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Don Carismo and Andrea Timpe
won the German Dressage Derby in
Hamburg.
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Lucie-Anouk and Lana-Pinou Baumgürtel
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Achieving success with sustainability

Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel are competing for Germany with their Hannoveraner. Lana-Pinou Baumgürtel was European Junior Team Champion last year with ZINQ Founder FH, while her sister Lucie-Anouk, one year older, is enjoying international success with ZINQ Farlana FH. Her credo: "Without pressure to perform and with sustainability to success!"

By Kira Kaschek

Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel are considered two of the greatest talents in the dressage saddle that Germany currently has to offer. There is good reason why the two sisters from Nottuln, near Münster, are European champions, winners of the "Preis der Besten" and participants in the Bundeschampionat. But Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel are also happy to put up with any amount of work and deprivation for their passion – and without any pressure to perform, because success and being with their horses is worth every second of their time for the sisters.

At Freiberger Hof, the home of the Baumgürtel family, the clocks seem to tick according to a different calendar. The calm and serenity needed to train young horses is already palpable when you drive through the gate of the historically protected complex. The stables, the residential building and also the many spacious pastures offer the best conditions for working according to their own concept and giving the young horses all the time they need. And it is also this approach that Beatrice Baumgürtel wants to pass on to her daughters and with which the two such successful riders have grown up. It is not until the age of four that the hopeful four-legged talents begin work under the saddle at the Freiberger Hof, where from then on they are ridden three to four times a week. In this way, the horses quickly reach the same level of performance as their competitors, who have already started training at the age of three. "We think it's better if the horses have had their childhood to the fullest and muscle development takes place slowly. It is not until the age of five that the first competition starts. We want our horses to still be in top shape when they are 18 years old. We reject quick profit at the expense of the horses," explains Beatrice Baumgürtel, for whom marketing the horses of Freiberger Hof is precisely not the main business. "Sustainability is the keyword. The sport and the training of young horses are what fascinates us. Our goal is to keep the sport horses healthy in the long term," adds the Swiss-born. That's why only six to eight horses are sold each year that have grown up on the Freiberger Hof. Some, however, are purchased, such as the eight-year-old ZINQ Ferati FH by Fürst Belissaro/Del Piero (breeder: Peter Mahler, Neuhaus), who once found a new owner through the stallion sales in Verden as a not licensed stallion. It was less than four weeks ago that Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel achieved a strong third place with the dark bay at the "Preis der Besten" in Warendorf as the youngest horse overall in the age group, winning bronze. The Baumgürtel family itself has also won a number of horses at Verden Auctions. In the recent past, several foals and youngsters have been purchased. Like

in 2020, when three foals were purchased for the Freiberger Hof. A good example of a successful auction in the equestrian town Verden is St.Pr.A. Sweetheart by Scolari/Hohenstein (breeder: Jörg-Christian Kruse, Cuxhaven), who came to Freiberger Hof via the Elite Auction in October 2012. With Marcus Hermes, she finished tenth in the World Championships for six-year-old dressage horses before going on to be successful in international junior competitions with the then 14-year-old Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel. At the age of twelve, the state premium candidate had to be euthanized after a pasture injury. In 2013, it was the Deveraux/Londonderry daughter ZINQ Deloitte FH (breeder: Hans Henning von der Decken, Brocklosenborstel) who changed ownership to the Baumgürtel family and was successful up to Prix St. George with Lana-Pinou Baumgürtel and Marion Wiebusch. The latest addition is the Don Martillo/Scolari daughter ZINQ Dora FH (breeder: Renate Weber, Hamburg), which the Baumgürtel family purchased at the November 2021 auction.

The individual style

According to Beatrice Baumgürtel, it is above all the high demands that dressage horses have to meet at a young age these days that are to blame for early competition starts that can have long-term consequences. This is true for both the animals and the riders, she said. "The appeal is to train the horses so that they bear our signature. Fairness and ease are enormously important to us," explains Beatrice Baumgürtel. This is evident not only in sport, but also in breeding. When it comes to selecting a stallion, teamwork is required. With the whole family, the best suggestions are sifted out and the right stallion is selected for their own mares.



With ZINQ Founder FH, Lana-Pinou Baumgürtel convinced at the "Preis der Besten" in Warendorf.

Photo: Equitaris

Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel has already celebrated successes up to Prix St. George with the eight-year-old ZINQ Ferati FH and took third place in the "Preis der Besten" a few weeks ago.

Photo: Equitaris





Lucie-Anouk (above) with ZINQ Farlana FH and Lana-Pinou Baumgürtel with ZINQ Founder FH agree: „Fairness and ease are important to us!“ Photos: Kaschek

In the fast-paced world of competitive sport, Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel have been able to withstand the pressure and establish themselves at the top of the young riders' game. The basis for this is the family's sustainable concept. Already mother Beatrice was an ambitious dressage rider and laid the foundation for her own breeding with the elite mare Rheia, a Trakehner mare by Partout. In the meantime, the third generation continues to breed with this line. Rheia's two offspring, Calas FH and Cabanas FH, proved to be a stroke of luck, shining in the Nürnberger Burg-Pokal and in the finals of the Louisdor Prize. Benaglio, who was highly successful internationally with Victoria Max-Theurer, also comes from this family. Even before moving to Nottuln, the Baumgürtel family was at home in the Münsterland region, namely in Haltern am See. However, for eight years now and after a complete rebuild, the centre of life has been the Freiberger Hof.

The path to success also seems to be already set. Although both girls have dedicated their lives to horses and riding, they first want to build up a second livelihood with a good school education and a university degree. But training is still the main focus, as the sisters each ride up to eight horses a day. So Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel also organize their own travel, submit entries, book hotels and plan each tournament start far in advance. "It takes a lot of organization to plan trips to the European Championships or similar competitions," they both say. However, there was never any pressure to perform from home. "The desire for a pony came up quickly," Beatrice Baumgürtel recalls. It was clear early on that Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel were on fire for equestrian sports, and the family decided to buy young ponies and train them themselves. With this approach, the sisters took several ponies to the European Championships. With Massimiliano FH, Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel won seven gold medals. While the dun meanwhile spends his retirement in the paddocks of the Freiberger Hof, Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel have successfully switched to warmbloods.

The success series

Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel is studying psychology in Münster. The 19-year-old is now in her second semester and, despite all the demands, manages the balancing act between academic work and competitive sport without any problems. The university also gives her the freedom to combine her studies with riding. This is made possible by online lectures and flexible time management at home. "Studying is easy for me, plus we have a great team that always has our backs. It was like that

with the ponies before and it works out with the horses now," she explains. The student's sporting successes read like a fairy tale: Back in 2016, Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel competed for Germany at her first European Championships, she won triple gold two years in a row with pony Massimiliano FH, in 2018 she won the gold medal with the team, in 2019 she was also called up to the German team with ZINQ Sweetheart FH, but was unable to take part due to an injury to the mare. The following year, Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel won triple gold with pony Nasdaq FH and also advanced to the European Junior Triple Championships with KWPN gelding ZINQ Hugo FH. In 2022 it was team gold in the Young Riders class and silver and bronze in the individual competition. At the Bundeschampionat, she finished third in the six-year-old dressage class with the Vitalis/First Dance daughter ZINQ First Vienna FRH (breeder: Beekenhof, Bomlitz). The Hannoveraner premium candidate was awarded the name suffix of the Hannoveraner Förderverein (FRH) for this performance.

Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel was also successful several times in the "Preis der Besten", winning in 2017, 2018 as well as 2021 and 2022. This year she finished sixth with ZINQ Farlana FH by Fürstenball/Lancier (breeder: Ekke Thaden, Butjadingen). The black mare was also awarded candidacy for the Hannoveraner Premium and is none other than a half-sister to the Celle State Stud stallion Dancier, who died much too soon. The twelve-year-old is the horse of Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel's heart, who was not only internationally successful with her, but also made the jump into the Young Rider Tour. "I set myself small goals and just see what comes. I have a lot of fun training the young horses. Especially the work with First Vienna FRH and Ferati FH is very close to my heart," said the 19-year-old. Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel describes the mare ZINQ First Vienna FH FRH as her dream horse. "First Vienna simply brings all the qualities. She has three great basic gaits and an incredibly good character," the student enthuses. ZINQ Ferati FH, on the other hand, is laughingly described by the successful rider as a little "natterer" who has often provided a few laughs. Lana-Pinou Baumgürtel can also look back on a long list of successes. The 17-year-old has just graduated from high school and, from a competitive point of view, would describe the past year as the most successful of her young career so far. In 2022, she competed in the junior age group at the European Championships and won team gold. In the "Preis der Besten", she finished a strong second place with the Westphalian mare ZINQ Emma FH and reached the top with her eleven-year-old ZINQ Founder FH by Foundation/Sarkozy (breeder: Lewitz Stud, Mühlen). In ad-

dition, she was represented in the national squad with three horses at the same time and reached the bronze rank at the German Youth Championships in Verden in the saddle of the Oldenburg mare Escalla FH. In 2023, she placed third in the "Preis der Besten" with ZINQ Founder FH and ZINQ Emma FH. After graduating from school, Lana-Pinou Baumgürtel now also wants to start studying, but she is not yet revealing which subject it will be. "At the moment I'm happy to be able to ride a bit more," she explains, "But one goal would be to compete at Grand Prix level one day. Preferably with our homebred horses, of course."

