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## SVĚTOVÝ POHÁR V PARKUROVÉM SKÁKÁNÍ FEI WORLD CUP SHOW JUMPING

### J&T BANKA CSI\*\*\*W OLOMOUC 2018

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## THE FIRST QUALIFICATION FOR GRAND PRIX OLOMOUC FOR SPREHE

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June was the second day of the international show jumping competition J&T BANKA CSI3\*-W Olomouc at the Equine Sport Centre arena. The Friday's programme has brought along the first difficult test: the Diamond Tour was a qualification for the Sunday's Grand Prix.**

The Grand Prix World Cup is the main competition of the whole event. It counts into the World Cup points total and the result may secure riders an advance to this year's World Equestrian Games in Tryon, USA, and to the European Championship in 2019 in Rotterdam.

The Diamond Tour, which has preceded this competition highlight on Friday, was a timed event and the obstacles reached up to 150 cm. Out of forty four combinations on the entry list, the German representative Jörne Sprehe aboard a gelding Solero had the best run through the course, designed by Peter Schumacher. She had a clean run with time 59,75. This German rider participates in the Olomouc event every year and prides herself on a number of successes including victory in the Grand Prix in 2016. Only by a second and a half slower than the winner was the polish rider Maksymilian Wechta riding his mare Quinchella, and third place was taken by the italian rider Roberto Turchetto with his mare Adare. Jan Štětina was the best Czech representative with a clean run on Verdi S, having taken 10<sup>th</sup> place.

Also riders and horses in other categories have performed very well on the second day of the event. The morning part was opened by a two-phase jumping for young six and seven years old horses. The contest of CSIYH was built as a handicap up to 125 cm respectively up to 130 cm according to the age of the horse. The first place was taken by the polish rider Hubert Kierznowski aboard his seven-year old gelding Qualito. The Czech pair Michaela Rodová with Conthaquick took the second place and Sára Máriás from Hungary on Medall was third.

Juniors have showed for the first time in CSU. A course of 130 cm, which was prepared for them, was dominated by the Czech rider Sára Vingrálková on Celana Z. By more than one second slower was Maria Paulauskaite from Lithuania on Goeje Vrijdag on the second place and Aleksandra Kierznowska from Poland on Dior V. was third.

Domestic fans were delighted also by the next part of the European Youngster Cup for riders up to 25 years. Tina Šalková has not found a conqueror riding her grey mare Frascati Van Ter Hulst. The second place was taken by Maksymilian Wechta on Quintus 93 and Maria Paulauskaite was third with her bay horse Quirado AS.

The Friday evening was dedicated to the next part of the Gold Tour with obstacles up to 145 cm. The polish rider Michal Kazmierczak riding Helia VD Heihoek has won the round. The second place went to Anna Giugno from Italy aboard her mare Queen Anne and the third place went to the Czech representative Jiří Hruška on Acoradia.

CSI3\*W Olomouc will continue with five competitions on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. There will be the Grand Prix category CSIU25, as well as the next part of the Diamond Tour Cena města Olomouce („Prize of the Town Olomouc“) and the finish of the young horses CSIYH category.

You can find the detailed information including the show programme, entry and result lists on [www.csiolomouc.cz](http://www.csiolomouc.cz), where you can also follow the live stream all four days.

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- zkratka CSI3\*-W: concours de saut international – mezinárodní skokové závody kat. 3 hvězd (1 až 5 hvězd) se soutěží zařazenou do světového poháru – W (world), další zkratky: J (junioři), YR (young riders – mladí jezdci), YH (young horses – mladí koně)
- The abbreviation „CSI3\*-W: concours de saut international“ – international show jumping competition of category 3 stars (1 up to 5 stars) with a competition within the World Cup, further abbreviations: J (juniors), YR (young riders), YH (young horses)
- ESC Olomouc – riding facility Equine Sport Center in Olomouc Lazce, operating since 2013
- J&T Banka – general partner of the competition