

R1 LAVAL [L-H]

C1 - PRIX PARIS-TURF - 2850m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 18,000

1. **MISUA BARTH** - Finished 6th in a Class F at Angers over 3,125m on 18 October. Can trot but at this level has nothing to contribute
2. **MANON PIERJI** - Finished 8th, on comeback, in a Class E at Vincennes over 2,100m on 6 October. Has been out of sorts for a number of months and will first need to reaffirm
3. **MASSA DAIRPET** - Fifth in a Class F at Morlaix over 2,600m on 27 September. Is seldom far from faulting but will be reined by the champion driver this time and will be no easy touch
4. **MAEVA** - Finished 5th in a Class E at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,775m on 19 October. Will be competitively-shod this time and can finish in the mix
5. **MALOU DE LA ROUVRE** - Disqualified in a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 14 October, 9 days after having won a Caen Class F, but others still easier to trust
6. **MOIETOI DE HOUELLE** - Disqualified in a Class E at Maure De Bretagne over 2,850m on 18 October. Has been reconfigured but would have better prospects a level down
7. **MATCHLESS SPEED** - Finished 3rd in a Class E at Nantes over 2,275m on 25 October. Has been knocking at the door lately and, with application, can wrap this up
8. **MARBELLA TEJY** - Third in a Class F at Reims over 2,550m on 10 October. Is plainly in form but faces a much bigger challenge this time around
9. **MISS LUDOISE** - Disqualified in a Class F at Durtal over 2,825m on 11 October. Has done nothing of note for some time and is unlikely to create an upset
10. **MAYA DE CAHOT** - Starts for the first time since winning a Class E at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,775m on 2 June, but stays shod and best to hold off
11. **MAYA DE SEVRE** - Finished 5th in a Class E over course and distance on 24 September. Consistently gives everything she has and, while not a priority, is still worth retaining
12. **MARTALINE THE BEST** - Finished 5th in a Class F at Durtal over 2,825m on 11 October. Has been entrusted to Paul Ploquin this time, will be re-shod for the occasion, and is unlikely to let the side down
13. **MARIANE SNOB** - Victorious in a Class F at Pontchateau over 2,800m on 10 October. Will be shod as she was when successful under these conditions in June, and must be taken seriously
14. **MARIA JELOCA** - Ran 6th in a Class E Apprentices' race at Amiens over 2,900m on 19 September. Is nicely-entered here and can figure prominently if she turns
15. **MILA CAAL** - Finished 6th in a Class E at Nantes over 2,275m on 25 October. Has 2 races under her belt and with Benjamin Rochard back in the bike, can give MATCHLESS SPEED (7) a run for her money

Summary: An open race to kick off the meeting. Preference is for MATCHLESS SPEED (7), who looks close to a win, as her latest performance at Nantes suggests, MILA CAAL (15), whose connections could hardly have wished for a better engagement, and MASSA DAIRPET (3), who is reunited with Eric Raffin who won with her in July. MARTALINE THE BEST (12) is well-engaged and sports a fresh profile.

SELECTIONS

MATCHLESS SPEED (7) - MILA CAAL (15) - MASSA DAIRPET (3) - MARTALINE THE BEST (12)

C2 - PRIX PRESIDENT PROFESSIONNEL - 2850m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 30,000

