VINCENNES - 13th December

Trainer of the day: Christian Bigeon (108, 702)
Jockey of the day: Matthieu Abrivard (105, 305, 411, 606)
Horse of the day: Global Respons (504)
Dark Horse: Stoneisle Lilian(612)

Race 1

1. UNCTUOUS CHARM - Useful but not always reliable. Has a very poor record at Vincennes and not an obvious choice
2. ATOUT DU HAINAUT - Has been acquitting himself honourably of late and the front-line start will do nothing to harm his prospects
3. ANOTHER - Has been in flying form of late. Has never failed to fire for Gelormini and from the front line looks a decent place chance
4. VALTO - Has looked very ordianry since winning at Reims three months ago and in this field has no realistic chance
5. ALLEGRO NONANTAIS - Tough sort that seldom lets the side down. Won a Class D over course and distance in good order ten days ago and should again
figure prominently

6. URANIUM - Complicated sort but not short of ability although three straight sanctions do nothing to inspire confidence

7. AGRIPPA MESLOISE - Somewhat off the boil since trotting second in a Class B at Laval early September and will need to reaffirm

8. AUCH - Useful sort that had trouble in running here last time. Returns fresh and given the chance can make a big impact from the first line

9. UHENDO RIVELIERE - Has done nothing of note in either code for the past nine months and can be passed over

10. VOICE DREAM - Usually respectable under these conditions but has just one race in her and unlikely to influence the result

11. ARTISTE DE JOUDES - Occasionally a handful but otherwise often in the thick of things. Left a good impression behind (15) AVENIR DE BLAY in a Class B here late November and will have more support this time around

12. ATTACUS - Ususally a model of consistency but unplaced in last three. Raffin back in charge though and could well make the first five this time

13. USTAR DE VANDEL - Not the most consistent of horses and while well beaten by (15) AVENIR DE BLAY last time will have Nivard in the sulky for the occasion and should not be entirely overlooked

14. AKIDO - Tends to give a good account when unshod. Has three races under his belt and with hind shoes off for the occasion can make his presence felt

15. AVENIR DE BLAY - Highly impressive last winter. Got back in the game here late last month and should be fit enough by now to win this

16. VENUS DE BAILLY - Has ability but has failed to fire in last four and needs to reaffirm

17. ANETTE DU MIREL - Encouraged in her last two when unshod. Is barefoot again this time and worth a small consideration

Summary

(15) AVENIR DE BLAY showed good progress here on his third start back and appears to be nearing last winter's form when winning four from six. Although on the second line he should still have the measure of recent course and distance winner (5) ALLEGRO NONANTAIS who breaks with a 25m advantage. (8) AUCH is very much at home over this trip and should make amends for some poor luck here early last month. (11) ARTISTE DE JOUDES surprised when close to the favourite here late November and in similar form will have his chances. (3) ANOTHER is back at his best and must be taken seriously.
Selections

(15) AVENIR DE BLAY - (5) ALLEGRO NONANTAIS - (8) AUCH - (11) ARTISTE DE JOUDES - (3) ANOTHER - (12) ATTACUS - (6) URANIUM - (17) ANETTE DU MIREL
Race 2

1. FEE DE LUNOJO - Yet to show any great aptitude for the game and has no realistic chance here

2. FILLE A PAPA - Encouraged on debut but very modest at Parilly next time and will struggle to make any impact

3. FAVORITE FLIGNY - Regularly gives a decent account. Third to (7) FANTASTIC LIFE late November and will again garner support

4. FOLIE PRESTANCE - Solid in both starts so far. Runner-up to (6) FASHION QUEEN three weeks ago but more a first-five chance on this occasion

5. FLICKA LUCAXELO - Posted her best result to date when second to (9) FLOWER POWER here a fortnight ago but a minor place chance at best this time

6. FASHION QUEEN - Unbeaten from two so far and both times with ease. First appearance over the long course and is eminently capable of maintaining her perfect status

7. FANTASTIC LIFE - Put in a fine finish to win over 2200m here a fortnight back and should have a good card to play on first outing over the outer course

8. FLEUR DE LYS DELO - Respectable filly that reassured over the short course last time. In better company on this occasion but one to note nonetheless

9. FLOWER POWER - Opened her account comfortably in a Class C on Vincennes debut late last month. Steps up in class but should still not be far from the action

10. FIPSIE DE GUEZ - Improving sort that finished a close fourth here before winning a claimer over shorter two weeks ago and will have a part to play

