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[PRIX DE BRETAGNE - AMERIQUE RACES Q#1]



HUSSARD DU LANDRET REPEATS HIS FEAT

For the second year running, the Prix de Bretagne-Amérique Races Q#1, unfortunately marred by the serious injury to Ganay de Banville, was won by Hussard du Landret at Vincennes on Sunday. At the end of a hard-fought battle all the way down the home straight with Sweden's San Moteur, over whom he managed to hold a slender advantage as he crossed the wire, Benoît Robin's horse equalled the race record held since 2021 by Face Time Bourbon in 1'11"4. In other words, the first episode of these qualifying races lived up to its promise and launched the race for the Amérique Races in the best possible way.

Although the story between the Prix de Bretagne-Amérique Races Q#1 (Group 2) and **Hussard du Landret** (Bird Parker) began on a bitter note two years ago when he was demoted from second to fifth after being judged responsible for an interference with a rival, Benoît Robin's champion has since reversed the story and the cold shower has each time been transformed into a warm and comforting atmosphere which envelops those who know they will be at the casting of the last Sunday in January. Last year, the trainer from Mayenne decided to drive his horse himself before entrusting him to Yoann Lebourgeois for the rest of the meeting.

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1'11"4: Face Time Bourbon's equal

When **Face Time Bourbon** (Ready Cash) flew over the 2021 edition on his way to a third conquest of the Prix d'Amérique Legend Race, which he will unfortunately be unable to honour, he smashed the record for the Prix de Bretagne-Amérique Races Q#1, which until then had belonged to **Roxane Griff** (Ténor de Baune), in 1'12"5. **Hussard du Landret**, who won last year in 1'12" barefoot, also performed well.

Although his fault in the Prix d'Amérique Legend Race (Group 1) was a legitimate frustration, the winter of 2023-2024 ended in the best possible way with victory in the Prix de Paris-Marathon Race, his second Group 1 after the Critérium des 5 Ans. This year, Benoît Robin called on the Norman driver as early as Qualif#1, to ensure that his horse qualified as quickly as possible, which is essential if he is to be on the starting line on 26 January, at a time when the rules have changed and strengthened the role of qualifying events. "I had high hopes of qualifying him but perhaps not of seeing him win," he says, "even though I felt he came back to work really well during the week. In the Prix des Cévennes, I saw that he needed to be worked on, without going crazy either. As soon as you put him in race mode, as I was saying again this week, he's not the same horse."

“AS SOON AS YOU PUT HIM IN RACE MODE, HE'S NOT THE SAME HORSE. (B. ROBIN)”

In race mode, it was not yet by being unshod from all four feet on Sunday but padded from the front and unshod from the hind legs. In race mode, **Hussard du Landret** was plunged in when he found himself with his nose to the wind trotting three-wide on the plain. "Benoît (Robin) had told me that the horse was fine, that he might just lack explosiveness a little. It wasn't planned to go in front", commented Yoann Lebourgeois. "That's how it worked out. He took the lead

without forcing himself, especially as Björn Goop took back his horse (**San Moteur**). When he's good, 'Hussard' likes to go for it even if, once again, it wasn't planned from the first qualifier. He likes to dominate and was brave to resist San Moteur. Once we've qualified, we can work differently. Benoît will deal with that." On the subject of the programme to come, the trainer describes it as follows: "If we don't get into trouble, he'll run the next two qualifiers, the next one surely a little calmer and the following one opening it up a little, before skipping the last one (Prix de Belgique)".

Where does he come from?

Bred by Jean Daniel, who co-owns him, **Hussard du Landret** (Bird Parker) is the second offspring, as well as the first winner, of his dam, the unraced **Anakine du Bellay** (Look de Star). Her second winner was **Joyeux du Landret**. It's a great historical 'paper', going back to the matronly **Ralène** (1961-Carioca II), the fifth dam, progenitor of the three classics, by **Quasipyl**, that were **Fondon 1'19"** (Prix d'Essai and des Centaures, Saint-Léger des Trotteurs, second in the Prix de Vincennes), **Gazon 1'17"** ('Président', 'Centaures', second in the 'Cornulier', as well as in the Prix de Vincennes and the Prix des Elites) and **Kaolino 1'17"** (second in the Critérium Continental). Full brother to 'Hussard', **Mirage du Landret** qualified at Laval in September.

4^e | PRIX DE BRETAGNE-AMERIQUE RACES Q1

Att - 2700 m - Groupe 2 - 120 000 €

**HUSSARD DU LANDRET 1'11"4**

Bird Parker x Anakine du Bellay (Look de Star)

Driver : Y. Lebourgeois - Entraîneur : B. Robin

Propriétaire : B. Robin - Eleveur : J. J. Daniel

**2^e**

San Moteur 1'11"4 Panne de Moteur x Aung San Suu Kyi

3^e

Hooker Berry 1'11"5 Booster Winner x Osaka Berry

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A STRONG LINK WITH BRITTANY

By winning on Sunday, **Hussard du Landret** becomes the eighth horse to register his name twice in the Prix de Bretagne-Amérique Races Q#1, the first since **Davidson du Pont** (Pacha du Pont) in 2018 and 2019, while **Capitole** (Passionnant) is the only horse to have won three times.

