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PARISLONGCHAMP - SUNDAY 4 OCTOBER 2020 PRIX DE L'ABBAYE DE LONGCHAMP LONGINES (Group 1 – 2 yrs & over – 1.000 mètres – 210.000 €)

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Wooded brings the Abbaye back to France !

Traditionally the Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp Longines is a hunting ground for the English... but not this year! **Wooded** (Wootton Bassett), trained by Francis-Henri Graffard in Chantilly, ridden by Pierre-Charles Boudot and bred in Normandy by Haras d'Étreham, has put an end to a near ten-year famine for the French in the 1,000m contest, run on a straight track at ParisLongchamp.

Wooded, who carries the colours of Al Shaqab Racing (Cheikh Joaan Al Thani), got the better of last year's winner **Glass Slippers** (Dream Ahead) and **Liberty Beach** (Cable Bay) back in third.

The three-year-old colt took advantage of a good draw in stall two and quickly got across to the rail. Not known for being a specialist over the 1,000m and was slightly off the bridle throughout the race but stayed on strongly at the finish.

The reactions

Francis Graffard (trainer of Wooded, 1st) :

"I was roaring! I am over the moon for him, hes a horse I love. It has been tough all season with him. I wanted to send him to Royal Ascot but we were unable to travel, I was gutted. Today the plan was to run him over 1,000 to toughen him up for next year, but he's only gone and won. He galloped last week on the soft ground and "PC" (Pierre-Charles Boudot) said to me that he was a completely different horse. Well done to "PC" who has always said he is fast and well done to the team at home !"

Tom Andrew Eaves (jockey of Glass Slippers, 2nd):

"She has ran extremely well, we can say that she put up a great performance. Our position in the stalls has not helped us I think. With a better draw things could have been different »

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- 1st WOODED (Wootton Bassett & Frida La Blonde)
 J. : P.-C. Boudot
 Ow. : Al Shaqab Racing
 Tr. : F.-H. Graffard
 Br. : Gestut Zur Kuste
- 2nd GLASS SLIPPERS (Dream Ahead & Night Gipsy)

J. : T.A. Eaves

Ow: Bearstone Stud Limited

Tr. : K.A. Ryan

Br. : Bearstone Stud Limited

3rd LIBERTY BEACH (Cable Bay & Flirtinaskirt)

J. : L. Dettori

Ow :M. P. Wilkins

Tr : J.J. Quinn

Br : P. Wilkins

Distances : Neck – SHORT HEAD - 1

Time of the race : 0'58''52