- 1. NELSON SWIFT** - Third in a Class D over course and distance on 30 September. Faces a much stiffer test this time and chances appear limited
- 2. NICKNAME BOND** - Has not been seen out since winning a Class D at Saint Malo over 2,950m on 5 August. Is competitively-shod though and will have his supporters
- 3. NORTH RIM** - Runner-up in all five starts to date, most recently a Class C at Caen over 2,450m on 10 October. Is new to racing left-handed but will not be far off the mark if he turns
- 4. NORTON ELCE** - Disqualified in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,850m on 20 October. Reverts to racing shod and has a reasonable chance of picking up a first-five payout
- 5. NEPTUNE DE BLARY** - Starts for the first time since running fourth in a Class C at Enghien over 2,875m on 2 August. Estelle Croisic at the helm here and best to hold off
- 6. NIKALY D'EOLE** - Successful in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,200m on 29 September. Reverts to racing shod though and is not a concern this time
- 7. NUMBER WAY** - Dominated a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 12 October. Takes on a good lot here but breaks in front and, with application, can make a big splash
- 8. NICKNAME** - Has been disqualified in 3 consecutive starts, the latest a Class B at Enghien over 2,875m on 8 August. Comes here fresh, starts on front row, and on good behaviour can play a prominent role
- 9. NEEL AR MOR** - Disqualified in three of last four starts, the latest a Class B at Craon over 2,750m on 28 September. Is no slouch when focused though, and has been re-shod, but others still easier to back
- 10. NELSON DE BANVILLE** - Disqualified in a Class A at Vincennes over 2,700m on 13 October. Is preparing for a monté campaign though and can be passed over
- 11. NO LIMIT DELO** - Finished 4th in a Class B at Reims over 2,550m on 14 October. Will not be available at 151-1 this time but is unlikely to be as performant either
- 12. NOVATO BELLO** - Makes first appearance since winning a Class B at Caen over 2,200m on 9 May. Clearly has a bright future but is going to need the run
- 13. NINJA DU PLESSIS** - Unplaced in a Class A at Vincennes over 2,700m on 24 August. Has not been seen out since, and incurs the penalty, but still cannot be discounted
- 14. NIKO DE TIMBOEUF** - Runner-up in a Class B at Lyon-Parilly over 2,825m on 13 October. Went close on sole Laval start and in current condition is unlikely to return home empty-handed
- 15. NEPAL MISA** - Successful in a monte Class A at Vincennes over 2,700m on 20 September and will have other priorities
- 16. NEMROD BUROIS** - Finished 8th in a Group III at Vincennes over 2,700m on 27 September. Is clearly in conditioning-mode this time though and is not a player
- 17. NICE SPEED** - Impressive since returning to competition in August, most recently 3rd in a 2775m Class B at Les Sables-d'Olonne a fortnight ago. Is on the back line but still has a realistic chance of imposing
- 18. NOB HILL** - Fifth in Group I Criterium des 3 Ans at Vincennes over 2,700m on 12 September. Returns to racing shod but should still be more than capable of contesting the finish

Summary: NICE SPEED (17), and NOB HILL (18), back to racing shod, are by far the most accomplished and look capable of conceding distance to the spirited NUMBER WAY (7) and NICKNAME (8). NORTH RIM (3) may lack experience against opposition of this calibre, but has been hard to fault since the start of his career.

SELECTIONS

NICE SPEED (17) - NOB HILL (18) - NUMBER WAY (7) - NICKNAME (8)

C3 - PRIX MOET & CHANDON - 2850m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 18,000

1. MAGICIEN DU SABLE - Disqualified in a Class F at Meslay-du-Maine over 2,875m on 25 October. Is a useful element in this category though and can challenge for the win

2. MILZANO DU BOSSU - Runner-up in a Class F at Le Mans over 2,950m on 17 October. Has been re-shod for his return to the venue but is clearly out of his depth

3. MELEUC DU DOUAROU - Disqualified in a Class D at Caen over 2,450m on 18 October. Has been out of sorts for a number of months and will first need to reassure

4. MIRACLE D'ALEXIANE - Finished 7th in a Class F at Durtal over 2,825m on 11 October. Is some way off his best form and can be ruled out

5. MILAN SAN REMO - Won a Class F at Le Mans over 2,950m on 17 October, complementing his Cordemais victory. Is unlikely to pull off the three-timer but should nevertheless hold his own

6. MARIO BELLO - Ran 6th in a Class E under these conditions on 24 September. Has been fitted with a new shoeing profile and will not be far off the mark if Antoine Wiels assures his charge's initial strides

7. MIKADO - Fourth in a Class E at Nantes over 2,275m on 25 October. Sports the same shoeing profile and Damien Bonne gets the nod this time. Place chance

8. MUSTANG D'ERI - Ran 6th in a Class E at Maure De Bretagne over 2,850m on 18 October but will struggle to confirm

9. MOMO DES CARREAUX - Fifth in a Class E at Maure De Bretagne over 2,850m on 18 October, however a repeat seems most improbable

10. MYTHIQUE RENKA - Ran 7th in a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 22 October. Has not made the frame since June and is unlikely to spice things up

