

# WEDNESDAY, 25/10/23

## C1 - GRAND PRIX DYNAVENA - 2950m (a1 13/16m) - European - Harness - EUR € 35.000

1. **FILOU DE SITA** - Not the easiest to trust but sprang quite the surprise at Agen behind FLYING DEVIL (7), although a repeat looks most improbable
2. **FIGUEIRA BELLA** - Kicked the year off with a brace of wins, including over shorter here. Has 2 races under her belt since the long layoff, but just hind shoes off this time, and others preferred
3. **FITZY DE VIVE** - Has not been the most dependable lately but reassured at Hyères 10 days ago and, from the front row, can give this a good go
4. **STARO MOJITO** - Dependability may not be his catch-word these days but he has won 2 of his last 4, and a repeat of his Agen performance could well see him double his money
5. **HOUSTON TUILERIE** - Regularly a question of all-or-nothing. Is behind in earnings though and, on good behaviour, can make another big splash
6. **HAMILTON FIRST** - Quality trotter that would have finished in the money at Caen had he not faulted. Gets an Alexandre Abrivard drive this time and has a realistic chance of trotting his way onto the podium
7. **FLYING DEVIL** - Reinvigorated this autumn and has twice recently given a good account here. Returns to racing with front pads fitted and will be no soft touch
8. **HIMBERLAND** - Pleased on his only appearance at the venue. Has been in fine shape since the spring and, on good behaviour this time, can challenge for a place on the podium
9. **GWENDOLO BELLO** - Trotter with a good strike-rate and thrives at Toulouse, but shoes on for his first start since April and best to wait
10. **ENIVRANTE** - Blows hot and cold but reassured over track and trip last month. Incurs the penalty once again but still looks competitively well in
11. **FLASH ROYAL** - Simply superb earlier in the year and is confirmed at a superior level. Has one race under his belt since the summer break and, if fully fit, can set the cat among the pigeons
12. **FANTASIA DE LIGNY** - Mare with excellent references in this category but rarely plays a role when shod and can be ruled out
13. **DUO SEGUINEL** - Has not got his nose in front for some time but always gives what he can. Pleased behind ENIVRANTE (10) here last month and will not be sent out at 47/1 on this occasion
14. **FAST DOMINO** - Tricky character whose form has regressed since placing at Cagnes during the summer and is unlikely to shake things up
15. **FRILOUZ DE KERNAS** - Returned to winning ways during the summer but has looked decidedly ordinary since and chances slim at best

**Summary :** The big guns are on the front row here and, even though his temperament occasionally gets the better of him, STARO MOJITO (4) hails from a yard in cracking form and can confirm his recent Agen victory. That said, he will be up against the trickier but clearly talented HOUSTON TUILERIE (5) who rarely disappoints when focused. HAMILTON FIRST (6) is another sharp element and, although sanctioned last time, he is more than capable of making amends. HAMILTON FIRST (6) benefits from an excellent entry and returns to the harness code with a good hand to play.

### SELECTIONS

**STARO MOJITO (4) - HOUSTON TUILERIE (5) - HAMILTON FIRST (6) - HIMBERLAND (8)**

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## C2 - PRIX DE L'HIPPODROME DE BORDEAUX - 2750m (a1 11/16m) - National - Harness - EUR € 27.000

