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JORGE RICARDO CELEBRATES HIS 13,000th VICTORY

43 years, 10 months and 9 days since his first victory, the legendary Brazilian jockey Jorge Ricardo “*Ricardinho*” won today his 13,000th victory, as he crossed the finish line first, in the first race of Gavea racecourses’s race meeting (Río de Janeiro).



At the beginning of September this year, Ricardo returned to his city of birth, Río de Janeiro, after having lived in Buenos Aires for 14 years. Thus, he completes a full circle, returning to the track that saw him running back in 1976, when he was only a 15 year old apprentice jockey.

An example of professionalism, dedication, perseverance and love for what he does, after having suffered a severe illness (limphoma) in 2009 and multiple lesions related to his activity, *Ricardinho* never gave up on his passion, and is today a referent in the History of horseracing of all times, having achieved worldwide recognition.

This i show Jorge Ricardo remains leading the WORLD ALL-TIME TOP TEN (*as at September 22nd, 2020*), where he is followed by other also reknown South American jockeys, and where our region stands out for the quality of its horseracing atheletes.

(Source: www.thoroughbredracing.com)

<https://www.thoroughbredracing.com/articles/13000-winners-its-total-beggars-belief-jockey-will-probably-get-there-weekend/>

1. **Jorge Ricardo (BRZ)** 12,999
2. **Russell Baze** 12,844
3. **Pablo Falero (URU)** 9,580
4. **Laffit Pincay** 9,530
5. **Bill Shoemaker** 8,833
6. **Pat Day** 8,803
7. **David Gall** 7,396
8. **Edgar Prado (PER)*** 7,377
9. **Fumio Matoba*** 7,319
10. **Takemi Sasaki** 7,153

His children, family and friends (with the relevant health measures) and the racefans present at Gavea, deservedly applauded Ricardo for his World Record of victories. He was congratulated by his peer jockeys, stewards and trainers.

A birthday present in advance for this outstanding jockey, who is celebrating his 59th birthday on September 30th.

Congratulations, Jorge Ricardo!

We invite you to watch the interview he gave today (in Portuguese) through the following link:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HVczbUQdsul&feature=emb_title

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