11. MIMI DE VAL - Disqualified in a 2600m Blain-Bouvron-Le Gâvre Class F on 20 September, but has won 2 of last 4 and must be taken seriously

12. MANDARINO FLEURY - Disqualified in last two starts, the latest a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 22 October. Is not devoid of ability but others still easier to trust

13. MIL'S DE BAILLE - Finished 3rd in a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 14 October. Has been knocking at the door lately and deserves to be rewarded with victory one of these days

Summary: Ideally entered at the limit of earnings, MIL'S DE BAILLE (13) is patently close to his race. MAGICIEN DU SABLE (1) would have finished close at Meslay-du-Maine but for a mistake in the final turn. MIKADO (7) gave a good account at Nantes and looks more competitive this time. MIMI DE VAL (11) is in his category and, with Eric Raffin reining, can put on a good show.

SELECTIONS

MIL'S DE BAILLE (13) - MAGICIEN DU SABLE (1) - MIKADO (7) - MIMI DE VAL (11)

C4 - GRAND PRIX DE LA VILLE DE LAVAL - 2850m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 66,000

- 1. JERICO DU RIB** - Unplaced in a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 21 August. Has not been seen out since and can be passed over
- 2. JIBI DU FRUITIER** - Finished 8th in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,850m on 23 October. Tends to go well at Laval though and Mathieu Mottier will be quietly confident
- 3. JERZINHO SPORT** - Unplaced in a 2725m Graignes Class C 3 weeks ago. Appears to have come off the boil and others easier to support
- 4. LAROZE DU GERS** - Made it 2 in a row when dominating a Group III at Vincennes over 2,700m on 23 October. Has no 4 year-olds to contend with this time and looks a serious proposition
- 5. FAR WEST BI** - Disqualified in a 2850m Vincennes Gr.3 on 22 September. Should take well to the new conditions and in the hands of Eric Raffin is easy to like for the win
- 6. LEMON TREE** - Pleasantly surprising third in a Class B at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,750m on 19 October. Appears to be back on track, Alexandre Abrivard stays faithful, and can pick up a first-five payout
- 7. JANKO HAUFOR** - Unplaced on re-entry in a Class C at Graignes over 2,725m on 12 October. Will have come on for the run, is shod to preference this time, is nicely-engaged, and can make a good go of this
- 8. JASMINE DE VAU** - Unplaced, on comeback, in a Class C at Caen over 2,200m on 18 October and is going to need another race
- 9. INDY DARK** - Unplaced in a Class B at Vincennes over 2,850m on 12 September. Form has done nothing but regress lately and will need to raise his game
- 10. ILLUSION JIPAD** - Disqualified in a Class B at Cagnes-sur-Mer over 2,925m on 8 March. Has not raced since and will not be springing any surprises
- 11. L'ECRIN D'OR** - Has not been seen out since coming 3rd in monte Group I Prix Henri Desmontils at Vincennes over 2,850m on 28 February and will have other plans
- 12. IBIZA BELLA** - Disqualified in a Group III at Feurs over 2,850m on 16 September. Has otherwise been in excellent shape, has never failed to deliver here, but will race shod
- 13. IDYLLE EXPRESS** - Makes first appearance since finishing 6th in a Class A at Vincennes over 2,850m on 13 May. Has bags of ability but stays shod and others preferred
- 14. INSHORE** - Unplaced in a Group III at Vincennes over 2,850m on 9 October. Is arguably the least performant horse here and can be ignored
- 15. ISOFOU DU CHENE** - Makes first appearance since running third in a Class A at Vincennes over 2,850m on 21 June. Stays shod for the occasion but, considering his quality, can play a small part
- 16. J'AIME LE FOOT** - Makes first appearance since finishing 10th in a Group III at Vincennes over 2,850m on 2 May and can be confidently ruled out
- 17. KANTO AVIS** - Won a Class A at Toulouse over 2,950m on 11 October. Has nothing to prove at this level and even from the back line can play an important role
- 18. KING OPERA** - Third in a Class B at Craon over 3,500m on 28 September. Seldom disappoints when focused and can figure prominently at the business end of the race

Summary: The answer should not be too difficult to find in a race where more than a third of the runners have little genuine ambition. On the front line, the reconfigured FAR WEST BI (5) will have a better shot over this flatter track and the engagement of Eric Raffin will only work to his advantage. LAROZE DU GERS (4) is at the top of her game though and looks dangerous. From the second line, the two highest earners deserve confidence: KING OPERA (18), runner-up in this race last year, and the consistent KANTO AVIS (17) who imposed over course and distance in June. LEMON TREE (6) reassured a fortnight back and, from the front line, looks next best.

