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## The best AQPS jumpers of 2017 in France

Six AQPS jumpers won seven Group races in France last year. The best performers are **Bipolaire** (Fragrant Mix), winner of the Prix La Haye Jousselin Chase (Gr1) and the Prix Heros XII Chase (Gr3), and **Alex de Larredya**, now twice a winner of the Grand Prix d'Automne Hurdle (Gr1). **Bon Augure** (My Risk) also took the Prix des Drags Chase (Gr2) while **Blue Dragon** (Califet) won the Prix Léon Rambaud Hurdle (Gr2), **Echiquier Royal** the Prix Congress 4yo Chase (Gr2) and **Dica de Thaïx** (Voix du Nord) the Prix La Périchole Chase (Gr3). 2018 could become a great vintage for the breed with so many talents on their way to stardom.

### **BIPOLAIRE (Fragrant Mix, f. 2011)**

Won Prix La Haye Jousselin Chase (Gr1), Prix Heros XII Chase (Gr3), earned over €480,000 in 2017. Trained by François Nicolle, he beat novice chasing phenomenon **Black Corton** by 3 1/2 lengths for their hurdling debut at Auteuil in 2015. Owned by leading owner-breeder Jacques Détré and his friends François Seigneur, Edward Walsh and co-breeder Thierry Cyrès. A slow maturing typical «old school» AQPS, he was bred in Nièvre by Thierry and Jacques Cyrès, traces back to great French AQPS chaser **Ucello II** (Italic), dual winner of the Grand Steeple-Chase de Paris (Gr1).



### **ALEX DE LARREDYA (Crillon, f. 2010)**

Won a 2<sup>nd</sup> Grand Prix d'Automne Hurdle (Gr1) after finishing 2<sup>nd</sup>, also for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time, in the Grande Course de Haies d'Auteuil Hurdle (Gr1) won by **L'Ami Serge**. Trained by François Nicolle, he was bred in the Pyrénées by Chantal Terrenegre-Laval, Jean-Luc Laval and Maurice Letchimy, and is now owned by Simon Munir. Originates from an Anglo-Arab family linked to the famous « Estruval » bloodlines created by the Le Gentils in the North.

### **BON AUGURE (My Risk, f. 2011)**

Got a bad tendon injury that threatened his career when tackling fellow AQPS hurdler Blue Dragon in 2015, and suffered from a life-threatening infection afterwards. Scottish owner Lynne MacLennan's champion came back this season to the top of his game as he won 4 races over hurdles and fences in 2017, including the Prix des Drags Chase (Gr2) in the Spring. Trained in the West by Adrien Lacombe, the grey **Bon Augure** was bred in Allier, in the Centre of France, by Joël Denis and was awarded the 2<sup>nd</sup> price as a 2yo at the 2013 Decize AQPS show.



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### BLUE DRAGON (Califet, f. 2011)

Hurdling wunderkind **Blue Dragon** struggled to get back after health scare, redeemed himself with a victory in the Prix Léon Olry-Roederer Hurdle (Gr2) but is out since failing in the Grande Course de Haies d'Auteuil Hurdle (Gr1). His comeback in 2018 was delayed once again.

Bred in Calvados by owner Magalen Bryant, Denis Baer and Ecurie du Chêne. Brother to **Un Dragon Bleu** (Enrique), unbeaten in three outings over hurdles and winner of the Prix des Platanes in Auteuil.



### BORICE (Network, f. 2011)

Won the top AQPS restricted chase, Prix Xavier de Chevigny at Auteuil, by 18 lengths. Owned by Franck Deliberos, **Borice** also finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Prix Montgomery National Chase (Gr3) and 4<sup>th</sup> in Prix La Haye Jousselin Chase (Gr1). Bred by Gabriel Vagne in Nièvre from the family of **Bacardys**, dual Gr1 winner in Ireland.



### CAPFERRET (Day Flight, f. 2012)

Sold by the Papot family to Czech trainer Stepanka Myskova early in his career, won 3 races in the Spring and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prix Georges Courtois Chase (Gr2) at the end of the season. Bred by Jacques Cyprès and Laurent Couétil in Nièvre, **Capferret** is out of Auteuil winner **Panique Pas**, dam of Grand Steeple-Chase d'Enghien (Gr2) second **Arry** (Boris de Deauville), tracing back to champions **Quart Monde**, **Al Capone II** and **The Fellow**.

### CABRIOLE MAG (Gris de Gris, f. 2012)

Impressive winner in the Prix d'Arles Hurdle (L) in the Spring at Auteuil, went on to score in a flat race at Chateaubriant. A sister to champion mare **Vroum Vroum Mag** (Voix du Nord), 12 times winner over fences and hurdles in Britain and Ireland, also bred in Nièvre by Antoine-Audoine Maggiar.

### CAFERTITI (Fairly Ransom, f. 2012)

Won the Prix Laniste Chase and the Prix Cacao Handicap Chase for trainer François-Marie Cottin and owner Ecurie Centrale. Bred by the Ouvry family in Normandy, he originates from the same family than AQPS sire **Useful** (Vorias).



### CORAZONES (Nidor, f. 2012)

**Corazones** (Nidor) is owned by French comedian Gérard Laroche, was bred by the Paysan Family and trainer Eric Leray in the West of France but is now trained by François-Marie Cottin. Won twice hurdling at Compiègne and chasing at Auteuil, also finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prix Romati Chase (Gr3) and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Grande Course de Haies de Compiègne Hurdle (Gr3), both run at Compiègne.

### DICA DE THAIX (Voix du Nord, f. 2013)

Ill-fated **Dica de Thaïx** (Voix du Nord) won the Prix La Périchole Chase (Gr3) at Auteuil and the best flat race for AQPS, the Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS) at Maisons-Laffitte. 2<sup>nd</sup> dam **Kapica de Thaïx** also gave good winners **Volca de Thaïx** (Voix du Nord) and **Deca de Thaïx** (Network). Bred by Michel Bourgneuf, he suffered a fatal injury in the Prix Renaud du Vivier 4yo Hurdle (Gr1).





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## MORE TO COME...

### CRAPULE (Nidor, f. 2012)

Handsome **Crapule** (Nidor) with his white muzzle easily won the Prix Ferdinand Riant AQPS Chase at Auteuil for trainer Eric Leray. Both his sire and dam are AQPS.

Bred by Philippe Pasquier, Marion David and Ludovic Quantin, he comes from a Cyprès bloodline, that of **Noirmoutier** (Subotica).

### CRISTALINE DU REPA (Crillon, f. 2012)

**Cristaline du Repa** (Crillon) won the Prix Pierre Cyprès Chase at Auteuil and finished twice 2<sup>nd</sup> over the flat in the Prix Glorieuse (Gr2 AQPS) and Prix Chloris (Gr2 AQPS). Bred by Michel Lemièrre and Gérard Jouenne in Manche, she belongs to the family of Esprit du Chatelet (Hard Leaf), earner of above €100,000.

## AQPS IN GROUP RACES IN FRANCE IN 2017 (in the first five)

| DATE  | RACECOURSE | RACE                                                                 | GROUP | DISC. | DIST  | HORSE              | PLACE | SIRE             |
|-------|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|-------|------------------|
| 01/22 | Pau        | Grand Prix de Pau-Biraben Foie Gras (Prix André Labarrère)           | Gr3   | Ch    | 5 300 | Vieux Morvan       | 2     | Voix du Nord     |
| 03/05 | Auteuil    | Prix Juigné                                                          | Gr3   | H     | 3 600 | Blue Dragon        | 3     | Califet          |
| 03/05 | Auteuil    | Prix Robert de Clermont-Tonnerre                                     | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 400 | Bipolaire          | 3     | Fragrant Mix     |
| 03/18 | Auteuil    | Prix Troytown                                                        | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 400 | Beguin d'Estruval  | 4     | Martaline        |
| 03/18 | Auteuil    | Prix Troytown                                                        | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 400 | Bipolaire          | 5     | Fragrant Mix     |
| 03/26 | Auteuil    | Prix Hypothèse                                                       | Gr3   | H     | 3 900 | Blue Dragon        | 3     | Califet          |
| 03/26 | Auteuil    | Prix Hypothèse                                                       | Gr3   | H     | 3 900 | Alex de Larredya   | 4     | Crillon          |
| 04/17 | Auteuil    | Prix du Président de La République - Les Dimanches au Galop (Handic) | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 700 | Bazille            | 2     | Panoramic        |
| 04/17 | Auteuil    | Prix Léon Rambaud                                                    | Gr2   | H     | 3 900 | Blue Dragon        | 1     | Califet          |
| 04/17 | Auteuil    | Prix Léon Rambaud                                                    | Gr2   | H     | 3 900 | Alex de Larredya   | 4     | Crillon          |
| 04/27 | Compiègne  | Prix Romati                                                          | Gr3   | Ch    | 3 800 | Corazones          | 3     | Nidor            |
| 04/29 | Auteuil    | Prix Amadou                                                          | Gr2   | H     | 3 900 | D'Entrée de Jeu    | 2     | Network          |
| 04/29 | Auteuil    | Prix Ingre                                                           | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 400 | Valtor             | 4     | Nidor            |
| 04/29 | Auteuil    | Prix Ingre                                                           | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 400 | Beguin d'Estruval  | 5     | Martaline        |
| 05/20 | Auteuil    | Prix Les Grandes Gueules du Sport - Prix La Barka                    | Gr2   | H     | 4 300 | Alex de Larredya   | 5     | Crillon          |
| 05/21 | Auteuil    | Grand Steeple-Chase de Paris                                         | Gr1   | Ch    | 6 000 | Bipolaire          | 5     | Fragrant Mix     |
| 05/21 | Auteuil    | Prix Ferdinand Dufaure                                               | Gr1   | Ch    | 4 400 | Dica de Thaïx      | 5     | Voix du Nord     |
| 06/11 | Auteuil    | Prix Aguado                                                          | Gr3   | H     | 3 500 | Echiquier Royal    | 2     | Martaline        |
| 06/11 | Auteuil    | Grande Course de Haies d'Auteuil                                     | Gr1   | H     | 5 100 | Alex de Larredya   | 2     | Crillon          |
| 06/11 | Auteuil    | Prix des Drags                                                       | Gr2   | Ch    | 4 400 | Bon Augure         | 1     | My Risk          |
| 06/11 | Auteuil    | Prix Alain du Breil - Course de Haies d'Été des Quatre Ans           | Gr1   | H     | 3 900 | Dandy Mag          | 3     | Special Kaldoun  |
| 06/23 | Auteuil    | Prix La Périchole                                                    | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 400 | Dica de Thaïx      | 1     | Voix du Nord     |
| 06/23 | Auteuil    | Prix La Périchole                                                    | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 400 | Derby des Bruyères | 4     | Sunday Break     |
| 06/23 | Auteuil    | Prix Christian de Tredern                                            | Gr3   | H     | 3 600 | Daring Rose        | 2     | Al Namix         |
| 09/14 | Auteuil    | Prix de Compiègne                                                    | Gr3   | H     | 3 900 | Alex de Larredya   | 2     | Crillon          |
| 10/08 | Auteuil    | Prix Orcada Canonniér Beachcomber                                    | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 400 | Dica de Thaïx      | 4     | Voix du Nord     |
| 10/08 | Auteuil    | Prix Carmarthen Paradis Beachcomber                                  | Gr3   | H     | 3 900 | Alex de Larredya   | 2     | Crillon          |
| 10/08 | Auteuil    | Prix Heros XII Dinarobin Beachcomber                                 | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 400 | Bipolaire          | 1     | Fragrant Mix     |
| 10/14 | Auteuil    | Prix Montgomery (Handicap)                                           | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 700 | Borice             | 2     | Network          |
| 10/14 | Auteuil    | Prix Montgomery (Handicap)                                           | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 700 | Baby Boy           | 4     | Maresca Sorrento |
| 10/14 | Auteuil    | Prix Montgomery (Handicap)                                           | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 700 | A Posteriori       | 5     | Michel Georges   |
| 10/28 | Compiègne  | Grand Steeple-Chase de Compiègne                                     | Gr2   | Ch    | 5 200 | Amazone du Lemo    | 5     | Roli Abi         |
| 11/04 | Auteuil    | Prix Congress                                                        | Gr2   | Ch    | 3 600 | Echiquier Royal    | 1     | Martaline        |
| 11/04 | Auteuil    | Grand Prix d'Automne                                                 | Gr1   | H     | 4 800 | Alex de Larredya   | 1     | Crillon          |
| 11/05 | Auteuil    | Prix La Haye Joussetin                                               | Gr1   | Ch    | 5 500 | Bipolaire          | 1     | Fragrant Mix     |
| 11/05 | Auteuil    | Prix La Haye Joussetin                                               | Gr1   | Ch    | 5 500 | Borice             | 4     | Network          |
| 11/12 | Auteuil    | Prix Sytaj                                                           | Gr3   | Ch    | 4 300 | Détente            | 5     | Network          |
| 11/24 | Compiègne  | Prix Général de Saint-Didier                                         | Gr3   | H     | 3 400 | Equemaufville      | 2     | Saint des Saints |
| 11/24 | Compiègne  | Prix Général de Saint-Didier                                         | Gr3   | H     | 3 400 | Eragone            | 5     | Martaline        |
| 11/24 | Compiègne  | Prix Leopold d'Orsetti - Grande Course de Haies de Compiègne         | Gr3   | H     | 3 800 | Corazones          | 2     | Nidor            |
| 11/24 | Compiègne  | Prix Leopold d'Orsetti - Grande Course de Haies de Compiègne         | Gr3   | H     | 3 800 | Amazone du Lemo    | 5     | Roli Abi         |
| 11/26 | Auteuil    | Prix Léon Olry-Roederer                                              | Gr2   | H     | 4 300 | Crack de Rêve      | 2     | Loxias           |
| 11/26 | Auteuil    | Prix Georges Courtois                                                | Gr2   | Ch    | 4 400 | Capferret          | 3     | Day Flight       |
| 11/26 | Auteuil    | Prix André Michel                                                    | Gr3   | H     | 3 600 | D'Entrée de Jeu    | 3     | Network          |

