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Sweet win for the Swede in the Global Champions Tour Grand Prix of Germany



Rolf-Goran Bengtsson, from Sweden and Casall La Silla (left) captured the win in the \$285,000 Global Champions Tour Grand Prix of Hamburg Derby this afternoon, Saturday 4th June, 2011.

Of the top FEI ranked riders who were accepted to ride in this elite world-wide series only 4 horses cleanly negotiated the Frank Rothenberger (GER) designed course in the first round including two Germans in Ludgar Beerbaum (Chaman) and Janne Friederike Meyer (Cellagon Lambrasco).

They were joined by Swedish rider Rolf-Goran Bengtsson (Casall La Silla) and winners of the first Global Champions Tour in Doha, Brazilian Alvaro de Miranda Neto with AD Ashleigh Drossel Dan.

Reverse order of the best 18 jumped the second round with three double clears heading to jump-off for the title and the chance to take home a large prize cheque and a highly prized Jaeger-LeCoultre specially engrave Reverso watch.



Ludgar went first on Chaman and set the pace with a clear round in a time of 47.93 seconds and a lucky chance at the Mussimo Dutti vertical. (pictured right)

The quiet man Rolf Goran Bengtsson completed a smooth and clear round over the 9 obstacle jump-off track, to be home in a time of 46.97.

The last to go German Janne Friederike Meyer (below) was spurred on by her home crowd with speed not an issue for Cellegon Lambrasco. With two fences down by the fifth fence Janne elected to stop knowing



that she had already secured 3rd place.



The win in the Global Champions Tour Grand Prix of Germany gave Rolf a jump up the GCT rankings placing them firmly in 7th place. It is Alvaro de Miranda Neto from Brazil who has remained in top billing on the GCT Rankings since the first leg of the 2011 series.

The Global Champions Tour is classified by the leading riders in the world as the most prestigious horse shows in the world. The Global Champions Tour continues down through Europe to the magnificent seaside setting at Cannes (June 9-11).

For those who can't make it to the show grounds in Cannes, Eurosport live broadcast all of the 2011 GCT ten events across nine countries. The Global Champions Tour Grand Prix of Hamburg can be viewed delayed broadcast at 21h45 Saturday 4th June.

Live streaming of the class can be viewed at www.globalchampionstour.com

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Rolf-Goran Bengtsson (SWE) winner of the Global Champions Tour in Hamburg riding Casall La Silla

On his performance today

“It was great to win here today for me and my owner Alfonso Ramiro and also for the Holstein Verband. It is a big result for this stallion and to have many breeders here to watch was a very good result for the German horse breeding.”

On the Hamburg Show

“It is a fantastic place with many people watching and a great standard of riders.”

On his upgraded GCT ranking

“I am delighted to be in a good position in the GCT Ranking and will try to get more points now.”

Ludger BEERBAUM (GER), second placed riding Chaman

On his performance today in Hamburg.

“I am pleased how my horse jumped with three clear jumping rounds. It is special here in Hamburg and the show really lifts with all the many spectators. It is a good feeling to ride here.”

Janne Friedericke Meyer (GER), third placed riding Cellagon Lambrasco

On the horse's performance:

“The first day the horse did not jump very well but I knew over the tournament that he had to improve and he did!”

Mr Claudio Menz, German Representative for Jaeger-LeCoultre

On the 2011 Global Champions Tour event:

“Firstly congratulations on a superb event. This is our second year with the Global Champions Tour and it is proving a very good relationship with the sport of show jumping.”

Commenting on the presentation of the specially engraved Reverso timepiece to the winner:

Jaeger-LeCoultre has been aligned with horses from its inception in 1931, originally designed for polo to withstand any shock. This year we celebrate our 80th anniversary and it is fitting to present a GCT engraved watch to Rolf. Jaeger-LeCoultre is very proud to be associated with the Global Champions Tour

Paul Schockemole

Commenting on the Global Champions Tour in Hamburg:

“The Global Champions Tour is a very good addition to our Hamburg Derby and it is good for the Global Champions Tour to have their event at this showground. The top sport in the Global Champions Tour Grand Prix works well with the traditional Hamburg Derby.”

Volker Wulff – Director En Garde Marketing event organizers

Commenting on the value of the Global Champions Tour in Hamburg:

“It was a big step for us to have the Global Champions Tour here 3 years ago with the first year an additional 10,000 spectators came here to Hamburg and now each year the numbers continue to grow significantly. The synergy between the Global Champions Tour on the Saturday and the Hamburg Derby on the Sunday is very good.”

