

SUNDAY, 21/01/24

**C1 - PRIX DU CHATEAU D'IF - 2650m (a1 5/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR €
22.000**

1. ILLA VILLA - Remains barefoot. Won well in November and ran well when third last time out. Can contest the finish

2. IVANKA - Seventh last attempt but can do better but others are preferred. Needs to find a few lengths to win

3. HEZIA HIGHLAND - On a long losing streak. Eighth last time out and will need to do a lot more to win this race

4. IMMORTELLE DE BLAY - Showed improvement when third in October. Seventh last time out and others are preferred this time

5. INITIALE BLEUE - Won well in August when barefoot. Disqualified last attempt but can do better this time if smart. Place chance

6. IZAROSANGELA - Showed improvement in August when third. Fifth last attempt when barefoot. Can upset

7. INSOLITE - Won well in December when barefoot. Not disgraced when fourth in last attempt. Big winning chance

8. ISLA DE BANVILLE - On a long losing streak. Showed improvement at this venue in last attempt when runner up. Go close

9. IVILLA BLUE - Unreliable since winning in August. Eighth in last attempt and is best watched this time

10. HAUBAGNE - Won on three occasions last year and placed three times around this distance. Disqualified last time out but is not out of it

Summary : INSOLITE (7) was not disgraced when fourth last time out. She clearly likes this course and should be the one to beat. ISLA DE BANVILLE (8) is in good form but has not won for some time. She will be a threat against these rivals. HAUBAGNE (10) is clearly better than the last start disqualification and would not be a surprise winner. ILLA VILLA (1) was not disgraced when third last time out and can contest the finish again.

SELECTIONS

INSOLITE (7) - ISLA DE BANVILLE (8) - HAUBAGNE (10) - ILLA VILLA (1)

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C2 - PRIX D'ALLAUCH - 2650m (a1 5/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 24.000

1. **GHALAL DE VANDEL** - Not disgraced when fourth in last attempt. Unreliable with disqualification issues and others are preferred
2. **HALL BLACK DREAM** - Unreliable and has major disqualification issues but is barefoot and capable of contesting the finish if smart
3. **HERMINE SIMARDIERE** - On a long losing streak and has major disqualification issues. Best watched for now
4. **HALTA CRISCANI** - Won well in December and placed third in last attempt when barefoot. Could earn some more money
5. **HERMES FLAM** - Has disqualification issues. Showed improvement when eighth in last attempt but others are much preferred
6. **HALAFOLY ROBSEN** - Not disgraced when fourth last time out and that was an improved effort. Place with further improvement expected
7. **HONORE LE FOL** - Unreliable since winning in November. Has disqualification issues and is probably best watched this time
8. **HATCHI DU KLAU** - Best in May when victorious. Disqualified last attempt but can do better. Might play a minor money
9. **GAME HAUFOR** - Won well in December when barefoot. Remains barefoot and clearly likes this course. Should make a bold bid at winning
10. **FASHION DE VAL** - Inconsistent since winning in July. Tenth in last outing and others are preferred this time
11. **FOND OF YOU** - Won well in August when barefoot. Eighth last time out but is barefoot and capable of contesting the finish
12. **FLIGNY** - Unreliable of late. Showed improvement when third in last attempt when barefoot. Might play a minor role
13. **HOKIO** - Eighth last attempt but has room to improve. Unreliable but could be the surprise package of the race
14. **HACIENDA DESBOIS** - Won well in December when barefoot. Remains barefoot and has good form at this course. Go close

Summary : GAME HAUFOR (9) likes this course and comes here in good form so has a decent show at scoring again. HACIENDA DESBOIS (14) also likes this course and is in good form and will be a lively danger. HALL BLACK DREAM (2) is clearly not one to trust but could be ready to strike again being barefoot this time. FOND OF YOU (11) is barefoot and capable of an upset.