11. FORTUNA PRIDE - Exceptional since her winning debut last August. Is confirmed on the outer track and although off since late September and stepping up in trip can still play an important role

Summary

After a brace of facile victories and latterly over 2200m the beautifully-bred (6) FASHION QUEEN takes to the outer course for the first time and can maintain her unbeaten run. (7) FANTASTIC LIFE won in style over the short course two weeks ago and together with the progressive (9) FLOWER POWER appear to represent the principal threats. (11) FORTUNA PRIDE is also a filly of considerable merit - she is confirmed on the long course but is more a minor place chance on her first start since late September.
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Race 3

1. CAMBRIDGE - Respectable mare for the most part and currently in good shape but will have to be at her best here

2. CHIC ET BELLE - Useful sort on a good day but will need to improve on recent effort over the short course

3. CROIX DU BUISSON - Respectable mare that has not been disgraced since returning to competition and if all pans out perfectly could get a look in

4. CLEA MADRIK - Has not been at her most productive of late. Is reunited with Raffin but still unlikely to pose a threat

5. DEMOISELLE MIKA - Highly consistent when racing unshod. Left a good impression here last month and should have a good hand to play

6. CALINE DE FLEUR - Well-campaigned mare that showed improvement over the short course two weeks ago but still needs to do more

7. COALINGA CITY - Undoubtedly useful but well-beaten in last two here and will need to reaffirm

8. COMETE DARCHE - Pleasant for the most part and although not at her best here last time should still be able to make the frame

9. DANAE DE LA FRETTE - Good class of horse that has climbed the class ladder well. Came a close runner-up over 2850m here a week ago and is not incapable of going one better

10. CORAL SEA - Tricky sort but has pleased of late. Acquitted herself well behind (9) DANAE DE LA FRETTE in a Class A last week and should give another respectable account

11. CHANCE DES DOUITS - Back at the top of her game following some below-par performances. Finished a good second over longer here mid-November and will have her chances

Summary

Runner-up to the good Charmeuse Royale here recently (9) DANAE DE LA FRETTE looked just as good as she did last winter and can justifiably expect the lion's share of support. (5) DEMOISELLE MIKA finished close to her over the inner track last month and should be in a position to apply the pressure. (8) COMETE DARCHE is not the most reliable but she is barefoot and with Bazire in the sulky for the first time can play a part. (10) CORAL SEA acquitted herself well behind the favourite last week and once again looks competitively well in.

Selections
(9) DANAE DE LA FRETTE - (5) DEMOISELLE MIKA - (8) COMETE DARCHE -
(10) CORAL SEA
Race 4

1. ULTRA OR - Has failed to make the frame for the past 19 months and is not about to change his ways

2. BE MINE DE HOUELLE - No slouch on a good day but there have been few of those recently. No threat

3. AMERICAINE - Has done nothing of note in either code for some time and can be passed over

4. VOLCAN DE BELLANDE - Regularly acquits himself respectably when unshod but can expect to have his work cut out here

5. UGO ON WOOD - Group-placed horse but not at his most productive in recent outings and must find more

6. VAQUERO DU MONT - Proved himself at this level over the summer but has looked ordinary since and can be ruled out

7. VRAI VOYOU - Got back in the game when fourth to (11) ALPHA SALTOR here a fortnight ago and on similar form should not be too far off the mark

8. VALSE DE REVE - Useful mare but not the most reliable. Just second start since the spell and unlikely to shake things up

9. TIGER DANOVER - Overall GNT winner making a first foray into the ridden discipline but unlikely to worry the confirmed horses

10. ULKA DES CHAMPS - Very impressive in this code since the autumn. Easily won the G.II Prix Reynolds over course and distance last time and is not incapable of doubling her money

11. ALPHA SALTOR - Serious sort in this branch of the business and never out of the frame when unshod. Just edged in the G.II Prix Paul Buquet two weeks ago and can again play a leading role

12. VAL ROYAL - Good class of horse in the code. Won at this level last winter and with Eric Raffin on board should figure prominently

Summary

(11) ALPHA SALTOR missed out on a maiden G.II success by a hair's breadth two weeks ago and returns to a shorter trip in a bid win his first race since June. There is little to separate him from in-form (10) ULKA DES CHAMPS who won the G.II Prix Reynolds in good order last time under the saddle. (12) VAL ROYAL makes his long-awaited return to the ridden code and if applied should have a good hand to play. (7) VRAI VOYOU was an encouraging fourth in the G.II Prix Paul Buquet a fortnight ago and in similar form can repeat.
Selections

