is not the easiest to trust but is not to be entirely ruled out either
8. **HERBIERE** - Makes just 2nd appearance here after trotting 6th in a Lyon-La Soie Class F on 1 February and appears to have her work cut out
9. **I LOVE ROSE FLOWER** - 3rd in a 2100m Vincennes Class D last weekend. Back at her best following a pair of mid-season blips and will be competitive for a place in the first 5
10. **HOPPELA THEPOL** - 7th in a 3000m Nantes Class E 3 weeks ago. Has no love for Vincennes and can be passed over
11. **INES DE BEYLEV** - Authoritative winner of a 2700m Vincennes Class E on 4 January. Raffin maintains faith and can pull off the double
12. **GO GO TIMOKA** - 7th in a 2900m Challans Class E a fortnight ago. Has merit though and is not to be ruled out
13. **ISIS DE LA FERME** - 10th of 11 in a 2100m Vincennes Class D last Sunday. Shod differently this time and, considering her form, should redeem herself and pick up some prizemoney
14. **HANIKA DU LUPIN** - Erratic mare that was pulled up in a 2900m Challans Class E earlier this month. Is reunited with Lebourgeois who placed with her at Vincennes and, if focused, can play a prominent role
15. **IRIS FARCEUSE** - 9th of 10 in a Vincennes Class C over 2850m 2 weeks ago after enduring all sorts of woes. Is plainly in shape though and can more than make amends
16. **ISLAND CASH** - 2nd in a 2850m Vincennes Class D over the short course on 23 January. Is clearly close to her race and is not incapable of beating INES DE BEYLEV (11)

**Summary:** Facile winner over the Vincennes main track recently, INES DE BEYLEV (11) has never been in better shape and with Eric Raffin back at the helm, can make this her own. ISLAND CASH (16) had her measure however on New Year's Eve and Anthony Barrier will be out to make good on the fine engagement. Hard to knock when focused, IRIS FARCEUSE (15) did not enjoy the best of trips in Paris a fortnight ago but her form is sure and will be no easy touch if Adrien Lamy keeps her out of trouble. HANIKA DU LUPIN (14) may not be the easiest of horses to trust but she has form with Yoann Lebourgeois and must be respected.

### SELECTIONS

**INES DE BEYLEV (11) - ISLAND CASH (16) - IRIS FARCEUSE (15) - HANIKA DU LUPIN (14)**

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## C2 - PRIX DU TERTRE - 2850m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 21,000

1. **JOKER DE SUBLIGNY** - Has not been seen out since trotting 4th in a Vincennes monté Class E over 2200m last September. Here for reasons of conditioning and poses no danger
2. **JASMIN GEMA** - Delicate but talented sort making first appearance since being sanctioned in a 2650m Class D at Les Sables-d'Olonne last July and will need the run
3. **JURASSIC MOIRE** - Trotted a moderate 5th of 10 in a 3000m Nantes Class E mid-January after having imposed at Graignes but still represents no more than a minor place chance
4. **JUPITER DU CORTA** - Tricky sort that produced a very good effort to come 3rd in a 2700m Vincennes Class E and will have his chances if William Bigeon keeps him trotting
5. **JOE LE VEINARD** - Unraced since finishing a courageous 5th of 8 in a 2700m Vincennes Class E on Christmas Day. Shoes back on and no threat
6. **JACOB DE MIENNAIS** - Useful type with references under these conditions. Steps up in category but is clearly in shape and racing barefoot will do his prospects no disservice. Attention
7. **JACK HERER** - Won a Class E over course and distance with ease 10 days ago. Has done nothing but improve lately and will be competitive for victory
8. **JOSS CAPELLO** - Unraced since losing his action in a 2800m Vichy Class D last July and will have nothing to offer
9. **JACKPOT JOMUNA** - 3rd over 2300m at Mons late last month. Won last time with hind shoes off but, in this company, looks less competitive
10. **JANNIG D'EREVAN** - Sanctioned in a 2875m Argentan Class E 8 days ago and appears to be facing a stiff test
11. **J'ENVISAGE DUBRIO** - Can prove a handful but showed his form in a Vincennes Class E over 2700m late last month and will have his supporters
12. **JOGGER STAR** - Modest 4th in a 2100m Vincennes claimer a fortnight ago but is out of depth this time
13. **JAGERBOMB** - 9th of 11 in a conditioning 3125m Angers Class E on 31 January. Is barefoot this time and is eminently capable of confirming last spring's Laval success
14. **JULLOU** - Excellent winner of a Châteaubriant Class F over 3000m on 21 January and, in similar form, will be no pushover
15. **JOLDY LOVE** - Useful individual but hot under the collar when sanctioned in a 2700m Vincennes Class E on 30 January. Has bags of ability though and, with application, will not be far off the mark
16. **JUSTAUCORPS** - Decent 5th in a 2725 Graignes Class E 12 days ago. Unlikely to win this but can still trot his way into the first 5