But if he is a Breton die-hard, it's also because he was born and bred in the department of Ille-et-Vilaine by Jean Daniel, who has been breeding for over thirty-five years at Plelan-le-Grand. This is a very active region in terms of trotter breeding, as within a ten-kilometre radius are the breeders of other Critérium winners, namely the unfortunate **Scoop d'Yvel** (Quadrophénio) and **Diego du Guelier** (Kepler). *"Like many breeders, my first broodmare was bad, the second a little better and so on"* he told us after his pupil's 5-yo Critérium, half of which he sold to Benoît Robin. *"But my work in cattle genetics has been very useful to me. I had horses that fetched over €100,000 before 'Hussard'. I've always bought my broodmares at sales because you can make your choice and there's no obligation. I have not always been successful in my purchases but I have never increased my number of broodmares. Never more than three. My great pride is that I've never shirked the law of numbers while maintaining quality"*. This is how he bought the dam of **Hussard du Landret**,

Anakine du Bellay (Look de Star), for €2,000 at the Arqana Trot Spring Mixed Sale in 2014.

Last January, Breton flags flew over Vincennes on the day of the Prix d'Amérique Legend Race to support **Hussard du Landret** and his entourage via a delegation of buses from the heart of Brittany. The link between the Prix de Bretagne-Amérique Races Q#1 and the 'Breton' horses that have won it, whether by birth or adoption by their owners - is a very real one, as we recall the victory in 2017 of **Valko Jenilat** (Kepler) who then ran in the colours of the Raffré brothers' stable.

11,500 spectators

The first Sunday of the Vincennes winter meeting was very well attended, with 11,500 spectators recorded by the organisers. However, the stakes figures were once again very disappointing.



SAN MOTEUR ALSO SETS THE STANDARD

In order to have a great winner, you often need a great runner-up and this was once again the case with **San Moteur** (Panne de Moteur) who gave an excellent reply to **Hussard du Landret** on his return to Vincennes, which he left eleven months ago with a brilliant victory in the Prix du Bourbonnais-Amérique Races Q#2. On Sunday, there's no victory at the end of the day, but there's something more important in the eyes of Björn Goop, his trainer-driver, speaking on Equidia Racing: *"It's almost more important to qualify than to win"*. And the Swede continued his debrief for us: *"He hasn't raced for a long time and I'm very happy with his race. I think he's going to improve on that. We're qualified so we've got time to prepare him, without having to travel. We missed out on qualifying last year, which meant we had to make another return trip to qualify him. Even though he won, he was tired. We're fine now. Tomorrow morning (read Monday), he's off to Sweden."*

Ganay de Banville seriously injured

The race was marred by the serious injury to **Ganay de Banville** (Jasmin de Flore) at the bottom of the descent, apparently the victim of a broken fetlock. After being looked after by the racecourse's veterinary services, the winner of the Prix de l'Étoile (Group 1) was taken to the Grosbois veterinary clinic.

HOOKER BERRY AND JUST LOVE YOU QUALIFY

Josh Power (Offshore Dream) was expected to qualify in an open race, but had to settle for 6th place. **Éric Raffin** took the blame: *"I drove badly. First of all, I went a bit too far offshore. On the descent, I should have stayed in third place on the rail. If I race to be fourth, I stay there. That's when I went out again. I lacked composure. The horse runs very well, but the driver wasn't good"*. Conversely, **Nicolas Bazire** can only be very pleased with the performance of **Hooker Berry** (Booster Winner), who is never better than in the role of tracker. *"The horse was perfect and didn't take it hard, which is important. He finished well. We're calmer now that we've got the qualification,"* he points out, *"which is even more important this year with the new rules."* Not even the driver of **Just Love You** (Love You) will disagree: *"It's a great moment. We've come a long way after a complicated start to the year. Her performance in the Criterium made us think she had a place at this level. She really put in a great performance at the end of the race, getting round her rivals. It's not a victory, but fourth*

place has the same flavour. She's got her ticket for the 'belle' and, even though we'll be going in with an outsider's chance, it means a lot to be associated with her in the Prix d'Amérique".

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Q#1 | PRIX DE BRETAGNE

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MILORD JAVRONNAIS: A BEAUTIFUL TRIBUTE

Monday 11 November | GRAIGNES

In an edition of the Prix Roger Massue deprived of its favourite **Monzon Normand** (Hohneck) from the start of the first turn, at fault for the first time in his career and imitated at the exit of the next turn by his stablemate **Major Védaquais** (Gotland), **Milord Javronnais** (Dollar Macker) shows his aptitude for the track, having opened his record a little over a month ago in a race dedicated to the memory of Jean-Raoul Deshayes, a key figure in the career of his trainer Jocelyn Robert. This son of **Dollar Macker** is descended from an 'Ombrée' line, as his third dam is none other than the classic **Gentry d'Ombrée** (Axe des Sarts). Among the highlights of this pocket-sized mare's career are her victory under saddle in the Gr 2 Prix Félicien Gauvreau over the giant **Gai Brillant** (Podosis) and her fourth place in the Group 1 Orsi Mangelli, one of Italy's leading races for 3-year-olds, in which **Lovino Bello** (Village Mystic), training partner of **Milord Javronnais**, has just finished third. "The colt is doing it nicely and is repeating his race from the other day on this track," comments Corentin Delbecq, the Sarthe trainer's right-hand man. "He's still going to improve but it's already going in the right direction. I took it easy at the start to give him time to breathe. Then I made the decision to come into the lead with more than a lap to go, knowing that some of our main rivals were at a gallop. He really likes Graignes!"