1. **ILOU FIRST RICHER** - Tricky sort with nothing to prove here but stays shod for his first start for 3.5 months and represents no more than a minor place prospect
2. **IMPACT OAKS** - Quality individual with fine credentials in this category. Well-positioned on the front line and, with application, can have his way
3. **IZAYA DE COUSSERAT** - Lost her way over the summer but showed at Beaumont that she has returned to form and, given her appreciation for Toulouse, is unlikely to disappoint
4. **INFANTE D'ERABLE** - Not the easiest of horses to handle and latterly failed to fire here, but drops back in class and, from the 4-spot, looks competitive for a cheque
5. **ICARE D'ASNOIS** - Hardy element that showed marked improvement at Vichy recently. Has Toulouse references, is competitively-shod, and could pleasantly surprise
6. **IBERO BELLO** - Good, consistent type for the most part. Has solid Toulouse references and his latest effort bodes well for his chances of trotting into the money
7. **IMHOTEP BUROIS** - Never far from losing his action but did score here earlier in the year and, with stride in check, will not be far off the mark
8. **INSTAGRAM** - Trotter with ample ability that was given a lung-opener earlier in the month. Has climbed the class ladder in good order this year and, in spite of the draw, still looks a player
9. **IDEAL FONGUILLERES** - Useful sort but has considerably better prospects at a lower level and can be confidently ruled out
10. **IGOR DU PLANTIS** - Went completely off the boil after winning here in early June and can expect to have few friends
11. **ITXASSOU** - Handy type that consistently gives his best. Has no particular love for Toulouse though and, in this company, will have his work cut out
12. **ICARE DUNGY** - Undeniably capable in his category but has failed to make the grade this term and the draw will only add to his struggle
13. **IANINA DES BORDES** - Hardy dual-discipline mare but stays shod for her return to competition and best to hold off
14. **I SANTO DUSSAC** - Honest trotter that has previously won under these conditions. Is barefoot for his return from an extended hiatus and, despite the poor draw, will have his supporters
15. **IZARD BOCAIN** - Very hard to fault in either code this season but steps up in category, has been handed a tough draw, and is unlikely to influence the outcome

**Summary** : Although difficult from time to time, **IMPACT OAKS** (2) has shown he is back at his best and, even with shoes on this time, can make his Toulouse debut a winning one. Gilles Vidal would still be wise to be wary of the venue-loving **IZAYA DE COUSSERAT** (3) who got back in the game last time out, and the less favourably-drawn **INSTAGRAM** (8) who is barefoot after a much-needed return run. **IMHOTEP BUROIS** (7) finally lost his maiden status here last winter and can get in on the action if he deigns to keep his action together.

### SELECTIONS

**IMPACT OAKS (2) - IZAYA DE COUSSERAT (3) - INSTAGRAM (8) - IMHOTEP BUROIS (7)**

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## C3 - PRIX DE L'HIPPDROME D'AGEN - 2950m (a1 13/16m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 7.000

- 1. HIPPY DE BENAC** - Has merit but blows like the wind and will struggle to make his mark this time around
- 2. HELP GIBUS** - Delicate mare that defied her odds to finish 4th in the race of reference but a repeat looks highly unlikely
- 3. HORATEUR** - Has shown a different side to himself since switching to this category. 3rd to GONIKA DE VASTERIE (5) last month and, in similar shape, can figure prominently
- 4. HAZARD D'AMOUR** - Has failed to get his nose in front since the summer but consistently gives his best and latest amateur performances augur well for his place prospects
- 5. GONIKA DE VASTERIE** - Decent mare with fine references in this category. Bids to take her barefoot win-streak to 3 in a row, but has little love for Toulouse and looks more a place chance this time around
- 6. GAPACHE DE HOUELLE** - Has been enjoying a decent run of form over past month. Solid last time here and 4th in the race of reference but, incurring the handicap, looks no more than a minor place chance
- 7. EDELWEISS NAY** - Has amateur references but is the least performant horse here and can be disregarded
- 8. ENVOL THE BEST** - No slouch on a good day but form has begun to regress. Barefoot this time though and can start to get back in the game
- 9. FABULOUS DANCER** - Beat FLEURON DE NEUVY (10) earlier in the season and latterly confirmed at Agen. Unseen at Toulouse since 2020 but still looks a serious proposition
- 10. FLEURON DE NEUVY** - Excellent campaigner in the amateur category and has won his last two here. Incurs the penalty but is still a leading prospect

**Summary** : A sure value in this category of competition, FLEURON DE NEUVY (10) will endeavour to turn the tables on the good FABULOUS DANCER (9) who had his measure at Agen mid-September. While there is a possibility this will turn into a 2-horse race, it is hard to ignore front-row starter HAZARD D'AMOUR (4) who can boast a decent record in the amateur division. GONIKA DE VASTERIE (5) won a brace recently before prepping shod at Agen earlier this month and, barefoot this time, will be no easy touch.

