

R3 ARGENTAN [R-H]

C1 - PRIX GENERAL DU POMMEAU - 2875m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 6,000

1. **JACADI DE PEBRAC** - Disqualified in a Claimer at Nuille-Sur-Vicoïn over 2,875m on 12 October. Placed in his last start at this level but in this company will struggle to make his presence felt
2. **JASMINE DU MELEUC** - Fifth in a Class G Amateurs' race at Chatelaillon over 2,625m on 25 October, however a repeat is most unlikely
3. **JET SETTER D'AURCY** - Third in a Class E at Machecoul over 2,700m on 18 October. Has been going close for a number of months, breaks on the front line here, and should prove competitive for a place in the picture
4. **JEDELWEIS D'URFIST** - Finished 11th in a Class F at Angers over 3,125m on 9 September, 3 weeks after winning an amateurs Class G at Les Sables-d'Olonne. Takes on a better bunch here and chances seem limited
5. **JASMIN DES NIELLES** - Fourth in a Class F Apprentices' race at Amiens over 2,900m on 18 October. Imposed at the same venue in September, last time at this level, but others still easier to back
6. **JESS HOGUINIÈRE** - Starts for the first time since finishing 5th in a Class F at Chatillon-Sur-Chalaronne over 2,675m on 1 May. Has ample ability, is clearly in competition-mode, and should not be underestimated
7. **JOYEUX DE FONTAINE** - Finished 5th in a Class H Amateurs' race at Moulins La Marche over 2,825m on 13 September. Is plainly in decent shape but would have better prospects on turf
8. **JERRY PONT VAUTIER** - Disqualified in an amateurs' Class H at Bihorel-lès-Rouen a fortnight ago, 6 days after running 3rd in a Class H on turf. Enjoys a terrific engagement on the front row and, if behaved, can finish in the mix
9. **IOKINA DE KERYANN** - Ran 7th in a Class G Amateurs' race at Chartres over 2,825m on 15 October and latest figures do little to inspire confidence
10. **JAZZ SESSION** - Returns to the amateur division after failing to deliver in a 2450m Caen Class D three weeks ago and is not a concern
11. **IN LOVE DE CHARDET** - Honest type that ran 5th in a Châtillon-sur-Chalaronne Class F on 1 May. Is unraced since but has taken well to the amateur division and will have his supporters
12. **GALAXIE DU PARC** - Fifth in a Class G Amateurs' race at Saint Malo over 2,950m on 27 September. Has looked ordinary since the spring and can be passed over
13. **IAGO CAYENNAIS** - Ran 6th in a Class E at Amiens over 2,900m on 3 October. Is clearly better than that, has been reconfigured for return to the venue, and looks a major player
14. **HELBERT FOUTEAU** - Has been disqualified in 3 consecutive starts, the latest a Class F at Royan-La Palmyre over 2,475m on 9 August. Has form in the day's configuration and, with application, will be no pushover
15. **HOKITOLOVE** - Unplaced in a Class D at Caen over 2,450m on 10 October. Won an amateur event on turf in August but has not been as sharp since and would be preferred barefoot
16. **ILLINOIS** - Runner-up in a Class G Amateurs' race at Saint Malo over 2,950m on 27 September. Is patently close to winning another, benefits from a superb entry, and can expect the lion's share of support

Summary: ILLINOIS (16) has been a model of consistency over recent months and has every chance of winning for the second time at Argentan. IAGO CAYENNAIS (13), who finished second to him at Bernay last month, has been re-shod and also has a strong chance, as does HELBERT FOUTEAU (14), who will enjoy the benefit of front shoes this time. From the first line, the consistent JET SETTER D'AURCY (3), and JERRY PONT VAUTIER (8), provided he keeps his action together, should not be overlooked.