DOLLAR MACKER 1'11"9	SAXO DE VANDEL 1'11"8	COKTAIL JET 1'11"2 LIDICE DE VANDEL 1'14"3
	SALT LAKE CITY 1'15"1	INSERT GEDE 1'11"8 LA STAR
MILORD JAVRONNAIS	NI HO PED D'OMBREE 1'11"5	BASSANO 1'14"1 FANTASIA D'OMBREE 1'15"2
	UMBRIA HAMOISE 1'18"0	NANNY D'OMBREE 1'19"0
		COURLIS DU PONT 1'12"7 GENTRY D'OMBREE 1'14"3



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5^e | PRIX ROGER MASSUE

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MILORD JAVRONNAIS 1'16"7

Dollar Macker x Umbria Hamoise (Ni Ho Ped d'Ombree)
Driver : C. Delbecq - Entraîneur : J. Robert
Propriétaire : S. Robert - Eleveur : M. Taupin



2^e Mille Etoiles 1'16"8 Prodigious x Electra Green
Driver : J-P Dubois - Entraîneur : J-P Dubois

3^e Milord d'Irai 1'17"1 Hooker Berry x Hera d'Irai
Driver : A. Lamy - Entraîneur : S. Guarato

4^e : Marquis d'Enfer - 5^e : Mona Lisa Ellis - 6^e : Merytaton - 7^e : Myrtille Marboula



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FIRST GOAL ACHIEVED FOR LEZZO FIGHTER

Tuesday 12 November | PARIS-VINCENNES

Lezzo Fighter's (Falcao de Laurma) first outing in Paris was synonymous with victory. Still relatively inexperienced, Frédérique Frouin's pupil left a very favourable impression on Tuesday. "He was very cold during the race and only really got going once he'd passed the post," says his driver Clément Duvaldestin. "He's a big, beautiful horse who still needs to learn his trade. Padding him has been good for him and he's one of our quality colts for this meeting. We just need to keep a close eye on his mental state, as he needs to stay calm in his own bubble." Winner of his first two competitive outings at the end of the winter in the provinces, **Lezzo Fighter** was then preserved for this winter, which he is starting in the best possible way. The fourth offspring of **Cheyenne de Jiel** (Neoh Jiel), the brother of **Jazz Up** (Ecu Pierji) records a 3rd success in four public outings.

3^e | PRIX DE BRETAGNE

Att - 2700 m - Course E - 35 000 €



LEZZO FIGHTER 1'15"4

Falcao de Laurma x Cheyenne de Jiel (Neoh Jiel)
Driver : C. Duvaldestin - Entraîneur : Th. Duvaldestin
Propriétaire : J. Cottel - Eleveur : F. Frouin



2^e **Le Meteque 1'15"5** Charly du Noyer x Valentinoise Gede
Driver : E. Raffin - Entraîneur : A. Pillon

3^e **Linger 1'15"9** Gotland x Vodka Lemon
Driver : M. Abrivard - Entraîneur : J. Bruneau

4^e : Looking Best - 5^e : Locked Up - 6^e : Litteraire - 7^e : L'Amour En Vrai



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LONG ISLAND CONTINUES TO MOVE ON

Tuesday 12 November | PARIS-VINCENNES

Long Island (Prodigious), winner on her first outing in the mounted trotting speciality, has followed this up with another success. Once again partnered by Mathieu Mottier, Étienne Dubois' trainee won in a different style. "She confirms her good form under saddle," says her jockey Mathieu Mottier. "I rode a good filly and she was perfect. I thought she was even better than when she made her debut in the speciality. The race was run differently and this time, we had some way to go on the leader. I preferred to make sure of that by using the earmuffs. She was brilliant on her debut but today I had her at my fingertips. This new success opens up some great doors for her."

The third offspring of **Bahama Island** (Love You), **Long Island** is now her most successful offspring with three wins and earnings approaching €80,000.

4^e | PRIX DE BELLERIVE

M - 2700 m - Course B - 52 000 €



LONG ISLAND 1'13"7

Prodigious x Bahama Island (Love You)
Jockey : M. Mottier - Entraîneur : E. Dubois
Propriétaire : E. Dubois - Eleveur : J-P Dubois



2^e **Luz Fatale 1'13"8** Offshore Dream x Aloa de Banville
Jockey : S. E. Pasquier - Entraîneur : Th. Levesque

3^e **Legende du Goutier 1'13"9** Goetmals Wood x Utopie du Goutier

Jockey : B. Chauve-laffay - Entraîneur : Th. Duvaldestin

4^e : Leonce du Clos - 5^e : Lafolly Delo - 6^e : Lovely Cheneviere - 7^e : Le Jibay

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KAYA DREAM AT THE END OF THE SUSPENSE

Tuesday 12 November | PARIS-VINCENNES | Gr. 2

We had to wait a long time to find out the winner of the Prix Cénéri Forcinal (Gr.2). After analysing the photo finish, the judges at the finish line were able to separate **Kyt Kat** (Booster Winner), entrusted to Mathieu Mottier on the rail side, from the excellent finisher **Kaya Dream**, associated with Damien Bonne, who was declared the winner. It was a second success for Étienne Dubois's training team, following on from the one achieved with **Long Island** (Prodigious) in the space of thirty minutes. "With Mathieu (Mottier) on horseback, we couldn't tell who had won," says Damien Bonne. "It's always nicer when the advantage is yours! The mare was perfect, she really gave it her all in the final phase. Her heat and canters were perfect. She just has to stay in this state of form and that will be enough to tackle her next objectives." The next target is clearly the Gr. 1 Prix Jag de Bellouet on December 15. As for the route he'll take to get there, nothing has been decided yet according to his trainer Étienne Dubois: "I'm going to give myself time to think about it and we'll also discuss it with Damien. There are several options open to her, either to stay fresh or to take on a harness race. For the moment, I prefer to spare her the 2,175 metres. She's my nugget, a daughter of the homebred stallion **Unbridled Charm** (Password), and I don't want to make any mistakes. She won her 3rd Group 2 today (read Tuesday), and I think she's capable of carrying on the momentum."