**Summary:** An excellent campaigner when racing barefoot, JAGERBOMB (13) has three races under his belt, has already won under these conditions and can do so again. He will still face considerable resistance from JACK HERER (7) who imposed over track and trip ten days ago, and JUPITER DU CORTA (4) who appears to have sorted out his stride issues. JULLOU (14) opened his 2024 account at Châteaubriant last month and will again be competitive for a place in the frame.

### SELECTIONS

**JAGERBOMB (13) - JACK HERER (7) - JUPITER DU CORTA (4) - JULLOU (14)**

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## C3 - PRIX D'AVESNIERES - 2850m (a2m) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 35,000

1. **NICE PRESENT** - Fine servant that finished 3rd of 15 in a 2700m Vincennes Class E mid-January. In slightly better company this time but is still a leading contender
2. **HONEY KING** - Good class of trotter in his own category but bites off more than he can chew this time
3. **GOUROU** - Honest type that trotted 5th in a 3000m Nantes Class E, beating GLOIRE DES LOYAUX (13), on 19 December and once again looks a decent first-5 chance
4. **GOLDEN GRACE** - Held on well to trot 2nd to GALIE DE CELINIERE (6) in a 2100m Vincennes Class D a fortnight ago but has too much ground to make up this time
5. **HAITIAN FIGHT SONG** - Made short work of a 3125m Angers Class F on 31 January. Has done nothing but improve since the turn of the year and appears thoroughly capable of making the frame
6. **GALIE DE CELINIERE** - Returned to winning ways in a 2100m Vincennes Class D a fortnight ago. Pitted against the boys this time though and looks a minor place chance at best
7. **HAUTBRION COLMI** - Talented type that reassured with 3rd in a 2100m Vincennes Class D on 25 January and can pick up a cheque if François Lagadeuc keeps him trotting
8. **M.T.OSCAR** - Raced better in a 2850m Vincennes Class B late last month than his 6th place would suggest. Takes a dip in category and can impose this time
9. **GUI D'ERABLE** - Unraced since finishing an unlucky 8th in a 2850m Vincennes Class B on 10 December and can more than make amends if Yoann Lebourgeois keeps him out of trouble
10. **HIPPOMENE QUESNOT** - Failed to confirm his Pontchâteau success when 7th behind GLOIRE DES LOYAUX (13) in a 3000m Nantes Class E late last month and is not about to shake things up
11. **FILOU DE LARRE** - 12th of 14 finishers in a 3000m Nantes Class E 3 weeks ago and, even with front shoes off this time, still looks an outsider
12. **HOSTIA** - Last of 13 in a 2100m Vincennes Class D 9 days ago and will first need to reaffirm
13. **GLOIRE DES LOYAUX** - Gave a reassuringly-good account to finish 3rd in a 3025m Nantes Class E 3 weeks ago. Is well-entered here and, with form maintained, can confirm
14. **FINOU DU LUOT** - Has not been seen out since losing his action in a 2550m Bordeaux Class D in October 2022

**Summary:** By no means disgraced at a higher level in Paris last time out, M.T.OSCAR (8) finds himself in more suitable company this time around and looks a marginally better bet than the consistent NICE PRESENT (1) who has shown marked improvement since returning to competition. HAITIAN FIGHT SONG (5) has thrived since returning to racing unshod behind and looks a player on her Laval debut, as does GUI D'ERABLE (9) who will be barefoot and fresh following his spell.

### SELECTIONS

M.T.OSCAR (8) - NICE PRESENT (1) - HAITIAN FIGHT SONG (5) - GUI D'ERABLE (9)

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## C4 - PRIX DU VIEUX LAVAL - 2850m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 21,000

