C1 - PRIX DES PRIMEVERES - 2450m (a1 1/2m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 22.000

- **1. LINOTTE DU MOUCHEL -** Lacklustre on debut before notching up a maiden score next time out but, in this company, looks no more than a minor place chance
- LADY UP STAR Very hard to fault in recent months but takes a hike in category and will have too much to do
- **3. LILI DRY -** Showed a different side to herself 2nd time out and, pads fitted this time, could pleasantly surprise
- **4. LOYALE DAIRPET -** In the thick of things in all 3 public appearances. Takes on better fillies this time but can still get in on the action
- **5. LANARA -** Acquitted herself superbly at Reims to open her account. Did not take well to Vincennes conditions next time, but returns to conditions she should appreciate, and looks a player
- **6. LUMINOUS STAR -** Imposed like a professional on debut at Cholet earlier in the month and, with form maintained, can double up
- **7. LITTLE STAR FLEURY -** Showed early promise before losing her way. Back to racing clockwise but still not a priority
- **8. LET ME SHINE GIO -** Has looked a serious filly in the making since her August debut. Sanctioned early in Paris last time but will be a serious proposition if Abrivard can keep her trotting

Summary: After qualifying brilliantly at Laval earlier in the summer, William Bigeon opted to wait until 3 weeks ago to debut LUMINOUS STAR (6) and she most certainly did not disappoint. He can nevertheless expect to encounter resistance from the progressive LET ME SHINE GIO (8) who will be partnered by a leading driver this time. LANARA (5) was unable, at Vincennes, to replicate her Reims performance but returns to racing clockwise with legitimate ambition. LILI DRY (3) got off the mark last month and, wearing pads this time, will be competitive for a place on the podium.

SELECTIONS

LUMINOUS STAR (6) - LET ME SHINE GIO (8) - LANARA (5) - LILI DRY (3)

C2 - PRIX DE NEHOU - 2450m (a1 1/2m) - Class - Mounted - EUR € 24.000

- **1. JEWETT LEGEND -** Decent trotter for the most part but failed to make the grade at Cabourg last time and will struggle to redeem himself
- **2. JUVACAT DE CAPONET -** Tricky character but goes well under the saddle, in her own category however, and may well find herself outclassed this time
- **3. JINGLE DU CHATELET -** Just one blip to date on his monté formcard. Left a good impression at Cabourg recently but, in this company, a repeat looks improbable
- **4. JAGUAR PIYA -** Never far from the action when he deigns to keep his action together. Yet to make his mark at Caen but front shoes off this time and, if applied, can give this a good go
- **5. JUNON DE VRIE -** Has returned to the code in excellent shape. Imposed over course and distance last month and, although in a marginally superior category this time, still looks a player
- **6. JOSCANO -** Won on his monté debut going clockwise. Not quite as sharp since but, with shoes back on, can begin to make amends
- **7. JULES DES CHAMPS -** Blows hot and cold but has done enough to be considered a player first time in the monté discipline
- **8. JACARANDA -** Delicate type that was sanctioned at Enghien, when sent out favourite, on return to the code, but with his mind on the game, can win a race of this nature
- **9. JOUE PAS AVEC MOI** Encouraged in 2 of 3 here and is plainly in fine condition but, at this level of competition, will struggle to make his mark
- **10. JAMY -** Quality colt that was sanctioned in his first 2 comeback runs but showed improvement in Paris recently and, if focused, can open his annual account
- **11. JOTT DU BOCAGE -** Hard to fault in this branch of the game. Is new to Caen but is clearly in form and will have his supporters
- **12. JOUDJIE -** Showed considerable ability last season but has yet to find her feet this term and can be passed over
- **13. JAVA DE CORDAY -** Significantly better filly in this branch of the business. Disqualified at Ecommoy but has since prepped under harness and, barefoot this time, can get back down to business
- **14. JADE DU PARC -** Still chasing that elusive first win but has done nothing but improve lately. Went close here last season and, barefoot again, can confirm her recent Vincennes performance
- **Summary:** Delicate he might be but JAMY (10) has demonstrated good aptitude for the discipline and, given both his recent Enghien effort and his appreciation of the track on debut, looks competitive for the win. That said, it is a relatively open affair and others in with a shout include the tricky but talented JACARANDA (8), JAVA DE CORDAY (13) who is barefoot for a return to her code of preference, and the useful JULES DES CHAMPS (7) who debuts under the saddle with solid harness references to back him up.