### SELECTIONS

FLEURON DE NEUVY (10) - FABULOUS DANCER (9) - HAZARD D'AMOUR (4) - GONIKA DE VASTERIE (5)

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## C4 - PRIX DE LA DEPECHE DU MIDI - 2950m (a1 13/16m) - European - Mounted - EUR € 35.000

- 1. HUIS CLOS (SWE)** - Excellent trotter that has thrived in France since leaving Scandinavia. Just 2nd appearance with Abrivard on board but still looks the pick of the field
- 2. FILOU DU RAVARY** - Good, consistent type that regular picks up some prizemoney. Has previously won under these conditions and should not be too far from the action
- 3. FRIPON DU JOUR** - Respectable under the saddle but has looked very ordinary for some time and appears to have no realistic chance
- 4. HELIUM DE L'ITON** - Reliability not his strong suit but won over shorter here on penultimate start and, while not a priority, should still generate some interest
- 5. ECUREUIL PHIL** - Previously a decent sort but has been a write-off since mid-July and, even returning to the monté discipline, will have little to offer
- 6. EMPEREUR DE REUX** - Unseen in the monté discipline since 2021 but has been in fine condition under harness lately and returns to the code with a good hand to play from the front line
- 7. ENDIAN DE BANVILLE** - Barring his latest effort, has been on a fine run of form since early August. Caught the eye on last month's ridden debut and, with form maintained, will have his chances
- 8. DIABOLO** - Sanctioned in both appearances under the saddle. Has similarly been off the boil in the other code and can be passed over
- 9. DIERLOV VOLO** - Quality element that got back in the game with a fine Caen performance, setting his personal best time, and can confirm with another performant run
- 10. EVEIL DU LUPIN** - Tricky sort but has solid harness credentials at a superior level and, if form transitions, can get a look in
- 11. ESPOIR DU RAVARY** - Mixes the good with the less good but impressive in 2 of last 3, and a repeat of his Enghien performance would see him pile the pressure on HUIS CLOS (SWE) (1)

**Summary** : When focused, Swedish import HUIS CLOS (SWE) (1) is a veritable dynamo in this branch of the business; behind in earnings, Alexandre Abrivard is unlikely to let this opportunity pass him by. ESPOIR DU RAVARY (11) is 25m worse off but has nothing to prove at this level and, considering he remains unbeaten under the saddle here, will be no pushover. DIERLOV VOLO (9) joins him on the second tier but is in sufficiently good form to finish close. A decent servant, ENDIAN DE BANVILLE (7) left a decent impression on his recent monté debut and, even though shod this time, still looks competitive for a place cheque.

### SELECTIONS

**HUIS CLOS (SWE) (1) - ESPOIR DU RAVARY (11) - DIERLOV VOLO (9) - ENDIAN DE BANVILLE (7)**

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**C5 - PRIX ACTU TOULOUSE - 2950m (a1 13/16m) - National - Harness -  
EUR € 30.000**

1. **KHARA DUEM** - Honest filly with decent references here but unraced since mid-June and will need the outing
2. **KUPIDON DE CORBERY** - 18 appearances and yet to lose his maiden tag. 3rd over track and trip earlier in the month but no chance of improving on that
3. **KOOL DE LA GRAVE** - Faithful servant that pleased here late last month before finishing one-paced next time, but is not incapable of making amends
4. **KEEP FAITH** - Plainly useful but disappointing for the most part this season. Reassured at Hyères last time but still looks to have her work cut out
5. **KERIDA DE VIVOIN** - Promising filly that has progressed well this season. Beaten 2nd in a Class C last time but still looks good enough to trot her way into the mix
6. **KAROUZO** - Very hard to fault when applied but sanctioned in last 3 and others easier to back
7. **KIWIS DE PEN GUEN** - Never far off the mark when he can keep his action together. Showed improvement behind KAKO GASCOGNE (9) last time and, pads fitted again, can figure prominently
8. **KARA DES BROUSSES** - Not without merit but lost her way after imposing at Auch and can be ruled out
9. **KAKO GASCOGNE** - Quality trotter that seldom puts a foot out of place. Ideally-placed on the front row and looks main threat to KARLITO (11)
10. **KOLBE DESBOIS** - Blows hot and cold but has evident ability. Has one race under his belt since the summer break and should not be far from the action
11. **KARLITO** - Well-known to the stride-police but has bags of ability. Has met little opposition since late-summer and, despite the handicap, will be no pushover
12. **KALIE GLYCINES** - Sanctioned almost as often as not but has references at a superior level. Not disgraced under the saddle last time and, even from the 2nd line, will be competitive for a place on the podium

**Summary** : A colt of significant means, KARLITO (11) makes his first appearance at Toulouse after securing 2 in a row and, even incurring the penalty, is going to take all the beating. KAKO GASCOGNE (9), in contrast, has excellent references here and, while shod this time, still looks a player from the front line. The temperamental KALIE GLYCINES (12) returns to the harness code after trotting 5th in the Gr.1 Saint-Léger des Trotteurs and, on class alone, can play an important role. KOLBE DESBOIS (10) was not over-taxed on his re-entry here but can expect to be more performant this time around.

