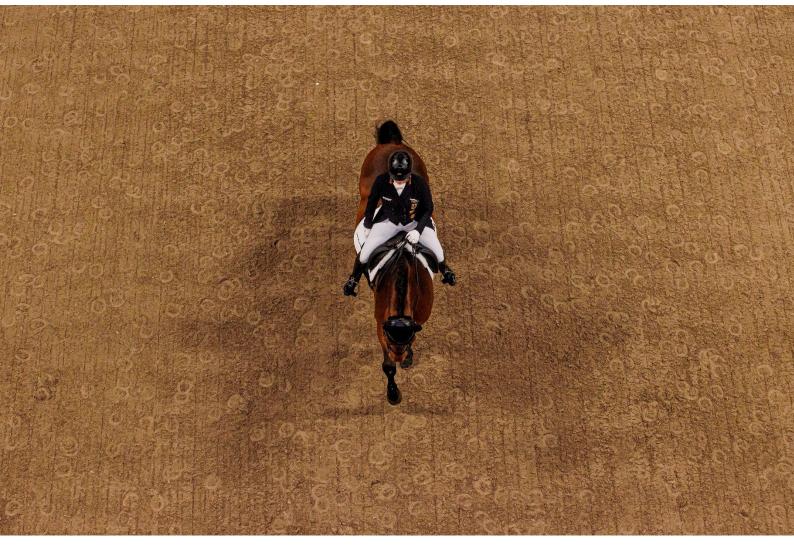
FEI RANKINGS UPDATE

FEI Rankings Monthly Update - April 2024



Isabell Werth (GER) with Emilio 107, current number 2 of the FEI Dressage World Ranking - Horses ©FEI/Leanjo de Koster

The FEI oversees around 70 Rankings and Standings across all the disciplines, from World Rankings calculated on a monthly basis for Athletes, Horses and/or combinations, to league, team and regional based standings for Series such as the FEI World Cup^{TM} and FEI Nations Cup^{TM} , as well as a variety of youth categories, among others.

You will find below a snapshot of the main movers and shakers for the month of April 2024 in the senior World Rankings, as well as a special spotlight on the FEI Endurance Riders World Ranking for this month's special "Ranking Spotlight".

Longines Rankings - Henrik von Eckermann extends his lead to 20 months



Few changes in the new Longines Rankings for the month of April, with nine athletes remaining in the top 10, while Henrik von Eckermann (SWE) maintains his firm grip on the top spot with a commanding 3533 points. Britain's Ben Maher (3414 points) has been chasing von Eckermann the last few months and has slightly narrowed the gap to 109 points. Steve Guerdat (SUI) closes out the Top 3, maintaining his position from the previous month with 3170 points.

Following Guerdat, Martin Fuchs (SUI) ascends two positions to fourth with 3030 points, surpassing both Julien Epaillard (FRA) and Kent Farrington (USA) with 3003 and 2982 points, respectively. France's Simon Delestre (2842 points) and Austria's Max Kühner (2725 points) maintain their positions in seventh and eighth place, respectively. Harrie Smolders gets back to the Top 10, claiming the ninth position on 2707 points, while McLain Ward (USA) remains in tenth place with 2685 points.

FEI Dressage World Ranking - Jessica von Bredow Werndl remains No.1

No changes at the top of the Dressage World Ranking for Athletes. Jessica Von Bredow-Werndl (GER) remains No.1 with 2190 points. Isabell Werth (GER) ascends to second place with 2100 points, surpassing Charlotte Fry (GBR) who is now third on 2052 points. Denmark's Nanna Skodborg Merrald (2026 points) and Britain's Charlotte Dujardin (1920 points) complete the top 5, occupying the fourth and fifth positions, respectively.

FEI Dressage World Ranking - Horses: TSF Dalera BB, a solid leader

TSF Dalera BB (2190 points) is again the leader in the FEI Dressage World Ranking – Horses, ahead of Emilio 107 (1896 points). The top 3 is closed by Everdale with 1873 points. DSP Quantaz (1857 points) rapidly ascends 67 positions to take fourth place, while Patrick Kittel's gelding, Touchdown, drops from third to fifth place with 1782 points.

FEI Eventing World Athlete Ranking: Oliver Townend & Great Britain's dominance continues

Great Britain's Oliver Townend maintains his supremacy atop the FEI Eventing World Athlete Ranking for the seventh consecutive month, holding steady with 569 points. British athletes continue to dominate, with seven athletes securing positions within the top ten. Accompanying Townend are Rosalind Canter in second place with 546 points, Tom McEwen in fourth (469 points), Harry Meade in fifth (408 points), Piggy March in sixth (387 points), Wills Oakden in seventh (383 points), and Laura Collett in 10th (362 points).

Breaking the British stronghold, we find Boyd Martin representing the United States in third place (471 points), Maxime Livio from France in eighth (381 points), and New Zealand's Tim Price in ninth (380 points).

FEI Driving World Ranking - Four-in-Hand / Pairs / Singles: Bruder, Exell and Hölle: three solid leaders

No major changes in the three Driving rankings, with the same athletes on top for the last few months. Boyd Exell (AUS) continue to maintain his strong leadership of the Four-in-Hand with 303 points, followed by son and father Ijsbrand and Bram Chardon (NED). Martin Hölle (HUN) commands the Pairs Ranking with 90 points, just one more point than Germany's Dennis Schneiders. Kelly Bruder (CAN) remains at the top of the Singles Ranking on 92 points.

FEI Endurance: Melody Theolissat and Abdelhak Kaddouri maintain the lead

The French contingent is now leading the Individual ranking, with Melody Theolissat (FRA) as solid leader of the FEI Endurance Riders World Ranking with 976 points. Virginie Atger (FRA), who has climbed three positions, is now second with 944 points, while Julia Montagne (FRA) ascends one position to close the top 3 on 942 points. In the Endurance Trainer World Ranking, Abdelhak Kaddouri (BRN) maintains his position at the top earned a month ago with 1171 points, while Melody Theolissat is still second, on 1034 points, followed by fellow countrymen Angel Lazes, who is third with 924.

FEI Para Dressage World Individual & Team Ranking: Rihards Snikus and The Netherlands still in command

Rihards Snikus (LAT) maintains his position at the top of the Individual Ranking, boasting 1613 points. Sara Morganti (ITA) securely holds onto the second spot with 1583 points, while Kate Shoemaker (USA) remains steady in third place with 1556 points. As for the Team Ranking, the Netherlands assert their dominance at the forefront with a collective tally of 1333 points. Germany closely trails behind, only one point shy of the leaders, while Great Britain rounds out the top three with 1311 points.

Ranking Spotlight



Virginie Atger (FRA) currently holds the second position in the FEI Endurance Riders World Ranking. Demonstrating her prowess on home soil, the French rider delivered two solid performances. She secured a commendable fourth place with Faruq Du Breuil at the CEI3* 140 in Saint-Barthélémy-de-Vals. Impressively, within just one day, she followed up with a seventh-place finish alongside Fadeiev Reial at the CEI2* 120 CIM, also held in Saint-Barthélémy-de-Vals. These displays of skill have propelled Atger up three positions in the rankings, now trailing the leader, Melody Theolissat, by just 32 points.

Image: Virginie Atger and Raya de Jalima at the FEI Endurance European Championship 2023 in Ermelo (NED) -© FEI/Martin Dokoupil

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