SELECTIONS

ILLINOIS (16) - IAGO CAYENNAIS (13) - HELBERT FOUTEAU (14) - JET SETTER D'AURCY (3)

C2 - PRIX SANCHO PANCA - 2875m (a2m) - - Mounted - EUR € 24,000

1. **KERCADIA BARTH** - Disqualified in a Class F at Machecoul over 2,700m on 18 October. Has disappointed for the most part this year and will have few takers
2. **KANSAS DU RIB** - Gave his career-best monte performance at Lisieux in August before being trounced under harness on turf the following month. Comes here fresh, reverts to racing shod, and on good behaviour can pick up some prizemoney
3. **JAKVAL DES BORDES** - Failed to confirm Beaumont performance when 6th in a Class F at Vic-Fezensac over 2,475m on 21 September. Is not devoid of ability but is still not an obvious choice
4. **IN LOVE WITH PUCH** - Disqualified in a Class F Apprentices' race at Alencon over 2,650m on 18 October. Is not the most generous of horses and can be ignored
5. **JOLICOEUR D'ATHOS** - Runner-up in a Class F Apprentices' race at Alencon over 2,650m on 18 October. Appears to be back on the right path and a similar performance would see him finish close once more
6. **HAUGAIN** - Unplaced in a harness Class G Amateurs' race at Bordeaux-Le Bouscat over 2,550m on 18 October. Is not entirely without merit but is not a concern either
7. **KALIE GEMA** - Runner-up in last two, most recently a Class G at La Capelle over 2,750m on 25 October. Starts in front here and is in with a realistic chance of imposing
8. **IAKARI** - Finished 5th in a Class H Amateurs' race at Bihorel Les Rouen over 2,500m on 4 October. Is one of the more consistent elements in the field, enjoys a fine entry, and is unlikely to let the side down
9. **KVALE D'ERQUY** - Finished 12th, when preparing for this, in a harness Class F Apprentices' race at Angers over 3,125m on 18 October. Has been in fine shape for some time and, considering the entry, is easy to like for the win
10. **HELIA DAIRPET** - Previously a good sort but has looked very ordinary in both codes this year and appears to have no possible chance
11. **JAMES MADRIK** - Disqualified in a harness Class E at Le Croise-Laroche over 2,700m on 26 October. Has never shown any particular flair for the discipline and can be ruled out
12. **JACADI D'ARGILIN** - Finished 7th in a harness Class D at Caen over 2,450m on 10 October, a fortnight after having run 2nd in a monte Class D at Caen. Is unlikely to finish close but still has the wherewithal to get a look in
13. **JACKSON DU CLOS** - Ran 6th in a Class F Apprentices' race at Alencon over 2,650m on 18 October, on first start since the spell. Will have progressed for the run and even from the 2nd row looks a serious proposition
14. **ICONE PONT VAUTIER** - Unplaced in a harness Class E at Cabourg over 2,725m on 24 October. Flopped on sole start in the code and is not about to spice things up
15. **ICARE D'ACADIE** - Capable element making first appearance since being trounced in a Class F at La Ferte-Vidame on 23 August. Shoes fitted and not a threat
16. **HORIZON D'AMARO** - Unplaced in a harness Class D at Strasbourg over 2,800m on 23 October. Has placed just once in 6 monte starts and will have few friends
17. **IAGO DE SENOVILLE** - Unplaced in a Class E at Chartres over 2,800m on 15 October. Has done nothing noteworthy for some time and is unlikely to create an upset

Summary: Racing barefoot following a harness freshener, KVALE D'ERQUY (9) looks hard to oppose, as does KALIE GEMA (7) based on the strength of her last two outings. JACKSON DU CLOS (13) will have come on for his recent run on turf and looks a place chance this time around. JOLICOEUR D'ATHOS (5) finished ahead of him that day, has been reconfigured, and should again acquit himself competitively. Unseen in the code since 2024, IAKARI (8) will be shod for his return to the discipline and, in current form, is easy to like.

