Committee name | JUMPING
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Chair | Stephan Ellenbruch (GER)

### Committee Report

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<td>2021 has been yet another challenging year for Jumping worldwide.</td>
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<td>In February, Marco Fusté joined the FEI as Director, Jumping and enjoyed the support of Deborah Riplinger in her role as Interim Director, Jumping, until her retirement at the end of June 2021.</td>
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<td>While the full Jumping Rules revision has been a focal point of the Jumping Committee’s activity this year, it has also continued to address the consequences of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the unexpected, but effectively contained, Spring outbreak of EHV in Europe.</td>
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<td><strong>ACTIVITIES OF THE FEI JUMPING COMMITTEE</strong></td>
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| | Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, only one in-person meeting could be held on 7 and 8 September. All other in-person meetings were cancelled and replaced by online conferences, held on the following dates:
| | - 7 December 2020
| | - 8 February 2021
| | - 3, 8, 9, 15, 23 and 26 March 2021
| | - 6, 12, 19 and 26 April 2021
| | - 3, 10, 18 and 25 May 2021
| | - 22 and 28 June 2021
| | - 21 July 2021
| | - 18 October 2021
| **2.2** | **FEI Jumping Calendar Task Force** |
| | In 2020, the Board decided to establish discipline-specific Calendar Task Forces chaired by the Secretary General. The Jumping Committee representatives on the Jumping Calendar Task Force are the Chair and the Athletes’ Representative. The FEI Jumping Calendar Task Force met on 9 and 18 March 2021.
| **2.3** | **Meetings with various Stakeholders** |
| | The Jumping Committee was represented by the Jumping Chair at the Jumping Owners Club (JOC) General Assembly, held virtually, on 26 January 2021.
| | JC Member Daniela Garcia Nigaglioni represented the FEI Jumping Committee at the Alliance of Jumping Organisers (AJO) General Assembly, held virtually on 31 May 2021. The Chair attended several meetings with the EEF on the future of Jumping in Europe. In order to sustain and build on already-established good working relationships, there were informal telephone calls or meetings with other Stakeholders.
2.4 **Full Revision of the FEI Jumping Rules**

The Jumping Committee provided its own proposals and reviewed those submitted by various National Federations and Stakeholders. The Jumping Committee evaluated all received proposals and prepared the relevant documents for approval by the FEI General Assembly. The Jumping Committee is confident that the changes as presented in the draft will further enhance the foundations of horse welfare and fair play in Jumping.

2.5 **2020 Tokyo Olympic Games**

The postponed 2020 Olympic Games were successfully held in 2021. The Jumping Committee will carefully review the Jumping-related feedback from various National Federations and Stakeholders and report back with their evaluation at the earliest opportunity.

2.6 **Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™**

Unfortunately, after the cancellation of the 2019/2020 Final, the 2020/2021 Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ in Gothenburg (SWE) also had to be cancelled. The effect of the pandemic on the 2021/2022 season is currently unclear. As the status and consequences of the pandemic are constantly changing, the Jumping Committee is actively monitoring developments in preparedness to react promptly if and when necessary.

2.7 **Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™**

COVID-19 continued to cause the cancellation of many of the 2021 Longines FEI Nations Cup™ legs with the consequence that the decision was taken to adapt the qualification system.

The Jumping Committee examined several options and put forward proposals that were approved by the Board, thus enabling the successful organisation of the 2021 Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ Final in Barcelona (ESP).

2.8 **Longines Ranking Working Group**

The Longines Ranking Working Group held two virtual meetings on 20 May 2021 and 21 September 2021 to discuss ranking-related issues.

2.9 **FEI Jumping Officials**

2.9.1 **Appointment of Officials**

In accordance with confirmed dates and venues, the Jumping Committee appointed the Officials for most of the 2022 and 2023 Championships, Games and Finals.

2.9.2 **Education of top-layer Officials**

The second FEI Course for Transfer-Up to, and Confirmation of, Level 4 Jumping Official that began in March 2020 with an online phase was finalized in October 2021. A new top level (L4) was introduced for Jumping Stewards in 2021.

2.10 **Jumping Committee Members and Elections**

New Jumping Committee Member Diane Baxter (RSA) has integrated fully into the Jumping Committee.
On completion of his four-year term after the 2021 FEI General Assembly, Santiago Varela (ESP) will leave the Jumping Committee and will be replaced by a candidate TBC by the FEI Board.

On completion of his first four-year term after the 2021 FEI General Assembly, the Chair will stand for re-election.

2.11 Miscellaneous
The Jumping Committee made recommendations on important aspects of the sport, such as stewarding-related items and rules for FEI-approved series.

3. DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE FEI BOARD
- Longines FEI Jumping Nations Cup™ Rules 2022
- Longines Global Champions Tour Rules 2022
- Global Champions League Rules 2022
- Major League Show Jumping 2022
- Longines FEI Jumping World Cup 2022
- EEF Nation’s Cup Series 2022
- Eurasian League Series

4. CLOSING REMARKS
As described, 2021 has been, and still is, a year of several challenges that could only be addressed through the work of a highly motivated team.

I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Members of the Jumping Committee for being available even at short notice. A special thanks goes to outgoing Member, Santiago Varela (ESP), who leaves the Jumping Committee after serving four years as Deputy Chair. I am sure that the Jumping Committee can count on his expertise and advice in the years to come.

I would also like to thank the Director, Jumping, Marco Fusté, and all members of the Jumping Department for their support and flexibility as, even in times of home office, they continued to provide great service to the Jumping community.

On a personal note, I would like to express my gratitude to Deborah Riplinger for enabling a smooth, seamless transition, and for her support and expertise during my time as Member and Chair. On behalf of the Jumping Committee, I wish her a long and happy retirement.