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White Turf 2022 - 114 Years of International Horse Racing on Snow in St. Moritz

Kiss Forever H.C. outdoes the favourites

St. Moritz, February 13, 2022 - **Thanks to perfect snow and ice conditions on Lake St. Moritz, all races were once again held over the original distance on the second Race Sunday. Beautiful weather attracted 9,000 spectators to the lake, who were particularly enthusiastic about the trotters, whose races traditionally take centre stage on the second day of racing. In the main race, which was endowed with 15,000 Swiss francs, Kiss Forever H.C., in the hands of Walter Theiler, gave the competition no chance in his first outing on snow.**

Among the six teams in the main trotting race was also Doum Jenilou, winner on the first Race Sunday, but the 25-metre starting handicap proved too big for the favourite to make up. Instead, Kiss Forever H.C. led the small field into the far side where he was attacked and passed by Sonny Club. In the run-in, however, Kiss Forever H.C. pulled away again and relegated the co-favourite into second place by just under two lengths, with Doum Jenilou finishing third. Kiss Forever H.C. is owned and trained by Petra Woiton. "We had decided to start in St. Moritz at short notice. I don't give horses a break in the winter, but continue to train them, so he was in top shape anyway," she explained after the win.

Vienna Woods Wins the Credit Suisse skjoring

The skjoring was also able to take place as planned. However, of the six horses taking part, the favourite Praetorius lost his rider right at the start. Jakob Broger, with Vienna Woods owned by the Allegra Racing Club stable, took advantage and won easily against Sociopath. In 2020 the same mishap befell the winning team as Praetorius today, whose rider Franco Moro celebrated his 100th skjoring race on Sunday.

Mordred doubles up

While the ice conditions last Race Sunday only permitted shortened distances, today's GP LONGINES took place over the scheduled 1800 metres. However, this change had no influence on the run-in: Sibylle Vogt immediately took the lead with Mordred owned by the English stable Middleham Park Racing and never relinquished it. The Hungarian guest Arktisz was second ahead of Nimrod, a former winner of the Grand Prix of St. Moritz. Diva du Fossé and Barbara Krüsi also repeated their victories from last Sunday in the smaller trotting race. In the sprint flat race over 1300 metres, Identified, last week's winner, had to admit defeat to Hakam from the Kräuliger couple's stable with Clément Lheureux in the saddle. Carina Schneider rode Stable Zürisee's Heloagain to victory in the 1600-metre flat race and gave champion trainer Miroslav Weiss his first win of the season.

White Turf heats climate neutral

For the first time, the alternative synthetic fuel Shell GTL Fuel, which is derived from natural gas, was used to heat the tents at White Turf. The advantages of the new fuel are obvious: it is non-toxic, almost odourless and easily biodegradable. Furthermore, it burns cleaner than conventional petroleum-based diesel fuel and thus has a lower impact on air quality. All these reasons speak in favour of its use on Lake St. Moritz. Thanks to CO2 offset programmes in the form of international conservation and reforestation projects, White Turf now heats in a climate-neutral manner. The collaboration between Shell and White Turf was brought about by local player Conrad-Storz AG. The family-owned company based in St. Moritz is a Shell brand partner and is responsible for the tent heaters at White Turf.

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About White Turf

White Turf, which has taken place annually since 1907, is a top-class event: it combines exciting horse racing, fine catering, attractive music and artistic performances set against a unique mountain backdrop on the frozen Lake of St. Moritz. White Turf 2022 will take place on 6th, 13th and 20th February - 30,000 visitors from Switzerland and abroad are expected. The St. Moritz Racing Club is behind the organisation, the main sponsors being Credit Suisse (Switzerland) AG and LONGINES. www.whiteturf.ch

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