

FRIDAY, 23/06/23

C1 - PRIX MELPOMENE - 2100m (a1 5/16m) - Autostart - Class D - Harness - EUR € 46.000

1. **GUELIZ** - Has gradually improved since his return from the break but not enough to warrant much interest
2. **HORACE DES CHAMPS** - Tends to show significantly more in the amateur category but is decently drawn and should not be entirely ruled out
3. **HOLD UP RANAIS** - Seen more often than not going clockwise these days but is confirmed over the distance at Vincennes and should logically figure prominently
4. **HASARD D'ERABLE** - Has hardly put a foot wrong since last autumn. Has nothing to prove at this level and the excellent draw augurs well for his chances
5. **HYWEL D'OR** - No slouch but better at a lower level. Is in form though and is worth monitoring
6. **HAPPY DJOB** - Mixes the good with the less good but is clearly in form. Won an amateur event over track and trip last month and is sufficiently well positioned to give this another good go
7. **GANYMEDE DE DUSSAC** - Hardy sort that appreciates the Vincennes main track. Prepared for this at Meslay and with shoes off this time will not be far off the mark
8. **GABELLO JEPHI** - Previously a good sort but went off the boil last summer and has picked up where he left off
9. **GOSSIP BOY** - Reliability not his strong suit and latest form does nothing to inspire confidence
10. **HUNGER GAMES** - Has no particular love for Vincennes but is at the top of his game and with shoes off for the first time is unlikely to be an easy touch
11. **HUGO DE JEMAX** - Not as sharp as he was this time last year. Is confirmed going left-handed but still not an obvious choice
12. **HUNTING** - Quality individual that won over course and distance earlier in the year. Starts on back line but will be fit by now and looks competitive for a spot in the frame
13. **HERAKLION DESBOIS** - Heavily campaigned trotter that seldom makes his presence felt and is not about to break the mould
14. **HANNIBAL TUILERIE** - Fine servant that consistently gives his all. Highly impressive last time here and even with a poor draw can bring home the bacon
15. **GUERRIER DE BRETT** - Has not made the frame under harness since last December and can expect to have few friends

Summary : Always ready and willing, HANNIBAL TUILERIE (14) was beaten only by a very good horse last time out. He is not ideally positioned this time around but he is in such good form that it is hard to see him being beaten. Leading the opposition is the Alexandre Abrivard-driven HUNGER GAMES (10) who has returned to competition in excellent shape, and goes barefoot for the first time. HASARD D'ERABLE (4) has the plum spot behind the car and with two wins in his last three starts is sure to garner significant support. Shod for competition following a decent re-entry run, the well-placed HOLD UP RANAIS (3) is not one to be ignored.

SELECTIONS

HANNIBAL TUILERIE (14) - HUNGER GAMES (10) - HASARD D'ERABLE (4) - HOLD UP RANAIS (3)

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C2 - PRIX OKDA - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - European - Class D - Harness - EUR € 46.000

1. COBRA KILLER GAR - Trotter with a 50% win-rate. Unlikely to complement his latest San Siro victory but still expected to give an honest account

2. CANTAB AS - In the frame in three of last four and latterly by a hair's breadth here. In similar form will be no soft touch

3. CHEYENNE SELVA - Quality Italian trotter debuting for Souloy. Is confirmed at the venue and racing barefoot for the occasion could pleasantly surprise

4. GIANT DESIGN - Has blown hot and cold since coming to France but reassured behind FORTNITE (8) recently and must be afforded respect

5. IVALO DU BOCAGE - Clearly capable but sanctioned in last four and will not be easy to trust

6. CONDOR ORS - Moderate Italian type that scored a brace in the spring but has twice failed to confirm and can be passed over

7. COCO CHANEL EFFE - Has looked decidedly ordinary since coming to France and recent re-entry run did nothing to reassure

8. FORTNITE - Good Swedish import that opened his French account in style here a week ago and is not incapable of repeating

9. IMPERIAL MARANDAIS - Very hard to fault since placing at Cherbourg mid-May. In better company this time though and may be biting off more than he can chew

10. IT'S KING - Somewhat disappointing after a solid winter meeting here but has been rested and racing unshod for return must be taken seriously

11. IGUANE DE CAPONET - Superb servant that rarely lets the side down. Deserves to be rewarded for recent efforts and can kick off his summer campaign in style

12. IGOR VICKING - Handy type with decent Vincennes credentials but disappointing at Enghien and must reaffirm

13. INDIEN DE FONTAINE - Useful sort on a good day. Pleased last time over track and trip and with Raffin at the helm will be afforded every chance

Summary : Quite simply excellent when focused, IGUANE DE CAPONET (11) is currently on a decent run of form and given the fine entry, can do well here. He will however be pitted against the tough FORTNITE (8) who imposed in style over shorter here last week, and the useful IT'S KING (10) who makes his comeback unshod all four. Italian import, CHEYENNE SELVA (3), makes her first appearance for her new trainer and going barefoot for the occasion should not be underestimated.

