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Committee Report	
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1.	INTRODUCTION
	<p>Although not yet concluded, 2024 should be considered a very good year for Jumping. The 2024 Paris Olympic Games produced extraordinary sport, and there were also a cluster of “firsts”: the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia hosting the Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ Finals, the launch of the Longines League of Nations™, and Todd Hinde completing his first, and very successful, year as FEI Jumping Director.</p>
2.	ACTIVITIES OF THE FEI JUMPING COMMITTEE
	<p>2.1 FEI JC in-person meetings and conference calls</p> <p>In 2024, the FEI JC had two in-person meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 27 and 28 May 2024 in Lausanne - 1 October 2024 in Barcelona <p>All other meetings were held as video conferences on the following dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 29 January 2024 - 10 April 2024 - 13 August 2024 - 6 September 2024 - [tbc] November/December 2024 (if necessary) <p>2.2 Meetings with various Stakeholders</p> <p>On 9 December 2023, the Jumping Director (in person) and the JC Chair (virtually) were invited to, and attended, the International Jumping Riders Club (IJRC) General Assembly in Geneva (SUI).</p> <p>On 25 January 2024 the Jumping Director and the JC Chair attended a meeting with regional WC organisers in Sharjah (UAE).</p> <p>During its in-person meeting in Lausanne on 28 May 2024 the JC welcomed the newly-elected Chair of the Jumping Owners Club (JOC), Robin Parsky.</p> <p>2.3 Revision of the FEI Jumping Rules</p> <p>As there will be a full revision in 2025 of the 2026 Jumping Rules, only a few minor changes will be proposed to the FEI GA in Abu Dhabi (UAE) in November 2024.</p>

2.4 2024 Paris Olympic Games

The format of the Jumping competitions introduced at the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games was used in Paris after some modifications based on suggestions received from stakeholders. The competitions in both Team and Individual events could not have been more exciting, the venue of the Palace of Versailles more iconic, or the support of the spectators more enthusiastic.

It was widely agreed that the 2024 Paris Olympic Games showcased the best our sport has to offer.

2.5 Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™

With its worldwide qualifiers and regional league system, the Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ continues to be a global success.

For the first time, the Middle East hosted a Longines FEI World Cup™ Finals. Hosting both Jumping and Dressage at the Exhibition Centre in Riyadh, the capital of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the world-class facilities provided by the Organisers were greatly appreciated by the stakeholders, and the thrilled audience enjoyed top sport throughout the week.

2.6 Longines League of Nations™

2024 saw the introduction of the new FEI flagship team series, the Longines League of Nations™.

The first leg in Abu Dhabi (UAE) was a great success, as were those that followed in Ocala (USA) and Rotterdam (NED). Disappointingly, the scheduled leg in St Gallen (SUI) had to be cancelled during the event itself due to bad weather.

The 2024 Longines FEI Longines League of Nations™ Final ran in Barcelona (ESP) at the beginning of October. It provided exciting sport and was widely praised.

2.7 Longines Ranking Working Group

In 2024 the Longines Ranking Working Group held three meetings to discuss ranking-related issues:

- 14 February 2024 (online)
- 29 April 2024 (during the FEI Sports Forum in Lausanne)
- 20 August (online)

2.8 FEI Jumping Officials**2.8.1 Appointment of Officials**

In accordance with confirmed dates and venues, the FEI JC appointed the Officials for most of the 2025 Championships and Finals.

2.8.2 Education of Jumping Officials

The education of L4 FEI Officials continued throughout 2024 and all currently-listed L4 Officials are now in compliance with the requirements of the Education System.

In preparation for the 2024 Paris Olympic Games, the FEI organised a one-day hybrid in-person/virtual meeting in Lausanne for all appointed key Officials during which they were extensively briefed on important aspects including Olympic Rules, Legal Aspects, Media Training and Crisis Management.

In 2024, FEI Course Directors also ran multiple In-Person Maintenance and Transfer-Up Courses for Judges, Stewards and Course Designers across the world.

2.9 FEI JC Members and Elections

The new Member Michel Sorg (SUI) has integrated fully into the FEI JC.

Sadly, however, we also want to mention the untimely death of JC Member Diane Baxter (RSA) in July. Even though only a few months remained of her four-year tenure, the JC has missed her constructive and welcome contribution to their discussions.

A candidate TBC by the FEI Board will be appointed as a new Member of the FEI JC to fill the current vacancy.

2.10 Miscellaneous

As always, the FEI Jumping Committee made recommendations on important aspects of the sport, such as, for example, suggesting items for inclusion in the FEI TackApp, as well as rules for FEI-approved series.

3. DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE FEI BOARD

- Longines League of Nations Rules 2025
- FEI Children's Classics Rules 2025
- Global Champions Tour / Global Champions League Rules 2025
- Major League Showjumping Rules 2025
- Longines EEF Series Rules 2025
- Rolex Grand Slam Rules
- Date Change of FEI Youth Nations Cup
- Calendar CSIOs 2025
- En GARDE Amateur Series Rules 2025 (*for Board Ratification*)
- EEF Evolution League Rules (*for Board Ratification*)
- Portugal Horse Tour Rules 2025 (*for Board Ratification*)
- EY Cup Rules 2025 (*for Board Ratification*)
- FEI Jumping World Challenge (*for Board Ratification*)

4. CLOSING REMARKS

I am extremely grateful for the ongoing valued and valid contribution of the FEI Jumping Department team under the leadership of Director Todd Hinde, and the Members of the FEI JC. I would like to thank not only them but also all the other stakeholders who continue to contribute on a regular basis to the current and future development of our sport.