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### DARASSO (König Turf, f. 2013)

The richest 4yo AQPS of 2017 behind **Dica de Thaïx**, **Darasso** (König Turf) won two big handicaps and probably will upgrade in 2018. His breeder/trainer Guy Cherel sold a 50% interest in the young hurdler to Simon Munir and Isaac Souede just before his last win. Bred by Guy and Emmanuel Cherel in Manche, **Darasso** is out of **Nassora** (Assessor), 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prix Sytaj Chase (Gr3), and therefore a nephew to **Saying Again** (Califet), winner of the Grand Cross de Pau (L).

### D'ENTRÉE DE JEU (Network, f. 2013)

**D'Entrée de Jeu** (Network) easily won the Prix Samaritain Hurdle for his Auteuil debut in March, and the Prix Turco Hurdle to finish 2<sup>nd</sup> behind Champion filly **De Bon Cœur** (PS Vision d'Etat) in the Prix Amadou Hurdle (Gr2) immediately after. The plan for breeder/owner/trainer Nicolas de Lageneste is to send her chasing in 2018. A sister of **Tout Rouge** (Dom Alco), winner of the Prix Jean Stern Chase (Gr2) and the Prix Fleuret Chase (Gr3).

### DRAGON D'ESTRIVAL (Enrique, f. 2013)

**Dragon d'Estrival** (Enrique) won the Prix Ginetta II AQPS Chase and the Prix Nupsala AQPS Chase at Auteuil. Bred by Bernard Le Gentil in Pas-de-Calais, he's a brother to another fine AQPS jumper, **Béguin d'Estrival** (Martaline), winner of five races including the Prix Xavier de Chevigny AQPS Chase at Auteuil.

### DALAHAST (Ballingarry, f. 2013)

**Dalahast** (Ballingarry) won the Prix de Lastours Hurdle at Pau and then the Prix Rivoli AQPS

Chase at Auteuil. Owned by Magalen Bryant and Lydie Cottin, who bred him in Normandy, he's a brother to **Uroquois** (Passing Sale), winner of 8 races including Grand Cross de Pau (L) 2018.

### DANSE AVEC JERSEY

#### (Spanish Moon, f. 2013)

**Danse avec Jersey** (Spanish Moon) won the top unraced 4yo AQPS race at Auteuil, the Prix de l'Yonne Hurdle and took a few places in Listed events. Bred by the Carrie family and Claude Ventrou in the West, his dam **Myrtille Jersey** (Murmure) won 11 races over the flat and hurdles. She also finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Grande Course de Haies de Deauville Hurdle (L).

### DÉTENTE (network, f. 2013)

**Détente** (Network) won 4 races in 2017 including the Prix Louis Champion AQPS Chase at Compiègne. Trained by Emmanuel Clayeux, she didn't get a clear run and finished only 5<sup>th</sup> in the Prix Sytaj Chase (Gr3) at Auteuil. Bred in Nièvre by Michèle Juhen-Cypres and her sons Laurent, Bertrand and Thibaut, **Détente** was champion 2yo at the Decize show in 2015. Her 2<sup>nd</sup> dam **Diyala III** (Quart de Vin) foaled **Lattitude** (Kadalko), a Prix Finot 3yo Hurdle (L) against thoroughbreds before producing the champion **Vanilla Crush** (Martaline), winner of the Prix Fleuret Chase (Gr3), the Prix Orcada Chase (Gr3) and the Prix William Head Chase (L), but also the Gr3 Novices' Hurdle winner **Arkwrish** (Lavirco). Same family that **Outre Mer** (Sleeping Car), dam of champion chaser **Vézelay** (Dom Alco), winner of Prix Georges Courtois Chase (Gr2), Prix Heros XII Chase (Gr3), 3<sup>rd</sup> in Prix La Haye



Détente

Jousselin Chase (Gr1) and Belfair Chase (Gr1). Bloodline of **Bipolaire** (Fragrant Mix) and **Ucello II** (Quart de Vin).

### DURKASH (Blue Brésil, f. 2013)

**Durkash** (Blue Brésil) won 4 races in 2017, including Prix Sambristan Chase at Auteuil. Bred by Eric Becq, he's a brother to Urkashe (Cléty), 4<sup>th</sup> in the Prix du Président de la République national Chase (Gr3). Dam is sister to the dam of **Hurkash** (Baby Turk), twice a winner of the Prix de Beaune Hurdle (L) at Enghien and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the most valuable handicap hurdle in France, the Grande Course de Haies de Printemps (Gr3).

### DAMALISQUE (Linda's Lad, f. 2013)

Twice a winner on the flat, **Damalisque** (Linda's Lad) caught the eye when winning the Prix Achille-Fould unraced 4+ Hurdle (L) at Auteuil. He was sold in the UK after that by his owner/breeder/trainer Guy Cherel. **Dam Rochdale** (Video Rock) won 5 races, finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prix Prédicateur Hurdle (L) and 5<sup>th</sup> in Prix Renaud du Vivier 4yo Champion Hurdle (Gr1). Family of **Saying Again** (Califet), Grand Cross de Pau – Prix Gaston de Bataille (L) winner, and of **Ladalko** (Kadalko), Gr2 and Gr3 winner in Britain.



Darasso



D'Entrée de Jeu



Dragon d'Estrival



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## DIEU VIVANT (Network, F. 2013)

**Dieu Vivant** (Network) easily won the Prix Fezensac AQPS Chase by 5 lengths at Auteuil in September for his chasing debut. He's a brother to **Capferret** (read above), also bred by Jacques Cyprès and Laurent Couétil, and races for Lord Daresbury.

## DINDIN (Balko, f. 2013)

Jacques Détré-owned **Dindin** (Balko) won the highly rated Prix Adrien Besnouin AQPS Chase at Auteuil after scoring at Craon. Bred by Thomas Vigneron, Mathieu Lochin and Loïc Lochin, **Dindin** belongs to the family of **Tony Star** (Lone Bid), a Group placed in Britain.

## THE NEXT GENERATION

## ECHIQUEUR ROYAL (Martaline, f. 2014)

**Echiquier Royal** (Martaline) is the first AQPS to win the Prix Congress 3yo Champion Chase (Gr2) despite a messy jump at the last. Trained by Dominique Bressou, who tagged him as a «freak», he'd already won the Prix Rush Hurdle at Auteuil against thoroughbreds. Owned by the Papot family, **Echiquier Royal** was bred by former show-jumping international rider Xavier Leredde and Daniel Desforges in Manche, **Echiquier**



Echiquier Royal

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**Royal** is a brother to **Slow Game** (Al Namix), winner of 7 races and other good horses but first and foremost to **Playing** (Astarabad), winner of the Prix Duc d'Anjou Chase (Gr3). His 2<sup>nd</sup> dam **Nordica III** (Orvilliers) won the Prix du Bourbonnais (Gr2 AQPS) over the flat, beating a now famous **Nupsala**, only 7<sup>th</sup> that day! Little did we know then that he'd beat Dessie at Kempton Park a few Christmas later.