SELECTIONS

FAR WEST BI (5) - LAROZE DU GERS (4) - KING OPERA (18) - KANTO AVIS (17)

C5 - PRIX CREDIT AGRICOLE - ANJOU MAINE - 2850m (a2m) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 29,000

- 1. KOQUIN D'AMOUR** - Ran 6th in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,850m on 13 October. Has failed to impress over recent months and is unlikely to shake things up
- 2. JERRY DE L'ERDRE** - Third in a Class D at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,775m on 19 October, 3 weeks after having won on turf, but still appears to be taking on too much
- 3. KOQUIN DU PERCHE** - Finished 7th in a monte Class F Apprentices' race at Alencon over 2,650m on 18 October and will have nothing to offer
- 4. JOUR ET NUIT** - Finished 4th in a Class F at Saint Malo over 2,950m on 27 September. Is not the most dependable of horses but is still not out of the equation
- 5. KAZAN BEACH** - Finished 3rd in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,850m on 13 October. Sports pads as he did when victorious here last year and should be taken seriously
- 6. KISS ME** - Third in a Class E at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,650m on 18 October. Put in the fastest split time that day and, 2nd on his Laval debut last month, can again contest the finish
- 7. KOH LANTA** - Made up for Chateauroux disqualification when runner-up in a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 1 October. Has been in cracking form since returning to competition and can win this if Benjamin Rochard keeps her trotting
- 8. JELENIA BELLA** - Finished 3rd in a Class F Apprentices' race at Maure De Bretagne over 2,850m on 18 October. Is patently close to her race and can again finish close
- 9. KASSIOPEE DREAM** - Disqualified when prepping for this in a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 28 September. Is confirmed at a superior level and on good behaviour will be no soft touch
- 10. KINDY DU VIVIER** - Finished 4th in a Class D at Graignes over 2,725m on 12 October. Benefits from a good entry and, in similar shape, can repeat
- 11. KATIM DU GOUTIER** - Disqualified, on comeback, in a Class E at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,775m on 19 October and is still being conditioned

Summary: An open race this, with plenty of possibilities. A model of consistency, KOH LANTA (7) has a strong theoretical chance, but faces stiff opposition from KISS ME (6), who caught the eye at Bordeaux, and JELENIA BELLA (8), who has been knocking at the door. Racing barefoot following her Enghien freshener, KASSIOPEE DREAM (9) could prove something of a spoiler.

SELECTIONS

KOH LANTA (7) - KISS ME (6) - JELENIA BELLA (8) - KASSIOPEE DREAM (9)

C6 - PRIX ANNICK ET GEORGES DREUX - 2850m (a2m) - - Mounted - EUR € 45,000

1. MISTER JUPITER - Debuts in the discipline after being trounced in a Vincennes harness Class D mid-month and can expect to have few friends

2. LASKA DU LEVANT - Fifth in a Group II at Vincennes over 2,700m on 9 October. Will be fully-fit by now and looks a major player

3. JINGLE DELO - Disqualified in a harness Class C at Caen over 2,200m on 18 October. Has shown a liking for Laval conditions and enjoys a decent chance of making first five

4. IDEAL DU NOYER - Second in a Class C Apprentices' race at Enghien over 2,875m on 25 October. Is clearly close to his race but, in this company, looks more a minor place prospect

5. LAMBADA DU GOUTIER - Finished 6th in a Group II at Vincennes over 2,700m on 9 October, just over a fortnight after having won an Argentan Class A and, with application, can apply the pressure on LASKO DES BROUSSES (10)

6. HANDSOME BOY - Fifth in a Class C Apprentices' race at Enghien over 2,875m on 25 October. Is confirmed under these conditions, but is still not an obvious choice

