



World Equestrian Festival
CHIO Aachen
June 23rd - July 2nd, 2023

World Equestrian Festival, CHIO Aachen

- CHIO = Concours Hippique International Officiel (french)
- Official international tournament of the Federal Republic of Germany (the status “official” means that Aachen is the only German tournament that is allowed to organise Nations’ Cup competitions)
- Disciplines: Jumping, dressage, eventing, four-in-hand driving, vaulting
- Nations’ Cup in all five disciplines

Organizer

Aachen-Laurensberger Rennverein e.V. (ALRV)

Founded in 1898

President: Stefanie Peters

Managing Board: Philip Erbers, Birgit Rosenberg

Marketing

Aachener Reitturnier GmbH (ART)

Founded in 1975

Managing Partner: Michael Mronz

Top Level Sponsors

Mercedes-Benz, Allianz, Turkish Airlines, Rolex

Duration/Date

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Tickets

- [Ticket hotline: +49-241-917 11 11](tel:+492419171111)
- Current ticket information: www.chioaachen.com

Disciplines:

- **Jumping** (Main Stadium, capacity: 40,000)
- **Dressage** (Deutsche Bank Stadium, capacity: 6,300)
- **Eventing** (jumping in the Main Stadium, dressage in the Deutsche Bank Stadium, cross-country on the cross-country course at the Aachen Soers)
- **Driving** (Driving Stadium, capacity: 2,600, and Soers Marathon Course). Every year the marathon attracts tens of thousands of visitors on Saturday, free entry
- **Vaulting** (Albert-Vahle-Arena, capacity: 1,100)





Highlights:

- Opening Ceremony on Tuesday, June 27th, the official opening of the event
- Mercedes-Benz Nations' Cup (team jumping competition with two rounds), Thursday evening, under floodlights, June 29th
Defending champion: Germany
- Rolex Grand Prix, Grand Prix of Aachen (Jumping competition with two rounds and a jump-off), Sunday, July 2nd
Defending champion: Gerrit Nieberg (GER) with Ben
- Deutsche Bank Prize, Grand Prix Dressage of Aachen (Grand Prix Freestyle), Sunday, July 2nd
Defending champion: Cathrine Dufour (DEN) with Vamos Amigos
- Turkish Airlines-Prize of Europe (Jumping competition with jump-off), Wednesday evening, under floodlights, June 28th
Defending champion: McLain Ward (USA) with Contagious
- SAP-Cup, eventing cross-country competition in Aachen's Soers Saturday, July 1st
Defending champion: Sandra Auffarth with Viamant du Matz
Defending champion team: Great Britain
- Prize of schwartz Group
Four-in-hand driving marathon competition in Aachen's Soers Saturday, July 1st, entry free of charge
Defending champion individual / Prize of Family Richard Talbot: Boyd Exell (AUS)
Defending champion team / Boehringer Ingelheim Nations' Cup: Netherlands
- Vaulting (Albert-Vahle-Arena), Prize of Sparkasse: female, male and squad vaulting, Nations' Cup Friday, June 23rd to Sunday, June 25th
Defending champion team: Germany I

Rolex Grand Slam:

The CHIO Aachen, the CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' (Canada), CHI Geneva (Switzerland) and The Dutch Masters (Netherlands) have joined forces to create the Rolex Grand Slam of Show Jumping; The system is simple: Anyone, who wins three shows in a row, receives €1 million bonus prize. If that same rider then continues their success by winning a fourth Major in succession, they will be rewarded with an additional €1 million bonus prize. Scott Brash became the first rider who won the Rolex Grand Slam in 2015. After his victories at the CHI Geneva 2022 and the Dutch Masters 2023, McLain Ward (USA) can now also win the Rolex Grand Slam of the show jumpers if he wins in Aachen. Daniel Deußler (GER) still has the chance of a "two out of four" bonus. All information on this ultimate challenge of the jumping sport can be found at: www.rolexgrandslam.com

Special Features:

- Soers Sunday (June 25th), the traditional open day offers an entertaining show programme with free admission, starts at 11.30 a.m. with an Ecumenical Ceremony in the Deutsche Bank Stadium
- Concert "Horse & Symphony" on Friday, June 23rd and Saturday, June 24th, 2022: Symphony Orchestra Aachen meets top class show programme in the Deutsche Bank Stadium.
- The event is attended by countless celebrities from the world of show-business, sports and politics
- CHIO Aachen Selfie Spots: In the CHIO Aachen Selfie Lounge as well as at various other locations on the grounds, for example also at the CHIO Aachen Superstore, there are different photo spots that invite to take special CHIO snapshots.