Support from family and the team

For the Baumgürtel family, training under guidance from the ground is the key to success. Rider Marion Wiebusch, who works at the Freiberger Hof and has already been able to bring many horses into international sport, is also very helpful. "But we also all support each other. Of course, my mother always keeps an eye on things," laughs Lana-Pinou Baumgürtel, who also likes to do the odd jump and integrate cavaletti work into a varied training plan. Incidentally, neither sister wants to ride full-time for the time being; Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel first want to build up a second livelihood. "Being a professional rider is extremely difficult. It is important not to be dependent on competition success and horse sales," says mother Beatrice Baumgürtel. This is also about the physical health of her daughters, because avoiding falls and injuries in equestrian sport is difficult. However, Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel have so far been spared from bad luck with injuries. The calmness with which the horses grow up at the Freiberger Hof is certainly responsible for this. This allows the animals to better trust their caregivers. "We want happy horses that voluntarily have that certain 'go' and not because they are tense. They should have fun and want to work," Beatrice Baumgürtel continues. For this reason, the Freiberger Hof takes a lot of time for warming up and gymnastics, and after a competition start, the four-legged friends can relax in the paddock. "We pay a lot of attention to the individual needs of the horses," agrees Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel. Of course, Lana-Pinou and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel also have to live with the fact that some of the horses have been sold, having been carefully trained. "We have always found great new owners for our sales horses. That was also very important to us," explains Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel. Besides riding, there is not too much time left for other hobbies. But the Baumgürtel sisters have a professional attitude: "We also enjoy doing things with friends," says Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel, who, however, mostly avoids clubs and parties on the week-



ends. "You have to set priorities and weigh things up. You have to choose, and we chose horses and to get ahead in riding. We want to learn together with the horses, and the harmony between rider and horse simply fascinates us. It is fun to see and accompany every little step of development. We don't even have to go to the competition for that. These moments of happiness also occur during training at home," she explains. But that should not diminish the triumph of winning a gold medal. Nevertheless, the sisters remain modest. "Without the support of my parents and the team behind us, none of this would have been possible," concludes Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel. So it will be interesting to see where the journey continues for the sisters. In any case, the chances of both of them being nominated for the national squad again and representing Germany internationally are pretty good. ■

Bronze at the Bundeschampionat for six-year-old dressage horses: ZINQ First Vienna FH FRH and Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel. Photo: Lafrentz

At the Elite Auction 2012, the Baumgürtel family discovered Sweetheart FH. With Lucie-Anouk Baumgürtel the mare was successful in international junior competitions.

Photo: Lafrentz



Season gains momentum

Hamburg, Wiesbaden, Rome – the green season is picking up speed. In Wiesbaden, Showtime FRH and Dorothee Schneider celebrated a double victory, Van Bambelby and Katrin Eckermann won the Grand Prix in Riesenbeck.

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Show Jumping



Balou du Rouet

Baloukato

In the first qualifier for six-year-olds at the CSI4* Poznan/POL, Baloukato by Balou du Rouet/Stakkato/Ramiro (line of Almka, breeder: Johannes zur Lage Bersenbrück) and Jaroslaw Skryczynski finished third.

Bell Ragazzo

Third place in a two-phase show jumping competition at CSI3* Busto Arsizio/ITA was won by Bell Ragazzo by Balou du Rouet/Embassy/Stakkato (breeder: Mareike Günther, Leer) and the Swiss rider Edy Tanner.

In the Grand Prix of Hamburg, the Quaid daughter Quirici H and Sandra Auffarth finished seventh.

Baliya (VA)

On the opening day of the CSI2* Opglabbeek/BEL on the Whitsun weekend, Baliya by Balou du Rouet/Catoki/Drosselklang II (line of Isgilde, breeder: Hendrik Hüsker, Wachen-dorf) and Mylen Kruse flew to third place in the two-phase jumping competition for six-year-olds.

Chacco-Blue

Chacball

The time would have been enough to win, but a pole down led to "only" fourth place in the World Cup Jumping (1.55 metres) in Athens/GRE for Chacball by Chacco-Blue/Baloubet du Rouet/Drosselklang II (line of Dichterschloss, breeder: Lewitz Stud, Mühlen) and Bulgarian Angel Niagolov.

Chacco's Girlstar

The Chacco Blue/Sandro Boy/Quick Star daughter Chacco's Girlstar (line of Anela,

breeder: Lewitz Stud, Mühlen) celebrated the first international victory of her career at the CSI3*-W Budapest/HUN. The eleven-year-old won a 1.45 metre test on faults and time with Péter Szuhai. A sensation was in the air on the final day when the pair narrowly missed out on victory in the World Cup Jumping (1.55 metres) and finished second.

Cador

Champion League (VA)

On the same weekend the Champions League Final in football was held, the Cador/Contendro/Eiger son Champion League (line of Marzibilla, breeder: Karl-Heinz Engel, Garbsen) finished third with Alberto Michan in the international opening jumping competition (1.50 metres) of the CSI3* Mill Spring/USA.

Campbel Czech

Carison

Two of the four first-place finishers in the World Cup show jumping competition (1.55 metres) in Budapest/HUN carried the Hannoveraner foal brand. One of them was the Campbel Czech/Graf Czech/Akzent II son Carison (line of Nordspitze, breeder: Staj Mustang, Lucina/CZE), who delivered a clear round with Nikola Bielikova and took fourth place on the lap of honor.

Cascadello

Cascadello Boy RM (Rhld./VA)

At the Meuse river, Cascadello Boy RM by Cascadello/Balou du Rouet/Polydor (Willkür line, breeder: Josef Ruyter, Rees) and rider Meshari Alharbi from Saudi Arabia were cheering: second place in the Grand Prix (1.50 metres) from Kessel/NED.



Catoki

Campbell

In May, Campbell by Catoki/Laptop/Acord II (line of Schligrune, breeder: Henry Perl, Ringsstedt) celebrated two placings in World Cup jumping competitions (1.50 metres) in South Africa. In Midrand/RSA, he finished fourth with Lisa Williams. Three weeks later, the 17-year-old improved to second place in Kromdraai/RSA.

Chacco Chacco

Chaccolina

For the first time, the Chacco Chacco/ Götterfunke/Grafenberg daughter Chaccolina (breeder: Dirk Buderus, Heidenrod) competed with the 23-year-old U.S. rider Giavanna Rinaldi and crowned the premiere at the CSI3* Kessel/NED with victory in the Youngster Tour Final.

Chaman

Charming Fun

The first foal of the performance mare jumping Forever Fun, who was successful up to 1.45 metres herself, is Charming Fun. At her home event in Riesenbeck/GER, the 2016-born Chaman/Floran/Landadel daughter (breeder: Madeleine Winter-Schulze, Brelingen) won the silver ribbon with Philipp Weishaupt in the first qualification for the Youngster Cup.

Check In

Chilon

The stage for the first international victory of Chilon by Check In/Stakkato/Literat (breeder: Udo Wagner, Kissenbrück) was the Hamburg Derby Park. The ten-year-old won the Large Tour Final of the CSIAm-A with Christina Henriksen.

Commissario

Cato Boy

The PHS*** mare Lady Gaga sent two sons to the CSI5* in Hamburg/GER, both were among the best: Cato Boy and Commissar Pezi. Cato Boy by Commissario/Lord Pezi/Fly High (line of Ambella, breeder: Johannes zur Lage, Bersenbrück) did not afford a single penalty point in the Derby Park. With this outstanding record, the nine-year-old and the Irish rider Shane Breen finished fifth in



In Hamburg and Wiesbaden, Cato Boy by Commissario and Shane Breen collected top results.

Friday's main jumping competition "Flottbek 5Star" (1.55 metres) and moved up to second place in the 1.50 metre test of the Medium Tour one day later. Cato Boy went on to Wiesbaden/GER, where he finished seventh in the Lotto-Hessen Prize (1.50 metres).

Commissar Pezi

Cato Boy's one-year older full brother Commissar Pezi by Commissario/Lord Pezi/Fly High (line of Ambella, breeder: Johannes zur Lage, Bersenbrück) is now Swiss and finished sixth with Martin Fuchs in the Grand Prix (1.60 metres) of Hamburg/GER. After a stop in Rome/ITA, Commissar Pezi already achieved a top ten placing in the qualifier for the Grand Prix (1.60 metres) and then rejoiced over second place on the final day.

Christian

Clitschko

Ireland won the traditional Nations Cup (1.60 metres) in Rome/ITA. The team included the Christian/Check In/Quo Vadis son Clitschko (breeder: Bernd Hickert, Marsberg) and Michael G. Duffy, who contributed a clear round to the victory.

Clinton

Charalambos JU

The Clinton/Acorado/San Carlos son Charalambos JU (line of Hoseka, breeder: Jürgen Uhlenwinkel, Grethem) was seventh with Nerijus Sipaila in the World Cup jumping competition (1.50 metres) at Vazgaikiemis/LTU.

