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White Turf St. Moritz 2019 - Passion for races!

Class, internationality and great suspense on the final day of the White Turf 2019

The programme for the third and final race day of the 2019 White Turf meeting promises to be a veritable firework display. Next Sunday, 17th February 2019, from 11 a.m., the highlights will come one after the other in quick succession. The LONGINES 80th Grand Prix of St. Moritz will of course be in the limelight, it being the horserace with 111,111 Swiss francs prize money, the highest purse in Switzerland. Five gallopers trained in Switzerland will compete against the same number of guests - two each from Germany and England, as well as one candidate from France. Among the trotters are the two winners from last Sunday, Apollo San and Super Berry Chenou, who will be challenged by top-class newcomer Cirrus Atout from France in the Grand Prix BMW. The situation ahead of the finale of the Credit Suisse Skikjöring Trophy is extremely captivating: four drivers, one of them a lady, all potentially have a chance of taking the title "King or Queen of the Engadine" - The winner for the last two years, Valeria Holinger, can no longer secure the hattrick.

"Everybody from the White Turf team is looking forward tremendously to this Sunday. After two race days with unfavourable weather conditions, everything seems to be optimal this time. We are ready to witness a huge event both on and off the race track with many people expected on the frozen lake of St. Moritz," rejoices René Schnüriger, Manager of Events & Sponsorship at the Rennverein St. Moritz.

Ten interesting starters from four nations in the LONGINES 80th Grand Prix of St. Moritz

The anniversary edition of the prestigious main event of the White Turf meetings leaves virtually nothing to be desired: recognised snow specialists will line up at the start of the LONGINES 80th Grand Prix of St. Moritz. Altogether, between them they have won eleven races on the white surface, against strong challengers. Twelve months ago, Nimrod won in front of Berrahri; in fourth place followed Jungleboogie, the 2016 winner. They are all at the start again this Sunday. The strongest impression of the trio has been made by Berrahri, who was last to arrive from England and obtained his fourth victory last Sunday at his 13th start on snow. On the first race Sunday, Nimrod was left far behind and finished fourth, however he earned credit as the title holder. Jungleboogie for his part, arrives fresh at the start without a trial snow gallop, his last monetary winnings came ten months ago. A very hot candidate is New Agenda, who left both, Berrahri and Nimrod, far behind at his first and so far, only start on snow. He just won against the courageous Fiesta. Just a week ago, the grey mare came second again, making a strong impression. The threefold sprint snow winner Filou will participate for the first time in the Grand Prix. With him the only question that can be raised is that of endurance - in his career, the eight-year-old has only run further than 1,800 metres on two occasions and that was five years ago (3rd at the Spring Prize and 5th at the Derby). Take a Guess came second two years ago at his only outing on snow to date. Furthermore, two newcomers on snow from Germany, Manipur and Jacksun, are also candidates to rank among the best. Daisy Béré though, could be considered a clear outsider.

Will Apollo San or Super Berry Chenou repeat their success?

With the trotters, there are a few potential winners for the Grand Prix BMW. The winners of the first two race days, Apollo San and Super Berry Chenou, will have to face Cirrus Atout, who has just arrived from



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France and who has been victorious in eight out of 43 races to date, already winning 364,985 Swiss francs in prizemoney. Former snow king Terry Gahn on the veteran 14-year-old Ramona Lap are further aspirants for victory.

In the small trotting category for the GAMMA CATERING AG prize, everything points to a new mother-son duel between Barbara Krüsi, who won last week with Aladin Volsin, and Silvan Krüsi, who was triumphant with his Anshy on the first race day.

Four candidates for the royal title at the Credit Suisse Skikjöring Trophy

One thing is obvious, ahead of the finale of the Skikjöring, which is awaited with great suspense: the reigning “Queen of the Engadin” Valeria Holinger, will have to cede her title after only managing two fourth places this year. In pole position to be her successor is Alfredo “Lupo” Wolf from St. Moritz (eleven points), who came third on the first Sunday with the big fighter Pinot, and eventually won a week later after having come from last position. The tenfold champion Jakob Broger (nine points), who won himself with Strade Kirk on the first race Sunday, also has a chance of overall victory. Just behind him is Erich Bottlang (eight points), while Valeria Selina Walther is fourth on five points, yet still hopes to win by counting on less strong performances of the trio ahead of her in the rankings.

Fringe programme featuring races with the chance of revenge

As far as the gallopers are concerned, the sprint endowed with 30,000 Swiss francs for the GP Moyglare Stud is a matter - on paper at least - between Hakam, victorious on the first Sunday, and runner-up Footprintinthesand. After last Sunday’s victory, Heloagain will face four other winners on snow in the shape of Hidden Oasis, Cool Sweety, Renny Storm and Sleeping Giant at the GP Guardaval Immobilien-Zuoz & Blasto. And finally, to mark the end of the 2019 White Turf Meeting, Fleur d’Ipanema and Archi Pink in particular, will have a chance to win again on snow this year in the Friends of the Rennverein St. Moritz prize.

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Since 2016, it has been awarding the "Credit Suisse King's Cup," created by the Swiss artist duo Aubry/Broquard, as part of the contest for the Credit Suisse Skikjöring Trophy. This individually designed trophy is awarded to all the daily winners and the overall winner of the trophy, who is deemed the "King of the Engadine." In 2017 and 2018, however, Valeria Holinger reigned as Queen of the Engadine.

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