# **BOLERO'S ONE FOR THE AGES**



**BOLERO LOVE put in a** performance mighty in claiming his second **Group I by downing heavy** favourite Django Riff in the Prix de l'Etoile at Vincennes on Sunday.

The Prix de l'Etoile is an inter-generational classic for 3 to 5YOs with only the Sebastien Guarato-trained Bolero Love taking on France's best 3YOs from a 50m handicap over the 2200m trip.

Django Riff (Ready Cash) from master juvenile trainer Philippe Allaire's powerful

stable took the early lead before handing up to stablemate Dollar Macker who carted the field up the hill.

Gabriel Gelormini on Bolero Love swiftly made up his handicap and dropped in to take up the one-one sit.

Django Riff resumed the lead as they crossed the rise and headed for home. but driver Yoann Lebourgeios, was anxious in the cart, looking over his shoulder at the emerging shadow of Bolero

Into the straight the pair

got down to a two horse duel but Bolero Love got to the measure of his younger rival powering away to victory. Django Riff stayed on for second ahead of Dollar Macker.

Bolero Love, a beautifully gaited son of Love You became the first horse other than a 3YO to win this classic in 19 years. He also became the first horse since Hadol de Vivier in 1977 to win both inter-generational classics in the same year, having won the Prix de Selection (4-6YOs) in March.



Gabriel Gelormini celebrates aboard Bolero Love. G FORNI

### **Belissima France cruises to monte classic**

The second of the two group ones on the programme at Vincennes on Sunday, was the prestigious Prix de Normandie fa Group II monte for 5YOs.

Until WWII monte racing was the richest form of trotting and the mounted form of the game still caters for nearly a third of the races in the country.

In this 5YO classic Thomas Levesque's Begum Fromentro (Mealnes du Corta) was the race favourite but blew the start.

A succession of leaders saw Bahia Quesnot, Beauty Princess and finally Boeing du Bocage tow the field up the hill and over the rise.

Beauty Princess raced up to challenge Boeing du Bocage but broke on the bend as leading jockey Mathieu Abrivard timed Belissima France's run to perfection,

Waiting until the straight

Belissima France accelerated past tiring horses to a comfortable victory while Boeing du Bocage stayed on dourly to claim second with-Baraka d'Henlou third.

The other big monte on the day was the Group III Prix Georges Dreus which went to Attentionally who scored from Amour Fou and favourite Prix du Cornulier winner Scarlet Turgot third.

#### FRENCH FACT

The second leg of the Tour Europeen du Trotteurs Francais stopped off at Avenches in Switzerland.

The tour of Group III races takes in five countries and is for elite level Trotteur Francais horses,

Thierry Duvaldestin's veteran Swedishman (Gogo) eged out Athos des Elfes (Ganymede) and Anna Mix (Ludo Castelle). The next stop on the tour is Spain's Baleric Island track of San Pardo.



### Mathieu Abrivard salutes on Belisima France. GERARD FORNI TROT FINAL FIELD

Stefan Melander's star Nuncio dominated the 400,000 UET Trotting Masters final at Norway's Bjerke track on the weekend

"I'm full of admiration of the horse. You could say that I'm just standing here and dreaming. It just spinning in my head," Melander told a Swedish website.

Lutfi Kolgjin's defending champ Mosaigue Face with son Adrian in the bike and Orjan Kihlstrom on Nuncio battled for the early lead which the imported son of Andover Hall won, while Italian-bred Swedish trained Oasis Bi dropped into the trail.

From there Nuncio took control setting a torrid pace as Mosaique Face sat in the

Mosaique Face challenged as they turned for home and briefly looked to get on terms but Kihlstrom easily fought him off and he powered on to win by two lengths.

Oasis Bi stayed on down the rail to claim second ahead of a tiring Mosaique Face.



Nuncio wins Trotting Masters final.

**GERARD FORNI** 

## EADING SIRES

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#### **QUAKER JET**

DIABLOTIN (Winner 2300m Bernay) CYBELE DES PERIA (Winner 2650m Laon) DAMOISEAU (Winner 2850m Laon) DAISY PAULOIS (2nd 2225m Mauquenchy) DIKTAT DU START (2nd 2800m Bernay) DOUCE DES CAILLONS (2nd 2800m Laval) CRISTAL DU GITE (2nd 2775m Les Sables d'Olonne)

#### **READY CASH**

CANADIEN D'AM (Winner Gp2 2175m Vincennes) DIVINE D'FCAIFUL (Winner 2300m Arbbeville) DONATELLO KILY (Winner 2800m Argentan) CASH GAMBLE (Winner 2775m Les Sables d'Olonne) EXPRESS BOURBON (2nd 2600m Reims) CARLOTTA (2nd 2700m Vincennes) CHANCE (2nd 2700m Vincennes) BEAUHARNAIS

(3rd 2700m Laroche) DENVER MADRIK (3rd 2350m Angers) ATHENA FRANCA (3rd 2700m Laroche)

#### **ORLANDO VICI**

VANDERLOV (Winner 3850m Auch) DREAM DE LASSERIE (Winner 2650m Bernav) DAILY HAUFOR (Winner 2800m Laval) DIABLE DU VIVIER (Winner 2800m Pontorson) BAZIR DIMANCHE (Winner 2975m Toulouse) ATOUT DE KACY (Winner 2850m Vincennes) CELTIC DES EPINES (Winner 2325m Toulouse) CRIN D'OR (Winner 2325m Toulouse) CASH DU SAPHIR (2nd 2050m Vitteaux) AVOINE DE BLONDEL (2nd 2350m Angers) DONA PHIL (2nd 2225m La Marche) VORONOFF DU LYS (2nd 2800m Auch) DORIA DE SAFRAN (2nd

