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Hannover's Champions are celebrated

Verden Championships for Riding and Dressage Horses

Verden. The first weekend in August was the weekend of the Hannoveraner Championships. In Verden, the yellow and white winner sashes were awarded to the riding and the dressage horses. The names of the champions are Shakeela, Manolo, Deichgraf, Silent Wings, Barbor BS, Global Champion and Faccinello.

The first championship sashes were awarded to the dressage horses. In the five-year-old class, **Shakeela** by Secret/Royal Blend and Lydia Jordan danced to victory. Breeder Wilfried Putz from Wiesentheid had purchased Shakeela's dam Red Roberta, who herself was once victorious in riding horse classes, at the Elite Auction in April 2010. **Ikonic** by Ibiza/Sir Donnerhall (breeder: Jochen Dittmer, Lehringen) and Kim Brüning won the second place silver ribbon. Last year's Bundeschampion of four-year-old stallions, **Segantini** by Secret/Ibiza (breeder: Christine Feichtinger, Vaduz/LIE), received the third best score with rider Jessica Lynn Thomas.

The class of six-year-old dressage horses was won by **Manolo** by Morricone/Donnerhall (breeder: ZG Stritzke and Schellin, Hamburg) and Anna Mitter, who had already won the qualification. Already last year, the two were among the best five-year-olds at the Bundeschampionat. They were followed on the podium by the young dressage trainer Jacob Schenk with his two finalists. The 22-year-old became Vice-Champion with the Belantis/Sir Donnerhall son **Boulevard** (breeder: Sven Graefe, Heiligengrabe). The grey stallion comes from the dam line of Norne, to which Fabienne Lütkemeier's former team World and European Champion D'Agostino FRH also goes back. Jacob Schenk came third with **Fontane** by For Romance II/Stedinger (breeder: Elmadin Löcke, Tiddische). The rider had taken a good look three years ago: In 2019, he discovered the



dark bay at the stallion sales in the Niedersachsenhalle and rode him to the final of the Bundeschampionat last year.

Deichgraf by Diamond Hit/Abanos (breeder: Jochen Meyer, Allwörden) and Stefan Aschebroich took the premiere victory in the Final for seven and eight-year-old dressage horses, which was decided in a Prix Saint Georges Special*. The rider had discovered the powerful liver chestnut at the Elite Auction in October 2019. Second place went to Fleur de Vie FRH by Fidertanz/Sandro Hit (breeder: Dr. Cord Gaus, Adelheidsdorf) and Leonie Bramall. The Hannoveraner premium mare not only had a brilliant performance at the Herwart von der Decken Show five years ago, but had also been Hannoveraner Champion of six-year-old dressage horses in 2021 and ninth at the Bundeschampionat. The Canadian-born rider also sat in the saddle of the third horse, First April BD by Follow Me/Royal Classic. She has a very special relationship with her, she is also the breeder of the top-class liver chestnut mare together with Volker Dusche.

Traditionally, the riding horse championships are one of the highlights in Verden. Sina Aringer managed to present two winners. She won the class of four-year-old mares and geldings with **Silent Wings** by Secret/Sandro Hit (breeder: Dr. Cord Gaus, Adelheidsdorf). After winning the qualification on Tuesday, the two did not give the competition a chance in the final either with their outstanding quality in the basic gaits. It was a close fight for second and third place, only one tenth of a point separated **Bo** by Benicio/Londonderry (breeder: Dr. Dirk and Eva-Maria Fey, Wesel) with Ellen Bruun on second place and **La Memoria** by La Vie/De Kooning (breeder: Kathrin Wassmann, Badbergen) with Hermann Burger in the saddle on third place.

Sina Aringer celebrated her second victory in the championships for three-year-old mares and geldings, this time with **Barbor BS** by Bonds/Livaldon (breeder: Bernhard Sieverding, Twistringen). The trainer had already won the qualification with her as well. It was less than eight weeks ago that the Hannoveraner premium candidate left the showground in Bruchhausen-Vilsen as the champion mare. The Fürst



Romancier/Sandro Hit son **Fürst GG** (breeder: Gerald Gögele, Bleckede) followed in second place with Hannah Laser. The judges awarded the athletic black stallion a "very good" three times. **Dahlia B** by Despacito/Floriscount (breeder: Kurt-Heinrich Böttcher, Brüninghorstedt) and Sascha Böhnke also achieved this. The Hannoveraner premium candidate, however, had to accept slight reductions in her walk in comparison and thus finished third.

The class of the three-year-old stallions was dominated by Jacob Schenk. After silver and bronze in the class of six-year-old dressage horses, he took gold and bronze. He became Hannoveraner Champion with the Global Player/Fidertanz son **Global Hope** (breeder: ZG Werth, Moers). The judges gave the dark bay stallion from Klosterhof Medingen an even "very good" for the five scoring criterias, even a dream score of 10 in the trot. The 22-year-old was hardly behind in third place with the Libertad/Destano son **Lindenberg** (breeder: ZG Maak, Hamburg). In between, **So Special** by Secret/Bon Coeur (breeder: Pia Sophie Wahlers, Visselhövede), ridden by Jessica Lynn Thomas, scored a perfect 10 in the canter and went into the lap of honour as Vice Champion. The licensed stallion is the youngest representative of the dam line of Klaseta, which is world-famous through the sire legend Grannus and Frederic Wandres' championship horse Duke of Britain FRH.

The last Hannoveraner Championship was that of the four-year-old stallions. Here **Faccinello** by Floriscount/Christ (breeder: Jörg Rohaus, Rottach-Egern) took the crown. The bay stallion from the dam line of Schnellkraft was presented by Kira Laura Soddemann and after third place in the qualification, he convinced all along the line in the final. Vice Champion became the Benicio/San Amour son **Barnaby** (breeder: Ulrich Klindworth, Groß Meckelsen) with Holger Herrmann in the saddle. Third place went to **Soho EDI** by Secret/Benicio (breeder: Günther Blöthe, Neustadt) and Iris Jansen-Jentgens.

Hannoveraner Champion of six-year-old dressage horses: Manolo and Anna Mitter (Photo: Hannoveraner Verband)



Hannoveraner Champion of three-year-old mares and geldings: Barbor BS and Sina Aringer (Photo: Hannoveraner Verband)

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