SELECTIONS

KVALE D'ERQUY (9) - KALIE GEMA (7) - JACKSON DU CLOS (13) - JOLICOEUR D'ATHOS (5)

C3 - PRIX CUSTOM - 2875m (a2m) - Class F - Mounted - EUR € 21,000

1. **LASCAUX DU NOYER** - Out of the picture in last 2, most recently 7th in a Class F at Maure de Bretagne 2 weeks ago, and will need to raise his game
2. **LORD DE Jafa** - Has been a complete write-off for the most part in 2026 and returns to the discipline with nothing to contribute
3. **MARIUS DU CLOS** - Unplaced in a Class E at Cabourg over 2,750m on 24 October. Is still being conditioned and best to hold off
4. **MENEUSE DE HOUELLE** - Unplaced in a Class E at Cabourg over 2,750m on 3 October. Has been disappointing since the spring and can be passed over
5. **MOZAR DE REVE D'OR** - Finished 5th in a Class E at Cabourg over 2,750m on 24 October. Presents solid ridden references but may have too much to do this time
6. **MILLE SOUS GEKA** - Finished 4th in a Class E at Cabourg over 2,750m on 31 July. Has not been seen since and, even though well-engaged and sporting a fresh configuration, is not an obvious choice
7. **LAGON D'ORIENT** - Finished 5th in a Class E Apprentices' race at Cabourg over 2,750m on 14 October. Is not a priority but could pick up a cheque if he replicates his penultimate performance
8. **MAYA DES GENETS** - Starts for the first time since finishing 5th in a Class E at Cabourg over 2,750m on 14 August. Is competitively-shod though and can hold her own
9. **MANGO PAULO** - Sprang a 90-1 surprise when 3rd in a Class B at Graignes over 2,700m on 12 October. Appears to be back on song and a repeat is not out of the question
10. **MAESTRO DU VOYAGE** - Starts for the first time since being disqualified in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 19 May. Has buckets of ability though and on good behaviour can make first five
11. **LATINO DES ISLES** - Disqualified in a harness Class E conditioner at Cabourg over 2,750m on 22 October. Has won 3 of his last 5 monte starts and, on good behaviour, can get in on the action
12. **MEANDRE DE VANDEL** - Disqualified on comeback in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 18 September. Has nothing to prove at this level and should logically take all the beating
13. **MAYA GERBEHAYE** - Disqualified in a harness Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 16 October. Faces first objective of the meeting and Paul Ploquin can be justifiably confident of a competitive run
14. **MAURICIO DU DERBY** - Finished 7th in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 18 September. Has done nothing of note since returning to competition and appears to have nothing to offer
15. **MAZEPPA DU VIVIER** - Makes his first appearance since dominating a Class E at Cabourg over 2,750m on 14 August, but clearly means business and can get straight back in the game

Summary: Disqualified at the start on his re-entry, MEANDRE DE VANDEL (12) has the means to set the record straight here. MAZEPPA DU VIVIER (15), not seen since his easy victory at Cabourg on 14 August, and MAYA GERBEHAYE (13), shod as she was last time under the saddle, can fight it out for silver. MANGO PAULO (9) debuts in this discipline with Antonin Andre in the irons and should be taken seriously.

SELECTIONS

MEANDRE DE VANDEL (12) - MAZEPPA DU VIVIER (15) - MAYA GERBEHAYE (13) - MANGO PAULO (9)

C4 - PRIX REMI SERAIS IMMOBILIER - 2875m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 36,000