(11) ALPHA SALTOR - (10) ULKA DES CHAMPS - (12) VAL ROYAL - (7) VRAI
VOYOU
Race 5

1. KING SIR KIR - Hardy sort when applied. Won his only start with Ouvrie at the helm and if applied can make a big impact

2. EMMETT BROWN - Very useful over these short trips. Fourth to (4) GLOBAL RESPONS last month and from the 2-spot can go closer this time

3. BAR D’OR - Not much to like on his formsheet of late. Only thing going for him here is the draw

4. GLOBAL RESPONS - Fine Swedish trotter that returned to France with a bang. Imposed in style over the short course last time when drawn on the second line. Ideally placed on this occasion and should double up

5. BAMBI DE BRY - Often a case of all-or-nothing. Currently in fine shape and with application can play an important role

6. BELLAYA - Useful mare but not yet at her best since the layoff. Should be fit by now though and must not be underestimated

7. BEL AIR - Useful sort whose form is not in doubt. Has a respectable record under these conditions and should be able to make the first five

8. BENoit ROYAL - Either in the first two or sanctioned since late summer. Is no great fan of Vincennes though and not expected to trouble the judge

9. BODEGA CHENEVERE - Gave a surprisingly good account in a Class D over longer here last week although a repeat looks decidedly unlikely

10. BANGURO - Beginning to come right again. Third at Graignes last time but still has ground to make up

11. BULLYOUNG - Undeniably capable but has struggled of late. Has Nivard in the sulky this time but even that may not be enough

12. MICHELANGELO AS - Faithful for the most part but sanctioned in last three. Returns to a more reasonable distance but still not easy to back

13. POPEYE DIAMANT - Tough German sort crossing the French border for the first time. Front shoes off and one to note

14. ELDRICK BOKO - Hardy Swedish trotter that seldom disappoints. Makes French debut after a three-months' break but is barefoot for the first time and despite the draw should acquit himself honourably

15. BEST ATOUT - Delicate sort but has ample ability. Will need to improve on recent Saint-Malo performance though

16. STAY ALERT - Yet to wow the crowds since returning to France and appears to have his work cut out

17. SCHUBERT - Pleased twice during the summer but a write-off since and can
be passed over

18. SYLVESTER AMERICA - Returns to France after a stint in Sweden but plight not helped by the poor draw

Summary

The talented (4) GLOBAL RESPONS has been flying all year and given how well he imposed over the distance on the inner track recently he will be in an ideal position to double his money breaking from the four-spot. Short-distance specialist (2) EMMETT BROWN finished a valiant fourth on that occasion and should be able to go closer this time although he may first have to see off (1) KING SIR KIR who bids to maintain his perfect record with Franck Ouvrie at the helm. Recent Auch winner (5) BAMBI DE BRY is also well-placed in front and can go close if he can keep his action together. (7) BEL AIR starts somewhat wider but in current form is hard to ignore.

Selections

(4) GLOBAL RESPONS - (1) KING SIR KIR - (2) EMMETT BROWN - (5) BAMBI DE BRY - (7) BEL AIR
Race 6

1. REINE DU ZACK - Smart sort over the shorter trips and can go close if she can reproduce her latest Enghien effort

2. AMIE D'ANDY - Ended last season on a low note and has done nothing noteworthy since returning to competition. Disregard

3. PRIMULA BRAZZA - Complicated to say the least and although capable of springing the occasional surprise has been completely off the boil lately and very hard to back

4. AZELA DES PLEIGNES - Unplaced in two of last three but regular for the most part. Has a good record at Vincennes and should not be underestimated

5. VEDETTE AMERICaine - Not the sharpest tool in the box but scored last time over the distance and can expect a hint of support

6. ARDENTE DU CLOS - Tough mare that should be fit following two re-entry runs. Is confirmed over course and distance and should be able to get straight back into the game

7. ALEXIA DU CHERISAY - Has raced very modestly in both codes for some time and has something akin to a snowball's chance

8. ANNEES FOLLES - Delicate sort that has struggled for some time and can be confidently passed over

9. AMITIE D'ORGERES - Currently enjoying a good run of form and while not a great fan of Vincennes does not make the long trip for nothing

10. AURA NORMANDE - Respectable for the most part. Encouraged last time over track and trip but still has more to find

11. ROMI MMS - Decent sort over these shorter distances and should give a good account despite the draw

12. STONEISLE LILIAN - Talented mare and somewhat behind in earnings. Has previously won over course and distance and if fully fit can play an important role