Comme il faut

Cubi Cubells

In Riesenbeck/GER, the international curtain rose for the first time for the Comme il faut/Julio Mariner xx/Wanderer daughter Cubi Cubells (line of Alferate, breeder: Uta Rosemann, Münster). With Greta Reinacher, the eight-year-old finished second in the second class of a Medium Tour show jumping competition.

Contagio

Cesal

At the CSI3*-W Budapest/HUN, Cesal by Contagio/Graf Remus/Servus (line of Kieler-sprotte, breeder: Wilfried Böttjer, Osterholz-Scharmbeck) finished third with Barna Burucs in a jumping class on faults and time.

Coby

Coby by Contagio/Escudo/Pik König (line of Kurheim, breeder: Jürgen Geffken, Lilienthal) and Philipp Weishaupt had their eyes set on the victory in the Grand Prix (1.60 metres) of Hamburg/GER. They set the fastest time, but had a fence down and finished fifth.

Contendro

Conrad HB

In Sweden, the Contendro/Stakkato/Grannus son Conrad HB (line of Nokadere, breeder: Heinrich Bremer, Nöpke) has found a new home. At the CSIOY in Drammen/NOR, the dark bay stallion won a class with Johanna

Hannoveraner News

In the USA, the Benicio/Le Primeur son **Ballando** (breeder: Hermann Jürgen Rump, Norddrebber) celebrated his first Grand Prix victories with Katie Duerhammer. The licensed stallion had been fourth in the 2019 Bundeschampionat for six-year-old dressage horses with Eva Möller and is the first Benicio son to celebrate success at Grand Prix level.



Mareike Harm (archive photo) Photo: Lafrentz

In Saumur/FRA, the German four-in-hand drivers celebrated victory in the Nations Cup ahead of Belgium and Sweden. The best in the team was Mareike Harm, who could rely on her proven Rascalino/Weltmeyer son **Racciano** (breeder: Klaus Michaelis, Basdahl). The bay, now 17 years old, had left the Verden Elite Auction in October 2009 for Belgium before coming to Mareike Harm's stable at Hof Rützenhagen in Negernbötel in 2016.

At the dressage show in Hamminkeln, the Veneno/Fidertanz son **Valdiviani** (breeder: Roger Ballmann, St. Vith/BEL) started his competition career with a victory. With Isabell Werth, the 2016-born premium stallion, who has not yet been shown in the arena, topped the second class of the S* dressage for young horses. Two of the three judges had seen another Hannoveraner privately owned stallion in first place: **Isterberg V** by Instertanz V/Belissimo M (breeder: Letter Berg Stud, Coesfeld) with Stephanie Leuenberger. However, one judge awarded 38 points less and so it was second place in the first class for the eight-year-old.

Carlsson. The following day, the two were part of the Swedish team that won the Nations Cup.

Conteur

Hero of no Man's Land-H

In Zduchovice/CZE, Hero of no Man's Land-H by Conteur/Sao Paulo/Arsenik (line of Wallfirth, breeder: Pferdezucht Dr. Rowold, Haselünne) won the U25 Grand Prix with Emelie Pieper with the only ride with a clear round. Already in the qualification the two had convinced on second place.

Cornado

Cool Feeling (Rhld.)

Third place in the first competition of the Large Tour at the CSI2* Riesenbeck/GER was won by Cool Feeling by Cornado/Lancer II/Silvester (breeder: Ulrich Pütz, Wermelskirchen) and Philipp Hartmann. With Coolmax by Couleur-Rubin as well as Amber and Abahatschi by Arpeggio, Lexa's dam has three other advanced (S) level successful show jumpers, who helped her achieve three stars in the Jumper Breeding Program.

Cornet's Balou

Crack Balou

The very first five-star competition in Hamburg/GER saw a Hannoveraner victory: Crack Balou by Cornet's Balou/Chacco-Blue/Carthago (Lunda line, breeder: Lewitz Stud, Mühlen) and Emanuele Gaudiano secured the victory in the two-phase jumping competition of the Medium Tour. The team traveled 1,700 kilometres south to the CSIO5* Rome/ITA. There, the hosts finished second in the Nations Cup with Crack Balou in the team.

Count Grannus

Count me In

In the qualifier (1.50 metres) for the Grand Prix of the CSIO5* Langley/CAN, Count me In by Count Grannus/Sherlock Holmes/Mahon (line of Maritim, breeder: Friedrich Lübmann, Neustadt) and Connor Swail left no stone unturned and flew to second place.

Diarado

PB Dicannus

Jubilation in Lombardy: PB Dicannus by Diarado/Chacco-Blue/Grannus (line of Jemma,

breeder: Lewitz Stud, Mühlen) and Annina Züger-Hächler won the Grand Prix (1.50 metres) of the CSI3* Busto Arsizio/ITA.

D'Inzeo

Darquito

Second place in the opening jumping class of the CSI2* Lexington/USA went to the D'Inzeo/Contefino/Stakkato son Darquito (line of the Kalunda, breeder: Dieter Köneke, Nienhagen) and Audrey Schulze.

Gem of India

Gem of Saiga

The Gem of India/Satisfaction/Airport son Gem on Saiga (line of Kandare, breeder: Pferdezucht Dr. Rowold, Haselünne) rocketed to the international top of the young horse class in Riesenbeck/GER. The black horse won the second qualification for the Youngster Cup with rider Henrik Griese.

Ghia Pé

For the USA, Ghia Pé by Gem of India/Laissez faire/Feinbrand (breeder: Kirsten Merz-Silbernagl, Tieringen) competed in the Schlosspark in Wiesbaden/GER and, with 18-year-old Ansgar Holtgers Jr. in silver place in the results of a jumping competition against the clock of the Small Tour.

Heartbreaker

Oak Grove's Heartthrob

As the winner of the second qualifier for the seven- and eight-year-olds, the Heartbreaker/Artos Z/Ramiro son Oak Grove's Heartthrob (line of Fairness III Z, breeder: Gestüt Eichenhain, Varste) and Kendra Claricia Brinkop left the course in Lier/BEL.

Levistano

Hann.Pr.A. Karen (VA)

With 18-year-old Skylar Wireman, the Levistano/Cassus/Stakkato daughter Hann.Pr.A. Karen (line of Swan Maiden, breeder: Renaldo Dähling, Dellien) competed at the CSI2* San Juan Capistrano/USA. In California, she finished third in a test on faults and time.

Levisto

PB Löwenherz

At the CSIO5* St. Gallen/SUI, the Levisto/Contender/Lanthan son PB Löwenherz (line



Fourth in a Medium Tour class in Hamburg: Hann.Pr.St. Quatinka by Quaid and Lars Kerstan.

of Adja, breeder: Nicolas Miller, Ahlen) and Pia Reich grabbed the silver ribbon in a 1.45 metre class. The second silver, worth 16,000 Euros, followed in the speed jumping competition (1.50 metres) on Saturday evening.

Lissabon

Callaho Lexington

In the World Cup show jumping competition (1.50 metres) at Midrand/RSA, only three pairs remained penalty-free in both rounds. These included Callaho Lexington by Lissabon/For Joy/Raphael (line of Forst, breeder: Callaho Warmblood Sport Horses, Christiana/RSA) and Jeanne Korber. This top performance was rewarded with the silver ribbon.

Lord Pizarro

Lord Getty

A new face on the international sport pages in DER HANNOVERANER is Lord Getty. In Munich/GER, the Lord Pizarro/Embassy/Argentan son (line of Dido, breeder: Siegfried Pilz, Lilienthal) won the second qualifier of the CSIYH1* with Armin Schäfer.

Lordanos

Nupafeed's La Vista

In front of an enthusiastic Hamburg audience, Nupafeed's La Vista by Lordanos/ For Pleasure/Aldatus (line of Jadara, breeder: Karl-Heinz Auffarth, Bergedorf) and Sandra Auffarth finished a brilliant fourth in the German Jumping Derby with the fastest four-fault round

– only the infamous plank after the Derby bank fell.

Kannan

Kumano Polt (Rhld.)

The Kannan/Corrado II/Kordon Fuge son Kumano Polt (breeder: Polet s.r.o., Trebostovo/SVK) is at the beginning of his international career. At the CSI3*-W Budapest/HUN, the 2016-born black horse finished third with Marek Klus in the two-phase Youngster Tour show jumping competition. In Zduchvice/CZE, Kumano Polt then stood at the top of the podium for the first time, having already picked up another third place ribbon in the first Youngster Tour qualifier. The set of ribbons was completed by a second place in the final.

Messenger

Mescorial PS

The final of the Medium Tour of the CSI4* Wiesbaden/GER was decided in the accumulator class (1.50 metres). With full points, PS by Messenger/Cornet Obolensky/Glorial (line of Jali, breeder: Lewitz Stud, Mühlen) and Philipp Weishaupt finished in seventh place.

Monte Bellini

Montellino

In the jump-off for the Grand Prix (1.60 metres) of Poznan/POL, Montellino by Monte Bellini/Cordalme/Ramino (breeder: Michael Heitmann, Dinklage) and Francesco Turturiel-

lo did not compete and were ranked ninth in the highly paid competition, which still brought in 13,200 Euros.

My Lord Carthago

Mackay

Mackay by Mylord Carthago/Quidam de Revel/Landadel (line of Denkerin, breeder: Dieter Scherwitz, Holdorf) entered his name in the winners' list of the CSI2* Sancourt/FRA. He won a jumping competition on faults and time with Stephanie Hennequin.