## EQUEMAUVILLE (Saint des Saints, f. 2014)

**Equemauville** (Saint des Saints) is the 2<sup>nd</sup> richest 3yo in 2017 even though he's not won yet. Yet, the Ecurie Sagara-owned gelding finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Prix Général de Saint-Didier Hurdle (Gr3) at Compiègne and started off in the Prix Wild Monarch Unraced 3yo Hurdle, when 2<sup>nd</sup> to Calotin. Bred by Haras de la Croix Sonnet and the Hosselet family in Normandy, he's out of **Miss Academy** (Video Rock), a winner of the major AQPS flat race Prix Jacques de Vienne (Gr1 AQPS) and a Gr1 4<sup>th</sup> over Aintree's hurdles.

## ENI LIGHT (Network, f. 2014)

**Eni Light** (Network) is one of the major hopes of the AQPS breed in 2018. Owned by Simon Munir and Isaac Souede after his 7<sup>th</sup> place in the Prix Isopani AQPS unraced Hurdle, he won at Compiègne and at Auteuil in the Prix Chalet Hurdle. Should switch to fences at 4. Bred by Patrice et Valérie Vagne in Nièvre, **Eni Light**'s dam is a sister to the dam of **Rubi Light** (Network), a Punchestown Gr1 Chase winner and twice a Gr2-winner over fences at Gowran Park.

## ETAT DE GRACE (Saint des Saints, f. 2014)

**Etat de Grâce** (Saint des Saints) dazzlingly won the Prix de Beaugency AQPS Hurdle at Auteuil. Homebred by haras de Saint-Voir (Allier), he's from the family of AQPS flat racing phenomenon **Brune d'Ex** (Le Riverain), winner of 13 flat races in 1992-1994 for trainer Guillaume Macaire.

## ERAGONE (Martaline, f. 2014)

Trained by Philippe Peltier for UK owner Simon Munir, **Eragone** (Martaline) won for his debut over Compiègne Hurdles, beating horses who'd already raced. 5<sup>th</sup> in the Prix Général de Saint-Didier Hurdle (Gr3), he raced a bit green that day and should show plenty of improvement in 2018. Bred by Sylvie Robert and Bruno Vagne in Allier. **Eragone**'s dam is a sister to the dam of **Medison** (Video Rock), winner of the Prix Bango (Gr2 AQPS) for his debut and sold in Britain, where he won a Listed event at Sandown. Family of **Kamillo** (Agent Bleu), Grand Steeple-Chase de Paris (Gr1) 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, **Provence** (Subotica), 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prix Sytaj Chase (Gr3) and **Innsbruck** (Lights Out), dam of the ill-fated but very talented **Urbaine** (Voix du Nord), winner of the Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS) flat race.

## EMIRAT (Coastal Path, f. 2014)

4<sup>th</sup> for his debut on the flat, **Emirat** (Coastal Path) won twice before switching to hurdles at Auteuil and winning the Prix Isopani for Patrick Joubert and Haras de Saint-Voir. **Emirat** was bred in Nièvre by Michèle Juhen-Cyprès and Jean-Paul Sanson. He's a brother to **Bénévolat** (Dom Alco), Prix Adrien Besnouin AQPS Chase winner at Auteuil. Family of **Bambouzele** (Forestier) and **Dont Hesitate** (Diamond Boy), two AQPS group winners over the flat.

## EDDY BLUES (Kotky Bleu, f. 2014)

**Eddy Blues** (Kotky Bleu) won for his debut over hurdles at Nantes and finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in Compiègne before a promising 2<sup>nd</sup> place for his chasing debut at Auteuil. Bred in Nièvre by Jacques Cyprès, his dam is a sister to **Uddy** (Voix du Nord), **Quicody** (Dom Alco) and **Eludy** (Saddler Maker), all AQPS Group performers. Family of **Ucello II** (Quart de Vin).



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### THE MAIN AQPS RACES IN 2017

|      | DATE  | MAIN RACES (€ 28K +)                                    | RACECOURSE       | DISC. | DIST. | AGE     | PURSE   | WINNER                    | SIRE               | BREEDER                                         |
|------|-------|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| JUMP | 03/01 | Prix Fernand Roy                                        | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.400 | 6+      | €52.000 | <b>Bagatelle de Thaïx</b> | Fragrant Mix       | M. Bourgneuf                                    |
|      | 03/05 | Prix Rivoli                                             | Auteuil          | Ch    | 3.500 | 5       | €52.000 | <b>Dalahast</b>           | Ballingarry        | Mrs M. Bryant & Mrs P. Cottin                   |
|      | 03/06 | Prix Baroud III                                         | Compiègne        | Ch    | 3.500 | 4 & 5   | €55.000 | <b>Caiman Land</b>        | Passing Sale       | D. Lumet & T. Cypres                            |
|      | 03/12 | Prix de l'Yonne                                         | Auteuil          | H     | 3.500 | 4       | €48.000 | <b>Danse avec Jersey</b>  | Spanish Moon       | J.-M. Carrie/Miss S.-C. Carrie/C. Ventrou       |
|      | 03/18 | Prix Samaritain                                         | Auteuil          | H     | 3.500 | 4 & 5   | €48.000 | <b>D'Entrée de Jeu</b>    | Network            | Haras de Saint-Voir                             |
|      | 03/29 | Prix de Préchac                                         | Compiègne        | Ch    | 3.800 | 5       | €55.000 | <b>Capferret</b>          | Day Flight         | J. Cypres & L. Couétil                          |
|      | 04/01 | Prix Mitsouko III                                       | Auteuil          | Ch    | 3.600 | 4       | €52.000 | <b>Dad</b>                | Network            | H. d'Armaillé                                   |
|      | 04/17 | Prix André Boingnères                                   | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.400 | 5       | €52.000 | <b>Carmin d'Oudairies</b> | Kapgarde           | M. de Gigou                                     |
|      | 04/17 | Prix Oteuil SF                                          | Auteuil          | Ch    | 3.500 | 4       | €48.000 | <b>Déesse du Seuil</b>    | Voix du Nord       | Mrs C. Boudot                                   |
|      | 04/21 | Prix René Couétil                                       | Auteuil          | Ch    | 3.500 | 4       | €52.000 | <b>Doremi</b>             | Alberto Giacometti | Denis Family                                    |
|      | 04/22 | Prix Radio Paris                                        | Compiègne        | Ch    | 3.800 | 4 & 5   | €52.000 | <b>Daring Rose</b>        | Al Namix           | M.L Bloodstock Ltd                              |
|      | 05/12 | Prix Jasmin II                                          | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.400 | 5       | €52.000 | <b>Cousin Germain</b>     | Protektor          | J. Hardy                                        |
|      | 05/20 | Prix Djarvis                                            | Auteuil          | Ch    | 3.500 | 4       | €58.000 | <b>Daring Rose</b>        | Al Namix           | M.L Bloodstock Ltd                              |
|      | 06/11 | Prix Ginetta II                                         | Auteuil          | Ch    | 3.500 | 4       | €53.000 | <b>Dragon d'Estruval</b>  | Enrique            | Mrs B. le Gentil                                |
|      | 06/14 | Prix Xavier de Cheigny                                  | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.300 | 5 & 6   | €75.000 | <b>Borice</b>             | Network            | G. Vagne & Mrs G. Vagne                         |
|      | 06/27 | Prix Al Capone II                                       | Auteuil          | Ch    | 3.500 | 4       | €53.000 | <b>Danseur Jaguen</b>     | Great Pretender    | H. Tibeuf                                       |
|      | 09/07 | Prix Jean Noiret                                        | Auteuil          | Ch    | 3.600 | 4       | €55.000 | <b>Demi Sang</b>          | Gris de Gris       | H. d'Armaillé                                   |
|      | 09/14 | Prix Pierre Cypres                                      | Auteuil          | H     | 3.600 | 4 & 5   | €48.000 | <b>Cristaline du Repa</b> | Crillon            | M. Lemièrre & G. Jouenne                        |
|      | 09/19 | Prix Patrick Lec                                        | Auteuil          | H     | 3.600 | 4       | €48.000 | <b>Djingle</b>            | Voix du Nord       | T. Adenot                                       |
|      | 09/23 | Prix Fezensac                                           | Auteuil          | Ch    | 3.500 | 4       | €55.000 | <b>Dieu Vivant</b>        | Network            | J. Cypres & L. Couétil                          |
|      | 09/27 | Prix Laniste                                            | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.300 | 5 & 6   | €55.000 | <b>Cafertiti</b>          | Fairly Ransom      | Suc. E. Ouvry                                   |
|      | 10/03 | Prix Isopani                                            | Auteuil          | H     | 3.600 | 3       | €48.000 | <b>Emirat</b>             | Coastal Path       | Mrs M. Juhen-Cypres & J.-P. Sanson              |
|      | 10/05 | Prix Louis Champion                                     | Compiègne        | Ch    | 3.900 | 4 & 5   | €55.000 | <b>Détente</b>            | Network            | Mrs Juhen-Cypres/L. Juhen/B. Juhen/T. Juhen     |
|      | 10/14 | Prix Adrien Besnouin                                    | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.300 | 4       | €55.000 | <b>Dindin</b>             | Balko              | T. Vignerot/M. Lochin/L. Lochin                 |
|      | 10/27 | Prix Ferdinand Riant                                    | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.300 | 5       | €55.000 | <b>Crapule</b>            | Nidor              | P. Pasquier/Miss M. David/L. Quantin            |
|      | 11/06 | Prix Coq Gaulois                                        | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.300 | 4       | €55.000 | <b>Duo d'Enfer</b>        | Linda's Lad        | I. Pacault/M. Giroit-Pacault/Miss A.-S. Pacault |
|      | 11/10 | Prix Elisa                                              | Compiègne        | Ch    | 3.800 | 4 & 5   | €55.000 | <b>Déa</b>                | Assessor           | J.-F. Bedu/P. Pauron/Scea Château Favray        |
|      | 11/18 | Prix Thuya                                              | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.400 | 5       | €50.000 | <b>Call of Duty</b>       | Ballingarry        | J.-F. Magnien/C. Magnien/B. Magnien             |
|      | 11/26 | Prix Nupsala                                            | Auteuil          | Ch    | 4.300 | 4       | €58.000 | <b>Dragon d'Estruval</b>  | Enrique            | Mrs B. le Gentil                                |
| FLAT | DATE  | MAIN RACES (€ 28K +)                                    | RACECOURSE       | DISC. | DIST. | AGE     | PURSE   | WINNER                    | SIRE               | BREEDER                                         |
|      | 03/31 | Prix d'Estruval (Gr3 AQPS)                              | Maisons-Laffitte | F     | 2.500 | F/4&5   | €34.000 | <b>Comeca</b>             | Smadoun            | Haras de la Rousselière Scea                    |
|      |       | Dead Heat                                               | Dead Heat        | F     |       |         |         | <b>Dont Hesitate</b>      | Diamond Boy        | Haras d'Ecouvres                                |
|      | 04/23 | Prix Bango (Gr3 AQPS)                                   | Saint-Cloud      | F     | 2.400 | 4 & 5   | €32.000 | <b>Do Not Disturb</b>     | Apsis              | J.-L. & A. Berger                               |
|      | 06/13 | Grand Prix des AQPS                                     | Nantes           | F     | 2.400 | 4 & 5   | €25.000 | <b>Dortmund Park</b>      | Great Pretender    | P.G. & P.P. Roulois                             |
|      | 07/15 | Prix de l'Isle-Briand (Gr3 AQPS)                        | Lion d'Angers    | F     | 2.300 | 3       | €30.000 | <b>Ena Baie</b>           | Crillon            | A.-J. Belloir & Y. Fertillet                    |
|      | 07/19 | Prix de l'Union des AQPS du Centre-Est (Gr3 AQPS)       | Vichy            | F     | 2.400 | 4 & 5   | €30.000 | <b>Demey</b>              | Enrique            | M.-T. Théard/Couétil Elevage/J.-C. Chaussée     |
|      | 08/16 | Prix des Buveurs d'Air                                  | Clairefontaine   | F     | 2.900 | 4 & 5   | €26.000 | <b>Dastary d'Airy</b>     | Astarabad          | C.-Y. Pelsy                                     |
|      | 08/17 | Prix Antoine de Vazelles-Critérium du Centre (Gr3 AQPS) | Vichy            | F     | 2.400 | 3       | 30.000  | <b>Et Dite</b>            | Limnos             | D. Ménard & Mrs K. Ménard                       |
|      | 09/04 | Prix Richard de Gennes                                  | Craon            | F     | 2.400 | 3       | €28.000 | <b>El Martel</b>          | Martaline          | Mrs I. de Saint Anthost                         |
|      | 09/11 | Prix de Craon-Grand Prix des AQPS (Gr1 AQPS)            | Maisons-Laffitte | F     | 2.500 | 4 & 5   | €50.000 | <b>Dica de Thaïx</b>      | Voix du Nord       | M. Bourgneuf                                    |
|      | 10/02 | Prix du Bourbonnais (Gr2 AQPS)                          | Maisons-Laffitte | F     | 2.400 | 3       | €45.000 | <b>Ekyburg</b>            | Sageburg           | Mrs K. Perreau & Couétil Elevage                |
|      | 10/04 | Prix Glorieuse (Gr2 AQPS)                               | Saint-Cloud      | F     | 2.400 | F/4 & 5 | €40.000 | <b>Carte sur Table</b>    | Poliglote          | Haras de Saint-Voir                             |
|      | 10/20 | Prix Yves d'Armaillé (Gr3 AQPS)                         | Moulins          | F     | 2.400 | F/3     | €34.000 | <b>Eveil du Boulay</b>    | Hurricane Cat      | H. Poirier & M. Poirier                         |
|      | 10/26 | Prix Chloris (Gr2 AQPS)                                 | Maisons-Laffitte | F     | 2.500 | F/4 & 5 | €40.000 | <b>Déesse du Seuil</b>    | Voix du Nord       | Mrs C. Boudot                                   |
|      | 10/28 | Prix de l'Avenir (Gr3 AQPS)                             | Nantes           | F     | 2.400 | 3       | €40.000 | <b>El Martel</b>          | Martaline          | Mrs. de Saint Anthost                           |
|      | 11/01 | Prix des Guilledines (Gr3 AQPS)                         | Durtal           | F     | 2.300 | F/3     | €34.000 | <b>Eveil du Boulay</b>    | Hurricane Cat      | H. Poirier & M. Poirier                         |
|      | 11/17 | Finale du Challenge AQPS-Prix de la Sensitive           | Nantes           | F     | 2.400 | 4       | €30.000 | <b>Daring Rose</b>        | Al Namix           | M.L Bloodstock Ltd                              |
|      | 11/18 | Prix du Tremblay                                        | Lyon-Parilly     | F     | 2.400 | 3       | €34.000 | <b>Elixir d'Ainay</b>     | Muhtathir          | S. Milaveau                                     |
|      | 11/24 | Prix Jacques de Vienne (Gr1 AQPS)                       | Saint-Cloud      | F     | 2.500 | 3       | €50.000 | <b>Epatante</b>           | No Risk at All     | F.-X. Lefeuve & Mrs F.-X. Lefeuve               |