1. **JUDICIEUSE ZAILER** - Trounced by JADORE GIRL (6) in a Class E over course and distance 10 days ago and will find herself outclassed
2. **JULIA DE MARZY** - Got back to winning ways in a 3000m Nantes Class E a month back and, in this company, has a decent chance of repeating
3. **JOLANA JADOR** - Lost her action in a 2875m Argentan Class E 8 days ago. Is better racing right-handed and others preferred
4. **JISKAYA DE CARSI** - 8th in a 3150m Saint-Brieuc Class E conditioner 3 weeks ago. Barefoot this time but still not an obvious choice
5. **JUST CALITY** - Failed to confirm her Angers success when 7th in a 2875m Argentan Class E 8 days ago, but is proven at the venue and can redeem herself
6. **JADORE GIRL** - Complicated type that got back down to business in a 2850m Laval Class E on 8 January and, if similarly well-behaved, can bring the fight to JULIA DE MARZY (2)
7. **JESSY DE DAUX** - Not entirely without merit but will need to improve on her 4th behind JOLLY CHIC (12) in the early-February race of reference to make any impact
8. **JALNA DU BUISSON** - Returns to the harness code after a modest 5th of 7 in a 2700m Vincennes monté Class E on 25 January and, although not a priority, should still give an honest account
9. **JOHANNA ELEVEN** - Last of 8 when being conditioned in a 2100m Class E at Vincennes 8 days ago and even with hind shoes off, still looks something of an outsider
10. **JADESKA** - Quickly sanctioned on re-entry in a 2725m Graignes Class E earlier in the month but should not be far from the action if François Lagadeuc assures her initial strides
11. **JAZZIE DE BERLES** - 7th in a 2700m Vincennes Class E when being prepped for this. Is confirmed in this category and, racing barefoot for the occasion, can get back in the mix
12. **JOLLY CHIC** - Continued her regular ways when 3rd in a 2725m Graignes Class E on 5 February and although unlikely to impose, can still challenge for a spot in the frame
13. **J'ADORE CHENEVIERE** - Blows hot and cold but finished 2nd in a 2175m Vincennes Class E 2 weeks ago. Sports a revised configuration and looks competitively well-in

**Summary:** It took a couple of runs but JULIA DE MARZY (2) raced her way back into the winners' enclosure at Nantes last month and, given the stable's form, can double her money. Aymeric Thomas will still want to be wary of the complicated but capable JADORE GIRL (6) who flew up over course and distance 8 days ago, and J'ADORE CHENEVIERE (13) who returns to racing with front pads after reassuring in Paris a fortnight ago. JOLLY CHIC (12) is a model of consistency and returns to Laval with a lot to offer.

### SELECTIONS

**JULIA DE MARZY (2) - JADORE GIRL (6) - J'ADORE CHENEVIERE (13) - JOLLY CHIC (12)**

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## C5 - PRIX DU HAUT ROCHER - 2850m (a2m) - Class E Amateur Riders - Harness - EUR € 21,000

1. **IPSOS DANOVER** - Modest individual that finished last of 10 to IMPERIAL DE FORGAN (4) in a 2100m Vincennes Class D last week and will have few, if any, takers
2. **INSIGHT SPOKEN** - Left a good impression when 4th in a 2700m Vincennes Class D on 9 January and will not be available at 44/1 this time around
3. **IOUP LA BOUM** - Sanctioned in a 2100m Vincennes Class D last week when first-time barefoot. Shoes back on but still not a priority
4. **IMPERIAL DE FORGAN** - Drops down a level after finishing 6th in a 2100m Vincennes Class D last week and, given his love for the venue, will be no soft touch
5. **HIDALGO BOY** - 4th in a 3000 Nantes Class E 3 weeks ago. Enjoying something of a renaissance since the break and is not to be underestimated
6. **ITALIANO DI PAO** - Capable trotter but has not raced since coming in 7th of 16 in a 2850m Vincennes Class D in late-November and is sure to need the outing
7. **IVAN DE L'ERDRE** - Makes first appearance since finishing 5th of 10 in a 3000m Nantes Class A on 20 November. Shoes on and best to hold off
8. **IBLIS GEMA** - Good 3rd in a 2150m Cagnes Class D on 24 January. Has yet to deliver here but in current condition is very easy to like
9. **ITONO DE MILLAC** - Thrashed when last of 11 in a 2200m Caen Class D 4 months ago and has no realistic chance
10. **HUNIQUE** - Sprang a 29/1 surprise when 3rd in a 3000m Nantes Class F mid-January but a repeat seems unlikely
11. **GANOVO** - Has not been seen out since trotting 11th of 14 in a 2850m Mauquenchy Class F late-November and can expect to remain friendless in the markets
12. **GERONIMO STARDUST** - Continued his miserable streak when sanctioned in a 2900m Challans Class E a fortnight back and will have few friends
13. **HALL BLACK MESS** - Got back in the game when 2nd in a 2725m Graignes Class E earlier this month and, with form maintained, can make the first 5
14. **GABIN DU ROCHER** - Unraced since being sanctioned in a 2050m Lyon-La Soie Class F on 14 December and is unlikely to spring any surprises
15. **IMOKO ATOUT** - Surprisingly below-par in a 2175m Vincennes Class D early last month. Thrives at Laval though and, given the excellent entry, can get straight back down to business

**Summary:** A tough nut to crack when unshod and focused, IMOKO ATOUT (15) was rather disappointing in Paris last month but returns to a track he adores and can set the record straight. He will still be up against IBLIS GEMA (8) who made the frame in 4 of his last 5 starts, and IMPERIAL DE FORGAN (4) who drops marginally in category on his return to a venue he appreciates. INSIGHT SPOKEN (2) showed marked improvement last time out and will again give everything he has.

