

Win for RIVER in Aarau, May11th , 2014

River wins the prize of “Kellermüller Partner AG”, a thoroughbred race over 2'600 meters with a dotation of CHF 9'000.-. It is his second win at the race track of Aarau and in his career.



from left, Team River trainer Franziska Aeschbacher, workrider Xavier Grassini, River and Champion Jockey Olivier Plaçais, co-owner Urs Aeschbacher and co-owner Therese Reusser. Foto: Scarlett Schär

The 5-year old thoroughbred gelding RIVER (Della Francesca x River Sans Retour) owned by “Stall Golden Arabians” was for the first time ridden by Olivier Plaçais, Champion Jockey 2013 in Switzerland.

Olivier Plaçais had the difficult task to put River from the very outside starting gate to a good position in the field of 11 horses on the rather small track of Aarau with its narrow bends. After the first bend he could set River on 4th place along the rails. He kept this position till to the end of the last bend. Attacking the leading horses on the home straight he took quickly the lead and defended it successfully until the finishing line.

Trainer Franziska Aeschbacher was very pleased about the performance of the horse and commented his win: “This year River could still increase his physical ability and mentally he became a lot more self-confident and focused”.