## SELECTIONS

**KARLITO (11) - KAKO GASCOGNE (9) - KALIE GLYCINES (12) - KOLBE DESBOIS (10)**

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## C6 - PRIX HIPPODROME DE BEAUMONT DE LOMAGNE - 2950m (a1 13/16m) - National - Harness - EUR € 30.000

- 1. JENY DES MALBERAUX** - Can prove a handful but left a very good impression behind JET DE LA FERME (12) last time here. Disappointing when heavily-supported at Agen next time but can make amends
- 2. JEANBLANC DUEM** - Won over track and trip last season but has not been as sharp since. 4th here late last month though and should not be entirely overlooked
- 3. JORGIO DE VANDEL** - As tricky as they get but has merit. Front pads fitted this time though and not an obvious choice
- 4. JET JET JET** - Unbeaten in 6 starts to date, including twice at Toulouse. Stays shod for re-entry but still looks capable of getting in on the action
- 5. JAIN DE CELLAND** - No slouch that finished 6th in the race of reference after winning smartly at Beaumont. Won over 2750m on her Toulouse debut and is expected to give another competitive account
- 6. JACK L'EVENTREUR** - Unremarkable type with better references at a lower level these days and can expect to remain friendless in the markets
- 7. JIGLIANA D'ARC** - Moderate sort with modest results following her Biarritz success and can be ruled out
- 8. JOIE DE LA COTE** - Tough mare that has been very hard to knock this year. Caught the eye at Enghien a fortnight ago and, already confirmed here, looks a serious proposition
- 9. JUPPY UP** - New to the venue and is not the easiest to handle, but is clearly in decent shape and will generate some interest
- 10. JINKOUA D'IRATY** - Filly with considerably better aptitude for the other code and poses no threat
- 11. JENY LOVE JEPHI** - Has failed to get her nose in front since June 2022 and, while not devoid of ability, still looks an outsider here
- 12. JET DE LA FERME** - Simply superb since arriving in the southwest. Returns on a 4-timer and, considering his liking for Toulouse, has every chance of pulling it off
- 13. JOIE DE BERTRANGE** - Fine servant that was oddly out of sorts behind JET DE LA FERME (12) here last time but is considerably better than that and should not disappoint
- 14. JURAE VET** - Never far from faulting but is a very talented filly. Runner-up to JET DE LA FERME (12) here late last month and a repeat is not out of the question

**Summary** : Like a horse reborn since changing handler, JET DE LA FERME (12) is aiming at a 3rd successive Toulouse win and, reunited with Matthieu Abrivard, should logically live up to expectations. Second to him last time out, JURAE VET (14) is yet to let the side down here and is arguably the principal danger, however JOIE DE LA COTE (8) is a model of consistency and a repeat of her recent Enghien run would see her apply the pressure on the favourite. JOIE DE BERTRANGE (13) is significantly better than her recent effort would suggest and must not be underestimated.

### SELECTIONS

**JET DE LA FERME (12) - JURAE VET (14) - JOIE DE LA COTE (8) - JOIE DE BERTRANGE (13)**

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**C7 - 46 EME GRAND PRIX DU SUD-OUEST - PARIS-T - 2750m (a1 11/16m)  
- Internationale - Harness - EUR € 180.000**