# Bred to Jump

## FLAT

### EPATANTE (No Risk at All, F. 2014)

**Epatante** (No Risk at All) was named best 3yo on the flat in 2017 for scoring in the Prix Jacques de Vienne (Gr1 AQPS) in an overwhelming fashion in a deep ground before being exported to Britain. Trained by young and promising Armand Lefeuvre, she now wears JP McManus' colours. Bred in Sarthe, **Epatante** is a sister to **Tante Sissi** (Lesotho), Listed winner over hurdles at Newbury.

### EVEILDUBOULAY (Hurricane Cat, f. 2014)

Tough **Eveilduboulay** (Hurricane Cat) won the Prix Yves d'Armaillé (Gr3 AQPS) and the Prix des Guilledines-AQPS Oaks (Gr3 AQPS) fighting to the line. The richest AQPS of the season with almost €57,000. Owned by Guillaume Le Cam and trained by Bertrand Lefèvre, **Eveilduboulay** was bred by Hervé and Marcel Poirier in the West. Family of **L'Ange du Boulay** (Grand Trésor), Grand Cross de Pau (L) 3<sup>rd</sup>, and **Provocative** (Useful), winner over jumps in Britain.

### EL MARTEL (Martaline, f. 2014)

The fillies dominated the generation on the flat but the best colt to date was the big **El Martel** (Martaline), winner of the Prix Richard de Gennes at Craon and the Prix de l'Avenir (Gr3 AQPS), then 3<sup>rd</sup> in **Epatante**'s Prix Jacques de Vienne (Gr1 AQPS). Bred by Isabelle de Saint Anthost in Côte d'Or, trained by Alain Couétil for Gold and Blue Ltd, **El Martel** originates from the same bloodline



The Lefeuvre family in the spotlight with Armand, coach, and his mother Mrs François-Xavier Lefeuvre, breeder and owner receiving Hervé d'Armaillé the Owner Trophy at the 2017 Jacques de Vienne awards ceremony, around Epatante and Arnaud Bourgeais.

that of Rushwell (Shaanmer), Prix Montgomery National Chase (Gr3) and Grande Course de Haies de Pau (L) winner.

### EMPIRE DE MAULDE (Spanish Moon, f. 2014)

A rare Corsican export to Britain, **Empire de Maulde** (Spanish Moon) won 4 races in Corsica even though he was bred on the Continent by de Maulde in Haute Vienne.

### EKAYBURG (Sageburg, f. 2014)

A year after **Divine Sainte** (Saint des Saints), the Prix du Bourbonnais (Gr2 AQPS) is won by another colt bred by Karine Perreau and trained by Alain Couétil, **Ekeyburg** (Sageburg). Perreau and Couétil bred him at the former's stud farm in Nièvre. **Ekeyburg** is a brother to **Daisery** (Apsis), twice placed in AQPS Group races. Family of **Demey** (see below) bloodline from Alain and Jean-Luc Couétil.

### ET DITE (Limnos, f. 2014)

**Et Dite** (Limnos) was sold to Britain unbeaten in two races, the Prix Antoine de Vazelhes-



Cratérium du Centre (Gr3 AQPS) at Vichy, by her owner France Fertillet. Bred by Karine and David Ménard, **Et Dite** is a granddaughter of Hase (Video Rock), a Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS) 2<sup>nd</sup>. Originates from **Imola II** (Video Rock), Prix de Craon 3<sup>rd</sup> and winner of 4 races including Prix d'Estruval and Bango (Grs3 AQPS). **Imola II** foaled Grande Course de Haies de Printemps (Gr3) winner **Rameur** (Shaanmer). Family of **Quinine de Mazille** (Network), winner of Prix Glorieuse (Gr2 AQPS).

### ENA BAIE (Crillon, f. 2014)

**Ena Baie** (Crillon) was also sold to Britain after winning the Prix de l'Isle-Briand (Gr3 AQPS) at Lion-d'Angers. **Ena Baie** was bred by André-Jean Belloir and trainer Yannick Fertillet at haras de la Baie in Normandy. Family of **Avricourt** (Meautry), AQPS Listed and Group placed.

### ELIXIR D'AINAY (Muhtathir, f. 2014)

A clear winner of the Prix du Tremblay at Lyon-Parilly, **Elixir d'Ainay** (Muhtathir) was then sold to Ireland by owner Walter Connors. Trained by Emmanuel Clayeux and bred by Stéphane Milaveau (like all the «Ainay»



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Isabelle de Saint-Anthost, very happy breeder of El Martel, with Maryline Eon, Philippe Doury and Alain Couétil.



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branded AQPS) **Elixir d'Ainay** is a nephew of Cheltenham Mares' Hurdle (Gr1) 2<sup>nd</sup> **Sirène d'Ainay** (Dom Alco), and of **Louping d'Ainay** (Saint Preuil), winner of the valuable Prix des Drags Chase (Gr2) and Prix du Président de la République French National Chase (Gr3), twice 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Prix La Haye Jousselin Chase (Gr1).

### AND ALSO...

#### CARTE SUR TABLE (Poliglote, f. 2012)

Versatile mare **Carte sur Table** (Poliglote) won over the flat, over hurdles and chasing all the same. She took the Prix Glorieuse (Gr2 AQPS) in October at Saint-Cloud. Bred in Allier by Nicolas de Lageneste's haras de Saint Voir, also her owner, **Carte sur Table** originates from the great family of **Ability** (Olmato), who gave **Rendons Grâce** (Video Rock), winner of the Prix Alain du Breil 4yo Hurdle (Gr1) and **Homme du Jour** (Video Rock), winner of the Prix Renaud du Vivier 4yo Hurdle (Gr1).

#### DÉESSE DU SEUIL (Voix du Nord, f. 2013)

Beaten by **Carte sur Table** (Poliglote) at Saint-Cloud, **Déesse du Seuil** (Voix du Nord) avenged herself in the Prix Chloris (Gr2 AQPS) at Maisons-Laffitte. It was a first Group win for young trainer Mickaël Seror. Bred by the Boudot family in Saône-et-Loire, **Déesse du Seuil** belongs to the same family as Cheltenham Triumph Hurdle (Gr1) winner **Défi du Seuil** (Voix du Nord).

#### DIVINE D'ALÈNE (Voix du Nord, f. 2013)

Winner of the Prix des Guilledines-AQPS Oaks (Gr3 AQPS) in 2016, **Divine d'Alène** (Voix du



Carte sur table

Nord), did well at 5, finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in the Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS) and 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Prix Glorieuse (Gr2 AQPS). Bred by the Couteaudier family in Nièvre, she's a niece of **Triolo d'Alène**, trained in Britain by Nicky Henderson.