1. **NARCOS DES LANDES** - Disqualified in a Class B at Graignes over 2,700m on 12 October. Is as honest as they come, has form here, but at this level will need to find more
2. **NEUVAINE** - Finished 3rd in a Class B at Graignes over 2,700m on 12 October, but is plainly out of her league this time
3. **NACOMA RUN** - Fifth in a Class B at Reims over 2,550m on 14 October, 3 weeks after having won over course and distance. Steps up in category but sports 4 pads for the first time and should be afforded respect
4. **NICE BOY BOURBON** - Second in a Class B at Toulouse over 2,950m on 21 October. Is plainly back at the top of his game and from the front row can bring the fight to NEBRASKA DE GINIER (15)
5. **NATIVE DE PLAY** - Third in a Class B at Vincennes over 2,700m on 25 September. Goes well in her current configuration but has the boys to contend with this time
6. **NINA HAGEN D'OR** - Finished 2nd in a Class B at Reims over 2,550m on 14 October. Is clearly back on the right road and, re-shod for the occasion, is unlikely to be far off the mark
7. **NEHO CINQ** - Second, on comeback, in a Class B at Graignes over 2,700m on 12 October. Will have progressed for the race and from the front row can give this a good go
8. **NIRVAGO DE LA COUR** - Victorious in a Class B at Reims over 2,550m on 14 October. Should take well to Argentan conditions and have the wherewithal to contest a place on the podium
9. **NELSON THORIS** - Finished 10th in a Class B at Reims over 2,550m on 14 October. Has been out of sorts for past 2.5 months and is unlikely to upset the status quo
10. **NIEHKU** - Ran 6th in a Class A at Vincennes over 2,700m on 13 October. Takes on a less-exalted bunch here and, considering the entry, will be no easy touch
11. **NEUILLY DE PLAY** - Successful in a monte Class B at Vincennes over 2,700m on 16 October, but is being conditioned here and can be ruled out
12. **NORD AMERICAINE** - Disqualified in a Class B at Graignes over 2,700m on 12 October, her first start since May, and will have other priorities
13. **NEW WAVE** - Finished 4th in a Class B at Graignes over 2,700m on 12 October. Clearly has merit but takes on too much here
14. **NEW MONEY** - Unplaced in a Class B at Graignes over 2,700m on 12 October. Is better in the other code and can be passed over
15. **NEBRASKA DE GINIER** - Superb element that finished second in a Class B at Chartres over 2,825m on 15 October, after winning 8 straight. Is confirmed racing clockwise and should take all the beating

Summary: NEBRASKA DE GINIER (15) suffered his first defeat of the year at Chartres mid-month when making his comeback. He will have come on for the run and can wrap this up. From the first echelon, NICE BOY BOURBON (4), excellent in two starts with pads fitted, NIEHKU (10), whose connections could not have hoped for a better entry, and NIRVAGO DE LA COUR (8) who imposed at Reims on 14 October, will all be giving it their best shot.

SELECTIONS

NEBRASKA DE GINIER (15) - NICE BOY BOURBON (4) - NIEHKU (10) - NIRVAGO DE LA COUR (8)

C5 - PRIX FITECO - 2875m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 36,000

- 1. MAGNUS MAXIMUS** - Has not been seen out since coming 3rd in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,175m on 5 May. Shoes on for re-entry and can be ignored
- 2. MAGIE DE CHAHAINS** - Ran 7th in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,100m on 18 September. Is not devoid of ability but is not a priority this time
- 3. MY DREAM DU GRAIS** - Fourth in a Class C at Caen over 2,450m on 18 October. Will not be sent out at 131-1 this time but will not be as competitive either
- 4. MINERVE DE VANDEL** - Finished 6th in a Class C at Caen over 2,450m on 18 October. Has otherwise shown significant promise and looks a player
- 5. MOON STAR FOR YOU** - Placed in two straight before being disqualified in a Class C at Caen over 2,450m on 18 October. Is clearly in fine condition and, with application, can make first five
- 6. MISTER CHARM** - Successful in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,100m on 8 September. Is in conditioning-mode this time though and best to keep one's powder dry
- 7. MIX CASH** - Ran 6th in a Class B at Graignes over 2,700m on 12 October. Springs the occasional surprise but will first need to reassure
- 8. MAZEL TOV DAIRPET** - Made it 5 in a row when victorious in a Class B at Feurs over 2,850m on 7 September. Is new to Argentan but benefits from a superb entry and has never disappointed for Yoann Lebourgeois
- 9. MARIE OH FREDLAU** - Unplaced in a Class B at Vincennes over 2,700m on 16 October, 3 weeks after running 3rd in a Class B under these conditions and, competitively-shod this time, can play a part
- 10. MEMPHIS DE BRASSE** - Second in a Class B at Reims over 2,550m on 13 September. Comes here fresh and a similar effort would see him contest a place in the frame
- 11. MENTOR DE PLAY** - Finished 5th in a Class B at Graignes over 2,700m on 12 October. Is the wealthiest horse here for a reason and Franck Blandin will be keen to prove the point