Jan TOPS (NED), President of the Global Champions Tour

Commenting on the Global Champions Tour as a professional sport circuit:

“It is very good to have the top 30 professional riders on all of our series events that are in the best locations with the best facilities. Of course there are familiar faces in riders, grooms and staff and it makes it a good event. Each country where the events are held has the opportunity for their riders to see the very best top riders and horses show jump.

Commenting on the one and only German Global Champions Tour event in Hamburg:

“Germany is a leading country in show jumping and very knowledgeable and here is a great place. It confirms that our sport is on the right track with the growing number of spectators and very comparable to other big sports here in Germany.”

Alvaro MIRANDA NETO (BRA) – Continues to lead the Global Champions Tour Ranking after the first three events

On today's result, finishing in 5th place with AD Ashleigh Drossel Dan.

“He is a special horse and does everything for the rider and you know if you give him a good ride he will come through in every class. The first round was very, very good and was unlucky today in the second round.”

Commenting on the expectation that he would be leading the ranking after 3 events of the GCT season.

“I always knew that I had bought a good horse and today the one error was my fault. I am glad to be on the Global Champions Tour circuit and still leading the rankings.”

June continues to be a very busy month for the Global Champions Tour as the circuit now moves to the French Riviera - Cannes and Monte Carlo.

Live television coverage of the Global Champions Tour Grand Prix of Cannes will be broadcast live in France on Saturday 11th June at 20h30 on Eurosport 2 and a repeat on Eurosport France on Monday 13th June at 11h00.

Eurosport International will show the Global Champions Tour on Sunday 12th June at 20h45 (CET) and Eurosport Germany at 22h30 on Sunday 12th June,

Live streaming of all the Global Champions Tour main events each day and the first round of the Grand Prix will be available on the dedicated website. www.globalchampionstour.com. The latest news and information can also be obtained online. Join the Global Champions Tour on their designated Facebook and Twitter social media platforms.

Global Champions Tour of Germany Top 10 Placings

1. Rolf-Goran Bengtsson (Sweden) – Casall la Silla 0/0/0/46.97
2. Ludger Beerbaum (Germany) – Chaman 0/0/0/47.93
3. Janne Friederike Meyer (Germany) – Cellagon Lambrasco
4. Judy-Ann Melchior (Belgium) - Cha Cha Z 1/0/72.57
5. Alvaro de Miranda Neto (Brazil) AD Ashleigh Drossel Dan – 0/4/62.71
6. Marco Kutscher (Germany) – Cash 4/0/64.58
7. Edwina Alexander (Australia) – Cevo Itot du Chateau – 4/0/64.62
8. Pablo Barrios (Venezuela) – G & C Quick Star II – 4/0/64.87
9. Gerco Schroder (Netherlands) – Eurocommerce London 4/0/ 65.78
10. Shane Breen (Ireland) – 4/0/ 66.28

Global Champions Tour Rankings – top 18 riders after 3rd leg (Hamburg)

1. Alvaro De Miranda Neto (BRA), 98 - 2. Ludger Beerbaum (GER), 93.5 - 3. Dennis Lynch (IRE), 88 - 4. Edwina Alexander (Aus), 85 5. Gerco Schroeder (NED), 83 - 6. Billy Twomey (IRE), 72 – 7. Rof-Goran Bengtsson (SWE), 60 – 8. Lars Nieberg (GER), 58 – 9. Luciana Diniz (POR), 53 – 10. Meredith Michaels-Beerbaum, 52– 11. Shk. Shakhboot Bin Nahyan (UAE), 49 - 12. Kevin Staut (FRA) 44 – 13. Laura Kraut (USA), =42 Simon Delestre (FRA), =42 – 14. Marco Kutscher (GER), 39 – 16. Pius Schwizer (SUI), 37 – =17. Janne Friederike Meyer (GER), 35 – Maikel van der Vleuten (NED), 35 – Philipp Weishaupt (GER) – 35. – 18. Judy-Ann Melchior (BEL), 33.

The Global Champions Tour ranking is updated after each leg of the tour based on the scores derived from the rider's performances.

Global Champions Tour 2011 Events

Doha, Qatar March 17-19 Valencia, Spain May 6-8 Hamburg, Germany June 1-5 Cannes, France June 9-11 Monte Carlo, Monaco June 23-25 Estoril, Portugal July 1-2 Chantilly, France July 22-24 Valkenswaard, The Netherlands August 12-14

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil September 2-4 Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, November 24-26

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