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*\$50,000 Rood & Riddle Grand Prix Winners
Aaron Vale & I.Adermie R 4*

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Aaron Vale Finishes 1-2, After Going Four for Four

The excitement of Aaron Vale putting in clear first round efforts on all four of his entries, was only the beginning of tonight's storybook \$50,000 Rood & Riddle Grand Prix. With only three left to go in the jump off and only one clear round posted by Kady Abrahamson and Any, Vale had just two shots left at the piñata. Each of Vale's first two horses, Obi Wan and Constantin De Hus had a rail, leaving it up to I.Adermie R 4 a 2013 Dutch Warmblood mare by Den Ham Blue R, and Debbie Smith's 2013 Holsteiner gelding, Carissimo 25.

With two of the three entries left to see, Vale took center stage for the third time aboard I.Adermie R 4. Making it look easy, Vale bested Abrahamson's split time of 21 seconds, by a full second at the Voltaire Oxe. The duo then proceeded to fly home to stop the clocks at 37.979 seconds, nearly two seconds ahead of Abrahamson and Any's time to beat of 39.360 seconds. Summer Hill and Jolly-Jessy gave Vale a run for his money galloping down to the last, but came up short crossing the timers in 39.621 seconds. At this point, Vale, who not only went four for four in the first round, just became the guaranteed winner. The only question now - will Vale take the top spot or the top two spots on the podium? The final entry to go, Vale wrapped up the jump off with another clear on his fourth entry, Carissimo 25, just shy of his own time to finish second in 38.178 seconds.

Speaking highly of his winning horse, I.Adermie R 4, Vale said, "She's won a lot of classes for us, she's won a bunch of FEI classes, some Saturday night's, some Sunday afternoons, she likes to come out with blue on her bridle a lot. Had a pole with my first two in the jump off, so it wasn't going to plan in the beginning, but like I said, she tries to be a real winner. She's a little sassy, she's a mare, she likes blue, and we like blue too, so she fits right in with us."

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Driven by their passion for equine medicine and surgery, Dr. Bill Rood and Dr. Tom Riddle began practicing together as ambulatory veterinarians in 1982. Four years later, they opened Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital, which sits on 24 acres in the heart of the Bluegrass in Lexington, KY, as a horse referral center. Rood & Riddle continues its tradition of excellence in the twenty-first century serving as a referral center for horses requiring specialized medical and surgical care and providing ambulatory care for all breeds and disciplines.

Hagyard Grand Amateur Owner Hunter Championship

With numerous impressively consistent performances seen in both the 3'3" and 3'6" Amateur Owner Hunter Divisions, this year's Hagyard Grand Champion Amateur Owner Hunter title resulted in a three way tie at 40 points. Concluding the Amateur Owner Hunter divisions this morning in the Stonelea Ring, Sections A and B of the California split Amateur Owner Hunter 3'3" 18-35 Division produced two of the three Grand Champions. Nicole Lyvere aboard Lugatti took home the championship honors for Section A, and Tztargazer, piloted by Chloe White were awarded the Section B championship. Rounding out the three way tie for overall Grand Champion were Madison Arani and Marigot Bay Farm, LLC's Madewell, who emerged with the top tricolor earlier this morning in the 3'6" Amateur Owner Hunter division.



Accumulating the most points over fences across both sections of the Younger 3'3" Amateur Owner Hunter division, Lugatti and Nicole Lyvere finished up their impressive week with a total of 34 points over fences and 40 points overall to end up Section A champion in the 3'3" Amateur Owner Hunter 18-35 division. Riding out of Lexington, KY, Lyvere guided Lugatti, a 2012 Belgian Warmblood by Lux, to the top spot in both jumping classes this morning for a total of three division wins over fences. These three victories, coupled with yesterday's third place finish over fences and a red ribbon in the under saddle earned Lyvere and Lugatti the well deserved tri-color.



Lugatti & Nicole Lyvere

Section B of the Younger 3'3" Amateur Owner Hunters produced a second Grand Amateur Owner Hunter Champion - Chloe White aboard her own Swedish Warmblood gelding, Tztargazer. White, traveling from her home base in Berwyn, PA, was guided to victory by trainer Amanda Lyerly of Madison Hills Farm. The impressive Tztargazer topped the under saddle yesterday and was expertly piloted by White to the top of the scoreboard in two of the four over fences classes. The long time duo finished second and third in the remaining two over fences classes to emerge with championship honors in Section B of the Younger 3'3" Amateur Owner Hunters.



Tztargazer & Chloe White

Finishing out the three way Grand Championship tie were the 3'6" Amateur Owner Hunter Section A champions - Marigot Bay Farm, LLC's Madewell and Madison Arani of Lexington, KY. Under the tutelage of Bill Schuab, Arani put in beautiful trips throughout the division aboard Madewell, a 2013 grey warmblood gelding by Cardento. Madewell and Arani's consistent performances resulted in two wins, a second, and third over fences, as well as the top spot in the under saddle. Also acquiring 40 points, Arani and Madewell not only clenched the Section A 3'6" Older Amateur Owner Hunter Championship, but also the final spot in the three way tie for the Hagyard Grand Champion Amateur Owner Hunter title.



Madewell & Madison Arani



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