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PRIX DU BOURBONNAIS AMÉRIQUE RACES Q#2 :

PRESS RELEASE

THE MOMENT OF TRUTH HAS ARRIVED



Tension is set to rise again in the Amérique Races as Qualif #2 approaches! The champions will battle it out for a ticket to the Finals in the **Prix du Bourbonnais - Amérique Races Q#2,** on Sunday 8 December at Paris-Vincennes. *Idao de Tillard* and *Hooker Berry* will be the focus of attention.

Anything is possible!

The top four finishers in the **Prix du Bourbonnais - Amérique Races Q#2** will book their places in the Finals of the **Amérique Races**, namely the **Prix d'Amérique** *Legend Race* (26 January), the **Prix de France** *Speed Race* (9 February) and the **Prix de Paris Marathon Race** (23 February). Who will join *Hussard du Landret, San Moteur, Hooker Berry* and *Just Love You*, who qualified after the first meeting on 17 November? The field of 18 contenders is of the highest quality, and virtually all of them could claim the precious sesame.

Two Prix d'Amérique Legend Race winners at the start

Already qualified, *Hooker Berry*, winner of the **Prix d'Amérique** *Legend Race* **2023**, will be up against the crack *Idao de Tillard*, who won the 2024 edition of the world championship. Thierry Duvaldestin's protégé boasts a superb record of seven Group I victories. This magical duo will have plenty of supporters.

The return of Hohneck

The talented *Hohneck* has not trod the track at Paris-Vincennes since his setback in the **Prix d'Amérique** *Legend Race* on 28 January. Philippe Allaire's *Hohneck* won the Elitloppet in 2023, the Swedish equivalent of our **Prix d'Amérique** *Legend Race*. This year, he distinguished himself in the provinces, at Enghien, in Italy and recently in the Netherlands. We'll be keeping a close eye on his return to the French capital.

An ambitious Italian

Trained on the other side of the Alps by Mauro Baroncini, *Dimitri Ferm* has just finished second to *Jushua Tree*, who looks to be one of the favourites for the **Prix d'Amérique** *Legend Race*. This Group I winner in his home country could come into his own here.

Mission redemption

A number of contenders were unable to shine in the **Prix de Bretagne - Amérique Races Q#1**, despite high expectations. The excellent *Josh Power, Gu d'Héripré, Hokkaido Jiel, Emeraude de Bais* and *Ampia Mede SM* will therefore be attempting to rehabilitate themselves and reassure their fans.

A number of outsiders have what it takes to spice things up. These include *Oracle Tile, Fakir de Mahey, Gamay de l'Iton, Inmarosa* and *Don Fanucci Zet.*



The best 3-year-olds on the track

The **Prix du Bourbonnais - Amérique Races Q#**2 will not be the only highlight of the meeting. The **Prix Ready Cash** will provide an opportunity to admire the elite of the Sulky 3yrs. A quartet stand out among these future Trotting stars: *Liza Josselyn, Lombok Jiel, Frank Gio* and *Lovino Bello.*

