

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, since 2008 also in vaulting

Organiser

Aachen-Laurensberger Rennverein e.V. (ALRV)

Founded in 1898

President: Carl Meulenbergh

Chairman of the Managing Board / Show Director: Frank Kemperman

Marketing

Aachener Reitturnier GmbH (ART)

Founded in 1975

Managing Partner: Michael Mronz

Top Level Sponsors

Mercedes-Benz, DHL, Turkish Airlines, Rolex

Duration/Date

July 14th to 23th, 2017

Tickets

- [Ticket hotline: +49-241-917 11 11](tel:+49-241-9171111)
- Current ticket information: www.chioaachen.de

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 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, July 18th, the official opening of the event
- Mercedes-Benz Prize (team jumping competition with two rounds), Thursday evening, under floodlights, July 20th
Defending champion: Germany
- Rolex Grand Prix, Grand Prix of Aachen (Jumping competition with two rounds and a jump-off), Sunday, July 23th
Defending champion: Philipp Weishaupt (GER) with Convall
- Deutsche Bank Prize, Grand Prix Dressage of Aachen (Grand Prix Freestyle), Sunday, July 23th
Defending champion: Kristina Bröring-Sprehe (GER) with Desperados FRH
- DHL Prize, eventing cross-country competition in Aachen's Soers Saturday, July 22th
Defending champion: Michael Jung (GER) with fischer Takinou
Defending champion team: Australia
- Marathon
Four-in-hand driving marathon competition in Aachen's Soers Saturday, July 22th, entry free of charge
Defending champion individual / Prize of Family Richard Talbot: Boyd Exell (AUS)
Defending champion team / Fendt Nations' Cup: Netherlands
- Vaulting (Albert-Vahle-Arena), female, male and squad vaulting, Nations' Cup Friday, July 14th to Sunday, July 16th

Rolex Grand Slam:

- The CHIO Aachen, the CSIO Spruce Meadows 'Masters' (Canada), CHI Geneva (Switzerland) and Indoor Brabant 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 Euros on top of the prize-money of each show. If that same rider then continues their success by winning a fourth Major in succession, they will be rewarded with an additional 1 million Euro bonus.

Special Features:

- Partner country 2017: tba.
- Once again throughout the World Equestrian Festival, CHIO Aachen 2017, is placing the focus on the promotion of therapeutic riding, campaign "Glücks-Bringer"
- Store Window Contest in the city of Aachen and its surrounding region
- The event is attended by countless celebrities from the world of show-business, sports and politics
- Soers Sunday, 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, July 14th and on Saturday, July 15th, 2017: Symphony Orchestra Aachen meets top class show programme in the Deutsche Bank Stadium

The CHIO Aachen in Figures

- 5 Disciplines:
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- Participants:
350 riders, drivers and vaulters from 30 countries, 550 horses (total number of horses: 950 incl. horses that take part in the show programme and the side events)
- Visitors:
348,200 in the year 2016
- Most important competitions:
Rolex Grand Prix
Mercedes-Benz Nations' Cup
Deutsche Bank Prize
- Prize-money:
Total Endowment (including Special Trophies): approx. 2.7 mil. Euros
- Budget:
14.5 mil. Euros
- Media / TV:
600 journalists and over 200 TV employees
TV coverage: 30 hours of national coverage, of which over 25 hours were programmes showing pure sport; International coverage: broadcasts in over 140 countries
- Employees/Volunteers: Approx.: 1,200
Including among others:
64 judges and officials
39 stewards
325 grounds stewards
34 medical employees, plus Malteser staff and emergency doctors
47 shuttle service employees
- VIP area:
Hostesses: 70
Restaurants: 4
Sponsor lounges: 5
- 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
- CHIO-Village:
Over 200 exhibitors from all over the world



Over 230 tents

Total area of the tents (including gastronomy): 22,000 square metres

43 kilometres of cables have to be laid – the contents of three large sea freight containers

Products: From fashion through to Mercedes-Benz cars