7. ICARE WILLIAMS - Disqualified in a Class B at Caen over 2,450m on 18 October. Is more than useful when focused though and can challenge for a place in the picture

8. HAIDA SAUTONNE - Surprise third in a Class C Apprentices' race at Enghien over 2,875m on 5 October, however a repeat seems unlikely

9. HIS DREAM DE CAHOT - Runner-up in 4 of last 5 starts, lastly a Class B at Caen over 2,450m on 18 October. Takes on a good lot here, but should nevertheless hold his own

10. LASKO DES BROUSSES - Disqualified in a Class B at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,750m on 19 October. Has otherwise been superb for past 4 months and will be well-backed to win this

Summary: The five year-olds look the best prospects here. If he manages to stay trotting, the reconfigured LASKO DES BROUSSES (10) has more than enough ability to win this. LAMBADA DU GOUTIER (5) sports 4 pads this time and is reunited with Paul Ploquin with whom she has a good record. LASKA DU LEVANT (2) has two runs under her belt and the drop in class will only work to her advantage. ICARE WILLIAMS (7) is useful when focused and must be afforded respect.

SELECTIONS

LASKO DES BROUSSES (10) - LAMBADA DU GOUTIER (5) - LASKA DU LEVANT (2) - ICARE WILLIAMS (7)

C7 - PRIX ANDRE-LOUIS DREUX - 2850m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 31,000

- 1. LILYROSE WIND** - Finished surprise 4th in a Class E at Enghien over 2,150m on 17 October. Trainer back in the bike and a repeat seems unlikely
- 2. LET'S GO VAL** - Won a Class E at Vincennes over 2,700m on 6 October, putting 4 straight eliminations behind him. Would be preferred barefoot but is still easy to like for a place in the frame
- 3. LOUBIANA DU BOURG** - Failed to confirm Vincennes performance when 8th in a Class E at Cabourg over 2,750m on 3 October and can be ignored
- 4. LE DUC DE SEVRES** - Finished 11th, on comeback, in a Class E at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,775m on 19 October. Would be preferred competitively-shod but starts in front here and will have his supporters
- 5. LORA SCOTIA** - Finished 8th in a Class E at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,775m on 19 October. Can spring the occasional surprise but it won't be in this company
- 6. LOVINA PERRINE** - Finished 3rd in a Class D at Meslay-du-Maine over 2,875m on 15 August. Has not been seen out since and is going to need the race
- 7. LITCHI CASTELETS** - Won a Class E at Angoulême over 2,750m on 4 October. Benefits from a good entry on the front line and has a realistic chance of bringing the fight to LAST MAN (17)
- 8. LASCAUX DEL PHEDO** - Fourth in a monte Class D at Vincennes over 2,700m on 6 October. Is here for a change of scenery and has nothing to offer
- 9. LUXOR DE MARZY** - Makes first appearance since winning a Class D at Meslay-du-Maine over 2,875m on 15 August. Shoes fitted for re-entry and has nothing to contribute
- 10. LAPS GEDE** - Finished 3rd in a Class E at Chatelaillon over 2,625m on 25 October. Is unlikely to repeat but is clearly back in shape and can get in on the action
- 11. LE METEQUE** - Disqualified in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on Thursday. Backs up shod and is not a priority
- 12. LOTI SOLO** - Starts for the first time since finishing unplaced in a monte Class B at Vincennes over 2,850m on 9 June. Has nothing to offer in this discipline and can be ruled out
- 13. LYRIC** - Finished 9th in a Class D at Chatelaillon over 2,625m on 25 October. Is being prepared for a monte campaign and can be ignored
- 14. LORD TURGOT** - Finished 7th in a Class B at Enghien over 2,875m on 28 September. Is in race-mode this time and looks competitive for a spot in first five
- 15. LOLO DU VELO** - Unplaced in a monte Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 13 October. Runs here for reasons of conditioning and can be disregarded
- 16. LINNA DE VANDEL** - Made it two in a row when winning a Class C at Vincennes over 2,100m on 23 October. Has turned a corner over recent months and Alexandre Abrivard can be justifiably confident of another big performance
- 17. LAST MAN** - Finished 10th in a Class B conditioner at Chartres over 2,800m on 15 October, when giving away 50m. Will have progressed for the run, is 25m better off this time, and can finally open his 2026 account
- 18. LOTUS GRIFF** - Ran 6th in a monte Group II at Vincennes over 2,850m on 12 September. Seldom disappoints under harness when focused and, given the entry, must not be overlooked