SELECTIONS

GAME HAUFOR (9) - HACIENDA DESBOIS (14) - HALL BLACK DREAM (2) - FOND OF YOU (11)

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C3 - PRIX D'ANGERS - 2650m (a1 5/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 22.000

1. **IDEAL JIGANAYS** - Heavily raced since winning in August. Has lost his way of late and others are much preferred
2. **ICARE DU BELLAY** - On a long losing streak. Showed improvement when sixth last time out when barefoot. Remains barefoot but others are preferred
3. **ISPAHAN DE CAREL** - Victorious in August. Not disgraced when fourth last time out but others are preferred this time
4. **IBIS DU LYS** - Disqualified in last two starts. Unreliable and has had major disqualification issues since winning in July. Best watched for now
5. **IMPERATOR VICTORIO** - Has major disqualification issues. Contest the finish if smart but is hard to trust
6. **IGOR DE LA MORELLE** - Not disgraced when fourth in last attempt. Holding form and is capable of contesting the finish but more is needed to win
7. **IMBASI RAINBOW** - Unreliable of late and has disqualification issues. Eighth in last outing and more is needed to win
8. **INO DE BRION** - Runner up in November. Disappointed when sixth in last attempt but can do better. Place chance
9. **IL CONTO** - On a long losing streak but showed improvement when sixth last time out. Can play a minor role
10. **HOCJA JENILOU** - Only ninth last time out. Capable of doing better but is unreliable and others are preferred
11. **IBRAHIC** - Ran well last time out when barefoot and runner-up. Has disqualification issues and is not barefoot this time
12. **HOUSTON TEXAS** - Fourteenth last time out but has been placed three times in last four attempts. Should contest the finish
13. **ILLICO DU GUESNE** - Victorious on two occasions last year. Disqualified in last attempt but can bounce back. Might upset
14. **HONEY DE TOUCHYVON** - Won well in October when barefoot. Twelfth last attempt but is barefoot. Not out of it
15. **INNOCENT DU BOURG** - Won well in September when barefoot. Fifth last time out but others are preferred this time
16. **HADORABLE MEC** - Holding form well and has won over this course and distance before. Should fight out the finish

Summary : HADORABLE MEC (16) is in good form and is proven over this course and distance. He could be the one to beat. HOUSTON TEXAS (12) is clearly better than the last run would suggest and was in good form before that. HONEY DE TOUCHYVON (14) is barefoot this time and could be ready to strike. ILLICO DU GUESNE (13) was disqualified last time out but is capable of bouncing back to score.

SELECTIONS

HADORABLE MEC (16) - HOUSTON TEXAS (12) - HONEY DE TOUCHYVON (14) - ILLICO DU GUESNE (13)

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C4 - PRIX DE CAZAN - 2650m (a1 5/8m) - European - Harness - EUR € 28.000

1. **HEAVEN QUICK** - A winner three runs back and has not been that far behind since that win. Can earn at best
2. **HERBIERE** - Remains barefoot. Disappointed in the latest start but has placed ten times in career and ought to be thereabouts. Not out of it
3. **HANI BIRD** - Disqualified in the latest start but has consistent form. Is seldom far off them. Can be involved again
4. **HOLD BLUE** - Unshod all four feet and is capable of leading all the way. A track winner in September that can go close
5. **FAKIR DE LARRE** - Has not been in the winner's box for some time and must improve to make the frame
6. **FUCHSIA DU RIB** - Reverts to barefoot and placed fourth in the last two attempts. Similar at best can be expected. Might place
7. **HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR** - Reverts to barefoot and placed fifth in latest at the track. Has sufficient means to be involved. Place chance
8. **HETY DU GOUTIER** - Reverts to barefoot. Ought to be thereabouts and has sufficient means to fight for victory
9. **DANTE GODIVA** - Last three efforts have been lacking and remains barefoot. Others are preferred
10. **BEAUTY WIND** - Reverts to barefoot. Has been contesting Mounted and Harness events and has claims of making the frame
11. **ASTRONASCENTE ZAC** - Has not been placed for some time and would be a shock winner.
12. **HISTOIRE DU MIDI** - Unplaced for some time and is best to pass by, others are preferred
13. **D'AMOUR DE MAGNY** - Barefoot again. Last two have been poor and will need to improve on those efforts. Might place
14. **FOSBURY** - Has disqualification issues and has been poor since returning from a break. Others are preferred
15. **FULGURER** - A track winner in December for the tenth time and placed fourth in the latest start. Can contest the finish again
16. **GIMME SHELTER** - Penultimate start showed improvement when runner up at this track. Can play a minor role at best

Summary : ILLICO DU GUESNE (13) is barefoot and has proven herself at this course. She could bounce back after some disappointing runs. FULGURER (15) is in good heart and won well at this course in December. HETY DU GOUTIER (8) has struggled of late but is barefoot and capable of winning. BEAUTY WIND (10) is unreliable nut will be unshod and ready to strike.