Summary

(6) ARDENTE DU CLOS went into her summer break after a rewarding run of form and following two re-entry races is barefoot for her first winter objective and can impose. (1) REINE DU ZACK returns to a more realistic trip and can make a big impact if she can reproduce her latest Enghien effort. (9) AMITIE D'ORGERES has been flying of late and although drawn wide she does not make the long trip to Paris to see the sights. The well-positioned (4) AZELA DES PLEIGNES is particularlry useful in autostart events and can challenge for a spot in the first three.
Selections

(6) ARDENTE DU CLOS - (1) REINE DU ZACK - (9) AMITIE D'ORGERES - (4) AZELA DES PLEIGNES
Race 7

1. BOY OF GOD - Won two in succession before flopping here eleven days ago but should not be entirely overlooked

2. BABY BARBES - Solid for the most part in the specialty. Good second over track and trip here earlier in the month and can go one better this time

3. BAZAKI SEVEN - Delicate but is not without merit. Can play a small role if he can keep his action together

4. BOLERO DU LEVANT - Gave a solid account behind (2) BABY BARBES on first ridden start since last winter. Will have come on for the race and should again figure prominently

5. BINGO DE COSSE - Left a good impression when fourth in the race of reference. Makes just his third start under the saddle and will be one to note

6. BYRH GEDE - Won two on the trot before a disappointing sixth behind (2) BABY BARBES last time. Must not be harshly judged and should be afforded another chance

7. BE COOL D'EB - Very solid in both disciplines since the summer. Fourth last time over course and distance and will have his supporters

8. BARACK - Regularly in the thick of things and is proven under these conditions. Sanctioned early last time but with application should not be far from the action

9. BALL TRAP - Can prove tricky but otherwise very rewarding under the saddle. Pleased last time with Asseline on board and must be respected

10. BAD BOY TERRIE - Useful type that finished fourth behind (6) BYRH GEDE over track and trip on penultimate start and could pick up another cheque here

11. BANCO DE L'ITON - Moderate sort that has not been the most productive at this level but should at least give an honourable account

Summary

This is like a re-run of the Prix de Castellane run over course and distance earlier this month. (2) BABY BARBES left a very good impression that day when second and if he can keep a straight line can win this time around. After two solid successes (6) BYRH GEDE failed to race to his mark on that occasion but should redeem himself here. (4) BOLERO DU LEVANT and (5) BINGO DE COSSE finished third and fourth respectively however the former should have the edge this time.

Selections
(2) BABY BARBES - (6) BYRH GEDE - (5) BINGO DE COSSE - (4) BOLERO DU LEVANT
Race 8

1. ELIXIR DU TRIO - Relatively solid in last three. Was not afforded the best of trips here last time but with a clear run can make amends

2. EMILIO STAR - Colt with significant ability but sanctioned more often than not. Encouraged last time on the outer course though and if applied can play an important part

3. ESPOIR DU POITOU - Respectable trotter but was well beaten here last time behind (9) ESQUIRE and must find more

4. EIKO VET - Left a good impression at Graignes on first start since the layoff. Will have come on for the run and can play an active role

5. EQUO MADRIK - Showed improvement on second start back but well beaten nonetheless. Raffin at the helm this time and improvement expected

6. ECAILLEUR - Got back down to business at Chartres earlier in the month with a facile victory. First time in Paris and on similar form can play a leading role

7. EXCELLENT DAY - Delicate sort that finished a surprise third on penultimate start here. Gets a Mathieu Mottier drive this time and if applied can give this a good go

8. ECLAIR DU MIREL - Kicked his season off nicely but unthreatening of late. Drops back in class but still appears to have too much to do

9. ESQUIRE - Has been enjoying a good run of form. Did not disappoint on Vincennes debut and looks good enough to pick up a cheque here

10. EAGLE PASS - Pleased first time at the venue but unplaced in three of last four and must raise his game

11. ESPERADO - Showed early promise and although beaten in both re-entry runs still looks capable of making the frame here

Summary

(6) ECAILLEUR steamed up at Chartres earlier this month and could well have his way first time in Paris. He can still expect to meet resistance from the delicate but talented (2) EMILIO STAR who will first have to get off on the right foot. On paper (11) ESPERADO may not looks an obvious choice but he has two runs under his belt and can get back down to business. Although (5) EQUO MADRIK has yet to lose his maiden status his chances will improve with Raffin in the sulky this time.

