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## FEI JUMPING PONIES' TROPHY: AN EMOTIONAL WIN FOR LAURA ANDRE

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AT THE LONGINES EQUITA LYON, CONCOURS HIPPIQUE INTERNATIONAL

Twenty-eight young riders tried to emulate their elders in the main arena of the Longines Equita Lyon, Concours Hippique International, during their stage of the FEI Jumping Ponies' Trophy, which is like real World Cup for pony riders!

This was fantastic FEI Jumping Ponies' Trophy class with 1.35m obstacles. In the first leg, only six couples managed to complete a clear round. Six budding show-jumping stars, representing six nations: Germany, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Sweden, Ireland and France; but which country would win this Grand Prix CWD of the FEI Jumping Ponies' Trophy?

Well, for the first time in Lyon, Switzerland finally won the class, thanks to Laura Andre, riding Clementine. The young rider was visibly emotional when her victory was announced: "It's so amazing! It's beyond words. I have only been riding this pony for a year. Last year, we were on the "Tournée des As 1" circuit. It hasn't quite sunk in yet! I tried to ride clear rounds and then just told myself to try my best in the jump-off, and it worked!"

Even though France only finished fifth in this Grand Prix CWD stage, with Jack Conlon Gâteau and Samba van de Groenheuvel making two mistakes in the jump-off, Olivier Bost, the national coach, was satisfied with his team and noted how lucky they all were to ride on such a course. "First of all, we would like to thank GL events and Sylvie Robert for allowing us and our ponies to be here, among all the CSI 5\* riders. All our French riders rode well, even if we lacked a little luck in the jump-off. But, everything is looking great for the 2023 season. I was also really delighted to see that the entire audience was fair play and supported all the children, even if they got behind the French riders a little more," he concluded with a smile.

- 1. Laura Andre (SUI) and Clementine: 0/0/36"03
- 2. Franca Clementine Kröly (ALL) and Karim van Orchid S: 0/0/36"88
- 3. Ben Walsh (IRL) and Derryvane Belle: 0/4/33"83



Practical information

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- . Open on Wednesday 26 October from 8.30 am to 8.30 pm\*,
- . On Thursday 27 October, from 8.30 am to 8.30 pm\* (access to the international arena's stands from 8 am for the FEI Dressage World CupTM Grand Prix presented by CREARA),
- . On Friday 28 October, from 8.30 am to 8.30 pm\* (access to the international arena's stands from 8 am for the FEI Jumping Ponies' Trophy CWD Grand Prix),
- . On Saturday 29 October, from 8.30 am to 10.30 pm\* (access to the international arena's stands from 8 am for the FEI Driving World CupTM presented by Laiterie de Montaigu)
- . On Sunday 30 October, from 8.30 am to 7 pm $^{\ast}$  (access to the international arena's stands from 8 am for the CSI 5 $^{\ast}$ -W)

## **EXHIBITION TICKETS**

- . Free for children under 6 years of age and disabled people 1,3
- . Full price: € 22
- . Reduced rates: French Equestrian Federation (FFE) licence holders, students and holders of Pass Région cards, groups of 15 people and more, € 18 1
- . Children from 6 to 12 years of age: € 13
- . 5 day-pass: € 60
- . Family pass (2 adults and 2 children under 16 years of age): €55 (only sold onsite)

## 'SPORT AND SHOW' EVENING TICKETS

- . Friday 28 October, at 7.30 pm\*, show jumping: from €36 <sup>2</sup>
- The Grand Prix followed by 'La Maestria' equestrian show
- . Saturday 29 October, at 8 pm\*, show jumping: from €36 <sup>2</sup>
- The Equita Masters presented by Hermès Sellier, followed by 'La Maestria' equestrian show
- . Sunday 30 November, at 2.30pm \*, the Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ leg: from €36 <sup>2</sup>
- \*Times likely to be modified
- 1 Reservations are required for group prices: no group prices will be granted at the entrance of the exhibition. For FFE members, students and disabled people: please present your card at the entrance of the exhibition.
- 2 Subject to availability.
- 3 To make it easier for disabled people to come to the site, they can reserve numbered seats in the stands at the following e-mail address <u>btoblive@fnac.com</u>

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