5^e | PRIX CENERI FORCINAL 
M - 2700 m - Groupe 2 - 120 000 €

1^e KAYA DREAM 1'13"9
 **Unbridled Charm** x **Volga Vici** (Prodigious)
 Jockey : D. Bonne - Entraîneur : E. Dubois
 Propriétaire : E. Dubois - Eleveur : E. Dubois 

2^e Kyt Kat 1'13"9 **Booster Winner** x **Diane de Brevol**
 Jockey : M. Mottier - Entraîneur : Th. Levesque

3^e Kelly de Banville 1'14" **Eridan** x **Bartavelle du Rib**
 Jockey : P. Ph. Ploquin - Entraîneur : S. Bourlier

4^e : Kalif Landia - 5^e : Kapaula de l'Epine - 6^e : Kid Bellay - 7^e : Kyrielle des Vaux



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	VOLGA VICI 1'18"6	TOURTERELLE FAN 1'15"7
LOUTRE DU RUISSEAU		GOETMALS WOOD 1'11"9
		IMAGINE D'ODYSSEE
		KEPI VERT 1'16"2
		RAPSODIE ORANGE 1'19"7



TAILOR-MADE FOR LEARN TO FLY

Wednesday 13 November | MAUQUENCHY

Apart from his last outing at Chartres, **Learn To Fly** (Uriel Speed) has only competed in Group events this season, both harnessed and ridden. Despite starting with a handicap in this Haute-Normandie/Ile de France 3-yo Final, Michèle Stihl's pupil had solid references. "Franck (Nivard) gave him a perfect race," says his trainer Frédéric Senet. "This event was an objective and he pleased us, stretching out well to finish. He's quite big and still needs to mature." With almost €110,000 in earnings, **Learn To Fly** has perhaps not yet revealed his full potential. "In consultation with Mrs Stihl, we were looking for a stallion to bring a bit of toughness and the choice of **Uriel Speed** (Indy de Vive) seemed appropriate. From the moment he was broken in, he showed quality and ease. He can successfully alternate between the two specialities, which is a considerable asset."

5^e | PRIX DU BAR-TABAC DE LA PLACE - BERTHECO 

Att - 2850 m - Course A - 35 000 €



LEARN TO FLY 1'15"1

Uriel Speed x Santanna Girl (Coktail Jet)
Driver : F. Nivard - Entraîneur : F. Senet
Propriétaire : M. Stihl - Eleveur : M. Stihl





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2^e **Lissandra Jiel 1'15"9** Alto de Viette x Varovska Jiel
Driver : M. Mottier - Entraîneur : J. L. Dersoir

3^e **Logan Jiel 1'15"3** Village Mystic x Quilea Jiel
Driver : F. Ouvrie - Entraîneur : J. L. Dersoir

4^e : Look de Valailles - 5^e : Lady Princess - 6^e : Lotta Love - 7^e : L'Espoir des Baux



FILWELL EVEN BETTER THAN IN 2022

Thursday 14 November | PARIS-VINCENNES | Gr. 3

He had to return 25m in this Prix de l'Ile d'Oléron and, in theory, his ambitions for victory might have seemed measured. But a thunderous start very quickly propelled **Filwell** (Qwerty) into the top echelon, to such an extent that he even battled for the lead with **Jazz In Montreux** (Akim du Cap Vert) on the descent. It was a match which could have been costly, but **Filwell** was untouchable and was never troubled.

In the stands, his trainer Pierre Levesque was a little worried before appreciating his horse's display, as he explained: "He went a little fast for my liking on the way down but we had to counter **Jazz In Montreux**. He was very good, he's really a great horse. He has an inexhaustible fund and a mind of steel thanks to Camille who has preserved him throughout his career. Mental strength is a huge thing for competitors!" At 9 years of age, **Filwell** has done better than he did at 7 when he won the Prix de l'Ile d'Oléron. Back then, he trotted 1'12"9, whereas today he has posted a very nice 1'12"4 on this course. He was partnered by Adrien Lamy, the man of the evening on horseback.

3^e | PRIX DE L'ILE D'OLERON 

M - 2850 m - Groupe 3 - 90 000 €



FILWELL 1'12"2

Qwerty x Regence (Insert Gede)
Jockey : A. Lamy - Entraîneur : P. Levesque
Propriétaire : Ec. P. Levesque - Eleveur : S. El. P. Levesque



2^e **Good Girl Marceaux 1'12"9** Jag de Bellouet x Iane Fortuna
Jockey : A. Abrivard - Entraîneur : P. Vercausse

3^e **Jazz In Montreux 1'13"** Akim du Cap Vert x Urganza
Jockey : N. Henry - Entraîneur : G. Thorel

4^e : Gold Voice - 5^e : Graal du Tresor - 5^e : Granit Meslois - 7^e : Hallix



KHAL'S FELLA THRILLS HIS FANS

Sunday 17 November | PARIS-VINCENNES | Gr. 3

The joy of a victory is always better with friends. For the yellow and red team of Laurent Dugrosprez's horses in association with Giovanni Iera, this is an intangible rule. To the cheers of around thirty supporters, **Khal's Fella** (Ready Cash) defeated **Desiderio d'Esi** (Robert Bi) and overcame his unenviable position in the second row with his number 11. Franck Nivard at the helm: *"His quality is not new but he has matured in recent months and continues to progress. He now has enough strength to take his big gear forward. Those around him have been patient and they've been rewarded. We came a little early but he was able to hold off the attacks right to the end."*

A son of the excellent **Anastasia Fella** (Goetmals Wood), **Khal's Fella** boasts some very flattering statistics: this is his 7th career victory from 21 outings, i.e. a win every three races. If Emma Souloy is anything to go by, his winter could be a very fruitful one: *"He doesn't need anything and adapts to all tactics. He still lacks maturity and hasn't revealed everything."*



Enzo Lefort (fencing) and Nicolas Gestin (canoeing) Olympic champions at Vincennes, here with Damien Bonne.