Selections
| (6) ECAILLEUR | (2) EMILIO STAR | (11) ESPERADO | (5) EQUO MADRIK |
CAGNES-SUR-MER - 13th December

Trainer of the day: Yannick Fertillet (408, 502, 812, 907, 1003, 1006, 1115)
Jockey of the day: Nicolas Gauffenic (403, 807, 909, 1109)
Horse of the day: Gold And Fire (201)
Dark Horse: Fumseck (909)

Race 1

1. THE RECKONING - Won two claiming hurdles this year. Well beaten in a claimer here five days ago
2. SHEILA'S LAD - Second to (5) KAMEKALINE ENKI on 4 December. Weight conditions better today and can reverse form
3. L'AMOUR DU RISK - Impressive winner on hurdling debut at Auteuil last October. Expected to run a big race
4. APOLLO CREED - Sound winner of a claiming hurdles here five days ago. First start for new yard
5. KAMEKALINE ENKI - Recorded a second success from three starts on 4 December. Has more to offer and looks a solid chance
6. VALENCE D'AUMONT - Not disgraced when fourth of ten last time out at Compiegne. Can be in the mix
7. COLPO DI STATO - Improved last run when third at 56/1 over course and distance. Can grab a stake cheque

Summary

(3) L'AMOUR DU RISK was an impressive winner on his hurdling debut at Auteuil and although the form of that race has still to work out he is feared most. (5) KAMEKALINE ENKI won well ahead of (2) SHEILA'S LAD at the beginning of the most and is clearly open to improvement. (4) APOLLO CREED impressed in a claimer last time and steps up in grade with claims.

Selections

(3) L'AMOUR DU RISK - (5) KAMEKALINE ENKI - (4) APOLLO CREED - (2) SHEILA'S LAD
Race 2

1. GOLD AND FIRE - Won by 12 lengths on first run here at the beginning of the month. Expected to follow up

2. ERMONTOIS - Off the mark on his twelfth start which was debut over hurdles but subsequently performed below-par at Argentan

3. OKMAN DES MOTTES - Made promising debut over hurdles at this venue nine days ago. Should come on for the run

4. ECLAIR DES BRIERES - Best to forget last run. Had previously shown some ability over both hurdles and fences

5. MONKEY FIRE - A maiden from 14 runs on the flat. well beaten on debut over hurdles here on 4 December

6. THIGH ROCK - Finished far on debut here in the race of reference. Has too much to find

7. ZEFIRO - Finished last beaten 42 lengths on debut here at the beginning of the month. Not a realistic option

8. BERRY KERRY - Has done nothing of note in five starts to date including three over hurdles. Best to watch

Summary

Judged on the way he scored here last time here (1) GOLD AND FIRE really stands out as others with experience in this discipline set just a modest standard. Nonetheless (3) OKMAN DES MOTTES was promising on hurdling debut and would be no surprise if making the frame. Both (4) ECLAIR DES BRIERES and (2) ERMONTOIS are worth a second look after their last efforts.

Selections

(1) GOLD AND FIRE - (3) OKMAN DES MOTTES - (4) ECLAIR DES BRIERES - (2) ERMONTOIS
Race 3

1. GREAT PAUL - Easy winner of a handicap chase at Nimes last month. Has a four pounds penalty to defy

2. GRANDGARDE - Outclassed rivals in a similar contest over course and distance at the beginning of the month. Six pounds up at present

3. DAKOTA DE THAIX - Won a handicap hurdle by a nose here eleven days ago and switches back to fences with every chance

4. MISS FLICKA - Competitive off current mark but ran poorly on both starts at this course last winter

5. TIM CASSANDRE - Finished fourth a long way behind (2) GRANDGARDE here last time. Will struggle to reverse form

6. THE FUN KING - Very capable over both fences and hurdles. Well treated on first start in a handicap

7. COSMIC POWER - Useful in claiming chases but disappointed on first run here over hurdles five days ago. Look elsewhere

8. GARULE - Very modest recent form and needs to show significant progress to make the frame

9. GAELICK KAP - Good last two runs in claiming chases and could be worth a look in under these weight conditions

Summary

(2) GRANDGARDE has yet to run a bad race over fences and the way he scored over course and distance last time suggests he will be hard to beat despite a twelve pounds penalty. Well-regarded by trainer Serge Foucher (6) THE FUN KING switches back to his preferred discipline and is feared. (3) DAKOTA DE THAIX and (6) THE FUN KING can be in the mix.

