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Cover photo caption: The excitement of the FEI Nations Cup™ series begins all over again this week with the first two qualifiers of the 2017 series taking place at Al Ain (UAE) and Ocala (USA). (FEI/Jim Hollander)

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FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping 2017: Simply the Best.....

by Louise Parkes

It is the ultimate prize. It’s about pride and passion, camaraderie, tradition, trust, skill, exceptional horsemanship and so much more. Adored by the public, revered by all those involved in the sport, the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping series has long been described as “the jewel in the crown” of the international governing body, the Federation Equestre Internationale.

This is going to be a record-breaking season, with competitors from 50 nations stretching right around the globe competing in four separate qualifying leagues. There will be a total of 19 qualifiers in 19 countries, and the aim from the outset is to make it to the Final in Barcelona (ESP) in September. However many riders have already achieved more than they ever dreamed of before that comes around each year, having grasped the very essence of this superlative team contest that is all about bringing honour and glory to your country in a spirit of friendship, respect and sportsmanship.

Few have consistently demonstrated the sense of “team” better than the Dutch in recent years, but it is Germany who will be the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping title-defenders throughout 2017. The story of the German victory at the Final last autumn was very special, the legendary Ludger Beerbaum making his last team appearance for his country and his fellow-riders so determined to make it a winning one for him that the four-time Olympic gold medallist never had to jump a fence in either round because they had already done all the hard work. Each country fields four horse-and-rider combinations, with the best three scores counting in each of two rounds.

The biggest qualifying league is Europe Division 2 with 19 nations including Belgium, Great Britain and Czech Republic who were all relegated at the end of last year. The promotion/relegation system ensures that competition in Europe Division 1 is all the sharper, and Italy’s resurgence as a world power when returning to this top league last year is indicative of what the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping series sets out to achieve by providing the perfect platform for development of horses, riders and team-work.

The French had all those ingredients, and more, when claiming Olympic gold last summer and with their formidable record can be expected to be ones to beat this season. However it is the North America, South America and Caribbean and Middle East Leagues that get the action underway when the new season explodes into action in seven days’ time.

FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping - Simply the Best.....don’t miss a hoofbeat!
Longines - official timekeeper

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It has generations of experience as the official timekeeper at world championships and as a partner of international sports federations. Longines’ passion for equestrian sports began in 1878, when a timepiece was made with a horse and jockey engraved on the watch face.

Over the years, the brand has built strong and long-lasting links with equestrian sports. In 1912, for the first time, the brand was involved as timekeeper for a show jumping event in Portugal.

Today, Longines’ involvement in equestrian sports includes jumping, endurance and flat racing. Longines is a member of The Swatch Group S.A., the world’s leading manufacturer of horological products.

Longines is celebrating its 185th anniversary this year. With an excellent reputation for creating refined timepieces, the brand, whose emblem is the winged hourglass, has outlets in over 150 countries.

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The Rules

Under the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping 2017 rules, the world is divided into six regions for the purpose of qualifying teams for the Final:

- Europe (Divisions 1 and 2)
- North & Central America
- South America
- Middle East
- Asia/Australasia
- Africa

The number of qualifiers for the 2017 season was limited to 19, with eight in Europe Division 1 and seven in Europe Division 2. The North America, Central America & Caribbean Region has three qualifiers and the Middle East has one qualifier. The season opened at Al Ain (UAE), with the CSIO5* running from 15-18 February 2017.

The FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Final will once again be held at the Real Club de Polo of Barcelona (ESP), venue for the equestrian events at the Barcelona Olympic Games in 1992.

The nations

Qualifying events for all regions are run under the traditional two-round Nations Cup formula. To be eligible to participate in qualifying events for the Final, all nations must have a minimum of four riders in the Longines Rankings at the end of October the previous year.

For regions without qualifying events, the Longines Rankings have been used to determine the teams that qualified for the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Final.

The Final

The FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Final 2017 has been allocated to Barcelona (ESP) and will take place from 29 September – 1 October 2017. The FEI Nations Cup™ Final will consist of three competitions, with all qualified teams starting in the first of these. This one-round competition, not against the clock, will decide the top eight teams that go through to the third and final competition. Teams placed ninth and lower will compete in the Challenge Cup (competition 2).

