



NORRBOTTENS STORA PRIS

ATG MAJOR RACES

SATURDAY, JUNE 15 – BODEN RACETRACK

1. VERSACE FACE

One of three horses trained by Daniel Redén. Has earned less money in this race and is new in these surroundings. Faces too tough horses and hopes to earn some money. New driver.

Gender: **Gelding** Age: **7 years**
Pedigree: **Joke Face – Perle Rare**
Trainer: **Daniel Redén** Driver: **Sandra Eriksson**
Owner: **Stall Zet (Daniel Redén)**
Record: **1.11,7a** Earnings: **SEK 1,766,778**
Winning percentage: **24%**
Greatest result: **Victory in Orebro Int'l 2023**



A surprising participant in this year's edition. The horse is above all strong and has his best results over the long distance. Last year he took his biggest victory, when he won Orebro Int'l in April. Incidentally, this was also his only win that season. Throughout his career, the horse has been trained by Solvalla's Daniel Redén, who has two more horses in this race. He is driven for the first time by Sandra Eriksson. Normally meets too good opponents but has got a nice number.

2. PHOENIX PHOTO

Has developed well since he came to Svante Ericsson in 2019 and has been very successful in the V75. Ideally drawn here and can open quickly. Will certainly get a good trip.

Gender: **Gelding** Age: **10 years**
Pedigree: **Super Photo Kosmos – Glitter C.D.**
Trainer: **Svante Ericsson** Driver: **Magnus A Djuse**
Owner: **Team Phoenix On The Spot**
Record time: **1.10,1a** Earnings: **SEK 3,795,830**
Win percentage: **31%**
Greatest result: **Victory in C Th Ericssons Memorial 2024**



Ten-year-old gelding making his debut in this kind of race. He has been very successful for Svante Ericsson and taken many victories in the V75. At the end of 2020, he won, for example, the Sylvester race at Axevalla. The horse galloped in the last race in Finland but had done really well before that this season. Two starts back he won the C Th Ericssons Memorial together with Björn Goop and earned SEK 500,000. He is driven by young Magnus A Djuse, who wins the most races in Sweden right now.

3. GREAT SKILLS

The only mare in the race is driven and trained by Daniel Wäjersten. Made her comeback last time after an adventure in France and is probably much better now. Has a nice position and is a contender.

Gender: **Mare** Age: **6 years**
Pedigree: **Ready Cash – Prowess Kronos**
Trainer: **Daniel Wäjersten** Driver: **Daniel Wäjersten**
Owner: **Bro Byggnads AB**
Record time: **1.10,9a** Earnings: **SEK 6,193,447**
Win percentage: **50%**
Greatest result: **Victory in Stochampionatet 2022**



Top mare who started for Hans-Owe Sundberg and came to Daniel Wäjersten two years ago. Has been very successful there and won the Stochampionatet in 2022. Last August she became European champion for mares at Solvalla and earned one million SEK. The horse was in France last winter and finished second at Vincennes in December. Has a run under her belt now and is well prepared. Has a better number than her main rivals and is a challenger to the big favorite.

4. ROME PAYS OFF

Stable companion to Great Skills and already a top horse as a two-year-old in the US. Came to Sweden in 2021 and has done well. Won an easier race on this track last time but faces tougher opponents now.

Gender: **Stallion** Age: **7 years**
Pedigree: **Muscle Hill – Order by Wish**
Trainer: **Daniel Wäjersten** Driver: **Per Linderoth**
Owner: **SRF Stable**
Record time: **1.09,7a** Earnings: **SEK 6,164,691**
Win percentage: **16%**
Greatest result: **Second spot in the Peter Haughton Memorial**



Top horse that made a lot of money in the US. Was second in the Peter Haughton Memorial and the Breeders' Crown. Came to Sweden three years ago and was first trained by Robert Bergh where the horse was second in both the Kungapokalen and the Sprintermästaren. Then he moved to current trainer Daniel Wäjersten. There, the horse has taken three victories and actually all three at today's track, Boden. Per Linderoth knows the horse well and they have some place chance here.



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5. CASTOR THE STAR

Got his breakthrough last year scoring several victories in the V75. Won a Silver Final at Solvalla in October. The horse can open quickly and is well drawn here.

Gender: **Stallion** Age: **6 years**
Pedigree: **Maharajah – Carelia Boko**
Trainer: **Jörgen Westholm** Driver: **Mats E Djuse**
Owner: **Team Westholm AB**
Record time: **1.09.6a** Earnings: **SEK 2,265,247**
Win percentage: **29%**
Greatest result: **Victory in a Silver Final in 2023**



Has been at Jörgen Westholm's stable during the whole career and developed every season. Won two V75-races in 2022 and last year he had his real breakthrough and won both a Bronze and a Silver final. Started this season with a victory in the Påskägget in Gävle but after that he has not been as successful and at the end the horse has galloped. Is a quick starter and has a number. Driven again by Mats E Djuse and with the right trip they can definitely be in the mix.

7. FRANCESCO ZET

Phenomenon that won everything as a young horse. Came with 18 straight victories to the Elitloppet where he finished fourth in the final. Faces much easier opponents now. Top chance to defend his title!