Selections

(2) GRANDGARDE - (6) THE FUN KING - (3) DAKOTA DE THAIX - (5) TIM CASSANDRE
Race 4

1. COQUELUCHE - One place from four runs over hurdles thus far. Best to watch unless betting shows otherwise

2. TELEGENIE - Has demonstrated ability in this discipline and should be hugely respected on first run at this course

3. SCOTTISH SUN - Won two from 56 on the flat. Made promising debut over hurdles at Fontainebleau last month

4. MCHOUMAH - well beaten fourth of eight in a handicap hurdle here at the beginning of the month. Place chance

5. ORDINARY LOVE - Modest performer over both fences and hurdles and may have too much to find

6. DYNAMITE FOREZ - Showed significant progress in last run over hurdles at Compiegne. Can be in the mix

7. DECLIKETDECLAK - Hard to make a case on form and unlikely to attract much support

8. TULIP SUN - Ran well in defeat when second in heavy ground at Saint-Brieuc. Open to improvement

9. TERRE DES ARTS - Has not done anything of note in five starts over hurdles. Off since August. Look elsewhere

10. CAMILLA MY LOVE - Never a factor on debut in this discipline at the end of November. Has a lot to find

Summary

(3) SCOTTISH SUN ran well in defeat on her first attempt over hurdles at the end of last month and can go one better this time round. (2) TELEGENIE has shown obvious potential over hurdles and looks an interesting contender. (8) TULIP SUN did improve a lot on her second run over hurdles and will benefit from a cut in the ground.

Selections

(3) SCOTTISH SUN - (2) TELEGENIE - (8) TULIP SUN - (4) MCHOUMAH
Race 5

1. DOCTEUR VIGOUSSE - Pleasing effort on comeback run here nine days ago. Leading chance

2. VICTOR HARBOR - Runs well here. Off since May and best to watch betting for clues

3. ADVENTURER -

4. LA MADELEINE - Ran well here last winter. Has not been in the same form lately

5. COTTIN MADRIK - Just the one win from thirty one. Ran well in defeat here last time out

6. MARVELLOSO - Won a claiming hurdle here in September but this is a stronger contest today back over fences

7. HIGH LAW - Still a maiden after forty one career starts and unlikely to feature here

8. MA CAGNOTTE - Well beaten on debut over fences last month but this looks easier

9. CAPUCINE DU CHENET - Has run well at Cagnes sur Mer in the past. Comes off a sound winning effort over hurdles at Compiegne and has every chance

Summary

(1) DOCTEUR VIGOUSSE makes a lot of appeal on his comeback run here nine days ago and with the expected improvement he should play an active role in the closing stages. (9) CAPUCINE DU CHENET has not raced over fences for some time at present but she is in good shape and looks extremely competitive. (2) VICTOR HARBOR and (5) COTTIN MADRIK are also capable of making the frame.

Selections

(1) DOCTEUR VIGOUSSE - (9) CAPUCINE DU CHENET - (2) VICTOR HARBOR - (5) COTTIN MADRIK
Race 6

1. KOMBACK - Still a maiden after four runs and fourth here last time out. Work to do
2. ECLAIR DU LARGE - A newcomer by the the excellent Montmartre but will have to be above average to figure
3. EDITORIAL - Placed in two of five flat events but much more needed on timber debut today
4. TERTRE - One win on level from several attempts and was fifth here on hurdles debut
5. PRESSAGNY - Sixth on debut at Auteuil in April and was beaten far enough that time. Could still figure
6. PELMOSS DES MOTTES - Not tooo much ability in three starts but this competition not strong at all
7. MAISON D'OR - Has been placed on the level from six runs but average over hurdles to date
8. COEUR ROUGE - Hit the frame on the level and fourth on hurdles debut in claimer at Nantes
9. LATE NEWS - Showed some ability on the flat in five runs but opening hurdles run was average
10. NILDARGENT - Well beaten on only two lifetime runs and cannot be really fancied for win purposes
11. BE FREE - One win from a dozen on the level and much better effort here last time on second hurdles start
12. GASALTO - Broke maiden status on flat in June at Maisons-Laffitte but poor over hurdles to date
13. LAKE'S MAKER - One success from fifteen on the flat and will do well to take this on first jumping try
14. EURVAD PEMBO - Fourth on hurdles debut at Moulins after being average on flat. Failed to finish last time
15. HANZIE DES HAZARDS - Best effort from four was when fourth here last time out so that was better
16. PIETA - Hard to fancy on the evidence of six starts to date and others much preferred

Summary
A big field go to post for this condition's hurdle and basically it is a very poor heat indeed. Very slight preference is for (11) BE FREE who ran adequately here last time out in third and can confirm that form with the fourth placed (15) HANZIE DES HAZARDS from that meeting. (5) PRESSAGNY will be a big fancy. (1) KOMBACK and (14) EURVAD PEMBO can fill the frame.