2800m Bernay) TELFANTO DE COUDDE (2nd 2825m Libourne) BONHEUR D'ANY (3rd 2350m

#### **LOVE YOU**

**EVEREST DE GINAI (Winner 2YO** 2200m Vincennes) ZONGUL-DAK (Winner 2525m Cavail-Ion) CADET JOYEUX (Winner 2850m Vincennes) TADIACAN (Winner 2850m Mauquenchy) BELLA DUCALE (2nd 2805m La Marche) DREAM DU CHENE (2nd 2225m La Marche) DELTA DU GERS (2nd 2475m Jarnac) VIC DU POMMEREUX (3rd 2800m Bernay) AMSTRONG JET(3rd 2850m Hyeres) SHIRAZ BRODDE (3rd 2975m Toulouse)

#### **SAM BOURBON**

DJOKO DU BELLAY (Winner 2450m Caen) DASKA DE L'OCEAN (Winner 2600m Posay) BOLIDE D'ARBAZ (Winner 2650m Carpentras) BROSNAN JET (Winner 2625m Cavaillon) DUNYASHA (2nd 2625m Cavail-Ion) EASY GOER (3rd 2225m La Marche) BALDWIN JET (3rd 2850m Rambouillet) CRYSTAL WIC (3rd 2950m Toulouse)

### REPEAT LOVE

BEST DE LA COTE (2nd 2600m Cavaillon) BRONTES (2nd 2800m Libourne)

#### THE BEST MADRIK

DIVA DU BUISSON (Winner 2800m Rambouillet) CENTAURE GEDE (2nd 2200m Vincennes) CORTINE DE HOUELLE (3rd 2350m Laroche) CHIPIE (3rd 2850m Vincennes)

#### MILE RATE CONVERSION: 2.00 =1'14"6, 1.57=1'12"7, 1.54=1'10"8, 1.51= 1'09.

#### **NORWAY**

Norwegian trainer Frodre Hamre claimed his second Norwegian Trotting Derby with his race favourite El Diablo BR.

He also won with Mystical News (Super News) in 2006. Ultimate Photo won the battle for the early lead but Hamre took the son of Muscle Hill to the front down the straight the first time to take control.

El Diablo BR held a two length lead down the back straight as second favourite Cash Okay (Ready Cash) moved forward three wide from the rear with Geir Vegard Gundersen gunning for his fourth win in a row in the race.

But El Diablo BR kicked in the straight as Cash Okay desperately tried to reel him in, to score by a length.

Ultimate Photo stayed on stoutly for third a few lengths away.

The mares Derby Hopper went to another favourite in Preben Haagensen's Valla D'Estino (Scarlet Knight) who defeated Dream On Plush (Dream Vacation) with Thai Goodwill (Muscle Hill) third.

The Norwegian Kriterium for 3YOs was a battle of European-breds with Swede Bjorn Goop's Shocking Superman by French stallion Orlando Vici edging out Frode Hamre's Moni Viking by rising star Swedish stallion Maharajah, the former winner of the Prix d'Amerique.

Evil Enok ME (Magnetic Power) was third for Noralf Breakken.

The 3YO fillies equivalent went to an outsider in Asbjorn Tengsareid's Clementine FF, a daughter of the Norwegian resident sire Revenue.

Clementine FF defeated the two heavily backed runners in NY Diamond in The Sky (Dream Vacation) with Nice Eleven L (Coktail Jet) third.

Sweden's Peter Untersteiner's Poet Broline (Quite Easy) edged out Tony Gio (Varenne) in the Group I Gran Premio Continentale for 4YOs at Bologna on the weekend.

Indeed France-based Belgian Christophe Martens driving the Italian-bred Tony Gio for his brother Vincent. raised his arm in triumph thinking he had held off Poet Broline's late burst, only to be denied by the narrowest of margins by the photo.

In what was a truly international affair, third was the locally trained Tesoro Degli, prepared by ex-pat German Erik Bondo from Jerry Riordan, the Swedish-based American who trains fourthplaced Tango Negro.

#### BELGIUM

Exciting prospect Jerry Mom, a full brother to French star Traders won the Belgian 3YO Derby at Mons on the weekend.

Owned and trained by France's Philippe Allaire, the Ready Cash colt easily defated Jaecon Vrijthout while Jackpot Vrijthout was third.

Jerry Mom, who is out of Italian mare Graziella, a descendant of Hambletonian winner Kerry Way, is so far unbeaten in seven starts.

The Belgian 4YO GP Paul Hayen Classic was won convincingly by Jeroen Engw erda's Iron Vivant (Smouldering Pine) from An-Sofie Bruyneel's Imuscle Vrijhout.

Third was Inlove Vrijthout (Love You) driven by Nico Dhaenens for Rudy Smets.

### NZ-AUS NEW

#### NEW 7FALAND

The latest Haras des Trotteurs Dominion rankings have defending champion Master Lavros on top followed by the New Zealand horse of the year Monbet a son of Love You.

Third-ranked Amaretto Sun is the biggest mover in the nominations on the back of his win in the Ordeal Trotting Cup earlier this month.

The highest ranked Australian-based entrant is former Keystone Del from Brent Lilley's barn in Victoria at four. Other Australian entries

Great Southern Star winner

in New Zealand's greatest trotting race are Glenferrie Typhoon (5), Vincennes (16) and My Tribeca (38).

The Haras des teurs sponsored Group I over 3200m for a stake of \$260,000 takes place on Friday September 11,

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