Summary: Specifically prepared for this, LAST MAN (17) will be sporting pads and expected to play a leading role. LITCHI CASTELETS (7) could make the most of his position on the front line and go a long way. LINNA DE VANDEL (16) comes here on a hat-trick and will have a reasonable chance of pulling it off. LET'S GO VAL (2) will not be barefoot as he was in Paris but is clearly in form and, with application, can finish close. LORD TURGOT (14) has already won here and will be competitively-shod this time.

SELECTIONS

LAST MAN (17) - LITCHI CASTELETS (7) - LINNA DE VANDEL (16) - LET'S GO VAL (2)

C8 - GRAND PRIX ANDRE DE LA VAISSIERE - 2850m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 30,000

- 1. MISS DE LA FERME** - Disqualified in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,850m on 25 September, after having reassured 3 weeks earlier, but others still preferred
- 2. MISS BLACK BERRY** - Disqualified, on comeback, in a Class B at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,750m on 19 October. Is still being conditioned and best to hold off
- 3. MIYA DE JOUDES** - Useful individual making first start since last March, when disqualified in a Vincennes Class D. Is shod for re-entry, has no left-handed references, and can be passed over
- 4. MEGA D'UZE** - Unplaced, on comeback, in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 13 October. Is a serious future prospect, starting in front, and can win this
- 5. MARSHAL DE CELLAND** - Has not been seen out since being disqualified in a Class C at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,775m on 27 June. Goes first-time barefoot though and will be worth monitoring
- 6. MARVA CALENDES** - Won a Class B over track and trip on 30 September. Will be similarly-configured and can join her stablemate in the first five
- 7. MICHIGAN BLUE** - Like a horse reborn since June, most recently victorious in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,700m on 15 September, but runs with shoes this time and is not a concern
- 8. MISTRAL EXPRESS** - Made it five on the trot when authoritatively winning a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 13 October and can pull off the six-timer if he takes to the Laval profile
- 9. MISTER LOVE JULMA** - Fourth in a Class B over course and distance on 30 September, after having won 2 of previous 3. Is one of the most generous horses here and will be expected to contest the finish
- 10. MELIA BARBES** - Finished 13th, on return from a layoff, in a Class B under these conditions on 30 September. Will be shod again but, given her class, should not be overlooked
- 11. MOSTRA DE CHANLECY** - Won a Class B under these conditions on 30 September. Has won two of three starts here and is unlikely to let the side down
- 12. MORPHEUS DU LOISIR** - Serious colt making 2026 bow after a lengthy-layoff. Is proven here but will still need the run
- 13. MILADY DE LA PIECE** - Made it two straight when winning a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 2 October. Will be fitted with shoes this time but still looks competitive for a cheque
- 14. MADAME CHENU** - Unplaced in a Class B at Chartres over 2,800m on 15 October. Is preparing for a winter under the saddle and can be passed over
- 15. MILORD DE BUY** - Finished 16th in a Class B over course and distance on 30 September. Is still in conditioning-mode and will have other goals
- 16. MIRA DE FROULAY** - Ran 6th in a Class B at Les Sables D'Olonne over 2,750m on 19 October. Goes shod this time and is not a contender
- 17. MARINELLA VRIE** - Starts for the first time since being disqualified in a Group II at Vincennes over 2,700m on 29 August. Races shod and the extra 50m to travel will do her no favours
- 18. MELLOW SPEED** - Disqualified in Group I Criterium des 4 Ans at Vincennes over 2,850m on 12 September. Shoes back on, starts on back row, and best to keep one's powder dry

Summary: MISTRAL EXPRESS (8) continues to raise the bar and can extend his winning sequence to six. To do so, he will have to give 25m to a reconfigured MEGA D'UZE (4) who will be reunited with Eric Raffin. MISTER LOVE JULMA (9) and MOSTRA DE CHANLECY (11) are both in excellent form and should not be underestimated. MARVA CALENDES (6) beat those two here a month back but incurs the handicap this time.