Gender: **Stallion** Age: **6 years**
Pedigree: **Father Patrick - Shaqline**
Trainer: **Daniel Redén** Driver: **Örjan Kihlström**
Ågare: **Francesco Licciardi**
Record time: **1.08.7a** Earnings: **SEK 19,205,000**
Win percentage: **85%**
Greatest result: **Victory in Swedish Trotting Derby 2022**



Phenomenon who totally outstanding as a young horse. Won the Kriteriet as a three-year-old and as a four-year-old he won the Derby, Kungapokalen, Sprintermästaren and Breeders' Crown. Made only four races as a five-year-old and won the Jubileumpokalen. The horse comes from two efforts in the Elitloppet where the French horses were too good for the day. He should be on the way up and despite this number he has top chance to defeat these horse.

6. S.I.P.

One of three horses trained by Daniel Redén. Comes from the US where he set a world record. He has made eight starts for his Swedish trainer and is yet to win.

Gender: **Stallion** Age: **5 years**
Pedigree: **Bar Hopping – Barbara Brooks**
Trainer: **Daniel Redén** Driver: **Mika Forss**
Owner: **Brixton Medical AB & Hatfield Stables**
Record time: **1.09.2a** Earnings: **SEK 4,920,874**
Win percentage: **20%**
Greatest result: **Victory in Pennsylvania Sire Stakes**



American horse that was previously trained by Ron Burke where he won the Old Oaken Bucket and set a new world record on an 800-meter track. The horse came to Daniel Redén last year and has made eight starts for the Solvalla trainer without winning so far. Was second behind High on Pepper in Örebro Int'l but has been a scratch after that. The form is therefore a bit difficult to predict. Driven this time by Finnish Mika Forss and trying to earn some money.

8. STARO MACK CROWE

Five-year-old who is on the way up. Hasn't won yet this year and will find it difficult to do so from this poor position. Owns good strength and is driven again by Jorma Kontio.

Gender: **Stallion** Age: **5 years**
Pedigree: **Bold Eagle – Giant Crowe**
Trainer: **Katja Melkko** Driver: **Jorma Kontio**
Owner: **Staro International AB/Väsby Häst AB**
Record time: **1.10.0a** Earnings: **SEK 3,022,176**
Win percentage: **16%**
Greatest result: **Victory in Prix Ready Express 2023**



Strong five-year-old on the way up. He started his career for Jerry Riordan but came to Katja Melkko's stable last year. That summer the horse was second in the Sprintermästaren behind Hustle Rain and later he was third in the European Derby behind Barack Face. He has not won yet this year but finished third behind Borup's Victory in a major race in Seinäjoki, Finland. Tough opposition today and also a bad draw.



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9. ALWAYS EK

Top horse trained and driven by Italian Alessandro Gocciadoro. Comes from a second spot in the Sweden Cup but impressed even more in the heat where he showed 1.08.6.

Gender: **Stallion** Age: **8 years**

Pedigree: **Filipp Roc – Nike Ek**

Trainer: **Alessandro Gocciadoro** Driver: **Alessandro Gocciadoro**

Owner: **Effebe SRL**

Record time: **1.08.6a** Earnings: **SEK 6,063,109**

Win percentage: **35%**

Greatest result: **Victory in Gran Premio Tino Trossi 2020**



Top horse from Italy, trained and driven by Alessandro Gocciadoro. The eight-year-old stallion has also been very successful in France. At the beginning of 2020 he scored three straight victories at Vincennes together with Björn Goop. Comes from two efforts in the Sweden Cup where he above all impressed in the heat by winning from the outside of the leader in the top time 1.08.6! Has a tricky number but is the main challenger to the big favorite Francesco Zet.

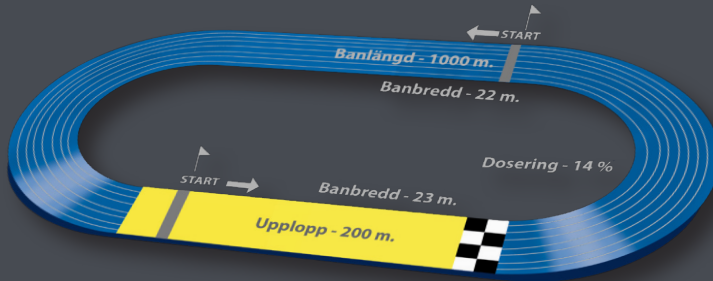


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RACETRACK INFO



BODEN (BO)

Track length: **1000 m**
Home stretch: **200 m**
Home stretch width: **23,0 m**
Back stretch width: **22,0 m**
Open stretch: **No**

RACECARD – NORRBOTTENS STORA PRIS

NR	HORSE	DRIVER	TRAINER	MLO
1.	VERSACE FACE	SANDRA ERIKSSON	DANIEL REDÉN	99/1
2.	PHOENIX PHOTO	MAGNUS A DJUSE	SVANTE ERICSSON	49/1
3.	GREAT SKILLS	DANIEL WÄJERSTEN	DANIEL WÄJERSTEN	6/1
4.	ROME PAYS OFF	PER LINDEROTH	DANIEL WÄJERSTEN	99/1
5.	CASTOR THE STAR	MATS E DJUSE	JÖRGEN WESTHOLM	9/1
6.	S.I.P.	MIKA FORSS	DANIEL REDÉN	99/1
7.	FRANCESCO ZET	ÖRJAN KIHSTRÖM	DANIEL REDÉN	1/1
8.	STARO MACK CROWE	JORMA KONTIO	KATJA MELKKO	16/1
9.	ALWAYS EK	ALESSANDRO GOCCIADORO	ALESSANDRO GOCCIADORO	6/1

RANKING: A: 7 B: 9-3-2-5-4-8-6 C: 1

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