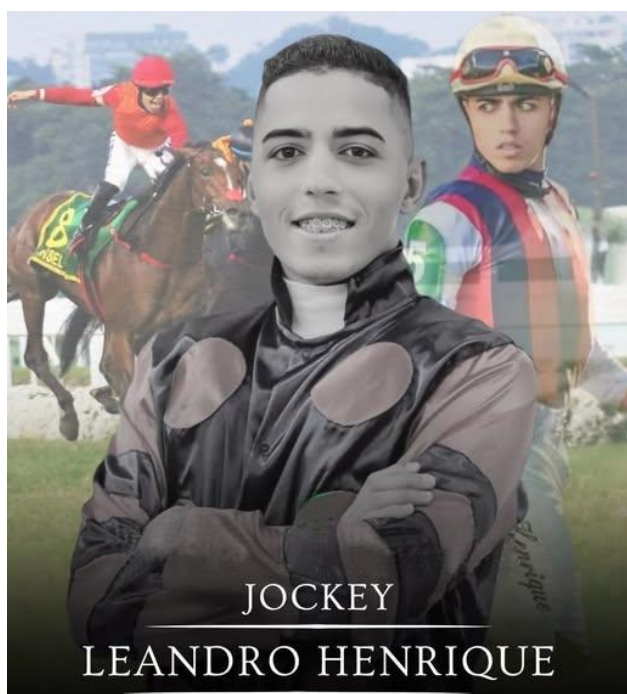


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PASSING OF TALENTED BRAZILIAN JOCKEY LEANDRO HENRIQUE, **WHO COMPETED IN THE GP LATINOAMERICANO 2021**



OSAF is deeply sorry to announce the passing of jockey Leandro Henrique at the age of 27, following a tragic accident at the Gavea Racetrack in Rio de Janeiro.

Born in Pernambuco, Leandro began his career at age 9 at the Pony School in Recife. By 14, he was already competing at the Madalena Racetrack and, shortly after, moved to the tracks in Rio de Janeiro. As an apprentice, he had a meteoric rise and became a three-time Rio de Janeiro jockey champion. He won his first race at Gavea on June

7th 2015, with URBANESCO (BRZ), and in his first year at the Gavea Racecourse he broke the track record for jockeys in the 2016/2017 season at just 16 years old, becoming the only jockey in history to achieve this feat as a student of the Brazilian Racing Club's School of Professional Riders.

He achieved over 1,000 victories throughout his career, including significant Group 1 wins such as the Brazilian Derby (G1) and the 2015 Grande Prêmio Brasil (G1) riding SINSEL (BRZ) to victory.

He had also competed at the Maroñas Racecourse in Uruguay on three occasions, including the Longines Gran Premio Latinoamericano 2021 driving MAPA MUNDI (BRZ), and the last time obtaining second place in the GP Ramírez (G1) with UNIVERSAL HORSE (BRZ).

We invite you to read the article published by Turf Diario to learn more about the career of this fantastic athlete:

<https://www.turfdiario.com/post/dolor-inmenso-en-brasil-muri%C3%B3-el-talentoso-jockey-leandro-henrique-a-los-27-a%C3%B1os>

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Our members include the major racetracks, Stud Books, Breeders' Associations, and Owners' Associations in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela, Ecuador, Colombia, and Paraguay.

The main objectives of our Organization are:

- To promote an extensive exchange of information between its Members and with International racing organizations worldwide,
- To promote the alliance with international racing and breeding authorities,
- To promote the harmonization of racing protocols and regulations within the region;
- To promote the control and fight against doping in Thoroughbreds and jockeys;
- To improve the quality of pattern races within South America;
- To promote the integrity and the best practices in the Thoroughbred industry in South America;
- To communicate about the evolution achieved by the horseracing activity within the continent, highlighting its quality and importance; developing reports, statistics and technical research on the Thoroughbred industry;
- To organize and take part in regional and international events related to the Thoroughbred industry;

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