Perigueux

Palina de l'Escaut

In the opening jumping competition (1.50 metres) of the CSI4* Devon/USA, the Perigueux/Gardeulan/Lemon xx daughter Palina de l'Escaut (line of Aguna, breeder: Rolf Knüppel, Jork) and Kaitlin Campbell excelled with a clear round to finish fifth.

Plietsch

With the young Norwegian Ada Alette Braaten Johnsen, the Perigueux/Cornet Obolensky/Graf Gannus son Plietsch (line of Notkerine, breeder: Heinrich Ramsbrock, Menslage) finished third in the Grand Prix of the CSIOY Drammen/NOR. This was followed by a CSI03* at the same venue, where the pair finished third in a two-phase show jumping competition.

Pocahontas

Third place in the two-phase Medium Tour jumping competition at the CSI2* Kronenberg/NED "Start of Summer" went to Pocahontas by Perigueux/Escudo/Grand Ferdinand II (line of Dolinda, breeder: Dr. Rainhard Koop, Neetze) and Christian Ahlmann.

Policeman

At the venerable Piazza di Siena in Rome/ITA, Policeman by Perigueux/Acord II/Ramiro (breeder: Heinz Sprenger, Fritzlar) and Omer Karaevli were convincing in the qualifier (1.55 metres) for the Grand Prix, finishing eighth.

Prinz (VA)

At the end of the CSI5* GCT Cannes/FRA, the Perigueux/Escudo/Werther son Prinz (line of Nachbarin I, breeder: Volker Ebeling, Ingeln) and Hans-Dieter Dreher won the ranking point jumping (1.50 metres) with a lead of almost two seconds.

Hannoveraner News



La Vie and Therese Nilshagen Photo: Schreiner

The horse show Pferd International in Munich-Riem at the end of May was also the scene of brilliant Hannoveraner successes. The qualification for the Nürnberger Burg-Pokal was won by **La Vie** by Livaldon/Scolari (breeder: Heinz Gerdes, Hude), masterfully ridden by Therese Nilshagen. For the first time, Dorothee Schneider brought the Vivaldi/Rubioso N son **Vainqueur** (breeder: Marten Hillmann, Gr. Henstedt) to the start and won the Intermediare II straight away. In the S*** test, they were narrowly beaten and finished second behind Springbank II VH and Yara Reichert. Only a few weeks ago, Dorothee Schneider had taken over the chestnut stallion from Hubertus Schmidt, who has ended his competitive career.

Still unbeaten in 2023 is **Demetrius** by Dancier/Don Bosco (breeder: Hermann Jürgen Rump, Norddehber). With Rebecca Lord, the 2009-born dark bay has won ten gold ribbons in Grand Prix and Special in Florida.

The Central American and Caribbean Games will be held in Santo Domingo/DOM at the end of June. Luis Reteguidenizard will compete for Puerto Rico with the Heinrich Heine/White Star son **H. Vortex** (breeder: Albert Kramer, Grasberg). The team from Colombia includes the Rhinelander **Flanissimo** by Flanagan/Ferragamo (breeder: Horst Widdig, Neunkirchen) and Juliana Gutiérrez. For Mexico, **Deinhard** by Don Frederico/Londonderry (breeder: Bernhard Lenger, Haselünne) and Enrique Palacios as well as **Fite** by Laureano/Harvard (breeder: Walter Behrens, Großenkneten) and Antonio Rivera will be competing.

Milan

With the name Paganini, Milan by Perigueux/Lordanos/Werther (line of Julianca, breeder: Eitel Wehrs, Steinwedel) was a finalist at the Bundeschampionat before the chestnut was sold to the USA. With Irish rider David Blake, international success was achieved at the CSIO5* Vancouver/CAN. The two finished second in a competition on faults and time.

Quaid

Yoghi FLP

In a two-phase jumping competition at CSIO5* Vancouver-Langley/Canada, Yoghi FLP by Quaid/Stakkato/Don Fernando (North Coast line, breeder: Gerhard Hagemann, Croya) and Grant Seger took third place on the podium. The CSIO5* was followed by a Nations Cup competition with CSIO2*. In the Friday competition, Yoghi FLP finished third.

Quality H (VA)

Behind the hosts USA, Ireland finished second in the Nations Cup at San Juan Capistrano/USA. For the first time, the Quaid/Stakkato/Laptop son Quality H (line of Edwine, breeder: Hans-Heinrich Hagemann, Hüpede) and Mark Kinsella were part of the team in an "international match" for the Emerald Isle.

Quirici H

In the Grand Prix (1.60 metres) of Hamburg/GER, fifth, sixth and seventh place went to Hannover. Behind Coby and Commissar Pezi,

The winners of the Grand Prix of Riesenbeck were Van Bambelby and Katrin Eckermann (archive photo).

the Quaid/Escudo/Wanderbursch son Quirici H (line of Arma, breeder: Gundula Hagemann, Oberholz) and Sandra Auffarth were delighted with seventh place.

Hann.Pr.St. Quatinka (VA)

In the second jumping competition (1.50 metres) of the Medium Tour of the CSIO5* Hamburg/GER, fourth place went to Hann.Pr.St. Quatinka by Quaid/Perigueux/Stakkato (breeder: Manfred Schäfer, Köchingen) and the Dutch rider Lars Kersten.

Qualito

Qualice (VA)

Qualice by Qualito/Grey Top/Zeus (line of Sabalenda, breeder: Werner Rückgauer, Krautheim) brought home two top placings from the trip to Kronenberg/NED. She finished third once and second once in Youngster Tour jumping competitions with Tobias Bremermann.

Quinta

Second and thus the best seven-year-old in the second qualification of the Youngster Tour at the horse show Pferd International in Munich/GER was Quinta by Qualito/Diarado/Caritano Z (line of Schwalbe II, breeder: Eckhard Kordes, Velpke). In the saddle was Karlijn Crawford van Aarem.

Stakkato

Sternmarke (VA)

The Côte d'Azur is a good place for the Stakkato/Escudo/Werther son Sternmarke (line of Schneiderin, breeder: Manfred Schäfer, Kö-





In the Championat of Balve Susanne by Stakkato and Patrick Bölle flew to third place.

chingen). On the first weekend in June, the nine-year-old was second in the two-phase show jumping competition at the CSI2* St. Tropez/FRA with Wilton Porter. Next "scene of the crime": the CSI2* Cannes/FRA. There, Sternmarke finished with the third-fastest round in a jumping class on faults and time.

Susanne

Balve/GER was not only the venue of the German Championships, but also of a CSI2*. In the Championat of Balve, Susanne by Stakkato/Landfriesse/Watzmann line of Imortelle, breeder: ZG Bartonek and Appel, Hinte) and Patrick Bölle took the lap of honor in third place. The two had achieved the same placing in the qualification.

Stakkato Gold

Starissa

Starissa by Stakkato Gold/Quidam's Rubin (breeder: Albert Sprehe, Essen) had every reason to cheer at the Derbypark. He won the Championat (1.55 metres) in Hamburg/GER with Mario Stevens on Ascension Day. This was followed by the Nations Cup in St. Gallen/SUI, where the pair contributed a clear round to third place for the German team. In the Grand Prix (1.60 metres) on the last day of the CSIO5*, Starissa finished sixth.

Stakkato's Highlight

Veyron

Among the winners of the CSI4* Bourg en Bresse/FRA was Veyron by Stakkato's High-

light/Anton/Rubin Star N (line of Nachnahme, breeder: ZG Lohrey, Büdingen). The 14-year-old won the accumulator competition on the final day with Axel van Colen. The next top results were reported at CSI3* Cabourg/FRA, where Veyron jumped to third place in a 1.45-metre test.

Salz der Erde

Sohn der Erde K

On the Thursday before Whitsun, Sohn der Erde K by Salz der Erde/Contender/Leonardo (breeder: Dr. Mag. Susanna Kleindienst, Vienna/Austria) with Philippa Wildfang Linde finished third in the second Grand Prix qualifier at the CSIU25-A Uggerhalne/DEN.

Stanley

Stakata

At the CSIO3* Uggerhalne/DEN, two third places went to the account of Stakata. The Stanley/Embassy/Landclassic daughter (line of Stange, breeder: Hans Henning von der Decken, Brocklosenborstel) took the white ribbons over 1.40 metres and 1.45 metres with Poland's Adam Grzegorzewski. On the final day, the pair took fourth place in the Grand Prix (1.55 metres).

Stolzenberg

Stocantes

The second representative of the dam line of Lunda to triumph in Hamburg/GER was the Stolzenberg/Contendro/For Pleasure son Sto-

cantes (breeder: Joachim Tobaben, Otten- sen). While Crack Balou won a Medium Tour class, Stocantes took the win in the opening class of the CSIAm-A with Makayla Barta.

Valentino

Vancouver Dreams

In the Friday main jumping competition (1.50 metres) of the CSI5* Langley/CAN, Vancouver Dreams by Valentino/Stakkato/Pit (breeder: ZG Strunk, Bochum) and Darragh Kenny only had to give way to Kent Farrington and finished second. In the team competition (1.50 metres), they finished third with the Irish trio.