- 1. FAKIR DE MAHEY** - As delicate as they come but is not short of ability. Got back in the game when 2nd to GASPAR DE BRION (7) three weeks ago and must not be overlooked
- 2. ECHO DE CHANLECY** - By no means the worst horse here but has not done enough lately to be considered a priority
- 3. ELVIS DU VALLON** - Fine servant with excellent speed. No longer the horse that was sanctioned here in 2018 and, in super shape, can make a big splash from the 3-spot
- 4. DELFINO** - Good class of trotter with 2 races in him following 13 months off the track. Will have come on for his Feurs outing and is sufficiently well-placed to give this a good go
- 5. FAKIR MERITE** - Hardy sort that always gives his best. Is as versatile as they come and, while unlikely to spring any surprises, should still give an honest account
- 6. ELIE DE BEAUFOUR** - Classy individual that trotted 4th in this race last year. Is back in the region in a bid to make up for his below-par effort at Le Mans and looks the principal danger to his stablemate
- 7. GASPAR DE BRION** - Gives a good account of himself these days when barefoot. Romped home at Le Mans and, despite the wide draw, still looks a major player
- 8. HOOKER BERRY** - Fine trotter that needs no introduction. Is in 'race' mode this time after making his comeback at Le Mans and, if fully-fit, should be able to defy the draw and wrap this up
- 9. EXPRESS EVENING** - Unremarkable sort with no place in this field and prospects slim to none
- 10. FUTUR DU CHENE** - Moderate type with no references at this level and can be confidently disregarded

**Summary** : Jean-Michel Bazire looks to be holding the key to this event with Prix d'Amérique winner HOOKER BERRY (8) unshod behind for his first objective of the new season, and the tough ELIE DE BEAUFOUR (6) returning to the southwest with a realistic chance of putting his Le Mans disappointment behind him. It was GASPAR DE BRION (7) who picked up his best career win that day and he looks competitive once more. ELVIS DU VALLON (3) has a better spot on the front line and is expected to continue his productive run of form.

## SELECTIONS

**HOOKER BERRY (8) - ELIE DE BEAUFOUR (6) - GASPAR DE BRION (7) - ELVIS DU VALLON (3)**

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**C8 - GRAND PRIX BARON D'ARDEUIL AOC BUZET - 2750m (a1 11/16m) -  
European - Harness - EUR € 35.000**

1. **GINO VIVA** - Good class of trotter that was terribly unfortunate at Caen last time out. Went close on lone appearance here and, with better luck in running, can play a leading role
2. **HERODO BELLO** - Fine dual-discipline trotter whose latest run should not be taken at face value. On good behaviour, can re-establish his Toulouse credentials
3. **HOT SUMMER** - Cracking colt that has won his last 2 in very good order. Has just once failed to make the first 2 in 7 Toulouse starts and will again be a tough nut to crack
4. **GALANT DE CAREL** - Handed the plum spot behind the car but has made little impact since imposing here during the spring and others preferred
5. **FERIA DU METZ** - Has not visited the winners' enclosure for some time but recent performance not indicative of her ability either and must not be underestimated
6. **DIEGO DECOULGENS** - Not the worst under harness but tends to show more in the other code these days and others easier to support
7. **GAJAC** - Trotter with fine Toulouse references but could manage no better than 5th in the race of reference before flopping next time, and can be passed over
8. **RACING RIBB** - Kicked the year off well here but has since lost his way and no sign of an imminent return to form
9. **FIDELE MADRIK** - Erratic type but latterly held his own in better company and deserves to be retained
10. **FLASH DE LA NOE** - Not the biggest fan of Toulouse but most recently reassured at Beaumont and, hind shoes off this time, will have his supporters
11. **FIRST DE CHOISEL** - Previously a good sort but has been off the boil this season and will have few takers
12. **HAPPYJO DE LIGNY** - Won at Toulouse earlier in his career and recently prepped here shod. Shoes off this time around and, even from the 2nd row, can give this a good go

**Summary :** One of the toughest campaigners in the field, **HOT SUMMER** (3) beat a number of these over longer here late last month and, with Alexandre Abrivard reining this time, can double his money. He will, nevertheless, be up against the fine **GINO VIVA** (1) who could well have imposed at Caen last time had he been afforded a run. **HERODO BELLO** (2) lost his action early in the race of reference but is clearly in decent shape and, with stride in check, should not be far from the action. **HAPPYJO DE LIGNY** (12) has been handed a second-row draw but should be fit by now and, barefoot for the occasion, can put on a good show.

## SELECTIONS

**HOT SUMMER (3) - GINO VIVA (1) - HERODO BELLO (2) - HAPPYJO DE LIGNY (12)**