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DELESTRE STEERS DEXTER TO WIN KASK JUMP-OFF

Simon Delestre, the Frenchman ranked number seven in the world, set the crowd alight at **Jumping Verona 2022** this evening with a brilliant win with Dexter Fontenis Z in the **Kask** Jump-Off.

A total of 14 horse/rider combinations returned for the thrilling second round in which the lead kept changing hands until Delestre took his turn.



Simon Delestre riding Dexter Fontenis Z - ph. JV/Stefano Grasso

Austria's **Gerfried Puck** and Equitron Naxcel V led the way against the clock with a fault-free run in 35.95 seconds before Belgium's Zoe Conter and Dawa de Greenbay Z overtook them when breaking the beam in 35.47. Fourth to go, the impressive Japanese partnership of Mike Kawai and Goldwin then reset the target time when crossing the finish line in 35.28 but, two horses later, Dutchman Jur Vrieling changed the leaderboard again with a super round from the big-jumping Comme-Laude W who galloped through the finish in 35.26 seconds... read more

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PRIX N. 2: ANQUETIN BAGS BANCA PASSADORE SPEED TITLE FOR FRANCE

It was the French national anthem that rang out at the end of the second competition on the opening day of Jumping Verona 2022 this afternoon when **Julien Anquetin** and the 10-year-old gelding Cesus de Fournard claimed pole position in the **Banca Passadore Speed**.

There were two retirements and two eliminations in the strong field of 44 starters, but 15 horse-and-rider partnerships cleared Uliano Vezzani's 13-fence course and French riders claimed four of the top ten places.

Anquetin's winning time of 62.48 seconds left the 30-year-old rider well ahead of Belgian runner-up Wilm Vermeir and his 13-year-old stallion Joyride S who crossed the line in 64.14, while world number four, The Netherlands' Harrie Smolders, slotted into third with the 14-year-old grey mare Une de l'Othain when posting a time of 64.31... [read more](#)

PRIX N. 1 PRESENTED BY PRESTIGE: IDEAL START AS ITALY'S DE LUCA WINS VERONA OPENER

Italian riders have made something of a habit of stealing the limelight on the opening day at Jumping Verona down the years, and today was no exception when **Lorenzo De Luca** steered the nine-year-old mare Dirka de Blondel to victory in the opening Prestige Two-Phase competition as the 21st edition of the hugely popular event got underway.



Lorenzo De Luca e Dirka de Blondel - ph. JV/Stefano Grasso

Staged within the framework of the world-famous horse fair, the Fieracavalli, this 5-Star fixture has once again attracted the superstars of the sport of showjumping and, ninth to go of the 39 starters, 35-year-old de Luca who finished individually 13th at this summer's World Championships in Denmark, scorched through the timers in 27.49 seconds to set the rest a target time they simply couldn't beat... [read more](#)

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CHAMPIONS IN THE RING FOR 'SAVE THE PLANET' PENER

Good vibes! The second edition of the “**Top Team Charity Cup**” event once again this year welcomes the top names for the CSI5*W event. A full-scale battle of titans will be staged on Saturday afternoon (starting at 19:10). The ring will welcome the colours of **Scuderia 1918** (promoter of the project together with **Fieracavalli**) with Kevin Staut (Fra), Giulia Martinengo Marquet, Lorenzo De Luca, Piergiorgio Bucci (all Ita) and Simon Delestre (Fra), while the Jumping Verona line-up boasts Marlon Modolo Zanotelli (Bra), Nicola Philippaerts (Bel), Anna Julia Kontio (Fin) and Edward Levy (Fra). The owner of the Scuderia 1918 Racing Team, **Emanuele Anchisi** is enthusiastic about the project and has high expectations for his team. *“It is amazing to think that these riders - already engaged in a packed calendar of competitions are willing to take part – with no money prize - and help boost this charity prize fund.”* Every jump taken without fault by these riders will help increase the final prize fund for donation to charitable initiatives. The project chosen this year involves planting trees in collaboration with Save The Planet.



Ph. JV/Stefano Grasso

“This year,” Anchisi explained, *“our aim is help reduce CO2 levels: the purpose of this initiative is to help us keep our passions alive by making them sustainable. This explains why we teamed up with Save The Planet. The event will be even more exciting than in 2021: it will be a Table C competition, when every fault at a fence will entail a penalty of 4 seconds; the worst result of the five for each team will be discarded and inasmuch - right to the end - there will be uncertainty over the outcome of the event. For the time being,”* Anchisi summed up, *“the format still only takes in Verona, since this is a project by no means easy to manage as regards invitations and the involvement of international riders. Nevertheless, we are working on this because other important international competitions have expressed keen interest.”*... read more

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