The CHIO Aachen in Figures

5 Disciplines:

Jumping, dressage, eventing, driving, vaulting
approx. 90 hours of sport at the Soers

Participants:

ca. 330 active participants (riders, drivers and vaulters) from 32 countries

Horses:

International competitions: ca. 600 horses
National competitions: ca. 50 horses
Concert Horse & Symphony: ca. 90 horses
Soers Sunday: ca. 60 horses
Opening ceremony: ca. 200 horses
Total: 1000 horses (competition horses und show horses)

Visitors:

about 350,000

Prize-money:

Total Endowment (including Special Trophies): 3.9 million Euros

Budget:

20 million Euros

Media / TV:

600 accredited journalists and photographer as well over 200 TV employees

TV coverage:

National coverage: more than 30 hours of (ARD, ZDF and WDR), of which over 25 hours were programmes showing pure sport;
International coverage: broadcasts in over 140 countries all over the world

Employees/Volunteers:

approx.: 1,200
including among others:
65 FEI judges and officials
45 FEI stewards
330 grounds stewards
30 medical employees, plus Malteser staff and emergency doctors
60 shuttle service employees

VIP area:

Hostesses: ca. 80
Restaurants: 4
Sponsor lounges: 4





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Horse Accommodation:

430 permanent stables
18,000 kg of oats
18,000 kg of hay
1,500 bales of straw
600 bales of straw (for bedding)

Veterinarian Centre:

Four stables, two examination rooms, X-ray room, darkroom, pharmacy, laboratory, 30 employees in the veterinarian area

Contest "Tschio-Chic"

Retailers of the city Aachen and the StädteRegion Aachen decorate their store windows with motives of the CHIO and of the partner country

TV/Internet at the showground

(Official telecommunications service provider NetAachen)
More than 500 km fibreglass cable, 600 km copper twin wire
Approx. 200 telephone and internet connections, around 200 television connections
80 WLAN access points to supply the showground
Internet speed 5,000 Mbit/s

Fences

Side parts of the fences: ca. 200
Poles: ca. 800
Fences of sponsors: ca. 30

Walk of fame

Horseshoe instead of hand print: Some of the most famous horses of the world are perpetuated on the traditional showground. Already 26 horseshoes are embedded inside the stars in front of the CHIO Aachen offices, adding some new each year. Thus it is clear to every Aachen visitor that the red carpet will be rolled out for horses first.

CHIO Aachen Village:

200 exhibitors
Approx. 270 tents
Total tent area (including catering): 23,000 square metres
43 kilometres of installed cables – the contents of three large sea freight containers
Products: From fashion to Mercedes-Benz cars
6-8 weeks of build-up time
69 truckloads
1,400 tons of material





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Caterer „Käfer“, Munich/DPB - Event Management, Aachen

36 dishwashers
60 cooks and 10 Pâtisseries
30 temporary staff (kitchen)
300 service staff
4 semi-trailer trucks delivering plates and bowls
20,000 glasses and coffee cups
20,000 pieces of cutlery
250 salt and pepper shakers
155,000 napkins
Raw goods being processed:
Approx. 1,4t of fish, 1,9t of meat, 1,4t of vegetables, 900 kg of pasta, 1,1t of fruit
2t of ice cubes
1t of small rolls, baguettes, rolls, Kaiser rolls, loaves of bread
1.500 loaves of bread from the own bakery (Käfer)
2,000 litres of milk
34kg of ketchup, 20 kg of mustard, 25 kg of mayonnaise

Green areas

358,310,400 blades of grass in the main stadium
2.9 km of wooden fences
Hedges: approx. 4.2 km from 30,000 individual plants
Trees: 129 lime trees, 79 birch trees, 132 other trees. Total number of trees: 340.

Floodlight

Established in 2005
4 floodlight masts: 45-49 meters high
299 spotlights
Approx. 1,100 lux