SELECTIONS

JAMY (10) - JACARANDA (8) - JAVA DE CORDAY (13) - JULES DES CHAMPS (7)

C3 - PRIX EQUIDAYS (PRIX DE PLANQUERY) - 2450m (a1 1/2m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 22.000

- **1. LION KING Modest** in qualification and sanctioned in both public appearances. Others preferred
- 2. LOVE D'AMOUR Not disgraced first time out but lost his action at Cabourg and others easier to support
- **3. LOOKING FOR MONEY -** Modest on debut but showed notable improvement next time out. Not an obvious choice but is one to monitor all the same
- **4. LORD DES FANES -** Highly impressive on debut here before faulting in Paris. Alexandre Abrivard in the wagon this time and will be no soft touch
- **5. LUCKY JACKSON -** Delicate but serious future prospect. Left quite the impression at Vincennes last time and, with application, can wrap this up
- **6. LAPIS LAZULI -** Won on debut before trotting 5th to LUCKY JACKSON (5) next time. Moves to a hard surface though and should be good enough to make the frame on this occasion
- **7. LAZAN DE PASSIEU -** In the frame in 2 of 3. Stepped up in class respectably last month and, while not a priority, can still finish in the mix
- **8. LABORANTIN -** On the podium in his first 3 starts but was royally thrashed at Enghien and chances appear limited
- **9. LUXOR DE VILLABON -** Yet to put a foot out of place. Gave a good account in better company on 2nd start and has shown enough ability to figure prominently once more
- **10. LARGO DE CASTELLE -** Missed out by little on debut before losing his action early at Vincennes. Has had time to freshen up and will not be far off the mark if Lagadeuc can assure his initial strides

Summary: Jean-Michel Bazire is well-armed here with LUCKY JACKSON (5), a full-brother to Héraut D'Armes, who should have the measure of most here if applied, and LAPIS LAZULI (6) who has shown promise on turf, however LORD DES FANES (4) left a fine impression here on debut and looks more of a threat to the favourite. LUXOR DE VILLABON (9) appears to be another Richard Westerink rising-star and will have his chances.

SELECTIONS

LUCKY JACKSON (5) - LORD DES FANES (4) - LAPIS LAZULI (6) - LUXOR DE VILLABON (9)

C4 - PRIX D'AIRAN - 2200m (a1 3/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 24.000

- KANELLE DU VAL Has demonstrated decent aptitude for both disciplines. Not the luckiest here a fortnight ago but still no more than a minor place prospect
- 2. KINA DU GOUTIER Never far from faulting but is not without ability. Returns to racing clockwise and, with application, can begin to redeem herself
- 3. KISS ME DU RUEL Yet to get off the mark but regularly finishes in the thick of things when focused. Ideally-positioned in front and, fully-fit with pads on, looks competitive for a spot in the frame
- **4. KAKUETA VEDAQUAISE -** Showed early promise but has been very disappointing in 2023 and no chance on first start since the summer
- 5. KAI LA SHA Hardy filly with a fine spot on the front line. Is short on references racing clockwise but has a lot going for her here and can open her autumn account
- **6. KARAIBE DE TILLARD -** Always gives what she can and left a good impression here during the summer, but will still need to take her game up a notch
- 7. KALINA PRINCESS Has not been seen out since early August but is a very promising filly. Benefits from a good entry here and can apply the pressure on KAI LA SHA (5)
- 8. KELLY JANE Acquits herself well for the most part. Only beaten in the final stages at Vincennes and, in current form, should be able to make the first five
- 9. KISS ME DU LIVET Has placed just 3 times in 14 career outings. Showed improvement at Enghien recently and will not be sent out at 118/1 this time around
- 10. KARIMA DU PARC Despite being sanctioned here during the summer, she has shown considerable potential and, if applied, can make a big splash
- 11. KYRIELLE PRINCESSE Showed improvement during the spring when fitted with pads but has not been seen out for over 4 months and will need the race
- **12. KELLE STAR DI PAO -** Twice a winner from 7 starts. Imposed with ease at Cholet and, even in better company and starting on the front line here, should not be far from the action
- 13. KARINA DES LANDES Debuted respectably at Vire last month before showing the limit of her capacity here 3 weeks ago and can expect to have few takers
- 14. KAVAROLIKA Winner of 2 from 3 when fitted with pads. Has a bright future ahead of her but little to no chance on first start back
- **15. KIRCIE DE GUEZ -** Temperamental but has evident talent. Sanctioned here last time before reassuring somewhat at Laval, but the draw will do her prospects no favours
- **16. KATE** Unexceptional type making her first appearance right-handed but in present form is unlikely to spring any surprises
- 17. KRYSTEL SEVEN Returns to the harness code after imposing here under the saddle last month. Handed a terrible draw and, with shoes back on, is unlikely to influence the result

