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Hannoverian Mare Scara Boa wins World Championship-Title

(Verden) She won again, this time the title „World Champion of five-year-old dressage horses“: Scara Boa, Hanoverian mare by Scolari out of a Wolkenstein II-dam. The chestnut mare, bred by Rixta Stolter and owned by Ingo Pape from Hemmoor, earned an overall score of 9.5 and even the perfect score of 10 for submissiveness. Head judge Ghislain Fouarge confirmed that this was the measure of all things today. Scara Boa would not be a horse with particularly spectacular movement, but of outstanding overall quality in general. Lena Stegman who presented Scara Boa in Verden, was very happy about this success: “We were already happy when it became evident that we qualified for the World Championships in Verden. This was already fantastic. I would have never imagined to win....”

Stegemann has been riding the chestnut mare, ridden by Susan Pape before, for less than one year. Another German horse finished second with a Danish rider: Floricello, Oldenburg liver chestnut by Florencio I – Dormello and bred by Georg Sieverding, was ridden by Andreas Helgstrand to the silver medal (8.72). Floricello qualified for the Final in the so-called Small Final of five-year-old horses and particularly shined with his mark of 9.8 for the trot. Helgstrand even participated with Floricello at the Horse Show in Falsterbo before the World Championships to see how the stallion would cope with new challenges.

The third-placed Dorado did not only surprise his rider Emmelie Scholtens (Netherlands). The KWPN-stallion by Krack C – Rousseau (8.7) was not considered that strong as Scholtens' second Championship horse Desperado by Vivaldi – Havidoff. “We made too many mistakes – and that’s the result,” was the simple explanation of Scholtens afterwards. “I was pleasantly surprised by Dorado today. I know that he is an excellent horse, and that’s what he was able to present today.”

Jan Pedersen was generous with compliments, just as FEI Director of Dressage, Trond Asmyr, for the Organizing Committee: “It was perfect,” was the comprehensive comment of Asmyr. Pedersen also recognized progress at the Championships for Young Dressage Horses: “It is good that there are not only Dutch, German and Danish horses in the Finals, but that the interest is growing in other

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countries, too.” Besides, Pedersen emphasized the close relation between the event in Verden and future championships: “What we see here in Verden is what we will see at future Grand Prix-tests.”

Before the Championship Final of five-year-old horses started, the Spanish rider Jordi Domingo Coll and the Hanoverian Mango Statesman by Sandro Hit – Brentano II had won the Small Final of six-year-old dressage horses, followed by Heiner Schiergen with the Oldenburg Discovery by Dimaggio – Classiker.

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