#### DEMEY (Enrique, f. 2013)

**Demey** (Enrique) won a 2<sup>nd</sup> AQPS Group race in the Prix de l'Union des AQPS du Centre-Est (Gr3 AQPS) at Vichy. Bred by Couétil Elevage in Manche, from a family bred by Alain and Jean-Luc Couétil, that of **Vindhy** (Yelpa), her 3<sup>rd</sup> dam. **Vindhy** foaled **Honey** (Highlanders), dam of **Ograndy** (Cyborg), **Quarouso** (Lavirco), **So Young** (Lavirco), **Upazo** (Enrique) and **Neiland** (Cyborg).

#### DELYSSON (Spanish Moon, f. 2013)

**Dellysson** (Spanish Moon) is trained by Alain Couétil, like **Demey**. Won 3 races and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS). Bred by La Haute Perrière in the West, **Dellysson** is a brother to **Valyssa Monterg** (Network), a Listed Hurdle 2<sup>nd</sup> at Punchestown.

#### DO NOT DISTURB (Apsis, f. 2013)

**Do Not Disturb** (Apsis) didn't succeed over jumps and was luckier on the flat as he won the Prix Bango (Gr3 AQPS) at Saint-Cloud. Bred by Jean-Louis and Alexandrine Berger in Saône-et-Loire, **Do Not Disturb** is out of **Neige de Sormain** (Lights Out), winner of good AQPS events in Vichy and Auteuil. He's also a nephew of the highly strung **Kario de Sormain** (Gunboat Diplomacy), winner of the Prix Georges Courtois Chase (Gr2), the Prix Heros XII Chase (Gr3) and the Prix du Général Donnio Chase (L).

#### DON'T HESITATE (Diamond Boy, f. 2013)

**Dont Hesitate** (Diamond Boy) dead heated with **Comeca** (Smadoun, read below) in the Prix d'Estruval (Gr3-AQPS). **Dont Hesitate** since left François Doumen's yard for that of Willie Mullins. Bred by the Doumens' Haras

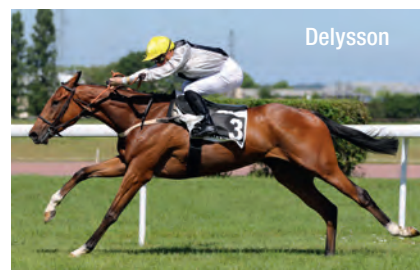


Déesse du Seuil

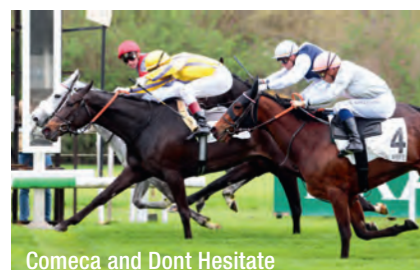
d'Écouves, in Orne, **Dont Hesitate** is a sister to **Bambouze** (Forestier), winner of 6 flat races including the Prix d'Estruval (Gr3 AQPS).

#### COMECA (Smadoun, f. 2012)

Trained by father and son Etienne and Grégoire Leenders, **Comeca** (Smadoun) dead-heated with **Don't hesitate** in the Prix d'Estruval (Gr3-AQPS). Bred in Pierre and Nelly de la Guillonnière's haras de la Rousselière, co-owners with Douglas McMillan. **Comeca** is a sister to **Théramène** (April Night), winner of the Prix Jacques de Vienne (Gr1 AQPS). ■



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Comeca and Dont Hesitate



Do Not Disturb



## 2017 SEASON ACROSS THE CHANNEL

### Another promising start of the National Hunt season for French bred AQPS jumpers

The best French bred jumpers around in Britain and Ireland did well early in the 17/18 season in the wake of the hurdling champion **Buveur d'Air** (Crillon), dual Gr1-winner last December. The likes of **Un de Sceaux** and **Bristol de Mai**, let alone the great novice chaser **Black Corton** also made the racing news this Winter...

#### **BUVEUR D'AIR (Crillon, f. 2011)**

Won the Fighting Fifth Hurdle (Gr1) at Newcastle and a 5<sup>th</sup> Gr1 in the Christmas Hurdle (Gr1) at Kempton, favoured for a second win in the Champion Hurdle (Gr1) at the Cheltenham Festival. Bred by Gérard Ferté, **Buveur d'Air** is a brother to **Punchestowns** (Morespeed), Long Walk Hurdle (Gr1) and Scilly Isles Novices' Chase (Gr1) winner, also 2<sup>nd</sup> in the World Hurdle (Gr1). **Buveur d'Air**'s 3<sup>rd</sup> dam **Lili Dancer** (Evainqueur) foaled **Fujiyama** (Lute Antique), double winner of the Grand Cross de Craon (L), and **Darjeeling III** (Quart de Vin), a 1998 Grand Prix de Pau (Gr3) winner.

#### **BRISTOL DE MAI (Saddler Maker, f. 2011)**

Won Betfair Chase (Gr1), first step of the Kauto Star Chase Triple Crown, in November at Haydock, all the way by 57 lengths! The Simon Munir and Isaac Souede-owned grey could be aimed at the Grand National (Gr3) rather than the Cheltenham Gold Cup (Gr1). Bred by Jean-Yves Touzaint, like all the AQPS horses signed «de Mai», **Bristol de Mai** is a son of **Saddler Maker** and **La Bole Night** (April Night), from the family of the handsome grey **Ilare** (April Night), bred by Pierre and Nelly de la

Guillonnière and owned by the late Marquesa de Moratalla, 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Grand Steeple-Chase de Paris (Gr1) and raced from 4 to 13.

#### **UN DE SCEAUX (Denham Red, f. 2008)**

**Un de Sceaux** (Denham Red) did well for his comeback in a deep ground at Cork, in the Kerry Group Hilly Way Chase (Gr2), then won a 3<sup>rd</sup> Clarence House Chase (Gr1) at Ascot. He's due in the Ryanair Chase (Gr1) which he won last year. **Un de Sceaux** was bred in Maine-et-Loire by Haras de la Rousselière and Monique Choveau.

#### **BLACK CORTON (Laverock, f. 2011)**

**Black Corton** (Laverock) is one of the season's sensations, having led the novice chasers' ranks since it all began with the talented Bryony Frost to lead him home on eight occasions this Winter. She won her first Gr1, age 22, with **Black Corton** in the Kauto Star Novices' Chase, on Boxing day at Kempton. Both also scored in the Reynoldstown Novices' Chase (Gr1) at Ascot in February. Bred by Dominique Guyon, **Black Corton** is the nephew of Grand Cross de Pau (L) 2<sup>nd</sup> Onde de Choc (Robin des Prés).



#### **RAZ DE MAREE (Shaanmer, f. 2005)**

Aged 13, **Raz de Marée** (Shaanmer) bravely won the Welsh Grand National Handicap Chase (Gr3), in Januray at Chepstow after the race was postponed form December 27<sup>th</sup>. His young rider, aged 16, is James Bowen, who had to push him all the way for the last couple of miles, winning all out in the dying stages. Bred in Nièvre by Michèle Juhen-Cypres, **Raz de Marée** is a brother to **Latitude** (Kadalko), winner over hurdles and fences at Auteuil, also 3<sup>rd</sup> in a Gr2 at Wincanton. **Latitude** is the dam of **Vanilla Crush** (Martaline), winner of the Prix Orcada and Fleuret Chases (Gr3). **Raz de Marée** is



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also the brother of **Outre Mer** (Sleeping Car), dam of **Vézelay** (Dom Alco), Prix Georges Courtois Chase (Gr2) and Heros XII Chase (Gr3) winner, also 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prix La Haye Jousselin Chase (Gr1) and of the Betfair Chase (Gr1). Bloodline of dual Grand Steeple-Chase de Paris (Gr1) winner **Ucello II** (Quart de Vin) and of **Nupsala** (Laniste), King George VI Chase (Gr1) winner in 1987.

### ESPOIR D'ALLEN (Voix du Nord, f. 2014)

Bred by Bruno Vagne, **Espoir d'Allen** (Voix du Nord) was nominated weanling champion at the 2014 Decize show. Started off with a win over the flat in an AQPS restricted race at Lignières, trained by Anne-Sophie Pacault for English vet Walter Connors. Recruited by J.P. McManus' team, he won 4 times in a row including his first Group race, the Bar One Racing Juvenile Hurdle (Gr3) in December at Fairyhouse. He confirmed a few weeks later in the Knight Frank Juvenile Hurdle (Gr2) at Leopardstown. He disappointed when 4<sup>th</sup> in a Gr1 at Leopardstown in February and will not be going for the Festival. **Espoir d'Allen's** 2<sup>nd</sup> dam **Etoile d'Or II** (Lute Antique), 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS), gave **Mikador** (Kadalko), 2<sup>nd</sup> in Prix Heros XII Chase (Gr3), and also **Nouvelle Recrue** (Ragmar), dam of **Concerto d'Allen** (Coastal Path), winner of the Prix Roger Saint Chase (L). Bloodline of **Imposant** (Video Rock), twice a winner of the Anjou-Loire Challenge (L), and **Galapagos** (Silver Rainbow), 2<sup>nd</sup> in the same race.

### A TOI PHIL (Day Flight, f. 2010)

Bred by Philippe Legault, **A Toi Phil** (Day Flight) won the Kinloch Brae Chase (Gr3) at Thurles after a few placings in Group company. Early in the 2017/2018 season, he also won the Champion Chase (Gr2) at Gowran Park. **A Toi Phil** is related to Joly Bey (Beyssac), winner of the Prix Jasmin II Chase at Auteuil and twice Group-placed chasing in Britain and Ireland.

### BALL D'ARC (Network, f. 2011)

**Ball d'Arc** (Network) won the Poplar Square Chase (Gr3) in November at Naas. Bred by SCEA Le Fragneau and Nicole Terrière, **Ball d'Arc** is linked to **Royal d'Arc** (Le Triton),

winner of 13 races including the Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS), also Listed placed over the jumps. Family of **Pandolphe** (Passing Sale), Prix William Head Chase (L) 3<sup>rd</sup> and Grand Steeple-Chase de Paris (Gr1) 5<sup>th</sup>.

### CYRNAME (Nickmane, f. 2012)

Formerly owned and trained by Patrice Quinton, **Cyrname** (Nickname) easily landed the Wayward Lad Novices' Chase (Gr2), in December at Kempton, beating **Shantou Rock** (Shantou) by 7 lengths. Also 2<sup>nd</sup> in Scilly Isles Novices' Chase (Gr1) at Sandown, he was bred by the partnership Follain-Lecoiffier-Guesdon-Lefeuve, and is linked to Grand Cross de Craon (L) 3<sup>rd</sup> **Nivaling** (Passing Sale).