Summary: Although yet to confirm her debut success, KAI LA SHA (5) has since shown significant promise and, with such a good entry, should not disappoint. Benjamin Rochard is unlikely to have it all his own way though, given the presence of the regular, and fresh, KALINA PRINCESS (7) who is also well-engaged. KARIMA DU PARC (10) starts behind but she has won 2 of the 3 races she has finished and will be no pushover. Proven here earlier in the year, the well-placed KISS ME DU RUEL (3) is fitted with 4 pads this time and will not be far from the action.

SELECTIONS

KAI LA SHA (5) - KALINA PRINCESS (7) - KARIMA DU PARC (10) - KISS ME DU RUEL (3)

C5 - PRIX STUART - 2450m (a1 1/2m) - National - Harness - EUR € 27.000

- 1. JYPSON KALOUMA Excellent over the winter but a total write-off since and can expect to have few friends
- 2. JOLIE STAR Never far from faulting but has buckets of ability. Has just one race under her belt since the break though and best to hold off
- 3. JEAGLE DREAM Quality element that gave a good account on his only appearance here but is shod for re-entry and others preferred this time
- **4. JEALOUSY QUEEN -** Moderate filly that has never made her mark here. Is capable though and, competitively-shod for the first time this term, should not be entirely overlooked
- 5. JOLYSTAR GEDE Has no shortage of ability but does have a temperament and others easier to trust
- **6. JINGLE LOVER -** Not the most reliable horse here but showed his worth at Enghien on penultimate start and, with Alexandre Abrivard reining this time, can get back in the game
- 7. JUDY MATIDY Useful type that has taken well to racing with pads. Is new to the venue but, in current form, is hard to ignore
- 8. JOIE D'AMOUR Very hard to knock this year. Goes any direction and is not incapable of confirming her Vincennes score
- 9. JULIA QUICK Progressive filly that won over track and trip last season. Will be fit by now and, competitively-shod for the occasion, is not to be underestimated
- 10. JAZZMAN DEBAILLEUL Clearly useful but bit off more than he could chew last month. Drops in class, with shoes off this time, and is unlikely to disappoint
- 11. JUST DE L'OISON Marvellous campaigner that has yet to be tested this year. Won better at Craon than the result would imply and will again take all the beating
- **12. JE T'AIME -** Capable on a good day but not as performant as many here. Goes unshod in front for the first time but still represents little more than an outsider
- 13. JALENDRA DE MALAC Simply excellent when racing unshod all 4. Proved the point at Graignes last time and must be respected
- 14. JACK DES MALBERAUX Has merit but blows hot and cold. Failed to fire last time out but is still worth keeping an eye on
- **15. JOURNEE REVEE -** Showed significant early promise but has failed to come good this year and must get her house in order
- **16. JO DU DON -** Like a horse reborn over past 2 months. Valiant second to JUST DE L'OISON (11) at Craon and, while a leading prospect, is nevertheless unlikely to turn the tables

Summary: Simply remarkable since his first steps on the track, JUST DE L'OISON (11) is unbeaten in 3 starts this season and again looks a better bet than the capable JO DU DON (16) who was unable to match his class at Craon last time out. Since starting to race barefoot, JOIE D'AMOUR (8) has been a model of consistency and is not going to be an easy touch. JALENDRA DE MALAC (13) is confirmed at Caen and her latest Graignes success bodes well for her prospects.

