

Skelton wins the Grand Prix in St. Gallen

54 year old Nick Skelton won the Grand Prix of St. Gallen with his then year old Holstein-gelding Carlo. It was his third Grand Prix victory on Swiss ground. 1993 he was best with Dollar Girl in St. Gallen and 2006 with Arko in the Grand Prix of the CSIO in Lucerne.

The places of honour went to the US-riders Rich Fellers with Flexible and Christine McCrea with Romantovich Take One. After Pénélope Leprevost with Mylord Carthago (France) and Jessica Kuerten (Ireland) with Lector, Pius Schwizer was sixth with Carlina. As in the second round of the Nations Cup he also had a mistake on the last spread in the final round. However, Schwizer could take comfort by winning the Longines Trophy as best rider of the tournament. He made this effort for the third time in follow.

Skelton got a price winning money for his victory of 75 000 Swiss Francs, Pius Schwizer won 18 000 Swiss Francs.

Due to a strong storm with rain and hail the Longines Grand Prix of Switzerland had to have a break of 45 minutes.