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CAI3* for Singles, Pairs and Four in Hands with FEI World Cup™ Qualification in Drebkau, 11.-14.08.2022

2022... it is already clear - a year with significant changes that international Driving sport brings with it:

- Quite complicated result calculation due to new calculation mode
- Conversion of penalty points into penalty seconds
- New reduced minimum weights for marathon carriages
- Helmets are compulsory during driving cones
- In the future no mandatory carriages -> however the number of carriages is limited to 2
- No children under the age of 14 can be taken on carriages during the entire event
- Canter in dressage tests, etc.

Everything is for the testing phase this year, but it looks like it will be next year to be implemented constructively and to be definitively defined as a provision.

It sounds more complicated, more dangerous, and more and more unrealistic.

Some FEI Officials are withdrawing, as can no longer be responsible for the new implementations, and they have publicized it clearly.

Unfortunately, Driving sport has been losing its interest for years.

The number of participants in the competitions is declining.

Organizing a Driving competition is no longer manageable for many committed organizations.

Again and again new rules and regulations are approved and the problems of declining media interest and the increasingly difficult archiving of sponsors.

Actively practicing driving is a major financial and time-consuming challenge for all of us.

This will be confirmed even more in the future.

Tradition and level of achievement will be lost.

Driving - a sport with tradition, with dedication and passion.

Elegance and gaits are also evaluated.

The different types of carriages require specific harnesses and clothing for the driver and the grooms. This together results in the harmony of the team.

Obstacle driving in the future with marathon carriages but dressage clothing?

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Is speed and fast the only thing that counts?
Will the basics of dressage training soon be neglected?
Do we only need horses whose potential lies in the marathon and obstacle driving tests?
Probably, especially since the marathon result will contribute 40% to the combined score.
There will probably also be a lot of ugly pictures. And that at times that equestrian sport cannot afford at the moment.

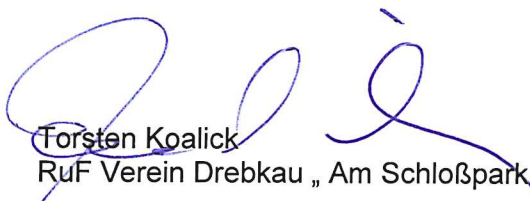
These preceding reasons prompt the Reit- und Fahrverein Drebkau not to hold an event at the international level this year.

As a result, we refrain from the further organization of the registered international CAI3* competition with FEI World Cup Qualification™, and will hold the Brandenburg Championships at the beginning of October 2022, as part of a regional competition.

As one of the most successful organizers of a FEI World Championship (Pairs 2019), we see this with tears in our eyes. However, the current situation does not allow us any further considerations.

Just sad and disappointed we face the perspective of the Driving sport.

Kind regards



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