7^e | PRIX DE BOISSY-SAINT-LEGER

Att - 2100 m - Groupe 3 - 80 000 €

1st KHAL'S FELLA 1'10"5
 Ready Cash x Anastasia Fella (Goetmals Wood)
 Driver : F. Nivard - Entraîneur : F. Souloy
 Propriétaire : G. Iera - Eleveur : Ec. le Tremont

2^e Jewelcandle Fac 1'10"6 Prodigious x Thebaide
 Driver : D. Bonne - Entraîneur : D. Bonne

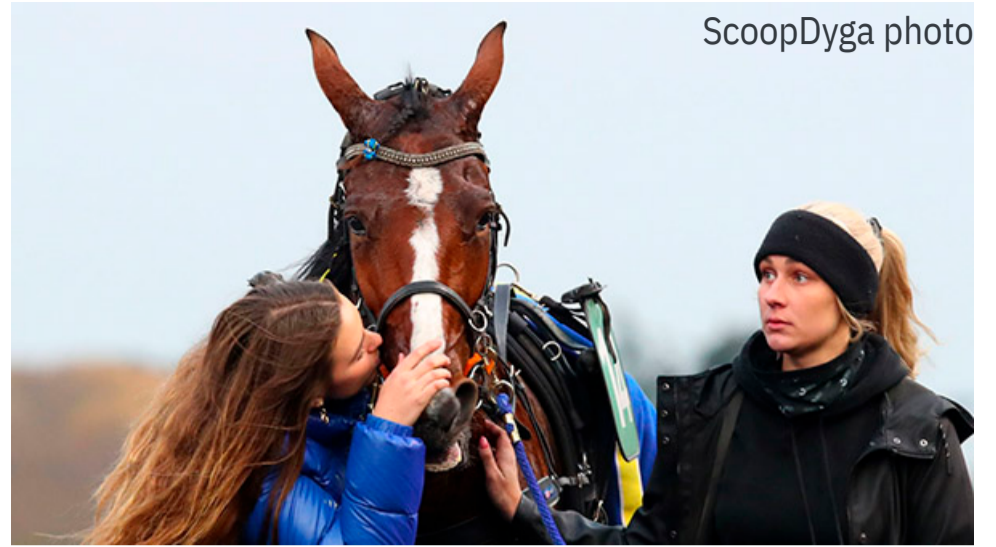
3^e Desiderio d'Esi 1'10"6 Robert Bi x
 Driver : E. Raffin - Entraîneur : V. Ciotola

4^e : Jamin de Brion - 5^e : Jaguar Marancourt - 6^e : Just A Midi - 7^e : Kelle Beaute

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LIZA JOSSELYN TRIES TO CONSOLE TEAM BAZIRE

Sunday 17 November | PARIS-VINCENNES | Gr. 2

It was an emotional rollercoaster day for the Bazire team. While **Ganay de Banville** left the racecourse to go to the Grosbois veterinary clinic for an operation, **Liza Josselyn** (Ready Cash) took to the track for the Prix Guy Deloison. Competing in her second autumn meeting, her first at the winter meeting, the champion daughter of **Ready Cash** and **Belina Josselyn** beat a very good **Lunabella d'Omaha** (Love You) to win in 1'13"3, the new record for the race. This was enough to arouse great emotion in her clan, especially as May, her brand new lad, is also the dam of **Ganay de Banville**. Before welcoming his jewel, Pascal Bernard turned to her to congratulate and comfort her: *"It's been a difficult day for her and as she arrived in France a month and a half ago without speaking our language in a great but not easy environment, it was important for me to congratulate her. You have to remember that moments like these can happen. We're now going to keep our fingers crossed for the Ganay team and hope that things go well in the next few hours."*

On the strength of this success, **Liza Josselyn** is positioning herself for the Gr. 1 Prix Ready Cash on 8 December. Jean-Michel Bazire explained that he was going into the race with measured ambitions: *"It's a Group 1 over 2,100m with foreigners allowed. Everything seems to be in their favour. So we're not going to get the bees in our bonnets and we'll run without pressure."*

READY CASH 1'10"3	INDY DE VIVE 1'11"9	VIKING'S WAY 1'15"6
		TEKIFLORE 1'19"8
LIZA JOSSELYN	KIDEA 1'18"2	EXTREME DREAM 1'14"7
		DOCEANIDE DU LILAS 1'16"8
BELINA JOSSELYN 1'10"2	LOVE YOU 1'10"2	COKTAIL JET 1'11"2
		GUILTY OF LOVE 1'17"1
	LEZIRA JOSSELYN 1'14"3	WORKAHOLIC (US)
		QUEZIRA 1'17"3