### CAPITAINE (Montmartre, f. 2014)

A Gr2 winner and Gr1 placed over hurdles, **Capitaine** (Montmartre) easily won his chasing debut in October at Market Rasen. Bred at Nicolas de Lageneste's haras de Saint-Voir, **Capitaine** is a brother of two horses who earned over €150,000: **A Pleines Dents** (Scorpion), six times a winner on the flat (incl. Prix du Bourbonnais, Gr2 AQPS), over hurdles and chasing, and **Balle au Centre** (Poliglote), who also won on both codes.

### CLAN DES OBEAUX (Kapgarde, f. 2012)

Bred by Marie Devilder, **Clan des Obeaux** (Kapgarde) was placed several times in Groupe races over fences and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Caspian Caviar Gold Cup Handicap Chase (Gr3) at Cheltenham. **Clan des Obeaux** is a brother to **Bahia des Obeaux** (Saddler Maker) and **Varda des Obeaux** (Saddler Maker), both winners over jumps.

### CRACKING SMART

#### (Great Pretender, f. 2012)

**Cracking Smart** (Great Pretender) is blooming at the moment as he won twice in Ireland before finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> twice, lately in the Naas Novice Hurdle (Gr1). Bred by Ecurie Smart, he's a brother to **Barbarella Smart** (Hurricane Cat), winner of Prix de l'Union des AQPS du Centre-Est (Gr3 AQPS) on the flat.

### DORTMUND PARK (Great Pretender, f. 2013)

**Dortmund Park** (Great Pretender) won twice over hurdles in Ireland last Winter and



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Dortmund Park

finished 4<sup>th</sup> in a Gr1. Raced by owner, trainer and agent Richard-Henry Hobson, he left France unbeaten in 2 races when sold for €230,000 as a wild card in the Arqana July sale last Summer. Michael O'Leary (Gigginstown House Stud) became the owner of the now 5yo gelding bred in Mayenne by Patrick- Georges Roulois and Pierre-Patrick Roulois.

### COUNTISTER (Smadoun, f. 2014)

**Countister** (Smadoun) strolled home for her 2<sup>nd</sup> race in Britain, in December at Doncaster. She won a Novices' Hurdle by 7 lengths, and the same race later on at Sandown. She could make it to the Trull House Stud Mares' Novices' Hurdle (Gr2) at Cheltenham. In France, she'd shown lots of ability on the flat when she won the Prix Glorieuse (Gr2 AQPS) and the Prix Chloris (Gr2 AQPS). She also finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS). Bred by Daniel and Sylvie Mazières, **Countister** is a granddaughter of **Istérienne** (Saint Cyrien), dam of **Saint Ber Song** (Bernebeau), winner of 7 races on the flat and over jumps.

### DUCA DE THAIX (Voix du Nord, f. 2013)

Winner of the Prix Isopani Hurdle in 2016, **Duca de Thaix** (Voix du Nord) won his first groupe for his 2<sup>nd</sup> outing in Ireland in the Irish Independent Hurdle (Gr3) at Limerick. Bred by Michel Bourgneuf, like all the AQPS signed «Thaix», **Duca de Thaix** is a brother to **Antartica de Thaix** (Dom Alco), a Listed 3<sup>rd</sup> over hurdles at Newbury.

### DELTA WORK (Network, f. 2013)

**Delta Work** (Network) was bred by the Magnien family in Nièvre and finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Guinness Novice Hurdle (Gr2) at Limerick. Same bloodline than that of **Val de Law** (Epalo), and Aintree Gr1 3<sup>rd</sup> over fences.



# Bred to Jump



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Countister

## DEMI SANG (Gris de gris, f. 2013)

Easy winner of 2 races at Auteuil in September, **Demi Sang** (Gris de Gris) was sold to J.P. McManus by previous owner Franck Deliberos. Bred in Nièvre by Hervé d'Armaillé, he left François Nicolle's yard to join that of Willie Mullins. Won first time out for his new connections in a Novices' Chase at Naas in front of two good horses and finished 4<sup>th</sup> in the Arkle Novice Chase (Gr1) at Leopardstown. **Demi Sang** is related to **Osana** (Video Rock), winner of a Gr2 over hurdles and of the Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS), also Gr1-placed in Britain, to Auteuil Hurdle winner **Parpaillot** (Subotica), and to the flat racing champion **Gloria IV** (Video Rock), unbeaten in 12 races, winner of the Prix de Craon and the Prix Jacques de Vienne (Gr1 AQPS). **Gloria IV** gave **Notre Père** (Kadalko), a Gr1 winner over the jumps.

## AINSI VA LA VIE (Lavirco, f. 2010)

**Ainsi Va La Vie** (Lavirco) is a sister to **Sous les Cieux** bred in Nièvre by Karine Perreau and Nicolas de Lageneste. She won first time out in a bumper at... 7 years-old in Ireland and got tougher since then in Group Hurdle races.



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Duca de Thaïx

## DÉMON D'AUNOU (Martaline, f.2013)

Twice placed on the flat in France, **Démon d'Aunou** (Martaline) was consigned by haras des Rouges Terres at the Cheltenham sales and Frank Berry bought him for J.P. McManus, who paid €130,000 for him. He won a Maiden Hurdle at Market Rasen for his debut for trainer Jonjo O'Neill. Bred by Frédéric Foucher in Orne, he's the brother to **Quatre Vingt Treize** (Michel Georges), third in the Prix Finot Hurdle (L), and a nephew of **Mysoko** (Dom Alco), winner of the Prix Morgex Chase (Gr3), 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Prix Maurice Gillois and Ferdinand Dufaure Chases (Gr1).

## DAME ROSE (Network, f.2013)

Bred by Scea de la Chaussée, **Dame Rose** (Network) won the Ladbrokes Mares' Novices' Hurdle (L), at Newbury. She was pulled up in a Gr1 after that and finished 4<sup>th</sup> in the Mares' Hurdle (Gr2) of Doncaster. **Dame Rose** is related to Grande Course de Haies de Pau (L) 2<sup>nd</sup> **Christmas Rose** (Montmartre), and **Daring Rose** (Al Namix), Prix Christian de Tredem (Gr3) 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## DÉLIRE D'ESTRUAL (Youmzain, f. 2013)

Bought early last year from breeder Bernard le Gentil by Simon Munir and Isaac Souede,



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Demi Sang

**Délire d'Estrual** (Youmzain) is now in training with Ben Pauling, ex-assistant to Nicky Henderson. For his 2<sup>nd</sup> race for his new connections, he won the Newton Novices' Hurdle (L) over 2 miles at Haydock. **Délire d'Estrual** is out of **Question d'Estrual** (Phantom Breeze) and the brother of **Cadence d'Estrual** (Fragrant Mix), winner of 4 races.

## DIS DONC (Kingsalsa, f. 2013)

**Dis Donc** (Kingsalsa), bred by Karine Perreau, won the Prix de l'Avenir (Gr3 AQPS) in 2016 in France on the flat and was transferred to Noel Meade's yard. Three times a second in maiden Hurdle races, he finally scored at Navan in such a race.

## Clayeux team aiming the Festival once again

Emmanuel Clayeux entered **Urgent de Grégaine** (Truth or Dare) and **Vicomte du Seuil** (Special Kaldoun) in the Glenfarclas Cross Country Handicap Chase, in November at Cheltenham. The two AQPS trained at Vaumas did well as **Vicomte du Seuil** was 2<sup>nd</sup> while **Urgent de Grégaine**, winner at Cheltenham in January, followed in 3<sup>rd</sup>. Both should be on course for the Cheltenham Festival cross-country. ■

## Marquesa de Moratalla honoured at Auteuil

The passing of the Marquesa de Moratalla in November 2017 was mourned by all the racing fans in France. The breeder-owner was very influential in French racing, and beyond our borders since **The Fellow** won the Cheltenham Gold Cup in 1994 sporting her famous colours. That single win did more for French breeders than many more since then and that's mostly thanks to the owner's sporting approach that the most famous of our AQPS went every season to Britain to try to beat the best the Brits had to show. To honour her legacy, France Galop has decided to name after her a race already named after The Fellow, the Prix The Fellow-Marquise de Moratalla Chase (Gr3), run at Auteuil in September and open to 4yos only.



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Marquesa de Moratalla with The Fellow, bred by Jacques Cyprien and Laurent Couétil in Nièvre, after his 1991 Grand Steeple-Chase de Paris win at Auteuil. In the 90s, her red silks with a light green cap headed the show with her infamous « Three Musketeers », namely The Fellow, Ucello II and Ubu III and later on First Gold. All four AQPS were trained by François Doumen and won 5 Grand Steeple-Chases de Paris altogether.

