Longines Masters of Hong Kong 2018



The Hong Kong Jockey Club - Founding Partner of the Longines Masters of Hong Kong and Asia Horse Week

The Club and equestrian sports share the same spirit of partnership and commitment to excellence. As Founding Partner of the 5-star Longines Masters of Hong Kong, the Club enables the community to enjoy one of the world's most prestigious show jumping competitions, as well as to experience the passion of equestrian sport.

Held at AsiaWorld-Expo from 9 to 11 February 2018, this Asian leg of the Grand Slam of Indoor Show Jumping, which featured the HKJC Trophy, HKJC Race of the Riders, HKJC Junior Challenge and HKJC Junior Trophy, has now come to a successful close.

With support from the Club as Founding Partner, the inaugural Asia Horse Week, held alongside the Longines Masters of Hong Kong from 8 to 11 February, has added an exciting new dimension to the event. Bringing together representatives from leading equestrian federations, regional horse clubs, and leading professionals in the equine industry, Asia Horse Week is a landmark event for equestrian sports in Asia and for the development of the sport globally.

Asia Horse Week



The Club supports the ongoing development of equestrian sports in Hong Kong and is the Founding Partner of the inaugural Asia Horse Week. Complementing the Longines Masters of Hong Kong, this new annual event brought together over 60 representatives from leading equestrian federations, regional horse clubs and the equine industry from more than 15 countries and regions. Asia Horse Week provides an essential forum for sharing equestrian experience and expertise, and is a landmark for equestrian sports in Asia and the development of the sport globally.

Feb 08, 2018	
Session 1	Opening session
Session 2	Experiences from the British Horse Society and the German Equestrian Federation implementation in Asian clubs
Session 3	Experiences from the French Equestrian Federation and surroundings organizations implementation in Asian clubs
Session 4	The equestrian status and projected development in China

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Session 5	Health, well-being and bio- security	
Session 6	Horsemanship: Well-being of horses and riders, the perspective from coaches and riders	
Session 7	From Hong Kong's Asian equestrian legacy to Tokyo 2020	

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Session 8	The Dutch approach to equestrian top sport. Japan, moving towards the Olympics	
Session 9	Emerging and booming Asian federations.	
Session 10	Breeds, crafts and arts	
Session 11	Closing session	

HKJC Trophy



For the fifth year in a row, over 20 of the world's best equestrian riders competed for the honour of being named the HKJC Trophy champion. This spectacular 1.50m class is based on the principle of the "winning round". There are two rounds, with the second round reserved for the top 10 rankedriders from the first round. The score from the first round is discarded in the second and everyone starts from scratch again!

Daniel Deusser of Germany finished ahead of second-placed Jérôme Guery of Belgium and third-placed Robert Smith of Great Britain, ending up as the champion of the HKJC Trophy.





HKJC Race of the Riders



Unique to the Asian leg of the Longines Masters of Hong Kong, the Race of the Riders paired four outstanding jockeys – Neil Callan, Vincent Ho, Derek Leung and Joao Moreira – with four world-class show jumpers who coached their jockey partners on how to best tackle the course and jumps. Partnership is everything as each jockey-and-rider team competed in a relay-style competition over fences. Two different disciplines, one common goal – to be the fastest team of all!

Team Bloom, formed by two local jockeys and rider Vincent Ho and Clarissa Lyra, were crowned the champions of HKJC Race of the Riders this year.





HKJC Junior Challenge and HKJC Junior Trophy



The Hong Kong Jockey Club is a strong supporter of local elite riders. Through its sponsorship of the HKJC Equestrian Team and HKJC Junior Equestrian Training Squad (JETS), the Club elevates the development of equestrian excellence in Hong Kong. As the Founding Partner of The Longines Masters of Hong Kong, the Club gives members of the JETS a unique opportunity to showcase their great talent on the same stage as the five-star competitions. Participants include: Nathaniel Chan, Oi Man Leung, Natasha Lee, Justin Yeung, Michelle Li and Yu An Su

HKJC Junior Challenge Feb 10 6:45pm

The second annual HKJC Junior Challenge allows riders from the Club's Junior Equestrian Training Squad the chance to compete against each other. The competition is a Table A, not against-the-clock event, with penalties set at 4 points for a fence down. Two judges assessed the style of these young riders and attributed points to determine the winner. The HKJC Junior Challenge was won by Leung Oi-man this year.

HKJC Junior Trophy Feb 11 10:30am

The HKJC Junior Trophy gives fans a chance to see just how far these young riders have come, testing them under the bright lights across a specially-designed course in a Grand Prix format. Both rides count in this two-round competition over fences, and the winner is the rider with the fewest penalties in both the first and second round, and the best time in the second round. The HKJC Junior Trophy was won by Nathaniel Chan this year.