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1. EDENIUM - Off the mark in a claiming chase last october. Has since run well over hurdles

2. TRIBALION - Well held in an identical contest five days ago and may have too much to find

3. BALLICOD - Very competitive in this class of event over both hurdles and fences. Player

4. ALMIBURG - Runner up in chases at Nimes and Lyon Parilly in his last two runs. First time in a claimer

5. ZARISK - Outclassed rivals when off the mark over track and trip at the beginning of the month. Has plenty more to offer

6. THIAGO DES DUNES - Looked out of contention when fell in the home turn last time here. Not a priority

7. GOOD MOOD TODAY - Has only shown limited ability in two starts over fences and unlikely to trouble the judge on first run in a claimer

8. AMAFACON - Won two claiming chases at Compiègne last month. Down in grade from last run and should acquit himself well

9. ON THE MOON - A distant third of fourth to (5) ZARISK on first run at this course. Unlikely to reverse form

Summary

(5) ZARISK showed clear potential for the level on his winning return to action from a four months absence. He is sure to come on for the run and looks hard to oppose. A dual winner in this class earlier in the season (8) AMAFACON looks the biggest threat to the selection. With a four kilos apprentice allowance added (1) EDENIUM will be interesting to follow.

Selections

(5) ZARISK - (8) AMAFACON - (1) EDENIUM - (9) ON THE MOON
Race 8

1. ULYSSE DES PICTONS - Having a very light campaign this term but was runner up at Auteuil last time so big shout

2. RASIQUE - Five time winner from fifty three but the percentage call is to look elsewhere

3. KHEFYN - Very good strike rate with ten from fifty nine and chance if all coming together

4. CAYO DE PAIL - Four time winner from twenty three and was runner up in a chase at Compiegne latest

5. NEWS REEL - Four time winner from forty one but has descended into claimers with some success

6. CROSS WAY - Big hit rate with eleven from thirty three and going for an incredible six timer here

7. SUN ZEPHIR - Seven time winner from forty five and is in splendid form going for hat trick

8. LAMIGO - Six time winner from fifty six and third in a claimer here last time to Cross Way

9. ASTARAGOOD - Eight time winner from thirty nine and continues in form in heavy schedule

10. BELLE MADRIK - Was going for the hat trick when sixth here earlier in the month so looking for a bounce back

11. BLUES WAVE - Had been off for a long time before scooting to victory here earlier in month. Watch the bounce

12. INTRINSEQUE - Six time winner from thirty nine including in runaway fashion in chase here last time

13. VIOLON DE BREJOUX - Fifteen time winner from fifty two and what is not to like about such a consistent animal

14. TOM MIX - Five time scorer from fifty eight and will be trying hard to get back to winning ways

15. VAPALO - Six time winner from sixty seven including a chase at Moulins on penultimate run

16. DECEPTION ISLAND - Three time scorer from twenty one and fair effort at Auteuil last time out so worth a look

Summary
So many of these contenders have chances which means it so difficult to be too
dogmatic either way on several of them. (12) INTRINSEQUE fairly bolted up in a
chase here earlier in the month and should have no trouble reverting to the
smaller obstacles. The in form (7) SUN ZEPHIR and (9) ASTARAGOOD can be
played along with (NP) VIOLON DE BREJOUX while (6) CROSS WAY cannot
stop winning.

Selections

(12) INTRINSEQUE - (7) SUN ZEPHIR - (9) ASTARAGOOD - (6) CROSS WAY
Race 9

1. THE READER - Sound winner of a claiming chase over track and trip five days ago. Should go close once again
2. VICOMTE D'ANJOU - Had a good campaign over fences here last winter. Disappointed last run
3. BANONITO - Smart horse over both fences and hurdles. Best to forget last run and expected to be at the premises
4. CISLAND - Pulled-up on first run at this course nine days ago. Has plenty to find
5. SUPERBURG - Displayed a sound effort in a handicap chase here on 4 December and enters the equation
6. PARIS DO BRASIL - Won a good condition chase at Compiégne last september but caused a major disappointment here last time
7. UN ROC DU GRANDVAL - Smart steeple-chaser but disappointed in last run here. Down in the weight and can bounce back
8. PACO KEED - Should come on from last run and can feature prominently if anywhere near last winter's form
9. FUMSECK - Course and distance winner who is expected to make a bold bid on return to this track
10. MAYBERRY - Beaten 16 lengths when third to (1) THE READER here five days ago. Minor place chance