Vittorio

Second in the first qualifier (1.50 metres) for the Grand Prix of Kessel/NED was the Valentino/Ramiro's Bube/Gotthard son Vittorio (line of Steingilde, breeder: Dr. Hartmut Schulte-Wiese, Plettenberg) and Sophie Hinners. One day later, the two won a Medium Tour class.

Van Helsing

Van Bambelby

The Van Helsing/Wogenbrecher/Argentan son Van Bambelby (line of Patience, breeder: Frank Labbus, Hämelhausen) and Katrin Eckermann won the Grand Prix of the CSI2* Riesenbeck/GER. Further they travelled to the Côte d'Azur. At the CSI5* GCT Cannes/FRA, he finished seventh in the first round (1.55 metres) of the Global Champions League.

Vasco

In week one of the Riders Series at Sentower Park in Opglabbeek/BEL, the Van Helsing/Le Primeur/Wachmann son Vasco (line of Weike, breeder: Henning Brandt, Walsrode) took second place in a 1.45 metre class. Przemyslaw Konopacki from Poland was in the saddle of the twelve-year-old.

Dressage



Belissimo M

Beltano (Rhld.)

With Tonka Žitovic, Beltano by Belissimo M/Weltmeyer/De Niro (line of Cena, breeder: Bo Wargh, Säve/Sweden) scored the third highest number of points in the junior team test in Lipica/SLO.



Diaton by Dimaggio won the seven-year-old final in Wiesbaden with Nicole Wego-Engelmeyer (archive photo).

Dancier

Dünensee (VA)

The Whitsun weekend was decorated by the Dancier/Davignon/Eisenherz son Dünensee (line of Nobodere, breeder: Monika Fartmann, Westoverledingen) and Kevin Kohmann with two silver ribbons in Grand Prix and freestyle at the CDI3* Ocala/USA.

Desperados

Divine Étincelle (VA)

The former premium stallion Divine Étincelle by Desperados/A Jungle Prince/Wendekreis (line of Nondura, breeder: Paul Sprehe, Dinklage) collected top placings in Burgenland. With Felix Artner he won the CDIY St. Margarethen/AUT in both the FEI team test and the individual test.

Dimaggio

Diaton

Diaton by Dimaggio/Benetton Dream/Hohenstein (line of Nervanda, breeder: Silke Groeneveld, Bunde) has only been to horse shows six times and brought home four wins. With rider Frederic Wandres, he was seventh in the 2021 Bundeschampionat for five-year-old dressage horses, and with Nicole Wego-Engelmeyer his successes became international. Last year in Wiesbaden/GER still second in the dressage horse test for six-year-olds, this year the chestnut won the 2016 crop final by a large margin after already leading

the ten-strong starting field in the qualification.

Duke of Britain FRH

The Dimaggio/Rubinstein/Don Primero son Duke of Britain FRH (line of Klaseta, breeder: Sarah and Tony Pidgley, Windsor/Great Britain) was in top form at the Olympic equestrian centre in Munich-Riem/GER. In his first international appearance this year, he won the Grand Prix with Frederic Wandres and also took the second gold ribbon in the freestyle, in which only three pairs competed.

Don Juan de Hus

Gut Wettlkam's D'avie FRH (VA)

With a personal best, Gut Wettlkam's D'avie FRH by Don Juan de Hus/Londonderry/Walt Disney (line of Delicta, breeder: Dorothee Heitmüller, Nienburg) and Lisa Müller won the Grand Prix of the CDIO3* Budapest Region-Pilisjászfalu/HUN. In the Special the two then had to give in to the St. Moritz Junior son Samurai and finished second.

Fürst Nymphenburg

Formidable

In Mariakalnok/HUN, Formidable by Fürst Nymphenburg/Lauries Crusador xx/Bolero (line of Cabanda, breeder: Ernst-Dieter Witte, Drochtersen) and Leon Aschauer both finished second in the team and individual tests for young riders and came third in the freestyle Final.

Hotline

Hadassah

Hadassah by Hotline/Londonderry/Wittinger (line of Lemberg, breeder: Linda Woltz, Logan/USA) won her first international ribbon at the CDI1* Lexington/USA. The mare, whose dam St.Pr.St. Ladybug the breeder had secured at the 2006 winter auction in Verden, finished third in the Inter I with Brandi Benedict.

Londontime

Londoncrown

As a five-year-old, the Londontime/San Amour/Connery daughter Londoncrown (line of Delfina, breeder: Joachim Voigt, Toennhausen) represented Canada at the World Championships for young dressage horses. Five years later, the results lists report the first international victory for the chestnut mare. She won the Prix St. George of the CDI1* Ocala/USA with Chris von Martels.

Qredit Hilltop

Qennett HTF

Registered with the American Hanoverian Society is the Qredit Hilltop/Negro/Spring son Qennett HTF (breeder: Hilltop Farm, Colorado/USA). He made his first appearance in the international results lists at the CDI1* Lexington/USA. With Erin Bonneville, the nine-year-old finished second in the Inter I.

Sandro Hit

Showtime FRH

One of the shining winners in Wiesbaden/GER was Showtime FRH by Sandro Hit/Rotspan/Donnerhall (line of Dolinda, breeder: Heinrich Wecke, Stadthagen). In front of the magnificent backdrop of Biebrich Castle, the 17-year-old danced to a double victory in Grand Prix and Special with Dorothee Schneider after a long break due to injury.

St. Moritz Junior

Samurai

Behind winner Gut Wettlkam's D'avie FRH, Samurai by St. Moritz Junior/Laureano/Casaretto (breeder: ZG Loch, Fritzlar) finished third with Franziska Stieglmaier in the Grand Prix of the CDIO3* Budapest region-Pilisjászfalu/HUN. The twelve-year-old then achieved his personal best in the Special and took the victory.

Toto Jr.

Glock's Taminiau (VA)

For the first time, the Toto Jr./Sandro Hit/Caprilli son Glock's Taminiau (line of Schwersella, breeder: J. W. Holtland, Ijsselmuiden/Netherlands) ventured onto the international stage at the CDI1* Geesteren/NED. With Hans Peter Minderhoud in the saddle, the former premium stallion won the Prix St. George.

Vitalis

Villeneuve (Rhld.)

With victories in Prix St. George and Inter I, Villeneuve by Vitalis/Dancier/Wordly (line of Hardine, breeder: Edeltraud Hähn, Bergneustadt) and Laura Strobel won the Small Tour in Munich-Riem/GER.

Eventing



Cardenio

Falco

At his first start after the two bronze medals at the World Championships in Pratoni del Vivaro/ITA last year, Falco by Cardenio/Weinberg/Pilot (breeder: Norbert Nowak, Haren) won the CCI4*-S Millstreet/IRL. The 14-year-old and his rider Tim Price thus also laid the foundation for the supreme victory of the "All Blacks" in the Nations' Cup.

Contendro

fischerChipmunk FRH

The second victory of the season was celebrated by fischerChipmunk FRH by Contendro/Heraldik xx/Ramiro (line of Farina, breeder: Dr. Hilmer Meyer-Kulenkampff, Behlmer) in Wiesbaden/GER. In the Schlosspark, he rode to a commanding start-finish victory with Michael Jung.

Diarado

Ducati d'Arville (VA)

One of the best riders at Outdoor Horst in Kronenberg/NED was the Belgian Lara de Liedekerke-Meier with her two Hannoveraner. With Formidable she won the three-star test, with Ducati d'Arville by Diarado/Perpignon/Mont du Cantal AA (line of Ilythia, breeder: Wolfgang Rüsck, Fredenbeck) she was second in the four-star short test.



Showtime FRH by Sandro Hit and Dorothee Schneider celebrated a double victory in Wiesbaden.

Fidertanz

Finest Fellow

The third top ten placing of the year went to Finest Fellow in Baborowko/POL. The Fidertanz/Sir Shostakovich xx/Baltimore daughter (breeder: Friedrich Otto-Erley, Warendorf) finished second in the CCI4*-L with Elena Otto-Erley.

For Edition

Formidable

After a good dressage, the For Edition/Escudo/Don Carlos daughter Formidable (line of

Ankerzeichen, breeder: Anke Rathjen, Worswede) didn't give up the lead at the CCI3*-L Kronenberg/NED and celebrated her first victory at three-star level. In the saddle was Lara de Liedekerke-Meier, who also finished second in the CCI4*-S with Ducati d'Arville.

Inliner

Performance mare eventing Ilara W

With their dressage result, Ilara W by Inliner/Gold and Ivory xx/Prince Regent xx (breeder: Tanja Weber, Walsrode) and Germany's Paula Reinstorf finished second in the CCI3*-S Westerstede/GER.

Mighty Magic

Maks Mojo C

The Mighty Magic/Ramiro's Bube/Sassafras xx son Maks Mojo C (breeder: Laurie Cameron, Stockton/USA) won the silver ribbon at the CCI3*-L Bromont/CAN with rider Maya Clarkson.

Viscount

Valetta

A drop in the final jumping prevented the Viscount/Natiello xx/Woodstock daughter Valetta (line of Fichtennadel, breeder: Christa Albrecht, Salzgitter) and German Jörn Warner from winning the three-star long test in Westerstede/GER. All in all, it was an excellent second place. ■

Second in the CCI4*-S Kronenberg: Ducati d'Arville by Diarado and Lara de Liedekerke-Meier (archive photo).





