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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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### MICHAL KAZMIERCZAK HAS WON THE PRIZE OF OLOMOUC

**The Prize of Olomouc („Cena města Olomouce“), which took place on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June, was the highlight of the international show jumping competition J&T BANKA CSI3\*W Olomouc. This competition, being the second qualification for the Sunday’s Grand Prix as a part of the Diamond Tour, has brought a very interesting unravelling.**

The participants of the most difficult Diamond Tour series have been tested hard by the German course designer Peter Schumacher. In the second competition of this category, he has built a course with obstacles up to 150 cm, whose time limit turned out to be difficult for many riders. One third of all competitors have incurred penalization for exceeding the time. Four riders have jumped the course without any faults, so the placing was decided in a jump-off. The best rider therein was Michal Kazmierczak from Poland riding his stallion Que Pasa, who has finished also his second run fault-free in 40.15 seconds. Roland Engbrecht from Austria aboard the gelding Chambery was by two seconds slower, taking the second place, and the third place was taken by the Slovak rider Patrik Majher on L’Amore due to his time by nearly three tens of second slower. Out of the Czech representatives, Ondřej Zvěra has placed thirteenth, having collected five penalty points together with his horse Cardiff Dverse Hagen. The Czech representatives have done very well in the other Saturday’s competitions. Ladislav Vachutka has started the Saturday’s programme successfully by winning the morning Silver Tour contest with obstacles up to 135 cm, riding Vanilla Rose. He has left Szabolcse Kruscó from Hungary aboard Chacco Boy behind him on the second place and Francesco Turturielli from Italy on Carla Balou on the third place.

On the 135 cm course in the junior category, the Lithuanian rider Monika Paulauskaite has excelled with her gelding Italo Van’t Dauwhof. The next two places have been taken by the Czech rider Sofie Najmanová. She has placed second with Casanova S and third with the bay Lexus.

The CSIU25 category has been finished during the third competition day. The Grand Prix for riders up to 25 years of age has offered obstacles up to 145 cm. The Hungarian rider Sára Máriás was the winner of this category aboard Cantus Clay as she has defeated her other 5 rivals in the jump off and has therefore been directly qualified into the finals of the European Youngster Cup 2018 series finals, which will take place in December in Salzburg. Lucie Strnadlová, the domestic rider aboard Carina, took the second place and Katharina Biber from Austria riding Babilon D. placed third.

The final of the Youngster Tour for young six and seven-year old horses has concluded the Saturday’s programme. Again, a jump off has decided about the placing in this course with obstacles up to 130 cm or 135 cm. Here the only twenty-one year old Sára Máriás from Hungary, riding her mare Medall, has left all other seasoned competitors behind her. Her fellow countryman Balász Horváth on PM Quintera was second and Aleš Opatrný, riding Forewer, was third.

The J&T BANKA CSI3\*W Olomouc event continues on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June by further four competitions. The absolute highlight both of the day as well as of the whole show jumping contest will be the Grand Prix included in the World Cup point system, which will kick-off at 12.00 o’clock and will be live broadcasted by the Czech TV („Česká televize“). There will also be the finals of the Gold Tour, the Grand Prix for juniors and at the very end, the finals of the Silver Tour. 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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- 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



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