



Endurance at the FEI World Equestrian Games Aachen 2006

- Endurance is one of the seven disciplines at the FEI World Equestrian Games Aachen 2006 (August 20th to September 3rd)
- other disciplines: Jumping, Dressage, Eventing, Driving, Vaulting, Reining (Western Dressage)
- Distance: 160 km through GER, BEL, NL, Date: August, 21st
- Expected participants: 160 from appr. 40 countries
- Shuttle-Service for accredited Media to points of interest available
- Start at start of the Eventing-course (near Sonnenweg, 6 a.m.)
- 2 Vetgates: Vetgate 1 Dreiländerpunkt, horse inspection after loops 1 - 4; Vetgate 2 Soers, horse inspection after loops 5 - 6
- Finish in the main stadium
- at 4 p.m. show programme starts in the main stadium; motto "Aachen welcomes the 1st World Champion"
- show programme will be stopped when the riders arrive in the main stadium
- winner is expected at appr. 5 - 6 p.m.

Service for visitors

- Points of interest along the course:
 - Main-Vet-Gate at the Dreiländerpunkt (Border Triangle)
 - Furt at Mamelis crossing the Senserbach/Selzerbeek; between Vijlen/NL and Orsbach/D
 - Golf Course Welkenraedt/BEL
 - Viaduct Montzen/BEL
 - Forest of Aachen: Close to Restaurant Gut Entenpfuhl
 - Wurm Valley, Crew Point Teuter Hof
 - Show Ground, Aachen, Soers

(Media representatives can reach those points via shuttle from the Dreiländerpoint)



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- Parking at the Dreiländerpunkt (Border Triangle): Frequent shuttle between Aachen Soers - Vaals – Dreiländerpunkt
- Shuttle from Aachen Soers: Start circus Albert-Servais-Allee
- Schedule: from 6 a.m. until 9 a.m. every 30 minutes
from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. every 60 minutes
from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. every 30 minutes
- Journey-time: 25 minutes
- Speaker at the Dreiländerpunkt (Border Triangle) explains actual happenings
- Catering-Tent at the Dreiländerpunkt (Border Triangle)
- entrance free; for seating Tribune tickets must be bought (Hotline: +49.241.917-1111)

Endurance in general

- Already centuries ago: bet rides between Bedouin tribes in the desert
- 1892 first endurance bet ride between officers from Germany and Austria; the course Vienna-Berlin was ridden
- Endurance is a comparably young sport: in 1969 first endurance ride in Germany after WW II; ride over 50 kilometers in Ankum
- 1973 first ride over 100 kilometers
- 1974 first “one hundred“ (160 kilometers) from Hamburg to Hannover
- Goal: to ride along the predetermined distance in the shortest possible time
- the health of the horse is regularly checked by a veterinarian during (at the so-called “Vet-Gates“) and after the ride; those checks are compulsory
- Veterinary checks: pulse beat and trot of the horse will be checked during the ride; afterwards, back, muscles, laying of the girth and once more the trot will be checked strictly; the welfare of the horse has top priority
- Endurance rides reach from introduction rides up to 39 kilometers, over short (40 to 59 kilometers) and middle (60 to 79 kilometers) up to long endurance rides from 80 to 160 kilometres); furthermore, rides over several days exist, that means on 2 or more days, distances of 60 to 100 kilometers will be ridden
- Results of the FEI World Equestrian Games Jerez 2002: 1. Sheik Ahmed Bin Mohd Al Maktoum, UAE; 2. Antonio Rosi, ITA; 3. Sunny Demedy, FRA



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