Summary: Having made a promising comeback at Graignes, the champion MENTOR DE PLAY (11) looks a formidable contender in this Basse-Normandie Final for four year-olds. MAZEL TOV DAIRPET (8), who continues to impress, should not be underestimated. MEMPHIS DE BRASSE (10) ran well at Reims last month and can again figure prominently, as can MINERVE DE VANDEL (4) who is better than her Caen result would suggest..

SELECTIONS

MENTOR DE PLAY (11) - MAZEL TOV DAIRPET (8) - MEMPHIS DE BRASSE (10) - MINERVE DE VANDEL (4)

C6 - PRIX XAVIER CAVEY - 2875m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 41,000

1. **L'ETINCELLE** - Fifth in a Class B over course and distance on 23 September. Has been hard to fault for some time but appears to be biting off more than she can chew
2. **LOVELY TRIP** - Runner-up in a monte Class E at Vincennes over 2,175m on 5 September. Presents excellent harness references but will be shod this time and can be ruled out
3. **LOTUS DU RIB** - Disqualified in a monte Class D at Vincennes over 2,700m on 6 October. Has otherwise been excelling in both codes and will not be far from the action if Noe Perron keeps him focused
4. **LEVIOSA** - Successful in a Class E at Cabourg over 2,750m on 3 October. Is out of her depth in this company though and can be passed over
5. **LET'S GO MAURICIEN** - Unplaced when prepping for this in a Class D at Caen over 2,200m on 18 October. Has not put a foot wrong since May and looks the main threat to LE GRAAL (17)
6. **LOOK PEJI** - Made the frame in 2 straight before finishing unplaced in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,850m on 20 October, and is not a priority
7. **LA CALLAS** - Disqualified in a Class D at Caen over 2,200m on 18 October, ten days after having secured a Class E at La Capelle, but will struggle to make her mark this time
8. **LA VIE EST BELLE** - Unplaced in a Class D at Caen over 2,200m on 18 October. Is no slouch when focused though and cannot be discounted
9. **LYRA POTERIE** - Fourth in a Class D at Caen over 2,200m on 18 October. Reliability not her strong suit but still seems to be taking on too much
10. **LEONARDO DU DERBY** - Finished 3rd in a Class D at Caen over 2,200m on 18 October. Has been knocking at the door for some time and although unlikely to get his head in front, can nevertheless hold his own
11. **LITCHI DU BISET** - Finished 7th in a Class D conditioner at Challans over 2,900m on 11 October, a month after having imposed at Vincennes. Is shod to preference this time and can give this a good go
12. **LOUIS QUATORZE** - Third in a Class B at Toulouse over 2,950m on 11 October, 2 weeks after winning an Enghien claimer, and it will be interesting to see how he fares at this level
13. **LAURELINA** - Finished 13th in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,100m on 23 October. Has 2 races under her belt since the layup but will first need to reaffirm
14. **LOVE GLYCINES** - Tricky but talented trotter that finished unplaced in a Class B over course and distance late last month. Goes barefoot this time though and is unlikely to disappoint
15. **LUCAS** - Finished 4th in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,700m on 13 October. Is not easy to recommend when shod though. Disregard
16. **LOVING DREAM** - Dominated a Class B under these conditions on 23 September. Starts with a handicap once more but is not incapable of repeating
17. **LE GRAAL** - Serious type that has won the last 4 races he has finished, lastly a Class B at Enghien over 2,875m on 28 September. Gives away 25m this time but still looks up to the task

Summary: A winner at Enghien last month, LE GRAAL (17) looks capable of overcoming the handicap to win this Basse-Normandie Final for five year-olds. LET'S GO MAURICIEN (5), barefoot after his Caen prep, along with LOVING DREAM (16) and LOTUS DU RIB (3), who finished respectively first and third under these conditions on 23 September, have the capability to figure prominently again. In race-mode this time, LOVE GLYCINES (14) will have her chances.