SELECTIONS

IGUANE DE CAPONET (11) - FORTNITE (8) - IT'S KING (10) - CHEYENNE SELVA (3)

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C3 - PRIX CLEMENTINA - 2100m (a1 5/16m) - European-Autostart - Class E - Harness - EUR € 52.000

1. LAST WINNER (BEL) - One of the most consistent elements here. Unseen at the venue since February but is clearly in form and even with shoes on can make her presence felt

2. EOLE DU PRIEURE - Not the most reliable but has bags of ability and, if in the mood, can compete for a place on the podium

3. ECLAIR DE KEROSAY - Has started to show some improvement lately but takes on some very good horses here. The draw, however, does his prospects no disservice

4. GRAZY - Quality element whose latest results belie his ability. Seldom disappoints at Vincennes and from the 4-spot looks dangerous

5. FAYETTE - Has been off the boil since last autumn and has no realistic chance

6. GALANTIS - Hardy sort that won here at the first time of asking. Less effective since but Ouvrie back in the wagon which may well prove key to his redemption

7. GIMS DU PLESSIS - Seldom far off the target when unshod all four. Boasts a solid record here and has every chance of imposing his way

8. FAKIR DE GESVRES - Got back in the game with a claiming win over track and trip last month but in this class will struggle to make any impact

9. FURIEUSE PURPLE - Enjoying something of a renaissance since early May. Not ideally drawn but will still generate some interest

10. GAYLORD AM - Classy Swedish import that has taken well to Vincennes. Went close over course and distance recently and even against his elders must still be respected

11. MADAME AF DJUPMYRA - Useful Swedish mare but has shown her limits at home and looks an outsider on French debut

12. JASON DRAGON - Honest type that always gives his best. Has previously won under these conditions but still no more than a minor place chance

13. DEEP POCKETS - Has raced rather modestly in Scandinavia and debuts at Vincennes after a two-months break. Disregard

14. FURIOSO FLIGNY - Back at the top of his game over recent weeks. Gave a good account over track and trip a fortnight ago and even from the second line will have his chances

Summary : An exceptional campaigner when barefoot, GIMS DU PLESSIS (7) is very much at his ease on the Vincennes main track and from the front line can open his seasonal account. Eric Raffin will still be watching out for the better-positioned GRAZY (4) who is considerably better than his last two results would suggest. EOLE DU PRIEURE (2) is something of a gamble but on a good day, he is as tenacious as they come. GALANTIS (6) is reunited with Tristan Ouvrie with whom he won here earlier in the spring.

SELECTIONS

GIMS DU PLESSIS (7) - GRAZY (4) - EOLE DU PRIEURE (2) - GALANTIS (6)

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**C4 - PRIX RHODOPE - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class D - Harness - EUR €
59.000**

1. FARCEUR DE CONDE - Honest type enjoying a new lease on life but in this company will struggle to leave his mark

2. GIVE ME - Recently achieved his first objective since the break. Appreciates 2700m here and can double his money

3. GAMIN DES PERDRIX - Took little time getting back to his best following the winter break. Impressed in latter stages of most recent outing and in similar form could go one better

4. FIFTY BLACK - The long enforced absence did nothing to limit his capacity. Has returned in force and can confirm his latest success

5. DIWI D'OCCAGNES - Like a horse reborn over recent weeks. Showed great tenacity to win last time out and again looks a decent proposition

6. FUSEE DES VAUX - Has twice failed to confirm after winning at Parilly but has won three times over 2700m here and should not be ignored

7. GALA DE CRENNES - Blows hot and cold but reassured somewhat here last time out and will have his supporters

8. EVEIL DU LUPIN - Pleased more than once during the winter meeting but less effective since and chances limited

9. GILMOUR - Useful sort that imposed under these conditions 2.5 months ago. Is shod similarly after a reassuring run in the provinces and can trot his way into the frame

Summary : Back at his best after a lengthy absence from competition, FIFTY BLACK (4) set his personal best here a fortnight ago and looks eminently capable of repeating. That said, the good GIVE ME (2) imposed with authority here the following day and is expected to put up considerable opposition. Stablemate GAMIN DES PERDRIX (3) has also been enjoying a productive run of form and drops back in category with a good hand to play. Winner of a similar event during the spring, GILMOUR (9) should not be far from the action.