Summary

(3) BANONITO was running really well when he lost his partner three fences from home here last time. His previous steeple-chase form is solid and he is expected to get back in the winners enclosure. (5) SUPERBURG has been in good heart since October and should again run his race. (7) UN ROC DU GRANDVAL and track specialist (9) FUMSECK have to be respected.

Selections

(3) BANONITO - (5) SUPERBURG - (7) UN ROC DU GRANDVAL - (9) FUMSECK
Race 10

1. SWAZILAND - Three modest runs on the flat this term. Unplaced on sole attempt over hurdles (May 2014)

2. BELARISSO - Course winner two years ago. Good recent flat form and should be monitored

3. PASQUIPHARD - Veteran hurdler than always runs well at this course. Has to be shortlisted

4. ROI AUSTRAL - Won a claimer over hurdles here two years ago. Modest recent form and hard to make a case

5. EMILIE KAP - Won two valuable contests over course and distance last winter. Pulled-up on comeback run. Watch betting

6. VAL DE SAANE - Not without ability but erratic. Hard to rule out though

7. BUIREDINI - Would have made the frame without a foul at the last here five days ago. Has to be given another chance

8. PRINCE D'AUMONE - Disappointed in last two starts and has quite a bit to find at present

9. FIRST DE BARAT - One podium from twelve starts to date and unlikely to make an impact

10. DAWN SALUTE - Only disappointed in four starts over hurdles thus far and looks hard to retain

11. ANOUSHKA SWAN - Placed on several occasions in claiming hurdles and must be included in calculations

12. BIJOU PLAGE - Won over course and distance two years back. Not sighted in four starts this season

Summary

(2) BELARISSO won by a head on the flat at Amiens and will be very interesting to follow back over hurdles at a course that he likes. (3) PASQUIPHARD is a reliable performer in this class of event and most notably at this course so requires monitoring too. (6) VAL DE SAANE will come on for his last start here and could also run into the money.

Selections

(2) BELARISSO - (3) PASQUIPHARD - (6) VAL DE SAANE - (5) EMILIE KAP
Race 11

1. MALAK EL HAWA - Five time winner from fifty five and put up a very good effort last time at Auteuil

2. DIAMOND KISS - Very lightly raced and has won two of her eight runs including last time at Fontainebleau

3. LE NAVARO - Dual winner from forty one and on balance is one that can be overlooked here

4. MARIUS QUERCUS - Just the one win from twenty nine which came on the level and others are preferred

5. CASCABEL - Five time winner from thirty but was off for a long time until recent average return

6. SAMIRE - Dual winner from twenty five and has shown promise in four hurdles runs this season

7. ANOUMA FREEDOM - Four time winner from forty four and in a consistent vein of placed form

8. DESERT DUNE - Only one win from twenty five but was runner up in a claimer last time out at Nantes

9. BEAUMAR - Dual scorer from twenty five and was a soundly beaten runner up here last time out

10. PRETZELLE - She is a four time winner from thirty nine but needs a top performance here

11. SEVROS - Dual winner from twenty three and went close in a claimer here earlier in month

12. STARDUM - Triple victor from twenty five and could go well in a very busy season to date

13. LUNAYA - Gained one of five wins this season but over all numbers suggest a struggle here

14. IRAKIE - He has won three times from twenty five runs and is running creditably enough

15. PAGOMIX - Remains a maiden after several starts but did perform much better here last time out

16. THE ARTISTE - Dual winner from twenty six and could outrun likely big odds in this today

Summary
This closing event on a hugely busy day will take a lot of sorting out but perhaps a plunge on the very lightly raced and therefore still unexposed (2) DIAMOND KISS might yield a positive result for backers. She can follow up a last time out success at Fontainebleau and stave off strong opposition from (7) ANOUMA FREEDOM and (9) BEAUMAR. (1) MALAK EL HAWA and (15) PAGOMIX can complete the frame.

**Selections**

(2) DIAMOND KISS - (7) ANOUMA FREEDOM - (9) BEAUMAR - (1) MALAK EL HAWA - (15) PAGOMIX