### SELECTIONS

**IMOKO ATOUT (15) - IBLIS GEMA (8) - IMPERIAL DE FORGAN (4) - INSIGHT SPOKEN (2)**

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## C6 - PRIX DU VAL DE MAYENNE - 2850m (a2m) - Class E - Harness - EUR € 21,000

1. **KAPPI DE LEMI** - Not entirely without merit but sanctioned, for the 2nd time in a row, in a 2800m Argentan Class F 8 days ago and will first need to reaffirm
2. **KELYO DU SOLNAN** - Pleasant 6th in a Class F over track and trip 10 days ago. Raced better that day than the result would suggest and must be taken seriously
3. **KING JULMA** - Has not been seen out since trotting 8th of 14 in a 2950m Toulouse Class D last October and, hind shoes off or not, is unlikely to shake things up
4. **KING D'HERMES** - Started to come good last summer before being sent for a break. In better company for re-entry though and not a priority
5. **KETMAL** - Pulled up in a 2875m Enghien monté Class D last October. Unseen under harness since his qualification, and returns from a break, but will be partnered by Anthony Barrier and is worth keeping an eye on
6. **KIRWAN THORIS** - 10th of 12 on comeback in a 2350m Angers Class E late last month and, even racing unshod behind, appears to need another outing
7. **KHOR SAINT AUBIN** - Consistent type that went close in a 2875m Argentan Class F on his return to racing on 22 January and can again compete for a place in the frame
8. **KLASSIC DE SYVA** - It took some time but he got back to victorious ways in a 2425m Angers Class F 3 weeks ago. Unlikely to repeat but can still figure prominently
9. **KARAMEL JOYEUX** - Unraced since faulting in a 2700m Vincennes monté Class E late-November. Hind shoes off but still appears to have no chance
10. **KENDRICK** - Brought up the double when victorious in a 2150m Mauquenchy Class F ten days ago and, considering his progress, will again take all the beating
11. **KENNEDY JAMES** - Lost his action in a 2175m Vincennes Class E 11 days ago, when clearly full of running, and will have a lot to offer if Cédric Terry keeps him trotting
12. **KINGS CANYON** - Complicated colt that lost his action in a 2725m Graignes Class E on comeback 12 days ago and others easier to trust

**Summary:** KENDRICK (10) swept all before him in both public appearances and looks set to maintain his perfect status. Principal opposition will hail from the tricky KENNEDY JAMES (11) who has pads fitted for his debut on a track he should appreciate, and KELYO DU SOLNAN (2) who was by no means disgraced in a similar event here recently. KHOR SAINT AUBIN (7) got straight back in the game on re-entry and is not going to be far from the action.

### SELECTIONS

**KENDRICK (10) - KENNEDY JAMES (11) - KELYO DU SOLNAN (2) - KHOR SAINT AUBIN (7)**

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## C7 - PRIX DU BOURG HERSENT - 2850m (a2m) - Class E Amateur Riders - Mounted - EUR € 27,000