Blue ribbon for Don Carismo

Don Carismo and Andrea Timpe have won the German Dressage Derby in Hamburg. With this, the 37-year-old celebrates the biggest success of her career so far.

By Britta Züngel

Andrea Timpe won the German Dressage Derby with Don Carismo.
Photo: Hellmann

This is already a special atmosphere with very many spectators here. I am very positively surprised by how well my horse dealt with it," said the newly-crowned Derby winner Andrea Timpe. As third in the Grand Prix, she and her Don Crusador/Carismo son Don Carismo (breeder: Jürgen Hake, Wagenfeld) had won the ticket for the final with change of horses. In the freestyle on Saturday evening, the two advanced to third place. The starting field in the Derby competitions was small, with only nine pairs competing. Last year there were 18 starters. According to show director Volker Wulff, stricter regulations of the FEI and the German Equestrian Federation were responsible for the drastic decrease. In the final, Andrea Timpe was up against Mathilde Merethe Klaesson's World Championship horse Sandbaek Rio El and

Felix Kneese's San Simeon OLD. After finishing fourth with Don Carismo, the dressage rider from Velbert rode the competitors' horses to third and fifth place and thus claimed the Derby winner's blue ribbon. Incidentally, she is trained by Dolf-Dietram Keller, who won in Hamburg exactly 20 years ago with De Niro. "I'm not really the nervous type, but I really didn't sleep much last night and I was thinking a lot. I can't really believe that it has worked out like this now and it was really fun to be able to ride these great horses," said the beaming winner.

Born in 2010, Don Carismo has the best Hannoveraner performance blood in his veins. At the beginning of the pedigree of the powerful black is the foundation mare Schneeflocke. The figurehead of the line is the privately owned stallion Breitling W by Bismarck/Maat (breeder: Hermann Niehus, Rahden), who was formerly successful in the World Cup with Wolfram Wittig. The impressive chestnut was celebrated as Stallion of the Year in Verden in 2014. Don Carismo also knows the Niedersachsenhalle. He was part of the 2010 Foal Auction lot with the name Don Quichotte JH. He came to Andrea Timpe's stable as a four-year-old. The dressage rider had her first big successes with a Hannoveraner: With the Weltmeyer/Lungau son Welttender (breeder: Friedel Heye, Alfhausen), she became European Team Champion in 2006 in Stadl Paura/AUT and finished second in the World Cup Final for Young Riders. "Don Carismo came to us as a sales horse and we liked him immensely with his great work attitude. So we just bought him ourselves," the trainer recalls. "He has many characteristics that make him so special. At the same time, he is very easy to ride. It's just fun to ride him!" Andrea Timpe carefully trained Don Carismo. The step into the advanced level was taken at the age of seven. At the age of nine, the black stallion finished ninth in the final of the Nürnberger Burg-Pokal in Frankfurt. In the meantime, he has also established himself internationally, with stops this year in Lier/BEL, Sint-Truiden/BEL Hagen and Troisdorf/GER. In Lier, he was accompanied for the first time by his stablemate Dschingis Khan by Don Henrico/Fabriano (breeder: Wiesbadener Jugendwerkstatt, Wiesbaden), whom Andrea Timpe has only been riding since last autumn. He came from Isabell Werth's stable and is to become the school master for his owners' daughter. "It is impressive how eager to learn the chestnut is," praised Andrea Timpe. The Derby weekend for Don Carismo and Andrea Timpe was crowned by the awarding of the Harmony and Fairness Prize for harmonious riding. And that was not all: The chairperson of the Hannoveraner Förderverein, Henning Schmidt, awarded the black stallion with the name suffix FRH. ■

Carlos FRH's golden freestyle

In addition to Carlos FRH's championship title, Hannoveraner and Rhinelanders celebrated four other medals at the German title competitions in Balve.

By Sina Stahlsmeier

Germany's best show jumpers and dressage riders met in Balve on the second weekend of June to crown their champions. The first medal was won on Saturday by the twelve-year-old Quaid/Balou du Rouet daughter Quick and Fly (breeder: Andrea Homburg, Gnarrenburg) and Julie-Mynou Diedrichsmeier. Already the first course of the ladies' classification was unusually demanding and reduced the number of participants in the second classification. The liver chestnut mare also had to record a jumping fault. "That one was completely on me, though," said the show jumper from Lilienthal. "After that, my medal hopes were already gone." But luck was on the side of the fast pair. With clear rounds in the second competition, they still fought their way up to bronze. "I don't

even have words for it yet, I'm just totally overwhelmed and proud that Quick and Fly fought so hard for me," said Julie-Mynou Diedrichsmeier. Gold went to Cha Mu and Mylen Kruse, silver went to Crownly NW and Angeliqne Rösen.

There were two more medals on the same day. Duke of Britain FRH by Dimaggio/Rubinstein (breeder: Sarah and Tony Pidgley, Windsor/GBR) and Frederic Wandres showed their usual strong test in the Grand Prix Special. "Duke is really a little professor at the competition, both in handling and in the stable as well as on the course," said the Hof Kasselmänn rider. With 78.628 percent, they rode to bronze behind TSF Dalera BB with Jessica von Bredow-Werndl and Fendi with Sönke

Rothenberger. The expressive chestnut did not compete in the freestyle. The U25 dressage riders chose their champions in the Grand Prix shortly afterwards in the packed dressage stadium. Carlos FRH – by now a very well-known name – and Helen Erbe rode into the arena as one of the favorite pairs. The Rhinelanders by Carabas/Weltmeyer (breeder: Franz Reinartz, Eupen/BEL) and his rider finished the Grand Prix with 75.628 percent. However, they had to admit defeat to Farrington and Semmieke Rothenberger. But in the freestyle on the next day, the gold medal could no longer be taken away from them. With their "Gold" freestyle they literally danced through the arena and defended last year's title with more than 80 percent ahead of Farrington and Semmieke Rothenberger. Third place went to Drombusch and Felicitas Hendricks.

The last bronze medal of the weekend was secured by riding master Ingrid Klimke and Franziskus FRH by Fidertanz/Alabaster (breeder: Elisabeth Albers, Löningen). The pair improved enormously in contrast to the Special on Saturday and showed a very dynamic freestyle with the strengths of the dark bay. The strong canter was worth a 9.0 to Evi Eisenhart, judge at M. TSF Dalera and Jessica von Bredow-Werndl celebrated their second championship title, Bluetooth OLD and Frederic Wandres were second. ■

In the dressage arena, Carlos FRH and Helen Erbe (right) won gold and silver, while Quick and Fly and Julie-Mynou Diedrichsmeier took bronze in the show jumping course.

Photos: Lafrentz





Always new ideas

Over generations, the Deichhof (dyke farm) of Anette and Herbert Vick in Tespe has continued to develop. With their daughters Helena and Sarah, the new generation is now waiting in the wings, bringing new ideas to the design of the farm and breeding decisions.

By Juliane Fellner

The Vick family (from left to right) from Tespe: Sarah, Anette, Herbert and Helena Vick. Photo: Fellner

Directly behind the Elbe dyke, not far from Hamburg, you will find the Deichhof Tespe. The farm has been family-owned for almost 250 years and has transformed over the generations from a farm with conventional agriculture with horse husbandry to a pure horse operation with grassland farming. With the takeover of Herbert Vick Junior in 1980, the focus of the farm was put on horse breeding and keeping. With daughter Helena, the farm has developed once again and is now also more broadly positioned with the training of horses and riders. The daughters Helena (32) and Sarah Vick (31) have already received the horse virus in the cradle. Both daughters completed a highly successful junior and young rider period on horses they mainly bred themselves. While Sarah used to be more of a show jumper and Helena a dressage rider, the daughters are now firmly established in both disciplines. Both also appreciate this versatile training with their horses. Not only is the training of the horses balanced across disciplines, but the pedigrees of the current horses pre-



Helena's master horse: Hann.Pr.A. Valerie by Viscount/Desperados. Photo: private

sented at competitions also reflect this: the full siblings Deichhof's Valerie and Deichhof's Vino Rosso by Viscount/Desperados shine in spite of, or perhaps because of, the combination of dressage and jumping genes. "Stable limbs and a top character are most important to us!" clarifies Helena Vick. Of the company's own broodmares, about seven belong to the dressage camp and three mares carry best jumping genes. "We don't have problems with instable horses, because we crossed jumping blood in some of our mares in time." In view of his 65th birthday next year, Herbert Vick thinks out loud: "I leave the decisions regarding the business completely to Helena. Sometimes I think otherwise, but in the end you have to accept the new ideas as well so that a business handover can work stress-free at some point."

After graduating from high school, Helena Vick studied business law and also worked in a Lüneburg law firm for a few years, but during that time she was already involved in the further development of her parents' farm. But turning her back on the horses was never an option: In the meantime, Helena Vick is back at the Deichhof full-time and devotes herself to the training of riders and horses as well as the trainees. Only recently, Helena Vick passed her master's certificate with distinction, and she did so not via the classical route, but as a career changer. Instead of an apprenticeship as a rider, Helena Vick was able to register for the master's examination after five years of employment at the company: Both classical riding training and breeding are now among her titles. Father Herbert Vick continues to take care of the agricultural aspects and farm management in general. The feed cultivation on about 100 hectares is still done by Helena

Vick herself, who of course also drives a tractor during the harvest.