SELECTIONS

LE GRAAL (17) - LET'S GO MAURICIEN (5) - LOVING DREAM (16) - LOTUS DU RIB (3)

C7 - PRIX ERIC THE EEL - 2875m (a2m) - Class D - Harness - EUR € 27,000

- 1. KOBE EIGHT** - Finished 13th, on comeback, in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,850m on 13 October. Is clearly better than that, is barefoot for first objective of the meeting, and is unlikely to let the side down
- 2. KID SMILE** - Left quite the impression when runner-up in a Class E at Vincennes over 2,700m on 2 October. Takes on a marginally better lot this time but still looks good enough to finish close
- 3. KORIOLIS DE ZIETTE** - Comfortable winner of a Class E at Vincennes over 2,700m on 2 October. Is still a tough nut when shod and will be well-backed to win this
- 4. KISS WOOD** - Unplaced in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,850m on 13 October. Has done nothing but disappoint since last January and is not about to create an upset
- 5. KRICK DE CONDE** - Starts for the first time since finishing fifth in a Class E at Villeneuve Sur Lot over 2,625m on 30 August. Will be shod as she was that day and, already a winner here, will generate interest
- 6. KERLAZ D'AVE** - Unplaced in a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 3 October, 6 days after running 3rd in a Saint-Malo Class G, but is still taking on too much
- 7. KRONOS D'ERPION** - Finished 13th in a Class D at Cabourg over 2,750m on 3 October. Is not without merit but is still going to need another run
- 8. KOBRA JENILOU** - Made it two on the trot when securing a Class E Apprentices' race over course and distance on 23 September. Was particularly impressive when victorious at Cabourg and will again be competitive when push comes to shove
- 9. KALINKA DU BREUIL** - Second in a Class E Apprentices' race at Ecommoy over 2,750m on 13 September. Faces a much tougher test here and others preferred
- 10. KARMA TEJY** - Disqualified in a Class D Apprentices' race at Laval over 2,650m on 24 September. Has been struggling since the spring and will have nothing to offer
- 11. KRISTO STAR** - Failed to confirm late-August performance when 11th in a Class F at Bernay over 2,800m on 13 September and can expect to have few takers
- 12. KALAMITY DE CHENU** - Disqualified twice in last three starts, the latest a Class D at Laval over 2,850m on 3 October, and is unlikely to spring any surprises
- 13. KATINKA COTON** - Second in a Class E at Enghien over 2,150m on 8 October. Has won one of two Argentan starts and will be reined by Robin Lamy who scored with her over course and distance last January
- 14. KRUNCH DE L'ITON** - Quality element but has not been seen out since mid-June and is plainly being freshened up
- 15. KOPA VRIE** - Finished 5th in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,850m on 13 October. Has otherwise been in excellent form, benefits from a terrific entry, and can challenge for victory this time

Summary: Brilliant winner of his last two starts, KORIOLIS DE ZIETTE (3) can complete the three-timer even though shod this time. However, the ultra-consistent KOPA VRIE (15), and KOBRA JENILOU (8), who also bids for a hat-trick, will have other ideas. KID SMILE (2), runner-up to the selection earlier in the month, will also have claims on a place in the picture.