SELECTIONS

HOLD BLUE (4) - FULGURER (15) - HETY DU GOUTIER (8) - BEAUTY WIND (10)

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C5 - PRIX DE COURCHEVEL - 2650m (a1 5/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 19.500

1. **JACO BOT EUR MOEL** - Barefoot again. Probably needed last two runs after a five month break and should be fitter. Can upset
2. **JOYAU DE MAX** - Has disqualification issues and has not been in the best of form. Others are preferred
3. **JUAN D'OCCAGNES** - Disqualified in latest start after nearly a year absence and might still need the run back
4. **JUNE DE ROUGEMONT** - Remains barefoot and is having the third run back from a break. Has won at this track and can earn some more money
5. **JIMMY BOY** - A track winner for the second time in his career in latest start. Has sufficient means to fight for victory
6. **JADORE DES RACQUES** - Major disqualification issues and is best to pass by. Others are preferred in this line up
7. **JETROVNA DU VIVIER** - Tries barefoot. Has not placed for some time and will need to improve to make the frame
8. **JACINTHE MAGUET** - Been on a break since August and might need the run back from the absence. Best watched for now
9. **JACOBS CREEK** - Remains barefoot. Placed twice since winning in May and at best can place but more is needed to win
10. **JUST PAT** - Disqualified in latest but did place fourth in penultimate which was at this track. Can bounce back to score
11. **JUMPER D'ERABLE** - Placed fourth in the latest and was a track winner four runs back. Can earn at best
12. **JUMBO DES PRES** - Improved latest effort when a runner up and will need to confirm the form to make the frame
13. **JOLIE ORIGINE** - Poor recent form and is best to pass by until improvement is shown. Others are much preferred
14. **J'ADORE CE MEC** - Remains barefoot. A consistent sort who will make his presence felt and should be involved once again
15. **JASMIN DAIRPET** - Won the latest start for the second career victory and can make it two on the trot. Has disqualification issues

Summary : JASMIN DAIRPET (15) is clearly hard to trust but bounced back with a solid win last time out and can follow up. J'ADORE CE MEC (14) is consistent and should be right there at the finish yet again. JIMMY BOY (5) won at this course last time out and will be a threat again. JUST PAT (10) ran well at this course in his penultimate start and is not out of it.

SELECTIONS

JASMIN DAIRPET (15) - J'ADORE CE MEC (14) - JIMMY BOY (5) - JUST PAT (10)

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C6 - PRIX MASINA - 2650m (a1 5/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 19.500

1. **KOOL DU CHATELET** - Finished 8th on debut and was disqualified last time, so has not shown enough to be recommended here
2. **KOQUETTE D'ERAH** - Was sanctioned last time, failing to build on the promise of her debut 5th, so is best watched for now
3. **KADONIS** - Lightly raced sort who is open to improvement but has already revealed sufficient means to be competitive
4. **KID OF CROWN** - Delicate but is undeniably capable of playing a leading role here if avoiding disqualification. Keep safe
5. **KOLORADO BELLO** - Races fully shod but boasts sound form references, so cannot be underestimated here. Not to be taken lightly
6. **KAVANA DU BAS BOSQ** - Fully unshod and ideally positioned in front but will need to improve to play a role in the finish. Outsider
7. **KUBLAI KHAN** - Seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification but has more of a place chance than a winning one
8. **KORCOVADO** - Has looked decidedly ordinary to this point and is hard to make a case for on the evidence of his recent displays
9. **KYPEA BLINDERS** - Complicated although not incapable of getting a look in here if avoiding disqualification. Dark horse
10. **KARNA SANTIGNY** - Consistent for the most part but has been costly to follow recently. Better was expected of him last time (5th)
11. **KERVELEAN** - Inconsistent but did win well at this track back in November. Would be dangerous to discount his chances
12. **KALIN DU MESNIL** - Has enjoyed racing at this track and will be fully unshod again, so is a leading candidate for success
13. **KERUSHKA** - Disqualified last time but usually does well when remaining wise. Has the means to redeem herself in a race of this nature
14. **KOLDIMA D'AUT** - Unreliable although devoid of resources. Has only recently joined Yohann Haret's stable, so is one to keep an eye on
15. **KRISTAL VICTORY** - Has looked decidedly ordinary to this point and is hard to make a case for on the evidence of her recent showings

Summary : With a win and a 2nd to his name from two outings at this venue, KALIN DU MESNIL (12) gets the nod here ahead of KERVELEAN (11), who is returning to the course of his only career success. Consistent KARNA SANTIGNY (10) is likely to acquit himself competitively once more so could also pose a threat. KOLDIMA D'AUT (14) can't be taken lightly either, while KERUSHKA (13) and KID OF CROWN (4) aren't prayerless. Tricky!