Masterly to new ideas

With the master examination and the associated deep insight into the operational and cost structures, new ideas for the design of the operational structure have emerged. Years ago, the Deichhof was more of a breeding and rearing operation with boarding horses, but with the daughters, the branch of training riders and horses has become even more pronounced. In addition to the lessons, the team takes care of ten horses. Many of them come from our own breeding program and remain at the Deichhof after the offspring have been sold to enjoy their further training. Here, too, the Deichhof team focuses on a versatile training concept. Thus, hacking out or at least a brisk gallop on the Elbe meadows in front of the dyke are regularly part of the daily program. With one or the other talent, it also goes over the cross-country jumps of the training center in Luhmühlen. For the Vick family, this variety is also part of a horse-friendly attitude. Not only the breeding and rearing horses enjoy the large meadows. The competition and boarding horses can also use the daytime meadows and paddocks directly on the farm in a wide variety of combinations. This is very much appreciated: In the past 15 years, the farm branch of broodmare boarding has expanded significantly. In the meantime, twelve to 15 boarding mares are added to the farm's own broodmares, whose offspring often remain at the Deichhof for rearing and training. The family atmosphere, comprehensive care and the almost paradisiacal horse life make the Deichhof a popular destination for the often Hamburg breeders. At the weekends they like to visit their broodmares and their offspring with their own children.

The breeding decisions are made together, with both sisters usually already coming up with an idea. Sarah Vick is passionate about studying the results of sport tests of young stallions and can thus come up with suitable breedings. Another advantage is that all broodmares are ridden by the sisters before they are used for breeding. "Character-wise, the mares have to be impeccable. That's simply what the future needs: horses that everyone can handle." At the same time, the competitive idea should in no way be lost. The future customers of their offspring are not far away: if you walk through the stable aisles of the farm, you will discover some of the breeding products. The fact that the horses remain where they were born and raised, despite a change of ownership, can be described as a real quality predicate. With Brandy by Bolero/Eisenherz (breeder: Gerd Tripmaker, Stade) and her daughters St.Pr.St. Debby and St.Pr.St. De-

lany by Donnerhall as well as Ryenna and Rhaja by Rotspon the foundation stone of today's breeding was laid. All the dressage-bred broodmares can be traced back to these mares from the Okrika line. The most successful horse in the breeding program is Debby's son Deichhofs Romeo by Rubinstein/Donnerhall, with whom Helena Vick earned the Golden Riding Badge at a young age. Another licensed Debby son is Laureano by Lauries Crusador xx. From the breeding with world fame came Walkie-Talkie, who found his career start via the Elite Auction 2002 for 110,000 Euros and finally into the hands of Martin Christensen, with whom he was successful up to Intermediare I.

In addition to the usual breeding, Helena Vick began ten years ago to expand the color palette of the Deichhof: With St.Pr.St. Soraja by Swarowski/Rotspon and the breeding with palominos and cremellos, some "gold pieces" have accumulated at the Deichhof in the meantime. Now the first palomino offspring could also be used for breeding again – so the further development of this breeding idea continues bit by bit. "It would be great if it were so easy to simply put a cremello stallion on the palomino mares and thus safely get a lightened foal. But that should be avoided." (Editor's note. Decision PM Advisory Board Breeding of 04.05.2023: Breeding and keeping of cremellos and co.). Thus, this year from both used palomino tables fell chestnut and bay. The two sisters also know that in the end it is not the color that counts: "The two palomino mares that we now have in breeding, both Qaside MD daughters out of St. Pr.St. Soraja by Swarowski/Rotspon, are in no way inferior in quality to the other mares. They definitely can't be worse, because then color alone won't help you." ■



Helena (Photo) and Sarah Vick were successful up to Inter I with Deichhof's Romeo by Rubinstein/Donnerhall. Photo: Lafrentz

St.Pr.St. Soraja (4th from left) by Swarowski/Rotspon set the beginning for the golden Deichhof horses. Photo: Lafrentz





Only one click away

The riding horses of the next Verden Auction Online have moved into their boxes in the Niedersachsenhalle. 57 young dressage and jumping talents will go under the virtual hammer on July 15.

By Malte Kanz

The title hero of the Verden online auction on July 15 is Oak Grove's Clown FRH by Cascadello/Balou du Rouet bred by H.G. van Wijlick from Velden/NED. Photo: Beckmann



Not only visually an eye-catcher: Double Oh Seven by Don Martillo/Sir Donnerhall bred by Friedrich Decke, Balge, opens the collection of 57 riding horses as number 1.

Photo: Fellner

Professional riders appreciate them, amateurs love them – the collection of the Verden Auction Online on July 15. And that is no coincidence, since it has the right horse for every rider. Dressage and show jumping riders as well as leisure riders will find the right horse for their needs. A total of 40 dressage youngsters, some of whom have already been successful in competitions, and 17 show jumping talents will be moving into their boxes at the Niedersachsenhalle on July 3. While the photos, videos and pedigrees can already be seen on the Internet, interested customers will receive a so-called self-mailer by mail to draw their attention to the online collection.

The new way to the collection: Discover riding horses with the self-mailer

Facebook, Instagram and Youtube have become indispensable advertising channels in today's world. The auction catalog is also an important marketing and advertising tool. In the past, this was sent to all customers at home and abroad after completion. This is now changing with the July auction. For the first time, the collection will be advertised with a self-mailer, which will be sent by mail to regular customers as well as prospective buyers. This modern and cost-saving way of advertising in print shows the highlights of the collection by means of barcodes, which can be easily scanned with a mobile phone, and directs customers directly to the photos, videos and dam information on the auction site www.verdener-auktion-online.de. With just one click, customers get an overview of the collection and all the details about each auction horse. Not only do customers get to all the important information about the riding horses with little effort, the new self-mailer concept is also much more cost-effective in terms of produc-

tion and mailing. The classic auction catalog is still available. It is available in the Niedersachsenhalle during the auction for customers and interested parties who follow the presentation and training on site.

Speaking of presentation, the training and presentation schedule has also changed for the July auction and has been adapted to customers' wishes and their time windows. For many customers it is an advantage to have a look at the horses in the daily training and to have the opportunity to get into the saddle themselves immediately – and this preferably in the afternoon. Especially on Wednesday before the auction there has been a change. The horses will be delivered on Monday, July 3, and can be watched in daily training starting on Tuesday, July 4. On Saturday, July 8, the only live presentation of the dressage and jumping horses will take place, which will also be broadcast on the Internet. On Wednesday, July 12, the show jumpers and the dual-purpose dressage horses will make their appearance in the free jumping test starting at 10 am. This will also be streamed, and customers around the world will be able to see the impressive ability of the show jumpers for themselves. From 2 p.m., individual training of all auction horses is on the agenda and replaces the live presentation. Interested customers will be able to try out their preferred candidates directly. The first bids can already be placed online from Sunday, July 9, before the final bidup starts online at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 15.

The team of customer advisors of the Hannoveraner Verband agrees: "With the July collection we have a sophisticated and versatile collection of very appealing riding horses." ■

Verden Foal Spring

Foal Auction Online May 25 – Half time

Half-time of the Verden Foal Spring: At the third of five online auctions, an average of 7,440 Euros was paid for the high-quality representatives of the crop. The first foal was the most sought-after: Eight bidders placed 27 bids for the Fynch Hatton/Sezuan son Follow me (breeder and exhibitor: Willem Klausung GbR, Diepholz). The last bid came from a new customer from the Rhineland. The virtual knockdown for the bay stallion, whose dam is the full sister of the Weltmeyer Prize winner and Bundeschampion So Unique, was made at 19,000 Euros. The Vivaldon/Quaterhall daughter Victoria G (breeder and exhibitor: Wilfried Grabow, Barchel) was sold to a regular customer from the Münsterland region. At 12,000 Euros, she was the second most expensive dressage foal. A foal with excellent jumping genes joined her in the statistics in second place: Cornet's All Star by Cornet Obolensky/Spar-



Follow me by Fynch Hatton/Sezuan

Photos: Beelitz/Gerstenkorn

tacus (breeder and exhibitor: Jörg Brede, Gudensberg) changed to Hungarian ownership for 13,500 Euros. His dam was also part of the lot of a foal auction in 2014 and goes back to the highly successful mare Fairness Z. ■

Statistics	
Foals	
Number of foals	29 foals
Sold	29 foals
Net proceeds	215,750.00 Euros
Average price	7,439.65 Euros
Top price	19,000 Euros
Lowest price	4,000 Euros
Price range	
4,000 to 7,999 Euros	19 foals
8,000 to 9,999 Euros	5 foals
10,000 Euros and more	5 foals
Sold to areas	
Germany	22 foals
Abroad	7 foals

Foal Auction Online June 8 – fillies highly beiged

The fourth online auction of the Verden Foal Spring was an Eldorado for dressage lovers. 27 strong moving foals with the very best dressage genes achieved an average price of 9,388 Euros. Even before the final bid up of the online auction, it was clear that the Total Hope/Finest Selection daughter Tonja B (breeder and exhibitor: Friedrich Busch, Emden) would achieve the top price. Eight bidders had taken a liking to the filly with the highest quality of movement. The paint-black beauty was accepted and filmed at the decentralized foal selection tour of the Hannoveraner Verband in Timmel. The virtual knockdown was at 30,000 Euros to southern Germany.