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## The French Chaser

### AQPS IN GROUP RACES ABROAD / 2017

| DATE  | AQPS HORSE         | RACECOURSE   | RACE                                        | CAT | DIST | DISC | PLACE | SIRE            | BREEDER                                        |
|-------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------|-----|------|------|-------|-----------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 01/01 | Clan des Obeaux    | Cheltenham   | Dipper Novices' Chase                       | Gr2 | 4200 | Ch   | 2     | Kapgarde        | Mrs N. Devilder                                |
| 01/07 | Capitaine          | Sandown      | Tolworth Novices' Hurdle                    | Gr3 | 3200 | H    | 2     | Montmartre      | Haras de Saint-Voir                            |
| 01/14 | Crack Mome         | Punchestow   | Moscow Flyer Novice Hurdle                  | Gr2 | 3200 | H    | 2     | Spanish Moon    | Mrs B. Deschere & A.-R. Deschere               |
| 01/21 | Bristol de Mai     | Haydock      | Peter Marsh Handicap Chase                  | Gr2 | 4800 | Ch   | 1     | Saddler Maker   | J.-Y. Touzaint                                 |
| 01/28 | Anibale Fly        | Naas         | Woodlands Park Novice Chase                 | Gr3 | 4800 | Ch   | 1     | Assessor        | Earl Baty, V. Baty & F. Lemerrier              |
| 01/28 | Defi du Seuil      | Cheltenham   | Triumph Trial Juvenile Hurdle               | Gr2 | 3400 | H    | 1     | Voix du Nord    | Mrs M. Boudot                                  |
| 01/28 | Ténor Nivernais    | Cheltenham   | Handicap Chase                              | Gr3 | 4150 | Ch   | 3     | Shaanmer        | J.-F. landiorio                                |
| 01/28 | Un de Sceaux       | Cheltenham   | Clarence House Chase                        | Gr3 | 3250 | Ch   | 1     | Denham Red      | Haras de la Rousselière & M. Choveau           |
| 01/28 | Uxizandre          | Cheltenham   | Clarence House Chase                        | Gr3 | 3250 | Ch   | 2     | Fragrant Mix    | F. Aimez                                       |
| 01/28 | Vroum Vroum Mag    | Doncaster    | Mares' Hurdle                               | Gr2 | 3300 | H    | 1     | Voix du Nord    | A.-A. Maggiar, A. & Mrs A. & A. Maggiar        |
| 02/04 | Baron Alco         | Sandown      | Scilly Isles Novices' Chases                | Gr1 | 4000 | Ch   | 2     | Dom Alco        | Hervé d'Armaillé                               |
| 02/11 | Bristol de Mai     | Newbury      | Denman Chase                                | Gr2 | 4700 | Ch   | 3     | Saddler Maker   | J.-Y. Touzaint                                 |
| 02/12 | Bacardys           | Leopardstown | Deloitte Novice Hurdle                      | Gr3 | 3600 | H    | 1     | Coastal Path    | E. Vagne & J.-L. Da Silva                      |
| 02/18 | Vieux Lion Rouge   | Haydock      | Grand National Trial Handicap Chase         | Gr3 | 5700 | Ch   | 1     | Sabiano         | F.M. Cottin                                    |
| 2/19  | Acapella Bourgeois | Navan        | Ten Up Novice Chase                         | Gr2 | 4800 | Ch   | 1     | Network         | J.-P. Bannier & Mrs M. Bannier                 |
| 02/19 | Ball d'Arc         | Navan        | Flyingbolt Novice Chase                     | Gr3 | 3400 | Ch   | 1     | Network         | Scea Le Fragneau & Mrs N. Terrière             |
| 02/25 | Baie des Iles      | Fairyhouse   | Bobbyjo Chase                               | Gr3 | 5000 | Ch   | 3     | Barastraight    | Haras des Sablonnets                           |
| 02/25 | Dinaria des Obeaux | Fairyhouse   | Winning Fair Juvenile Hurdle                | Gr3 | 3200 | H    | 1     | Saddler Maker   | Mes N. Devilder & Mrs L. Rebuffe               |
| 02/26 | Alisier d'Irlande  | Naas         | We Show All Live Racing Chase               | Gr3 | 3200 | Ch   | 1     | Kapgarde        | Mis M. Drion                                   |
| 03/12 | Ball d'Arc         | Naas         | Naas Directors Plate Novice Chase           | Gr3 | 4000 | Ch   | 1     | Network         | Scea Le Fragneau & Mrs N. Terrière             |
| 03/14 | Buveur d'Air       | Cheltenham   | Stan James Champion Hurdle Challenge Trophy | Gr3 | 3300 | H    | 1     | Crillon         | G. Ferté                                       |
| 03/14 | Vroum Vroum Mag    | Cheltenham   | Olb Mares's Hurdle                          | Gr3 | 4000 | H    | 2     | Voix du Nord    | A.-A. Maggiar, A. & Mrs A. & A. Maggiar        |
| 03/16 | Aso                | Cheltenham   | Ryanair Chase                               | Gr3 | 4150 | Ch   | 3     | Goldneyev       | I. Pacault, A.-S. Pacault & Mrs Giroit-Pacault |
| 03/16 | Un de Sceaux       | Cheltenham   | Ryanair Chase                               | Gr3 | 4150 | Ch   | 1     | Denham Red      | Haras de la Rousselière & M. Choveau           |
| 03/17 | Defi du Seuil      | Cheltenham   | Jcb Triumph Hurdle                          | Gr3 | 3400 | H    | 1     | Voix du Nord    | Mrs M. Boudot                                  |
| 03/19 | A Toi Phil         | Navan        | Webster Cup Chase                           | Gr2 | 4000 | Ch   | 1     | Day Flight      | P. Legault                                     |
| 03/01 | Baron Alco         | Cheltenham   | Plate Handicap Chase                        | Gr3 | 4000 | Ch   | 2     | Dom Alco        | Hervé d'Armaillé                               |
| 04/02 | Ball d'Arc         | Fairyhouse   | Normans Grove Chase                         | Gr2 | 3400 | Ch   | 2     | Network         | Scea Le Fragneau & Mrs N. Terrière             |
| 04/02 | Bleu Berry         | Fairyhouse   | Rathbarry & Glenview Studs Novice Hurdle    | Gr2 | 3200 | H    | 1     | Special Kaldoun | Mrs D. Chachignon                              |
| 04/06 | Buveur d'Air       | Aintree      | Betway Aintree Hurdle                       | Gr3 | 4000 | H    | 1     | Crillon         | G. Ferté                                       |
| 04/06 | Defi du Seuil      | Aintree      | Doom Bar Anniversary 4yo Juvenile Hurdle    | Gr3 | 3400 | H    | 1     | Voix du Nord    | Mrs M. Boudot                                  |
| 04/07 | Ultragold          | Aintree      | Topham Handicap Chase                       | Gr3 | 4200 | Ch   | 1     | Kapgarde        | G. Chaignon                                    |
| 04/07 | Virgilio           | Aintree      | Mildmay Novices' Chase                      | Gr3 | 5000 | Ch   | 3     | Denham Red      | F.-M. Cottin                                   |
| 04/08 | Captain Forez      | Aintree      | Mersey Novices' Hurdle                      | Gr3 | 4000 | H    | 2     | Network         | Mrs P. Coyne                                   |
| 04/08 | Saint Are          | Aintree      | Grand National Handicap Chase               | Gr3 | 6850 | Ch   | 3     | Network         | J. Cypres                                      |
| 04/16 | A Toi Phil         | Cork         | Dr Vincent O'brien Centenary Chase          | Gr3 | 4800 | Ch   | 2     | Day Flight      | P. Legault                                     |
| 04/16 | Ball d'Arc         | Fairyhouse   | Ryanair Gold Cup Novice Chase               | Gr3 | 4000 | Ch   | 3     | Network         | Scea Le Fragneau & Mrs N. Terrière             |
| 04/16 | Val de Ferbet      | Cork         | Dr Vincent O'brien Centenary Chase          | Gr3 | 4800 | Ch   | 1     | Voix du Nord    | G. Boillereau, Suc J. Magerand & E. Mageraud   |
| 04/17 | Vandy Mag          | Fairyhouse   | Juvenile Hurdle                             | Gr2 | 3200 | H    | 2     | Special Kaldoun | A.-A. Maggiar, A. & Mrs A. & A. Maggiar        |
| 04/22 | Vicente            | Ayr          | Scottish Grand National Handicap Chase      | Gr3 | 6350 | Ch   | 1     | Dom Alco        | T. Cypres & J.-F. Naudin                       |
| 04/25 | Anibale Fly        | Punchestown  | Champion Novice Chase                       | Gr3 | 4900 | Ch   | 2     | Assessor        | Earl Baty, V. Baty & F. Lemerrier              |
| 04/25 | Cilaos Emery       | Punchestown  | Champion Novice Hurdle                      | Gr3 | 3300 | H    | 1     | Califet         | Ec. N. Taudon & Suc. J. Poitou                 |
| 04/25 | Un de Sceaux       | Punchestown  | Champion Chase                              | Gr3 | 3200 | Ch   | 2     | Denham Red      | Haras de la Rousselière & Mrs M. Choveau       |
| 04/27 | Ball d'Arc         | Punchestown  | Ryanair Novice Chase                        | Gr3 | 3200 | Ch   | 3     | Network         | Scea Le Fragneau & Mrs N. Terrière             |
| 04/28 | Bacardys           | Punchestown  | Champion Novice Hurdle                      | Gr3 | 4000 | H    | 1     | Coastal Path    | E. Vagne & J.-L. Da Silva                      |
| 04/29 | Volnay de Thaïx    | Sandown      | Select Hurdle                               | Gr2 | 4300 | H    | 3     | Secret Singer   | M. Bourgneuf                                   |
| 09/30 | A Toi Phil         | Gowran Park  | Pwc Champion Chase                          | Gr2 | 4000 | Ch   | 1     | Day Flight      | P. Legault                                     |
| 10/01 | Coquin Mans        | Tipperary    | Istabraq Hurdle                             | Gr3 | 3200 | H    | 2     | Fragrant Mix    | Suc. H. Delorme, V. Fuzy & L. Perrat-Delorme   |
| 11/03 | Coquin Mans        | Down Royal   | Wkd Hurdle                                  | Gr2 | 3200 | H    | 2     | Fragrant Mix    | Suc. H. Delorme, Fuzy & L. Perrat-Delorme      |
| 11/03 | Création           | Down Royal   | Mares Novice Hurdle                         | Gr3 | 3200 | H    | 2     | Vendangeur      | P. & A. Vagne                                  |
| 11/04 | Ball d'Arc         | Down Royal   | Skymas Chase                                | Gr2 | 3900 | Ch   | 3     | Network         | Scea Le Fragneau & Mrs N. Terrière             |
| 11/04 | Braqueur d'Or      | Ascot        | Gold Cup Handicap Chase                     | Gr3 | 4750 | Ch   | 3     | Epalo           | G. Chaignon                                    |
| 11/04 | Bristol de Mai     | Wetherby     | Charlie Hall Chase                          | Gr2 | 4850 | Ch   | 1     | Saddler Maker   | J.-Y. Touzaint                                 |
| 11/05 | Bamako Morivière   | Cork         | Paddy Power Novice Chase                    | Gr3 | 4000 | Ch   | 1     | Califet         | M. Leveque & P. Harroin                        |
| 11/11 | Ball d'Arc         | Naas         | Poplar Chase                                | Gr3 | 3200 | Ch   | 1     | Network         | Scea Le Fragneau & Mrs N. Terrière             |
| 11/11 | Delta Work         | Naas         | Fishery Lane Hurdle                         | Gr3 | 3200 | H    | 3     | Network         | C. Magnien & J.-F. Magnien                     |
| 11/16 | A Toi Phil         | Clonmel      | Clonmel Oil Chase                           | Gr2 | 4100 | Ch   | 2     | Day Flight      | P. Legault                                     |
| 11/16 | Alpha des Obeaux   | Clonmel      | Clonmel Oil Chase                           | Gr2 | 4100 | Ch   | 1     | Saddler Maker   | Mrs N. Devilder & Mrs S. Fasquelle             |
| 11/18 | Vicente            | Cheltenham   | Handicap Chase                              | Gr3 | 5450 | Ch   | 2     | Dom Alco        | T. Cypres & J.-F. Naudin                       |
| 11/19 | Calino d'Airy      | Punchestown  | Craddockstown Novice Chase                  | Gr2 | 3200 | Ch   | 3     | Anzillero       | C. Pelsy                                       |
| 11/25 | Bristol de Mai     | Haydock      | Betfair Chase                               | Gr3 | 5100 | Ch   | 1     | Saddler Maker   | J.-Y. Touzaint                                 |
| 11/26 | Delta Work         | Navan        | Monksfield Novice Hurdle                    | Gr3 | 4000 | H    | 3     | Network         | C. Magnien & J.-F. Magnien                     |
| 12/02 | Black Corton       | Newbury      | J.Francome Novices' chase                   | Gr2 | 4700 | Ch   | 2     | Laverock        | D. Guyon                                       |
| 12/02 | Buveur d'Air       | Newcastle    | Fighting Fifth Hurdle                       | Gr3 | 3300 | H    | 1     | Crillon         | G. Ferté                                       |
| 12/03 | Espoir d'Allen     | Fairyhouse   | Juvenile Hurdle                             | Gr3 | 3200 | H    | 1     | Voix du Nord    | B. Vagne                                       |
| 12/09 | Ar Mad             | Sandown      | Tingle Creek Chase                          | Gr3 | 3100 | Ch   | 3     | Tiger Groom     | M. Le Meur                                     |
| 12/10 | Alisier d'Irlande  | Cork         | Hilly Way Chase                             | Gr2 | 3200 | Ch   | 3     | Kapgarde        | Miss M. Drion                                  |
| 12/10 | Un de Sceaux       | Cork         | Hilly Way Chase                             | Gr2 | 3200 | Ch   | 1     | Denham Red      | Haras de la Rousselière & Mrs M. Choveau       |
| 12/16 | Braqueur d'Or      | Doncaster    | December Novices' Chase                     | Gr2 | 4800 | Ch   | 2     | Epalo           | G. Chaignon                                    |
| 12/16 | Clan des Obeaux    | Cheltenham   | Gold Cup Handicap Chase                     | Gr3 | 4150 | Ch   | 2     | Kapgarde        | Mrs N. Devilder                                |
| 12/17 | Cracking Smart     | Navan        | Navan Novice Hurdle                         | Gr2 | 4000 | H    | 2     | Great Pretender | Ecurie Smart                                   |
| 12/22 | Dolos              | Ascot        | Mitie Noel Novices' Chase                   | Gr2 | 4200 | Ch   | 3     | Kapgarde        | P. de Malleysse Melun                          |
| 12/26 | Black Corton       | Kempton Park | Kauto Star Novices' chase                   | Gr3 | 4800 | Ch   | 1     | Laverock        | D. Guyon                                       |
| 12/26 | Buveur d'Air       | Kempton Pa   | Christmas Hurdle                            | Gr3 | 3200 | H    | 1     | Crillon         | G. Ferté                                       |
| 12/26 | Espoir d'Allen     | Leopardstown | Juvenile Hurdle                             | Gr2 | 3200 | H    | 1     | Voix du Nord    | B. Vagne                                       |
| 12/27 | Vaniteux           | Kempton Park | Desert Orchid Chase                         | Gr2 | 3200 | Ch   | 2     | Voix du Nord    | J. Cypres                                      |
| 12/28 | Duca de Thaïx      | Limerick     | Irish Independent Hurdle                    | Gr3 | 3200 | H    | 1     | Voix du Nord    | M. Bourgneuf                                   |
| 12/29 | Bon Papa           | Leopardsto   | Neville Hotels Novice Chase                 | Gr3 | 4800 | Ch   | 3     | Network         | Haras de Saint-Voir                            |
| 12/29 | Cilaos Emery       | Leopardstown | Ryanair Hurdle                              | Gr3 | 3200 | H    | 2     | Califet         | Ec. N. Taudon & Suc. J. Poitou                 |
| 12/29 | Delta Work         | Limerick     | Guinness Novice Hurdle                      | Gr2 | 4800 | H    | 2     | Network         | C. Magnien & J.-F. Magnien                     |