The eight teams that advance to the third competition, which decides the outright winner of the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Final, start on zero penalties. Four riders in each team compete in the first round, with a jump-off against the clock in the event of teams tied for first place after this round.

Only three riders per team go through to the jump-off, with no drop score, guaranteeing a thrilling finish to the series. The complete rules of the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping 2017 are available on the FEI website HERE.
## 2017 Calendar

### 2017 Calendar sorted by date

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The Teams

Europe Division 1
France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland.

Europe Division 2
Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, Israel, Luxembourg, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia, Slovenia, Slovakia, Turkey, Ukraine

North America
Canada, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Puerto Rico, United States of America

South America
Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Columbia, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

Africa
Egypt, Morocco, South Africa

Asia
Australia
Japan
New Zealand

Middle East
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Syrian Arab Republic, United Arab Emirates
Allocation of teams to Europe Division 1 Events

A minimum of 3 and maximum of 4 athletes can compete in an FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping team.

The athletes competing for their country must be declared by the Chef d’Equipe (team manager) the day before the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping competition.

The competition in St Gallen will take place on Friday 2 June 2017.

Five teams will compete for FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping points in St Gallen: Germany, Switzerland, Sweden, France, Italy.

Click [here](#) to view the *master list of all athletes competing at St Gallen.
*The master list is correct as of 29 May; athletes can change up to the competition: for the latest information, please contact the Organiser’s press officer (see page 12).

Click [here](#) to view the athlete biographies.
Series so far – news, results & standings

Latest series standings – click here & see results and news from all events so far:

CSIO5* Al Ain (UAE) – 16.02.2017
Competition report here
Full result here

CSIO4* Ocala (USA) – 17.02.2017
Competition report here
Full result here

CSIO5* Lummen (BEL) – 28.04.2017
Competition report here
Full result here

CSIO4* Linz-Ebelsberg (AUT) – 05.05.2017
Competition report here
Full result here

CSIO4* Coapexpan (MEX) – 05.05.2017
Competition report here
Full result here

CSIO4* Coapexpan (MEX) – 05.05.2017
Competition report here
Full result here

CSIO4* La Baule (FRA) - 12.05.2017
Competition report here
Full result here

CSIO3* Drammen (NOR) - 12.05.2017
Competition report here
Full result here

CSIO5* Rome (ITA) – 26.05.2017
Competition report here
Full result here

CSIO3* Lisbon (POR) – 26.05.2017
Competition report here
Full result here
Facts & Figures

- The forthcoming season comprises 19 qualifiers in as many countries.
- A total of 50 nations will compete in the qualifying rounds.
- The defending FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping champions are Team Germany.
- Qualifying events will take place in Europe Division 1 & Europe Division 2, North America and the Middle East. Qualification of teams from South America, Africa and Asia/Australasia will be established through the Longines Rankings.
- There will be eight qualifying legs in Europe Division 1 and seven in Europe Division 2, three in North America and a single event in the Middle East.
- The FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Final will once again take place at the Real Club de Polo in Barcelona (ESP), venue for the Jumping events during the Barcelona Olympic Games in 1992.
- A total of 18 teams, plus the home team if not qualified, will compete at the Final which will take place from 29 September – 1 October 2017.
- A total of 10 nations competed at the season-opener in Al Ain (UAE) on Thursday 16 February 2017, where both Qatar and the United Arab Emirates earned their places to compete at the Final in Barcelona.
- A total of seven nations competed at the second leg, the following day, Friday 17 February 2017, in Ocala (USA), the first competition in the three-leg North America, Central America and Caribbean qualifying series.
- The 8 teams qualified for Europe Division 1 this season are France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland.
- Watchmakers, Longines, are the official timekeepers for the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping series.
CSIO5* St Gallen (SUI) will be broadcast live on FEI TV, the FEI’s official video platform, on Friday 2 June 2017 - 14.15 local time.

FEI Nations Cup™ online (Click the logos below)

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