Two other black horses were highly favored by the buyers. The first foal in the top-class collection, Starlight BT by Secret/Millennium (breeder and exhibitor: Bärbel Tretau, Steinburg), found a new owner in Spain for 20,500 Euros. Delight by Despacito/Secret (breeder and exhibitor: Jürgen Schult, Osterbruch) was virtually sold at 19,000 Euros. But Hannover's chestnuts were also at the top of the



Tonja B by Total Hope/Finest Selection

price scale. Viva la Nuvola by Viva Gold/Fürst ymphenburg (breeder and exhibitor: Jacqueline Handt, Friedland) was sold to France for 17,500 Euros.

The Shu Fu/Quarterback-daughter Scarlett (breeder and exhibitor: Ulrike Hiestermann, Faßberg) was sold for 17,000 Euros. She will leave Lower Saxony for Lower Bavaria. Her dam, Queen KB, from the line of Pia, was part of the lot at a Verden foal auction. ■

Statistics	
Foals	
Number of foals	27 foals
Sold	27 foals
Net proceeds	253,500.00 Euros
Average price	9,388.88 Euros
Top price	30,000 Euros
Lowest price	5,000 Euros
Price range	
4,000 to 7,999 Euros	19 foals
8,000 to 9,999 Euros	3 foals
10,000 Euros and more	5 foals
Sold to areas	
Germany	20 foals
Abroad	7 foals

Changeover of catalog mailing system for online riding horse auctions

For the online riding horse auctions (all riding horse auctions except elite auction), the system of catalog shipping will be changed starting with the upcoming July auction. Currently, a „pre-catalog“ (flyer) is sent to customers, partly by mail and partly by e-mail. The actual catalog is given to the interested parties on site during the auction time.

The exhibitors at these auctions receive the auction catalog as soon as it is ready.

Cooperation more important

The collaboration of breeding societies and partners from practice and science to establish a comprehensive database system will compile scientific knowledge to improve the health of horses.

The International Association of Future Horse Breeding GmbH & Co KG (IAFH) was founded with the aim of unlocking the potential of the genome for horse breeding and providing breeders with ways to make careful, targeted and efficient breeding decisions. To accelerate projects, the five breeding societies Holstein, Oldenburg, Oldenburg International, Westphalia, Trakehnen and, as a service provider, Vereinigte Informationssysteme Tierhaltung w. V. (vit), founded the IAFH. The Hannoveraner Verband has been a shareholder of the IAFH since 2022. The close cooperation of breeding societies and partners from practice and science is what characterizes the IAFH and what should also lead to quick successes. In addition, there is the Scientific Advisory Board of the IAFH, which consists of the Breeding Managers of the societies as well as scientists.

First projects

In the first five years, the genomic selection project was given first priority. This primarily reflected the question of whether a scientific correlation could be established between genes and conformation and movement traits. For this purpose, data from linear descriptions of stallions and mares and their genomic breakdown were analyzed. In order to obtain the best possible proof of the results, a learning sample of 5,000 horses will be analyzed. At present, the evaluation of the data is still in progress, but at the same time the learning sample is being continuously expanded on the basis of linear data from mare performance tests and licensings. In a further step, the question of a possible genomic se-

lection will be transferred to health traits. The change of the genetic analysis to the SNP analysis is related to the genome project and was made possible by the decisive work of the IAFH. Some of the millions of SNPs present in the genome have already been identified as diagnostic markers and can be directly linked to hereditary diseases or coat colors. This is used for the Genomic Services, also a joint project of IAFH and available to breeders since the end of 2022.

ECVM study

The IAFH started a large-scale study this year: The ECVM study will initially investigate the question of the frequency of occurrence of ECVM in warmblood horses. The deformities of the vertebrae of the lower cervical spine of the horse that occur in this disease mainly affect the sixth and seventh cervical vertebrae.



In all living things, DNA carries the genetic information. Foto: pixabay



rae. The changes include unilateral or bilateral absence of the bony process on the underside of the sixth cervical vertebra, which is partially accompanied by structural remodeling of the seventh cervical vertebra and the first rib. ECVM is by no means a new disease that first appeared in the modern riding and sport horse. Previous studies could not establish a clear correlation between structural changes of the lower cervical spine and the occurrence of symptoms recognizable without diagnostic aids.

Scientifically validated findings are needed to be able to make sustainable decisions on veterinary and breeding measures on a solid basis. Horses will undergo general clinical and neurological examinations. Objective movement data, collected with the use of sensor technology, will further strengthen the database. The lower cervical spine will be x-rayed to visualize the structural condition of the cervical vertebrae. The study is being carried out jointly by scientists from the Research Institute for Farm Animal Biology (FBN) in Dummerstorf, the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover Foundation (TiHo) and the Computing Center vit. Experienced radiologists and specialist equine veterinarians as well as scientists from the zootechnical institutes of the universities in Göttingen and Kiel are also providing expert advice. Support and funding for the study is provided by the IAFH.

The cooperation within the IAFH has shown that together we can make more progress faster. In order to be able to deliver reliable scientific results, large learning samples are needed, which can only be achieved across societies. Further projects are already on the agenda. And so, in the future, breeders will have more and more information at their fingertips to make even better breeding decisions.

For more information about the IAFH: https://iafh-genomics.org/Texte/home_ENG.html. ■



Canada: Geneva Hanoverian Horse of the Year

Annually, the Canadian Hanoverian Horse of the Year Award is presented to a Hannoverian or Rhinelander bred in Canada that has been successful in competition. Important attributes for this award are an impeccable character, high willingness to perform and a good work attitude.

In 2022, Elite Mare (EM) Geneva received this award. In 2009, the Graf Top/Raphael daughter saw the light of day at Louise and Joe Palmer's home in Vankleek Hill, Ontario, in eastern Canada. EM Geneva's granddam, Grenadine, was purchased by the Palmers from the Brüning family in Ochtmannien in late 2001 and brought to Canada. Grenadine was then in foal to Drosselklang II and produced a championship foal with Dr. Pepper. For the next breeding, Louise and Joe Palmer decided on the stallion Raphael. The result was Elite Mare Riviera, who scored 9.0 twice for style and ability in her mare performance test. She passed this disposition on to her offspring. The two full siblings EM Geneva and EM-C Ginger Spice by Graf Top both received 8.0 for style and 9.0 for ability in their mare performance tests. Samuel Jeanson and

his partner Marie-Michele Gagne purchased Geneva as a three-year-old from Palmers. With trainer Maude Boulanger-Bouchard, the mare developed into a successful 4' Hunter and reliable Junior Hunter and Medal horse, earning several placings and wins in 3'6" Hunter Derbies and 4' High Performance Hunter classes. During her time with Samuel Jeanson and Marie Gagne, Geneva produced three foals, two of which were awarded Champion Jumper Foal titles during the registration tour in Canada.

Perfect representative

As a member of the Canadian Hanoverian Society, Samuel Jeanson nominated EM Geneva for Horse of the Year. In his nomination, he described her as a perfect representative of the Hannoverian breed. He praised her as a great horse because she is amateur friendly while being competitive at the highest level. "That's what we should strive for as breeders. Joe and Louise have been very successful at that!" In 2019, EM Geneva came into the ownership of Kirsten Rucker and daughter Lea. As part of this new partnership, Geneva competed with Lea in many competi-

tions in both Canada and the United States, celebrating many wins and placings up to 1.45m Hunter competitions. Although Hunter derbies were the focus, in 2020 Lea and Geneva competed in 1.15 meter show jumping competitions and won many ribbons. In July 2021, Lea and Geneva competed in their last competition together. In that event, the pair earned the highest score of 101 and sixth place in the \$15,000 CHDS Hunter Derby at the Ottawa Summer Tournament. Kirsten Rucker describes Geneva as "the horse of my life and I couldn't ask for a better partner. She is truly the best horse, sweet, caring yet sassy and full of energy and power. I think she will miss being a show horse. She is always up for the challenge, loves it and gives her best every time."

The Canadian Hanoverian Society is pleased to offer Elite Mare Geneva the special honor of being named "Canadian Hanoverian Horse of the Year." Both breeder Louise Palmer (also representing her late husband Joe) and ownership received a tin plate and cash prize from the Canadian Hanoverian Society. ■

Hannoveraner Highlights



Oak Grove's Clown FRH and Mario Maintz
Photo: Beckmann

July, 15

Verden Auction Online

Sport horses

August 2 to 6

Verden Championships

Riding and dressage horses

August 3

Herwart v. d. Decken-Show

Three-year-old mares

August, 4

Verden Auktion OnLive

Foals

August, 26

Breeder's Offer – Online

Foals

September, 7

Verden Auktion OnLive

Foals

October, 21

140th Elite Auction – OnLive

Sport horses, foals and two-year-old stallions