SELECTIONS

FIFTY BLACK (4) - GIVE ME (2) - GAMIN DES PERDRIX (3) - GILMOUR (9)

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C5 - PRIX TERPSICHORE - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class C - Harness - EUR € 46.000

1. **JUPITER** - Temperamental colt but has talent in spades. Denied a run here recently but with no traffic problems can set the record straight
2. **JAZZY FLIGNY** - Quality trotter but has a better future under the saddle and will have nothing to offer
3. **JOUR DE GLOIRE** - Quality trotter but has not been as sharp since being stepped up in class and chances limited
4. **JOB DES MOLLES** - Has finally come good following a difficult start to the year. Unlikely to make if four on the trot but can still give this a good go
5. **JAZZMAN DEBAILLEUL** - Useful sort that has shown a liking for Vincennes. Unseen for over 2 months but is shod for competition and should not be ignored
6. **JOURNEY OF DREAM** - Proved himself in superior company last autumn but subsequently came off the boil and others preferred
7. **JACK DES MALBERAUX** - Never far from losing his action but finished ahead of JUPITER (1) last time out and will have his supporters
8. **JULEJACQ** - By no means the classiest horse here but has merit. Sent out with modified shoeing this time which may prove key to his redemption
9. **JIM PERRINE** - Occasionally a handful but is blessed with considerable ability. Is in fine shape and going barefoot this time looks dangerous
10. **JUNIOR ANGELE** - Seldom far from the action but has no Vincennes references and in this category is unlikely to shake things up
11. **JOB DES LOUANGES** - Has enjoyed something of a resurgence over past 2.5 months but is in good company this time and will need to be at his best
12. **JAZZ DE PADD** - Has started to come good again following the winter break. Has already won over the main track and can pull off the three-timer
13. **JANZIBAR** - Useful sort in both disciplines but slated for a career in the other code and can be ruled out
14. **JASPER PIYA** - Colt with a decent record over 2700m here. Takes a dip in class and can make amends for last two efforts
15. **JUBY DE BAILLY** - Has shown significantly better aptitude for the monté code and can be confidently passed over

Summary : Winner of his last two starts and latterly when barefoot for the first time, JAZZ DE PADD (12) can, unsurprisingly, expect to garner the lion's share of support. He will nevertheless be opposed by the tricky but talented JUPITER (1) who was unlucky not to impose here last time out. JASPER PIYA (14) won over course and distance earlier in the year and drops back down the class ladder with a solid chance of finishing in the mix. Solid at Laval on just his second start back, JIM PERRINE (9) is barefoot on this occasion and is not incapable of setting the cat among the pigeons.

SELECTIONS

JAZZ DE PADD (12) - JUPITER (1) - JASPER PIYA (14) - JIM PERRINE (9)

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C6 - PRIX EURYKLEIA - 2700m (a1 11/16m) - Class C - Harness - EUR € 46.000

1. **JUJUBEE** - Quality filly but has not been seen out for 10 months and will need the race
2. **JOIA FEAT** - Modest individual that has done nothing of note for some time and can be passed over
3. **JYLVIE DE GUEUDE** - Raced reasonably earlier in the year but form has tailed off and chances appear slim
4. **JOCIE DU VILLARD** - Capable but tends to prefer a flatter track and no more than a minor place prospect
5. **JERVIS BAY** - Never far from losing her action but in the frame in last two here and backs up with a reasonable chance of picking up a cheque
6. **JANGA FLIGNY** - Very disappointing in all 5 starts this year and even with shoes off this time will have few takers
7. **JOYCE BEGONIA** - Tricky character but has evident talent. Sanctioned in last three but will be fresh and on good behaviour can put on a good show
8. **JUSTICIA SMART** - Has merit but somewhat disappointing lately and even with hind shoes off will still have a lot to do
9. **JUNE** - Occasionally a handful but is a good class of filly. Showed her form on comeback and shod for competition this time looks the one to beat
10. **JOCONDE DE COLMINE** - Solid Swiss sort that has shown a liking for Vincennes. Is in form and with shoes off for the first time here should be good enough to challenge JUNE (9) for the win
11. **JILETTY GRIFF** - Versatile sort that goes over any trip. Has freshness on her side and racing first time barefoot will be no pushover
12. **JESSICA** - Solid in two of last three over course and distance. Back at a more reasonable level and going barefoot this time looks a serious proposition
13. **JAIN MAB** - Seldom gets her nose in front but consistently gives her best. Returns to a track she likes and a spot on the podium is well within her grasp
14. **JOIE TOTALE** - Got back in the game with a surprise victory over 2175m here last time out. Unlikely to repeat but can still make her presence felt
15. **JASMINE D'OUILLY** - Has enjoyed something of a change in fortune over recent months. Runner-up to JOIE TOTALE (14) last time and will generate some interest
16. **JEXELLE LUGUI** - Has done nothing but improve over recent months and excellent last time out but in better company this time and needs to be at her absolute best

