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2010 Fidelity Investments Jumper Classic

MARIE HECART RIDING MYSELF DE BREVE FINISHES ON TOP in \$75,000 GRAND PRIX

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The beautiful Silver Oak Equestrian Center, located in the town of Hampton Falls on the N.H seacoast, played host to the Fidelity Investments Jumper Classic on September 19, 2010, presented by Porsche, which concluded the competition of one of New England's premier equestrian events.

Past Olympians, local equestrians, and some of the country's best riders competed for over \$200,000 in prize money at this top level



competition. In the featured class, the \$75,000 Fidelity Investments Grand Prix, Marie Hecart of France and Myself de Breve proved to be the fastest for the win. The Linda Allen designed course set in the Coldwell-Bankers Previews Grand Prix Field thrilled more than 6,000 spectators who watched this exciting class of top show jumpers.

A large starting field of 40 entries completed the course and six managed a

clear round to advance to the jump off with Hecart producing the first clear round. In the jump off, Hecart with Myself de Breve, aka "Mini Me", a small Selle Francais mare by Quidam de Revel, zoomed around the course leaving all the jumps up in 42.271 seconds to take the lead.

Olympian Norman Dello Joio, of Wellington, Fla. rode Notre Star de La Nutria, owned by Juan Huxley to second place. Double Olympic gold medalist McLain Ward of Brewster, N.Y with his second mount, Oh d'Eole, finished with four faults and a quick time of 42.888 seconds for third place. Ward also placed fourth on his second mount, Vocus, owned by Louisburg Farm of Boston, Mass. Welles of Wellington, Fla., and Boo Van Het Kastanjehof finish in fifth place.

29 year old Marie Hecart, the winner of the grand prix, took home a paycheck of \$22,500 with the little chestnut mare Myself de Breve, owned by Top Stallion. Originally from France, Marie now rides out of Double H Farm in Ridgefield, Conn. having just started her own business three months ago after working for Olympic gold medalist Eric Lamaze for four years.

The annual Fidelity Investments Jumper Classic will again be held next year on September 14-18, 2011, be sure to mark your calendar for this spectacular event!