## Best AQPS Breeders in 2017 according to breeders' premiums

### FLAT RACING IN FRANCE – AQPS BREEDERS 2017

Haras de Saint-Voir leads the way once again with 12 different horses winning 14 times for a combined €23,846 bonus as premiums. The best was probably **Carte sur Table** (Poliglote), 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prix de Craon (Gr1 AQPS) and winner of the Prix Glorieuse (Gr2 AQPS). Haras de la Rousselière ends up 2<sup>nd</sup> with 7 wins and almost €20,000 in Premiums as breeders of Prix d'Estruval (Gr3 AQPS) winner **Comeca** (Smadoun). Isabelle de Saint-Anthost is third with only 4 horses including Prix de l'Avenir (Gr3 AQPS) winner **El Martel** (Martaline).

| RAKING | BREEDERS                       | HORSES | RUNNERS | WINS | BREEDERS' PREMIUMS |
|--------|--------------------------------|--------|---------|------|--------------------|
| 1      | HARAS DE SAINT-VOIR            | 12     | 52      | 14   | €23 846            |
| 2      | HARAS DE LA ROUSSELIÈRE SCEA   | 6      | 43      | 7    | €19 880            |
| 3      | MRS. ISABELLE DE SAINT ANTHOST | 4      | 14      | 5    | €15 678            |
| 4      | MICHEL BOURGNEUF               | 6      | 18      | 7    | €15 102            |
| 5      | M.L. BLOODSTOCK LTD            | 3      | 11      | 4    | €12 820            |
| 6      | GUY CHEREL                     | 5      | 17      | 4    | €11 642            |
| 7      | EARL ÉCURIE DES MOTTES         | 7      | 30      | 4    | €11 081            |
| 8      | SC LA HAUTE PERRIÈRE           | 2      | 9       | 4    | €10 980            |
| 9      | COUÉTIL ÉLEVAGE                | 3      | 14      | 1    | €10 878            |
| 10     | MRS. MARC BOUDOT               | 3      | 17      | 3    | €10 762            |
| 11     | JEAN-MANUEL CHARMES            | 1      | 11      | 4    | €10 699            |

### JUMP RACING IN FRANCE – AQPS BREEDERS 2017

Jacques Cyprès is once again at the top of the list. Breeder of the Prix La Haye Jouselin Chase (Gr1) winner **Bipolaire** (Fragrant Mix) with his brother Thierry, he also bred **Capferret** (Day Flight), winner of Prix Rigoletto Chase (L) and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Prix Georges Courtois Chase (Gr2). The foals bred at Pron, in Nièvre, by Jacques Cyprès won 25 races and earned him €95,353 in breeders' Premiums. His brother Thierry Cyprès follows in second thanks to **Bipolaire** too, but also **Bazille** (Panoramic), 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Prix Montgomery National Chase (Gr3) and the (very) promising **Caiman Land** (Passing Sale). His horses won 12 races for €84,159 in premiums. First in flat racing, Haras de Saint-Voir is third over jumps with 17 wins and €72,723 in Premiums.

| RAKING | BREEDERS                  | HORSES | RUNNERS | WINS | BREEDERS' PREMIUMS |
|--------|---------------------------|--------|---------|------|--------------------|
| 1      | JACQUES CYPRÈS            | 25     | 106     | 20   | €95 353            |
| 2      | THIERRY CYPRÈS            | 29     | 117     | 12   | €84 159            |
| 3      | HARAS DE SAINT-VOIR       | 31     | 145     | 17   | €72 723            |
| 4      | MICHEL BOURGNEUF          | 14     | 80      | 15   | €70 825            |
| 5      | MRS. BERNARD LE GENTIL    | 14     | 56      | 18   | €65 890            |
| 6      | MICHEL DE GIGOU           | 10     | 71      | 7    | €42 399            |
| 7      | FRANÇOIS-MARIE COTTIN     | 16     | 64      | 8    | €35 588            |
| 8      | JOËL DENIS                | 2      | 11      | 5    | €34 033            |
| 9      | MRS. MICHELE JUHEN-CYPRÈS | 10     | 49      | 5    | €29 797            |
| 10     | GUY CHEREL                | 6      | 23      | 4    | €28 257            |
| 11     | GILLES CHAIGNON           | 17     | 78      | 8    | €27 769            |
| 12     | MAURICE LETCHIMY          | 3      | 14      | 3    | €27 374            |
| 13     | HERVE D'ARMAILLÉ          | 9      | 32      | 5    | €23 157            |
| 14     | M.L. BLOODSTOCK LTD       | 4      | 17      | 3    | €22 754            |
| 15     | BRUNO VAGNE               | 11     | 58      | 9    | €19 471            |
| 16     | CLAUDE-YVES PELS          | 17     | 68      | 4    | €19 316            |

### JUMP RACING ABROAD – AQPS BREEDERS 2016

| RAKING | BREEDERS                     | HORSES | RUNNERS | WINS | BREEDERS' PREMIUMS |
|--------|------------------------------|--------|---------|------|--------------------|
| 1      | GÉRARD FERTÉ                 | 1      | 5       | 5    | €46 000            |
| 2      | JEAN-YVES TOUZAIN            | 3      | 18      | 7    | €34 063            |
| 3      | JACQUES CYPRÈS               | 10     | 48      | 7    | €31 478            |
| 4      | MRS. MARC BOUDOT             | 2      | 5       | 3    | €24 343            |
| 5      | HARAS DE LA ROUSSELIÈRE SCEA | 4      | 11      | 3    | €23 466            |
| 6      | MRS. MONIQUE CHOVEAU         | 1      | 4       | 3    | €22 206            |
| 7      | GILLES CHAIGNON              | 3      | 18      | 4    | €21 407            |
| 8      | MRS. NICOLAS DEVILDER        | 5      | 30      | 7    | €19 459            |
| 9      | PHILIPPE LEGAULT             | 1      | 11      | 3    | €18 399            |
| 10     | BRUNO VAGNE                  | 5      | 30      | 7    | €18 243            |
| 11     | FRANÇOIS-MARIE COTTIN        | 8      | 28      | 5    | €17 125            |
| 12     | DOMINIQUE GUYON              | 1      | 10      | 7    | €14 643            |
| 13     | THIERRY CYPRÈS               | 6      | 24      | 4    | €13 392            |

**Buveur d'Air** (Crillon)'s breeder Gérard Ferté is obviously the top breeder on the international scene with 5 wins from that only horse, getting him to reach the €46,000 yearly ceiling in Premiums. Famous eventer Jean-Yves Touzaint, breeder of the «Mai» horses, finishes 2<sup>nd</sup> thanks mostly to **Bristol de Mai** (Saddler Maker), winner of the Belfair Chase (Gr1). Jacques Cyprès comes next with 7 wins and €31,478. He bred Grand National (Gr3) 3<sup>rd</sup> **Saint Are** (Network) and Listed winner **Vaniteux** (Voix du Nord).

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