1. **ETOILE DE BEAUMEE** - Not entirely without merit but faulted in a 2825m Le Croisé-Laroche Class F on 10 November and has nothing going for her here
2. **HIER ENCORE** - Sanctioned early in a 2700m Graignes Class F on 5 January but has talent in abundance and, on good behaviour, can make a big splash
3. **HAMISH** - Trotted 4th [behind FAKIR DU LEVANT (8)] in the early-January race of reference and, although not a priority, should still acquit himself honourably
4. **ECRIN DU LAYON** - Surprising 7th of 10 in a 2650m Bordeaux harness Class G last weekend. Has not been seen under the saddle since 2019 however and chances seem limited at best
5. **HERMINE DU GUELIER** - Disappointing 9th of 12 in a 3000m Châteaubriant Class D 12 days ago but returns to a track she appreciates and must be afforded respect
6. **HETRE CHANGEEN** - Quality element that trotted 4th of 12 in a 2700m Vincennes Class D earlier this month and, under these conditions, looks the one to beat
7. **GLOBAL EMPIRE** - Twice made the frame before failing to fire in a 2150m Mauquenchy Class E last month. Has had time to get his house in order and can put things right
8. **FAKIR DU LEVANT** - 3rd in a 2700m Graignes Class F 2 weeks ago. Has no particular love for Laval but in present shape is hard to ignore
9. **HANUGAN** - Debuts in the discipline after losing his action in a 2625m Cherbourg Class E a fortnight back and is unlikely to spring any surprises
10. **FILOPOTO PENA** - 7th in a 2625m Cherbourg Class E a fortnight ago under harness. Has shown promise in this discipline though and should not be ruled out of a place in the first 5
11. **HARBELLA** - Erratic mare that finished a modest 8th to HETRE CHANGEEN (6) in a 2700m Vincennes Class D 9 days ago but does have merit and can figure prominently...if in the mood
12. **EUDES DE L'AUNAY** - Made a respectable return to the code with 3rd in a 2825m Vire Class F last Sunday but faces a much stiffer test this time around
13. **HELLO JADE RUSH** - Sanctioned in a 2825m Vire Class F on re-entry under harness last weekend. Will have been prepared for this and must not be underestimated

**Summary:** HETRE CHANGEEN (6) has taken particularly well to racing with pads and moving back to the provinces in current form looks a winning formula. HIER ENCORE (2) has been sanctioned more often than not but is better than most here and will be no pushover if Tom Debost can get him off on the right foot. In the frame in 3 of 4 under the saddle, GLOBAL EMPIRE (7) debuts at Laval with a good hand to play. HARBELLA (11) may not be everyone's cup of tea but she has decent references and it is only a matter of time before she comes good again.

### SELECTIONS

**HETRE CHANGEEN (6) - HIER ENCORE (2) - GLOBAL EMPIRE (7) - HARBELLA (11)**

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## C8 - PRIX DE LA CROIX DES LANDES - 2850m (a2m) - Class F - Harness - EUR € 15,000

1. **LOUP SOLITAIRE** - Nicely-bred colt that qualified last July in 1'17"6 and would not be here if not ready. Claim
2. **LEVADIA** - Sanctioned, for a 3rd time in succession, when faulting in a Class F over course and distance 10 days ago and will have few takers
3. **LOCO FLIGNY** - Set off no fireworks when qualifying in 1'20"1 at Caen early-December before being sanctioned in a 2700m Machecoul Class F last weekend and is unlikely to shake things up
4. **LOLA DAIRPET** - Sanctioned, for a second time, in a 2200m Vincennes Class D on 2 January. Qualified decently last August but must nevertheless get her house in order
5. **LASER SEDUISANT** - Pleasant 4th of 10 in a 2575m Saint-Brieuc Class F 3 weeks ago, first time out. There is a lot of improvement in him and should not disappoint
6. **LORENZO BERRY** - Was not over-taxed on debut when 4th in a 2275m Argentan Class F on 19 January. Will have come on for the run and has a realistic chance of making the frame
7. **L'ASTRE D'ORION** - Pleased when 3rd in a 2425m Angers Class F 3 weeks ago. Steps marginally up in category but will have progressed and can make the first 5
8. **LUMINOSITY** - Left a good impression when 3rd in a 2875m Argentan Class F 3 weeks ago. Looks one for the future and is not incapable of getting off the mark
9. **LOVING DREAM** - Beaten 4th of 8 finishers in a 2425m Angers Class F on 31 January and appears to have too much to do
10. **LIVE YOUR DREAMS** - Unexceptional 6th of 11 when well-backed in a Châteaubriant Class F over 2400m just under a month ago, but oozes class and it is only a matter of time
11. **LOUNA D'OR** - Showed considerable improvement when 3rd in a Mauquenchy Class E over 2850m late last month and will not be sent out at 69/1 on this occasion
12. **LOOKING BEST** - 4th in a 2150m Argentan Class F 8 days ago. Always gives his best but is no superstar and will struggle to make his presence felt this time

**Summary:** Very impressive in qualification last summer, Fabrice Souloy has kept his untried LOUP SOLITAIRE (1) back until now and if as good in competition, he can open his account at the first time of asking. That said, LUMINOSITY (8) acquitted herself well on her recent debut and will have come on for the run. LIVE YOUR DREAMS (10) has yet to show what he can do and, with application, will be dangerous. LORENZO BERRY (6) is a promising colt and will have progressed from last month's Nantes performance.

### SELECTIONS

**LOUP SOLITAIRE (1) - LUMINOSITY (8) - LIVE YOUR DREAMS (10) - LORENZO BERRY (6)**