SELECTIONS

JUST DE L'OISON (11) - JO DU DON (16) - JOIE D'AMOUR (8) - JALENDRA DE MALAC (13)

C6 - PRIX D'ARGENTRE - 2450m (a1 1/2m) - Class - Mounted - EUR € 45.000

- 1. FALCAO DE CHENU Has never shown any exceptional flair for the monté code and will have few takers
- **2. FALCON D'ESPACE -** Serious harness type that imposed with ease on his monté debut here recently. Steps up in category but can still double his money
- **3. GAZOLINE DU SEUX -** Reliability not her strong suit but reassured under harness last time out. Takes her first competitive steps in the monté code and her presence will not go unnoticed
- **4. FORCE VIVE -** Hardy mare that adapts to most situations. Has nothing to prove in this category and can make up for her recent poor luck in the capital
- **5. HAKIM DE CHENU -** Has bags of ability but has been struggling of late and is unlikely to shake things up
- **6. GOOD LUCK QUICK -** Has not got his nose in front since winning a Vincennes Gr.2 in early 2021, but is still competitive for a cheque
- **7. DIADEME BLUE -** Moderate veteran that sprang quite the surprise at Craon last time under the saddle but a repeat looks distinctly improbable
- **8. GALET STED -** Exceptional servant in the harness discipline and debuts under the saddle with a realistic chance of getting straight off the mark
- **9. DEGANAWIDAH -** Unremarkable sort in both disciplines and current form does nothing to inspire confidence
- **10. GALIPETTE PIERJI -** No longer the trotter she once was. Has no love for Caen and can be passed over
- **11. ESPACE WINNER -** Appears to keep on getting better with age. Has yet to disappoint this season and, in this category, will be dangerous
- **12. FIESTA DE FROULAY -** Confirmed at a superior level. Unbeaten in 2 here and, by now at peak fitness, can stick a spanner in the works of GALET STED (8)

Summary: Quite simply impressive in the other code, GALET STED (8) makes his long-awaited monté debut and, if form transitions, should be able to wrap this up. Either way, he will still come under fire from FALCON D'ESPACE (2) who won over course and distance a fortnight ago, on his maiden appearance under the saddle. ESPACE WINNER (11) has nothing to prove at this level and, shod to preference, will have a lot to offer. FIESTA DE FROULAY (12) has references at a higher level, has never been bested here, and could well prove a spoiler.

SELECTIONS

GALET STED (8) - FALCON D'ESPACE (2) - ESPACE WINNER (11) - FIESTA DE FROULAY (12)

C7 - PRIX DE BOURG L'ABBE - 2200m (a1 3/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 27.000

- 1. ITONO DE MILLAC Useful when he can keep his mind on the game. Has decent Caen references and, unshod with Alexandre Abrivard in the sulky, will have his chances
- 2. IMPALA DE VAL Considerably better horse in the other branch of the business. Here for reasons of conditioning and no threat
- 3. IRIS DES ROSEAUX Fine sort that was denied a run last time when he had ample gas in the tank. Is clearly in form, has nothing to prove here, and, from the 3-spot, is expected to maintain his Caen love-affair
- 4. IERMES DE GUEZ Justifiably well-regarded sort but makes his first appearance for over 3 months and will need the outing
- 5. JOCONDE SIBEY High-class type that remains unbeaten going clockwise. Is plainly close to her best and looks a serious proposition on Caen debut
- **6. IKURO JIEL -** Not always the easiest of horses to handle but has started to come good again. Pleasantly surprised in Paris late September and, in similar form, can trot his way into the money
- 7. IRON DU GERS Classy trotter that goes over any trip but stays shod for 2nd start back and will not be over-taxed
- 8. JAZZ UP Justifiably well-regarded colt that has done nothing but progress since returning to competition. Stays shod this time though and chances restricted
- 9. IMPERIEUSE STEED Springs the occasional surprise but otherwise very ordinary these days and will have few friends
- 10. IDEAL DE SASSY Consistently gives everything he has but takes on some serious horses this time and will have his work cut out
- 11. ICARUS BOURBON Something of a quirky individual but is not without merit. Races shod for re-entry though and best to wait
- 12. ICONE D'ERABLE Fine servant with superb Caen credentials but has not been seen out for almost 2 months and, with shoes on, will have little to offer
- 13. ILISMO Mixes the good with the less good but has produced some fine performances this season. Made his mark at Vincennes last time but the draw will reduce his chances somewhat
- 14. IRIS DU PERCHE One of the most consistent horses in the field and is evidently in shape but races shod from the back row and can be passed over
- 15. ICONOCLASTE ERABLE Serious type that seldom finishes far from the action but is unraced for 2 months and has been handed an unattractive draw
- 16. INITIALE HERAULT Quality mare that has already won under these conditions. Should be fully fit by now and, with form maintained and success navigating the start, will not be far off the mark
- 17. INDIA SEA Honest mare but not cut from the same cloth as others in the field and the draw will only compound matters
- 18. IQUITO PLANCHETTE Highly erratic but showed his capacity late last month. Unlikely to repeat but could still pick up a cheque