A satisfied runner-up

Although the gap at the finish was not as spectacular as in the last race, **Liza Josselyn** won the 4th Gr.2 of her career in style, beating **Lunabella d'Omaha** (Love You) who represented the colours of Michel Lourmière, the first to congratulate Pascal Bernard: *"Before the race, we said we could see ourselves finishing 1st and 2nd but I wouldn't have been against finishing ahead of him..."* said the man from the Mip stable. Théo Duvaldestin, driver of the runner-up, had to accept the superiority of the winner: *"Before the race, we would have signed for 2nd place. Lunabella runs very well, just ahead of Liza Josselyn. I came down and she didn't let up to finish. I knew my fate when Jean-Michel (Bazire) came up to us. Her task was not an easy one at nine days old but she lived up to our expectations perfectly."*

“IT'S BEEN A DIFFICULT DAY FOR HER AND AS SHE ARRIVED IN FRANCE A MONTH AND A HALF AGO WITHOUT SPEAKING OUR LANGUAGE.”

6^e | PRIX GUY DELOISON



Att - 2700 m - Groupe 2 - 120 000 €



LIZA JOSSELYN 1'13"3

Ready Cash x Belina Josselyn (Love You)
Driver : J-M Bazire - Entraîneur : N. Bazire
Propriétaire : Ec. Y. Bernard - Eleveur : Ec. Y. Bernard



2^e

Lunabella d'Omaha 1'13"3 Love You x Giroflee du Rib

Driver : T. Duvaldestin - Entraîneur : Th. Duvaldestin

3^e

La Joyeuse Wicz 1'13"5 Fabulous Wood x Tarentelle

Jenilou

Driver : A. Abrivard - Entraîneur : L. Baudron

4^e : Lotta Bourbon - 5^e : Funny Gio - 6^e : Little Star Fleury - 7^e : Luna Nova Gwen



FRANK GIO: WHAT IF HE WAS THE FUTURE OF VIVID WISE AS?

Sunday 17 November | PARIS-VINCENNES | Gr. 2

Frank Gio (Face Time Bourbon) came close in the Italian Derby, where he took 2nd place, and made a stunning return to the Vincennes track by winning the Gr. 2 Prix Pierre Plazen. Up against the best Frenchman **Lombok Jiel** (Enino du Pommereux), the Écurie Bivans pupil controlled the return of Jean-Luc Dersoir's resident and won his first Gr. 2. For Antonio Somma's Italian team, **Frank Gio** undoubtedly represents the future of European racing, as the stable's jewel, **Vivid Wise As**, prepares to bow out in a fortnight's time. The inheritance is a heavy one, but according to Sébastien Guarato, this colt with an important model has many assets to succeed the icon: "He's a cold horse, he's a champion. He's got double acceleration and he's taken off. At home, he gives off something special. He's got a lot of physique with a pedigree, but he's also got a great mind and never baulks at the task. I can't see a flaw in him. I'm looking forward to seeing him over the next few months as he matures and gains muscle mass. He's proving that the Italian Derby line is really good. He has four Group races during the meeting and even though he's a pure right-hander, he's proving his ability on the left."

FACE TIME BOURBON 1'09"1	READY CASH 1'10"3	INDY DE VIVE 1'11"9
		KIDEA 1'18"2
FRANK GIO	VITA BOURBON 1'12"7	LOVE YOU 1'10"2
		KAMERA BOURBON 1'13"7
ZARINA GIO (IT)	RUTY GRIF (IT)	VARENNE (IT)
		CORRER BY PASS (IT)
	ILARIA JET (IT)	PINE CHIP (US)
		TOBY'S TAXI (US)

“HE'S A COLD HORSE, HE'S A CHAMPION.”

For Matthieu Abrivard, who was particularly happy when he crossed the finish line, the future belongs to the Italian: "He's a top performer with a great temperament. He's got everything going for him and he just keeps getting better and better. He's going to get stronger with time. I don't know if he's the successor to **Vivid Wise As**, but I'm happy to be associated with him." The Italian Derby winner **First Of Mind** (Face Time Bourbon) galloped off to finish 4th just behind **Loulou de Mye** (Clif du Pommereux).

The reaction of the runner-up

Lombok Jiel, who came into the fight on the climb before being covered by the eventual winner, was a good 2nd, giving satisfaction to his mentor Jean-Luc Dersoir: "He put in a great performance, fighting right up to the post. He has nothing to be ashamed of in 2nd place against such strong rivals. He's rehabilitating himself after his last outing, which left us a little disappointed. He needs to have a horse in his sights to give his all."

Face Time Bourbon continues his harvest

Out of a dam who is a sister of millionaire **Tony Gio**, **Frank Gio** is the second offspring of Italian **Zarina Gio** (Ruty Grif) who also comes from the same family as another millionaire in earnings: **Ilaria Jet** (Pine Chip). His sire **Face Time Bourbon** continues to shine as a stallion, 24 hours after recording his 10th Group 1 winner in Sweden.

