



MEDIA ALERT

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ANAMOE CROWNED AUSTRALIAN RACEHORSE OF THE YEAR 2022/2023

It was all about Anamoe at the star-studded Australian Racehorse of the Year and Australian Racing Hall of Fame double-header held at Optus Stadium in Perth last night.

The James Cummings-trained entire added the night's top accolade to his stunning career being crowned the Australian Racehorse of the Year for 2022/2023 season.

Saluting at the highest level with a victory in the 2022 W.S. Cox plate, the champion notched up six Group 1 titles over the season and was a clear stand out with voters naming him Champion Middle Distance horse of the year.

The Godolphin champion kicked off his stellar season with victories in the Winx Stakes, the George Main Stakes, the Caulfield Stakes and completed 2022 with his magnificent win in the W.S Cox Plate. His dominance continued in 2023 with wins in the Chipping Norton and the George Ryder.

In his own acceptance speech, Group 1 Champion Jockey James McDonald said via video "Anamoe has been a warhorse for me and the Godolphin team. He was such an honest cool dude who put his heart on the line every time and he won at the very highest level. His win in the Cox Plate was just scintillating - he gave me so many thrills and was such a great horse not only on the track but off the track as well".

It was also a momentous night for Clayton Douglas and the connections of Giga Kick, with the Champion gelding taking out two major awards for the 22/23 season.

The Everest and All Aged Stakes winner was crowned Champion 3 Old Colt / Gelding, and it came as no surprise that the Doomben 10,000 star was also awarded the accolade of Champion Sprinter of the Year with a resounding number of votes in this category. In Secret was crowned the Champion Three year old filly after claiming two brilliant wins in the Group 1 Coolmore Stud Stakes and her impressive victory in the Newmarket.

The Chris Waller-trained Shinzo has taken out the 2022/23 Champion two year old award, enjoying a stellar debut season including the \$5 million Group 1 Golden Slipper.

Ciaron Maher and David Eustace were applauded with their Melbourne Cup star Gold Trip taking out the Champion Stayer award for 2022/23 amassing a record-breaking amount of votes in this category and Irish gelding Stern Idol being crowned Champion Jumper of the season, also a stand out with the judges.

The awards acknowledge performances on Australian tracks as well as international performances by Australian-trained horses for the period from August 1, 2022 to July 30 2023.

All categories were voted on by 70 of the nation's racing media, form analysts and handicappers with the winner receiving the highest number of votes awarded on a 3-2-1 basis.

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