SELECTIONS

KORIOLIS DE ZIETTE (3) - KOPA VRIE (15) - KOBRA JENILOU (8) - KID SMILE (2)

C8 - PRIX PAUL BUQUET - 2875m (a2m) - - Harness - EUR € 53,000

1. **JEWEL TOUCH** - Failed to pull off the four-timer when disqualified in a Class D at Enghien over 2,150m on 28 September. Shoes back on and best to keep one's powder dry
2. **ISIS D'HERFRAIE** - Surprise 5th in a Class C at Vincennes over 2,850m on 29 August, however a repeat seems most improbable
3. **JANE CASH** - Victorious in a Class D at Vincennes over 2,700m on 20 September. Has shoes fitted this time though and best to hold off
4. **IXELLE BLEUE** - Disqualified in last two starts, the latest a Class C at Caen over 2,200m on 18 October, and can be passed over
5. **DAYAK (ITY)** - Ran 7th in a Class B at Vincennes over 2,700m on 27 September. Ran better that day than the result would suggest and from the first row can make a big splash
6. **LUCKY JACKSON** - Has not been seen out since finishing 11th in a Class A at Vincennes over 2,100m on 1 January and will have nothing to offer
7. **INES DE LA ROUVRE** - Finished 3rd in a Class D at Enghien over 2,875m on 7 October. Has done nothing but improve lately and the excellent entry stands her in good stead. First five
8. **IDOLE OF LOVE** - Finished 7th in a Class B at Caen over 2,450m on 18 October. Has been off the boil over recent weeks and will first need to reaffirm
9. **JE TE CHERCHE** - Makes first appearance since being disqualified in a Class B at Enghien over 2,875m on 22 July. Has talent to burn but is clearly not in race-mode
10. **GOLD MENCOURT** - Finished 11th in a Class B at Divonne over 2,000m on 21 August. Has done nothing of note this year and is unlikely to start now
11. **KAPTAIN DU LIAMONE** - Unplaced when preparing for this in a Class C at Caen over 2,450m on 10 October, a fortnight after having imposed at Toulouse. Is barefoot this time and could pleasantly surprise
12. **HOMARD LAND** - Made it two in a row when successful in a Class B at Vincennes over 2,700m on 27 September. Is new to Argentan but has a lot going for him here and can contest the finish
13. **LIBERTE DE CHOISEL** - Starts for the first time since coming second in a Group II at Vincennes over 2,175m on 6 June. Is a Gr.1 winner though and even with shoes fitted can still put on a good show
14. **INDIGO DE FONTAINE** - Disqualified in a monte Group III at Vincennes over 2,850m on 9 October. Is no slouch under harness, has been reconfigured for the occasion, and can play a small part
15. **IALTO D'HERTALS** - Third in a Group III at Reims over 2,550m on 14 October. Has placed in 3 of last 4, has previously imposed under these conditions, and is well-placed to keep the trend going
16. **LOMBOK JIEL** - Fifth in Group I Criterium des 5 Ans at Vincennes over 2,850m on 12 September. Is here for reasons of conditioning and unlikely to shake things up
17. **JEAN BALTHAZAR** - Finished 8th in a Group III at Vincennes over 2,175m on 2 June. Is here for reasons of conditioning and others preferred
18. **INA DU RIB** - Starts for the first time since finishing unplaced in a Group II at Caen over 2,450m on 9 May and will have other priorities

Summary: In this Prix Paul Buquet, where several champions are still being prepared for future targets, DAYAK (5) has a good opportunity to shine. HOMARD LAND (12), who comes here on a hat-trick, heads the opposition alongside strong finisher IALTO D'HERTALS (15). Barefoot this time, KAPTAIN DU LIAMONE (11) will endeavour to confirm his Toulouse success. Nicely in on the front line, INES DE LA ROUVRE (7) reassured earlier in the month and should again figure prominently.

SELECTIONS

DAYAK (ITY) (5) - HOMARD LAND (12) - IALTO D'HERTALS (15) - KAPTAIN DU LIAMONE (11)

TODAY'S SELECTIONS

Horse of the day
MENTOR DE PLAY (511)

Outsider of the day
NACOMA RUN (403)

Reverse forecast
MAZEL TOV DAIRPET (508) - MENTOR DE PLAY (511)

Three pick of the day
MEANDRE DE VANDEL (312) - NEBRASKA DE GINIER (415) - MENTOR DE PLAY (511)