Summary: This looks like a 2-horse race, and preference must go to IRIS DES ROSEAUX (3) who was very unlucky in Paris last time out. She won smartly on her only appearance here and looks a marginally better choice than the talented and progressive JOCONDE SIBEY (5). Yet to disappoint at Caen, INITIALE HERAULT (16) has been handed a tough draw but left a very good impression at Vincennes recently and must be afforded respect. ITONO DE MILLAC (1) may not be to everyone's liking but is no slouch when focused and, unshod for the occasion, can get in on the action.

SELECTIONS

IRIS DES ROSEAUX (3) - JOCONDE SIBEY (5) - INITIALE HERAULT (16) - ITONO DE MILLAC (1)

C8 - PRIX DE CHAMPCERIE - 2200m (a1 3/8m) - Class - Harness - EUR € 42.000

- 1. FALCO DES ROCHERS Can prove tricky but otherwise a faithful servant for the most part. Oddly one-paced here a fortnight ago but usually thrives at Caen and will be expected to redeem himself
- 2. FIFTY BLACK Still as tough as he was before being sidelined. Prepped for this at Vincennes and, barefoot this time around, is expected to attract the lion's share of support
- 3. FANFARONNEUR Honest type with solid references in good company. Shoes on though and best to wait
- 4. FEE LUCERNAISE Gives a good account of herself for the most part but has made no impact in last 3 starts and must re-establish her credentials
- 5. GUIDE MOI FORGAN No slouch in either code and benefits from a fine draw here. Pleased in similar company on penultimate outing but still no more than a minor place chance
- 6. GAIA D'OCCAGNES Kicked the year off well, including winning over track and trip, but has been a shadow of herself since and must get her house in order
- 7. FIESTA DU BELVER Very disappointing since placing here during the spring and is unlikely to shake things up
- 8. GOLD MENCOURT On a superb run over the summer but trounced in last two. Adores Caen though and, from the front row, can give this a good go
- 9. FETICHE ATOUT Quality individual whose form comes in phases. Began a new one at Enghien earlier in the month and, in similar shape, can defy the draw and finish close
- 10. GUINESS D'HERFRAIE Useful but still a handful on occasion. Has just one race under her belt though and will need the outing
- 11. HARRY CARISAIE Classy individual that has been handed a 2nd-row draw here but was very impressive in an Angers Gr.3 last month and, with a good start, will be dangerous
- 12. HANDY BOURBON Occasionally loses focus but is a trotter of quality. Is unshod for re-entry, went close here earlier in the year, and should logically improve on his latest effort
- 13. HERADAMES Simply dynamic in both disciplines this season but returns, shod, from a spell and not an obvious choice this time around
- 14. HURELLA Quality individual here for a change of scenery and will not be given a hard race
- **15. HELLO SPORT -** Barring the occasional sanction, can boast a fine career. Won a Class A for 5-6yo in August but is in battle-hardened company this time, and racing shod will garner him few friends
- **16. HEART OF GOLD -** Never far from losing his action but has talent in spades. Has never raced right-handed when unshod and, with application, has a decent chance of trotting into the money
- 17. GLOIRE DU PERCHE Mare with ample ability but better at a lower level. Is still being conditioned and can be ruled out
- 18. HAVE SEVEN Rarely far off the mark when focused and unshod, but shoes on again and best to hold off

Summary: Even though on the sidelines for 2.5 years, FIFTY BLACK (2) appears to have lost none of his prowess and, barefoot for the first time since returning to competition, can make his Caen debut a winning one. He will nevertheless be pitted against the metronomic HARRY CARISAIE (11) who will be no pushover if Benjamin Rochard can successfully negotiate the draw. FETICHE ATOUT (9) got back down to business in Paris a fortnight ago and, while forced to start wide, still looks a player. HANDY BOURBON (12) has raced just once since the spring but is competitively-shod and not incapable of challenging for a place on the podium.

SELECTIONS

FIFTY BLACK (2) - HARRY CARISAIE (11) - FETICHE ATOUT (9) - HANDY BOURBON (12)