SELECTIONS

MISTRAL EXPRESS (8) - MEGA D'UZE (4) - MISTER LOVE JULMA (9) - MOSTRA DE CHANLECY (11)

C9 - PRIX GEORGES PORCHER - 2850m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 6,000

1. **KASH DIBAH** - Fourth in a Claimer at Nuille-Sur-Vicoïn over 2,875m on 12 October. Makes just 2nd appearance in the amateur division but is clearly in shape and, with application, can play a small part
2. **KOUREION D'ELA** - Encouraged at Cholet before finishing 7th in a Class G Amateurs' race at Saint Malo over 2,950m on 27 September. Is not a priority, but can still get a look in
3. **JUNINHO** - Successful in a Class G Amateurs' race at Challans over 2,900m on 11 October. Takes on a better bunch here but consistently gives his best and should not be written off
4. **KALIE DREAM** - Unplaced in a Class F at Saumur over 3,275m on 18 October. Has yet to deliver at this level and is unlikely to start now
5. **JOS DU JAL** - Disqualified in a Class G at Laon over 2,850m on 11 October. Seldom makes his presence felt and can expect to have few friends
6. **ICK DU VIVIER** - Disqualified in last 2 starts, the latest a Class G at Laon over 2,850m on 11 October. Has form in this category though and will not be far from the action if he deigns to stay trotting
7. **JOYAU DU VIVIER** - Sprang something over a surprise when fourth in a 2850m Class G at Laon 3 weeks ago. Placed on sole amateur start and, although not a contender, is still worth keeping an eye on
8. **HADOL DE FAEL** - Unplaced in a Class G Amateurs' race at Saint Malo over 2,950m on 27 September. Is nicely in on the front line but still has no possible chance
9. **HILKA DE BERTRANGE** - Second in a Class G Amateurs' race at Chatelaillon over 2,625m on 25 October. Goes barefoot again and will be no pushover
10. **GUTENBERG DE DYPP** - Fifth in a Class G Amateurs' race over course and distance on 3 October. Is clearly on the right road, but is still not an obvious choice
11. **JIM DU PALAIS** - Runner-up in a Claimer at Enghien over 2,150m on 15 October. Is clearly in form and, although short on amateur experience, still looks competitive for a place on the podium
12. **IMANOLO DE LOU** - Finished 6th in a 2450m Jarnac Class F late last month. Has done nothing of note for some time and can be passed over
13. **ILDA DE BERTRANGE** - Disqualified in a Claimer at Grenade-Sur-Garonne over 2,750m on 24 October. Has not made the frame since this time last year and can be ruled out
14. **JOYAU DU GRESSY** - Finished 6th in a Class H Apprentices' race at Blain over 3,200m on 21 September. Has form at this level and, despite the penalty, still looks competitively well in
15. **JOYCE DREAM** - Unplaced in a Class F at Graignes over 2,700m on 17 October, a fortnight after running 2nd under these conditions, and could well have her day in the sun this time
16. **IMAGINE GIRL** - Ran 7th in a Class E at Alençon over 2,650m on 4 October. Sports 4 pads for the first time, benefits from a good draw, and looks a serious proposition

Summary: The answer looks likely to come from the second line in this amateur drivers' race, with JOYCE DREAM (15), judged on her penultimate start, a padded IMAGINE GIRL (16), who is competitive at this level, and JIM DU PALAIS (11), who has little room for improvement but who could make the podium with the right run, the most obvious choices. From the front line, ICK DU VIVIER (6) could spring a surprise. JOYAU DU GRESSY (14) is back on the right road and should have a good hand to play.

SELECTIONS

JOYCE DREAM (15) - IMAGINE GIRL (16) - JIM DU PALAIS (11) - ICK DU VIVIER (6)

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

Horse of the day
LASKO DES BROUSSES (610)

Outsider of the day
MIKADO (307)

Reverse forecast
MEGA D'UZE (804) - MISTRAL EXPRESS (808)

Three pick of the day
NICE SPEED (217) - LASKO DES BROUSSES (610) - JOYCE DREAM (915)