SELECTIONS

KALIN DU MESNIL (12) - KERVELEAN (11) - KARNA SANTIGNY (10) - KOLDIMA D'AUT (14)

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**C7 - PRIX DE POMEQUES - 2650m (a1 5/8m) - Class - Mounted - EUR €
28.000**

- 1. GIOS DAIRPET** - Out of sorts in the harness category recently but ought to fare better switched to the mounted code
- 2. FLAG DE MARIONS** - Recently returned to winning ways in the harness category at this venue and is returned to the mounted code here with legitimate pretensions
- 3. GOLO KANTE** - Has won consecutive mounted races convincingly and has legitimate claims of completing his hat-trick here
- 4. EURO MAKER** - Consistent for the most part and is versatile, though not often seen in the mounted code. Dark horse
- 5. GIBOLE DE L'ELLE** - Seldom far off the mark in harness races when applied and is fully unshod switching to this code, but is best watched for now
- 6. GENTLEMAN LOVER** - Switches this discipline now having lost his way in the harness category recently. Others make more appeal
- 7. ENJEU DAIRPET** - Out of sorts in the harness category but could have more to offer now switching to a mounted race. Outsider
- 8. HOOLIGAN JIM** - Impeccable in the harness category of late but showed his versatility by winning his only start under the saddle. Big chance

Summary : GOLO KANTE (3) has won consecutive outings under the saddle and seems well placed to complete the hat-trick but will, however, have to thwart the likely challenge of HOOLIGAN JIM (8) who is favourably engaged under the conditions so expected to play a leading role on his return to the mounted code. FLAG DE MARIONS (2) can't be taken lightly either, as he switches to this code with sound references in the harness category to his name. The shortlist is completed by EURO MAKER (4).

SELECTIONS

GOLO KANTE (3) - HOOLIGAN JIM (8) - FLAG DE MARIONS (2) - EURO MAKER (4)

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**C8 - PRIX DU CASTELET - 2650m (a1 5/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR €
6.000**

1. INGENIOUS BOND - Seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification but has more of a place chance than a winning one

2. HAVATAR - Consistent for the most part and races unshod for the first time in this category. Not taken lightly

3. GALAXY VAUCEENNE - Undefeated in three outings on this track and likely to acquit herself competitively once more. Chief threat

4. HISTORY TIKA - Out of sorts and, although fully unshod for the occasion, is unlikely to trouble the judge on the evidence of recent displays

5. IWAN D'AVEL - Seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification but has more of a place chance than a winning one

6. HAWK SPEED - Acquitted himself well in his first outing with Gisèle Ambrogio and is well engaged here, so is not taken lightly

7. INVICTUM DU NOYER - Complicated although not incapable of getting a look in here if avoiding disqualification. Dark horse

8. IN THE AIR DELO - Had bad luck at Cagnes last time (th) but has a great opportunity to redeem himself in his first outing at this level

9. GIBUS INDIEN - Seldom far off the mark when avoiding disqualification but has more of a place chance than a winning one

10. EQUALITY - Delicate veteran but has undeniable means. Already a winner 15 times with François Chappelaine so has to be taken seriously

11. HABANNA - Usually performs well at this venue and ought to make her presence felt here reverting to the amateur ranks

12. FAR WEST DE CHENU - Honest performer maintaining a respectable level of form and consistency, though is unlikely to have a say in this shoeing configuration

Summary : IN THE AIR DELO (8) had legitimate excuses for his recent failure and he retains the means necessary to set the record straight here in his first outing at this level. Undefeated in three starts at this venue, GALAXY VAUCEENNE (3) is expected to fight for victory, though. She heads the list of potential threats which includes HABANNA (11), on her return to this category, and EQUALITY (10) who need only remain wise to play a leading role. HAVATAR (2) completes the shortlist.

SELECTIONS

IN THE AIR DELO (8) - GALAXY VAUCEENNE (3) - HABANNA (11) - EQUALITY (10)