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Bröring-Sprehe with personal best

(Hagen a.T.W.) World number 1 Kristina Bröring-Sprehe and her Desperados were of course the favourites in the first Grand Prix at Horses & Dreams meets Denmark, presented by WIK Elektro-Hausgeräte Vertriebs GmbH & Co. Prod. KG.

National Coach Monica Theodorescu summoned the whole A-team to travel to Hagen to check fitness and physical appearance. Hagen is the first outdoor tournament in the Olympic year and is considered as first, although unofficial, sighting for the Summer Games in Rio de Janeiro. And of course all came, only dressage queen Isabell Werth had to cancel due to illness.

The presentations of the possible members of the team were expected with anticipation, and one thing became immediately clear: Germany hasn't had such a high performance density, so many potential championship duos at such a high level for a very long time, and Theodorescu will have the "luxury problem", the agony of choices. Place one to four went to German duos plus the sixth place for Anabel Balkenhol and Dablino.

Kristina Bröring-Sprehe dominated the competition with a personal best – 82.8 percent - a true benchmark! She even did not really realize her own record, but was only happy about the good feeling she had with her smart and shiny black stallion. The second Olympic Games after the fantastic performances in London in 2012 are not far away any more: "I actually only pray every day that Desperados stays healthy and fit. That's the most important thing!"

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Second place went to a particularly young duo. Sönke Rothenberger and Cosmo, however, are used to winning in Hagen. They won the Young Nations Cup “Future Champions” in Hagen in 2014; this competition is celebrated at the Hof Kasselmann every year. Both won the qualifier for the Louisdor-Prize in Hagen in 2015, and now they are about to win a ticket for the Olympics in Rio. Third place went to an experienced rider. Riding instructor Hubertus Schmidt rode his Imperio. Fourth finished Jessica Bredow-Werndl, followed by Anna Kasprzak who represented this year's host country with Donnperignon.

Coolio towards victory

The show jumping tournament's Big Tour at the four-star level in Hagen at the Teutoburg Forest featured an international two-phase jumper class today.

Guido Klatte jr. and Coolio presented the best performances in this test, presented by A. Rawie GmbH & Co. KG. “Coolio has a high basic speed, but he is at the same time very sensitive and gets easily distracted. But if he approaches the first jump, then he knows that we are ready for take-off,” and that's how the duo outpaced their competitors.

The 20-year-old rider from Lastrup had a goose bump-feeling today: „To ride in front of a home audience – at one of the most gorgeous tournament venues in Europe, that's simply fantastic.“ The runner-up, Philipp Weishaupt who competed with Chico, confirmed that Klatte had accomplished an exceptional round. “I thought that I was already very fast,” Weishaupt joked. He was feeling like in his own living room at Horses & Dreams. “I have been competing here in Hagen since the first tournament was held, I no longer think about it – Hagen is always part of my tournament schedule.”

Holger Wulschner who rode BSC Cavity, completed the top three, and it is his aim to compete in the Grand Prix of Deutsche Kreditbank AG on Sunday with the Carefino-offspring. He already thanked Ulli Kasselmann for this absolutely amazing

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tournament in the morning: "With the new indoor arena, priority and reputation were once again upgraded. I know from the organizer's point of view (Redefin) how much work such an event requires. This engagement simply deserves greatest respect."

Results:

14 Int. two-phase jumper class (1.50 m) CSI4* - FEI Art. 274.5.3 big tour, presented by A. Rawie GmbH & Co. KG: 1. Guido Jun. Klätte (Lastrup), Coolio 23, 0.00/26.83; 2. Philipp Weishaupt (Hörstel), Chico 784, 0.00/27.99; 3. Holger Wulschner (Klein Belitz), BSC Cavity, 0.00/29.88; 4. Maria Madenova (Russia), Conquest 15, 0.00/30.10; 5. Taizo Sugitani (Japan), Cuba, 0.00/30.14; 6. Philip Rüping (Mühlen), Copperfield 40, 0.00/30.74;

03 Int. dressage test - Grand Prix de Dressage CDI4* - qualifier Grand Prix Special partial scoring special prize for the most successful rider of the -Special Tour – presented by Banki & Sohn Juweliers, presented by Firma WIK Elektro-Hausgeräte Vertriebs GmbH & Co. Prod. KG: 1. Kristina Bröring-Sprehe (Dinklage), Desperados FRH, 82.800%; 2. Sönke Rothenberger (Bad Homburg), Cosmo 59, 78.600%; 3. Hubertus Schmidt (Borchen), Imperio 3, 76.820%; 4. Jessica von Bredow-Werndl (Tuntenhausen), Unee BB, 76.520%; 5. Anna Kasprzak (Denmark), Donnperignon, 75.160%; 6. Anabel Balkenhol (Rosendahl), Dablino FRH, 74.760%;

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