5^e | PRIX PIERRE PLAZEN

Att - 2700 m - Groupe 2 - 120 000 €

FRANK GIO 1'13"



Face Time Bourbon x Zarina Gio (Ruty Grif)
Driver : M. Abrivard - Entraîneur : S. Guarato
Propriétaire : Sc. Bivans Srl - Eleveur : Fonds de Courses



2^e Lombok Jiel 1'13"1 Enino du Pommereux x Surabaya Jiel

Driver : P. Y. Verva - Entraîneur : J. L. Dersoir

3^e Loulou de Mye 1'13"2 Clif du Pommereux x Arista de Mye

Driver : T. le Beller - Entraîneur : R. Ch. Larue

4^e : First Of Mind - 5^e : Lucky Jackson - 6^e : Lemon Tree - 7^e : Luciano Menuet

A WEEK OF RACING

UPCOMING FIXTURES:

Tue. 19/11 Saint-Galmier, Vincennes. **Wed. 20/11** Marseille-Borély, Toulouse, Vire-Normandie. **Thu. 21/11** Graignes, Vincennes. **Fri. 22/11** Mauquenchy, Toulouse, Vincennes. **Sat. 23/11** Vincennes. **Sun. 24/11** Angers, Bordeaux, Cherbourg, Cordemais, Grenade-sur-Garonne, Karukera (at Martinique), Mauquenchy, Meslay-du-Maine, Moulins (at Saint-Galmier), Reims, Salon-de-Provence. **Mon. 25/11** Le Croisé-Laroche, Vincennes.

Wednesday 20 November | TOULOUSE

GRAND NATIONAL DU TROT

Group 3

13th Stage of the Grand National National Race

90.000. - Harness. - 2.950 m.

40.500, 22.500, 12.600, 7.200, 4.500, 1.800, 900.- alloués par la S.E.T.F.

For 5- to 10-yo. included, the 5-, 6- and 7-yo. with at least 34.000, the 8-yo. at least 68.000, the 9- and 10-yo. at least 130.000. - 25 m. handicap at 344.000, 50 m. at 636.000.

Thursday 21 November | PARIS-VINCENNES

PRIX URGENT

Group 3 - European Race

80.000. - Mounted. - 2.700 m.

36.000, 20.000, 11.200, 6.400, 4.000, 1.600, 800.
For 3-yo., with at least 9.000, but not 125.000.

Saturday 23 November | PARIS-VINCENNES

PRIX JOSEPH LAFOSSE

Group 2 - International Race

120.000. - Mounted. - 2.700 m.

54.000, 30.000, 16.800, 9.600, 6.000, 2.400, 1.200.

For 5-yo., geldings excluded, with at least 45.000.

PRIX DE CHENONCEAUX

Group 3 - European Race

80.000. - Harness. - 2.700 m.

36.000, 20.000, 11.200, 6.400, 4.000, 1.600, 800.

For 4- and 5-yo., with at least 45.000, but not 385.000.

PRIX TIMOKO

Group 3

60.000. - Harness, males. - 2.200 m.

27.000, 15.000, 8.400, 4.800, 3.000, 1.200, 600.

For 2-yo. colts and geldings, with earnings.

PRIX VOURASIE

Group 3

60.000. - Harness, females. - 2.200 m.

27.000, 15.000, 8.400, 4.800, 3.000, 1.200, 600.

For 2-yo. fillies, with earnings.





SETF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

On Thursday morning, the SETF Board of Directors met for four hours to discuss a number of substantive issues, particularly financial ones, in preparation for 2025, the SETF announced at the end of the day.

The Chairman began by informing the members of the Board of Directors of the latest developments relating to the taxation of horserace betting in 2025 and the opportunity to develop new horserace gaming offers. He also commented on the lessons learned from the mobilisation of socio-professional players on 7 November. For Jean-Pierre Barjon, the main positive sign is obvious. *"It is the fact that we have firmly established and confirmed our activity as a fully-fledged agricultural and associative sector, which contributes thousands of jobs, is essential for maintaining the regions and contributes more than €800 million to the State budget. Collectively, gallop and trot - and for the first time, in my opinion, the equine industry as a whole - have succeeded in getting the message across to our fellow citizens and our elected representatives that we represent a genuine agricultural industry. Under these conditions, an industry in its own right such as ours cannot accept being discredited and condemned to die a slow death under the weight of existing taxation and competition and the alarming imbalance with the gambling industries".*

Budget assumptions for 2025 under review

At this meeting, the 2025 budget assumptions were presented and challenged by the directors. The 2025 budget should be adopted in December, and the budget guidelines will then be presented to the members of the Committee on 11 December.

At the heart of this Board meeting, the PMU's (pri-mutuel) budget assumptions for 2025 - which are still under discussion - were the subject of an in-depth study which gave rise to a wide-ranging debate.

The assumption of an increase in incentives in 2025 will depend on the level of resources generated by the GIE-PMU.

Regulatory changes (Racing and Breeding)

On the regulatory front, the Director of Racing and the Association presented the recommendations of the Code Commission to improve starting procedures and curb the increase in disturbances observed in recent months, particularly in selection races.

A scale of penalties, combining withdrawal periods and fines according to the nominal value of the race concerned, has been drawn up to combat insubordination to the orders of the starting judge and restarts. It is also proposed that the principle of a joker be retained for jockeys and drivers during a period of suspension, following the example of the Galop system.

The Committee will be consulted on these changes in the coming days.

In addition, on 4 November, the Board of Directors approved the changes made to the Trotteur Français breeding programme, including in particular the provisions necessary for the authorisation of the stallion **TACTICAL LANDING** (USA) to produce in the Livre Généalogique du Trotteur Français and the conditions for the registration in the Livre Généalogique du Trotteur Français of offspring born in 2026 from the crossing of Trotteur Français mares with this stallion.





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GOBERNADOR PASSES AWAY AT THE AGE OF 30

Gobernador winning the Prix de Paris 2001.

Gobernador 1'11" (Buvetier d'Aunou) died on Wednesday at his home at the Haras de Retz, on the threshold of his 31st birthday. His was a fine, long life, even if it was not without its pitfalls, marked by the stamp of a phenomenon on the racetracks and a stallion who, although he did not fulfil all his promises as a competitor, was nonetheless the sire of a certain **Idao de Tillard 1'09"** (Sévérino).

