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Committee name	FEI Dressage Technical Committee (DTC)
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Committee Report	
Pt.	Subject
1	<p><u>2020</u> In this exceptional year the DTC could not organise physical meetings but in several conference calls all necessary work has been done. Also the "normal" meeting with the stakeholder groups did not take place and a conference call was organised to keep in good contact with them. Several consequences of the Covid 19 situation were discussed during the year and some members of the DTC are also involved in the Dressage Calendar Task Force Group.</p> <p>Due to the COVID pandemic, about 2/3 of the Dressage Events were cancelled this year.</p> <p>It was good to see that the European Championships for all Youth categories could be organised in Pilisjaszfalu (HUN) in August.</p>
2	<p><u>Judges Advisory Group & Judges Supervisory Panel</u>: As decided in the Dressage Judging Working Group previously, the DTC implemented a new job description and appointed the members of the new Judges Advisory Group & Judges Supervisory Panel. Another important judging issue is the development of a Code of Points. A Code of points for each movement of the Grand Prix has been worked out and sent out to the stakeholders for review and approval. Once this principle is approved, further work on developing a code of point on all other tests and movements will be carried out</p>
3	<p><u>Pan Am Games</u>: after consultation with PAEC the DTC agreed to keep the mixed format for the 2023 Pan Am Games and then move to Grand Prix level only for the following edition.</p>
4	<p><u>Tests</u>: The new short GP test will be introduced in the new World Cup season 2021/2022, including the Final. According to the opinion of the DTC, the short GP is on an equal level of difficulty to the regular GP test and will therefore count for MERs and the same ranking points.</p>
5	<p><u>Nations Cup</u>: A new concept of a Nations Cup in Dressage has been developed and the draft is now under review with the stakeholder groups and will require further discussions and review. The DTC would like to introduce this new format in 2022. I would like to thank two Committee members, Irina Maknami and George Williams for all the work done so far.</p>

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6	<p><u>World Cup</u>:. It was proposed not to start a new bidding process, but to appoint the same events as in the season 2020/2021 for the following season as with the exceptional situation this year some events could not be organised at all.</p>
7	<p><u>Dressage online</u>. The DTC discussed the new concept of online dressage and concluded that this can be used as a training tool only. The FEI started an own online project in which all FEI athletes can send in their videos.</p>
8	<p><u>Amateurs</u>: An overview of the situation within the FEI was made by HQ. The Chairs of the TCs of Jumping and Dressage are working to word a clear definition for Amateurs in the FEI disciplines and after that the details will be discussed regarding competitions with the goal to present a new concept at the GA 2021.</p>
9	<p>Here I take the opportunity to thank the colleagues in the DTC and the Team in HQ for their hard work and support for the Dressage sport. An extra recognition to George Williams who was an active member of the DTC in the last four years.</p>