Summary : A quality filly in both disciplines, JUNE (9) recently made a fine comeback at Laval and, never having disappointed when fitted with front pads, she looks good enough to wrap this up. That said, Mathieu Mottier will still be wary of the serious Swiss raider, JOCONDE DE COLMINE (10), who has a decent record under these conditions. JILETTY GRIFF (11) returns fresh to the capital after a brace of decent efforts but is first time barefoot and a more competitive run is anticipated. JESSICA (12) drops marginally in category and, entrusted to Gabriele Gelormini for the occasion, should not be far off the mark.

SELECTIONS

JUNE (9) - JOCONDE DE COLMINE (10) - JILETTY GRIFF (11) - JESSICA (12)

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C7 - PRIX CALLISTO - 2850m (a1 3/4m) - Class C - Mounted - EUR € 68.000

1. **GOLD DU VAL** - Regularly the object of the stewards' attention but has been in fine shape all season. Good second over track and trip ten days ago and a place on the podium is not an impossibility
2. **GOUPIL D'ARDENNES** - Very hard to fault when focused and appreciates the Vincennes inner track. Missed out by little to GOLD DU VAL (1) last time and deserves to be respected
3. **EXPERT DELTA** - Gave an excellent account at Meslay three weeks ago on just his second start under the saddle. Unlikely to get off the mark but should still acquit himself competitively
4. **DIRKY EVER** - Can trot but seldom shows anything exceptional. Raffin takes the ride though and will generate more interest this time around
5. **GOOD GIRL MARCEAUX** - Fine mare that would have finished close at Nantes had she stayed in stride. Appreciates the short course and with application can return to winning ways
6. **DAHLIA DU PONT** - Considerably better sort than latest results would imply. Was not disgraced in the race of reference and can make the frame this time
7. **DOZULE GITAN** - Has looked rather ordinary since placing over the main course during the winter and not expected to generate much interest
8. **ESPOIR DU RAVARY** - No champion but has been acquitting himself honourably of late. At this level though will have his work cut out
9. **FINGER DE RODREY** - Modest sort that won with Leanne Fauchon here last month. Has twice failed to confirm but is reunited with his rider and should not be entirely discounted
10. **FOSSOYEUR** - Has never shown any particular aptitude for the discipline and making a splash looks particularly improbable
11. **FORCE VIVE** - Mixes the good with the less good but has merit. By no means disgraced at Laval and will have her chances if she gets off on the right foot
12. **GRETA** - Never far from losing her action but has buckets of ability. Reassured across town last weekend and on good behaviour can run GOOD GIRL MARCEAUX (5) close
13. **EMENCOURT D'AZIF** - Previously effective in this code but has not raced in the monté discipline for three years and chances appear limited
14. **DOLCE D'EBANE** - Unexceptional mare returning to the code after a lean streak under harness and will have few friends
15. **GANGSTER DAVANESS** - Seldom seen in this code these days but has previously shown decent aptitude and while unlikely to surprise is still worth retaining

Summary : GOOD GIRL MARCEAUX (5) may have been sanctioned in both ridden starts since the break but she showed her form at Nantes, despite faulting, and given her history under these conditions must be considered a leading chance. GRETA (12) can also be nuisance but she rarely disappoints when focused and her recent Enghien performance bodes well for her prospects. DAHLIA DU PONT (6) regularly gives her best and even though somewhat lacklustre at Enghien, she should nonetheless show improvement. FORCE VIVE (11) is as unpredictable as the wind but on a good day is not one to be underestimated.

SELECTIONS

GOOD GIRL MARCEAUX (5) - GRETA (12) - DAHLIA DU PONT (6) - FORCE VIVE (11)