Bred by Jean-Pierre Dubois, **Gobernador** was a half-brother to champion and euro millionaire **Camino 1'12'** (Firstly) and full brother to Ingala 1'13', dam of Prix de Cornulier winner **Singalo 1'11'** m. (Goetmals Wood). He was therefore particularly well-born and did honour to his origins, revealing himself with age under the banner of Ecurie des Charmes and the tutelage of Pierre-Désiré Allaire. His masterpiece was the 2000-2001 winter meeting, which took him from his 6th to his 7th birthday. Perfectly versatile, he won one race after another in both specialities, winning three times mounted and twice harnessed, in the Prix de France (Group 1) and the Prix de Paris (Group 1), after finishing second in the Prix de Cornulier (Group 1) and, unfortunately, being at fault in the Prix d'Amérique (Group 1). In the spring that followed, he again won the Group 1 Grand Critérium de Vitesse de la Côte d'Azur and the Group 1 Prix de l'Atlantique, still driven by his faithful Dominik Locqueneux. He was there at the peak of his form, dominating the likes of **Fan Idole**, **Général du Pommeau** and **Giant Cat**, as he later suffered health problems and had to retire to stud.

From then on, it was Jacky Marteau, Lucien Urano's trusted

breeding partner, who looked after him and had him at his side for some twenty years. Contacted by phone on Thursday morning, his voice was tinged with emotion as he recalled his old accomplice: *"He was a very endearing horse, tough, with a lot of spirit. He suffered from laminitis when he came out of competition, and he's lived with it all these years. We took great care of him, both veterinary and farriery, and he took things in his stride. He has been retired from training since 2018 and has enjoyed his retirement right up to the end, alongside his mate and a year older, **First de Retz**, whom we still have at stud. We prolong the old age of our protégés as long as possible. We owe them that much. **Gobernador** will always be **Idao de Tillard's** paternal grandfather, via the best of his offspring, **Sévérino**. Incidentally, **Idao de Tillard's** other grandfather, on his mother's side, is none other than **First de Retz...**".*

SÉVÉRINO, BUT ALSO QUALMIO DE VANDEL

In addition to **Sévérino**, winner of the Prix Albert Viel (Group 1) and the Critérium Continental (Group 1), **Qualmio de Vandel 1'12"**, another winner of the Prix Albert Viel (Group 1), is **Gobernador's** most outstanding product. By a twist of fate, the Besnard family's pupil also left us yesterday, in his twenty-first year. Father and son are thus united in tribute. ■

MAGIC AMERICA HAS HER CIRCLE DREAMING



Already a convincing winner in record time on her debut at Nantes, **Magic America** (Love You) made another big impression on Thursday evening at Vincennes. "She's a winner", her trainer Sébastien Guarato enthused to *Equidia* as soon as she crossed the finish line, soloed by his trainee in partnership with Éric Raffin, who was also delighted: "She's doing it like an old lady even though she's only 2 years old. She trots 1'15" for her first at Vincennes while giving the impression of being on the foot of 1'30"... that's the mark of the best."

Sister to the classic Green Grass

A daughter of **Love You**, **Magic America** is the seventh offspring of her dam **Tootsie Smiling** (Goetmals Wood), who has already produced the classic **Green Grass** (Bold Eagle), winner of the Critérium des Jeunes 2019. Sébastien Guarato compared her to her elder sibling: "She's a mare out of the ordinary, she'll be racing with the good ones of her generation now. She looks a lot like her sister **Green Grass**, but she's easier to ride and calmer."

Jean-Pierre Micholet's delight

Jean-Pierre Micholet, owner of **Magic America**, was also full of stars. He has owned her colours for some twenty years, not hesitating to invest regularly, and is convinced that this is his champion: "It's a story of friends, between the breeder and my partner. I've since bought the dam and with Sébastien I also have the daughter of **Green Grass**, so it's all very emotional. I've been lucky enough to have some good horses but this one is different. For a while now, Sébastien {Guarato} has been telling us that she's a crack and Thibault Lamare also liked her a lot and qualified her for us. She could have the winter we've been dreaming of for over twenty years. I work a lot at the same time so that I can indulge my passion for horses and it's great to have a filly like her, especially as I share this pleasure with my family. We have horses so that we can experience moments like this. It's a real thrill."

DEATH OF JACKY LUSSEAU

Jacky Lusseau is no more. He passed away on Wednesday night, aged 82, after a long illness. Jacky Lusseau's name is inextricably linked with that of Laurent-Claude Abrivard, of which he was a long-standing owner and with whom he maintained close ties of friendship, as he did with the whole family. Formerly associate owner of **Fan Quick** (nine Group 2 wins and three Group 1 runner-up finishes in the Prix de Cornulier, des Elites and des Centaures), he then had under his colours the Italian **Nefertite Del Rio** (over €400,000 in earnings) and her son, the German **Jazzman**, winner of the Group 3 Prix de Rome and Henri Cravoisier at Enghien in 2023. The classic ridden **Inshore**, shared with the Abrivards, will have given him one of his latest satisfactions, thanks to his success in the Prix Guillaume de Bellaigne (Group 3) last June, which he attended.

JOSH POWER AT STUD

The winner of the Critérium des 5 ans 2025, **Josh Power** (Offshore Dream), who will be making his first year at stud. He is out of the top dam **Balginette** (Hasting), who also produced the champion **Go On Boy** (Password), winner of the UET Elite Circuit 2024.

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