



# ANNOUNCEMENT

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## 34th European Championship of American Quarter Horses

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Pleasure Versatility . Ranch Riding Challenge . NSBA of Germany Futurity  
European Trail & Western Pleasure Celebration . Kumlegaard Young Horse Cup

### PROMOTER

FEQHA – Federation of European Quarter Horse Associations

### SHOWMANAGER

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### LOCATION

Ostbayerisches Pferde- und Turniersportzentrum  
92286 Rieden/Oberpfalz – Ortsteil Kreuth, Germany

### JUDGES

Jeanette (USA), Linda Long (USA),  
Ricky Bordignon (IT), David Denniston (USA)

### SEND ENTRY FORM TO

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### DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES

July 10, 2024

Entries can be done via the online mailing system on [www.eqh.eu](http://www.eqh.eu). The Promoter has the right to not accept late entries – generally or for single classes only.

Late entries or changes (horse/rider) have to be declared at the show office until 6 pm the day before the class is scheduled.

### ENTRY FORM AND TEMPORARY TIMETABLE

[www.ecqh.eu](http://www.ecqh.eu)

### METHODS OF PAYMENT

Entry will only be cleared with online payment. Please indicate the name of the horse on the remittance. The entry and stable fees have to be paid and credited to the FEQHA-account until three days after the entry deadline. Later credited payments will have to pay late entry fee.

Bank account:

Account Holder: FEQHA  
Purpose: **ECQH24&Horse Name&Rider**  
BIC-Code: **GENODEF1PFK**  
IBAN: **DE49 7406 1813 0005 3671 23**  
Bank: VR-Bank Rottal-Inn eG, Marktplatz 30,  
84140 Gangkofen, Germany

### HOTEL

Please book rooms and apartments directly at the Waldhotel:  
Phone +49 9624 919-0

### PRIZES

Every European Champion will win a Championship Trophy.

### FEES

#### 4 AQHA SHOWS

Open	110,00 Euro	Select	95,00 Euro
Amateur	95,00 Euro	Youth	75,00 Euro

#### 2 AQHA SHOWS (No European Champion Title)

L1 Open	55,00 Euro	L1 Amat.	45,00 Euro
L1 Youth	40,00 Euro		

#### LEAD LINE

Kids	10,00 Euro
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#### CELEBRATION CLASSES 10.000 Euro Preisgeld

Sponsored by Kaiser Show Horses  
Prize Money each Class 5.000 Euro (2.000/1.350/800/500/350)

Trail	110,00 Euro	Pleasure	110,00 Euro
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Eligible for 4 & 5 year old horses (Quarter Horses, Paint Horses and Appaloosas).  
The degree of difficulty in the trail will be according to the age of the horses.  
The winner will receive an US-Trophy.

#### KUMLEGAARD YOUNG HORSE CUP 4.000 Euro Preisgeld

Sponsored by Kumlegaard Quarter Horses  
Prize Money each Class 1.200 Euro (450/300/200/150/100)

Showmanship	80,00 Euro
Longe Line	80,00 Euro
Trail In Hand	80,00 Euro

Eligible for 2 & 3 year old horses that are not shown under the saddle at this show.  
The cup winner will receive an US-Trophy and 400 Euro prize money.

#### PLEASURE VERSATILITY

Prize Money 1.000 added (100% entry fee pay back)  
Entry Fee 100,00 Euro

#### RANCH RIDING CHALLENGE

Prize Money 1.000 added (100% entry fee pay back)  
Entry Fee 100,00 Euro

#### NSBA OF GERMANY FUTURITY

Open	90,00 Euro	Non Pro	90,00 Euro
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#### OTHERS

Office Charge	40,00 Euro	AQHA Charge	40,00 Euro
Video Charge	25,00 Euro	Late Fee (per Entry)	10,00 Euro

#### PARKING FEES

Car / Pickup	kostenlos	Two horse trailer	50,00 Euro
Truck	100,00 Euro		
Camping	150,00 Euro		

Vehicles which have not been registered with entry, will have to pay an extra 30 Euro on top of the parking fee. Free parking available on the big parking lot next to the approach road of the show ground.

### STALLS

Regular stall in the inner courtyard and at the  
power station 250,00 Euro  
Stall in barn D-G 280,00 Euro  
Stall in barn A-C 350,00 Euro

Earliest arrival is Wednesday, 31st of August 2024 - 4pm

Latest departure is Monday, 12th of August 2024 - 8am

Only paid stalls can be reserved. Tackrooms are charged according to the respective stall category with one exception: The four bigger tackrooms at stable A-C will be charged with 500 Euros.

Distribution of stalls in chronological order of date of reservation. The promoter provides the first bedding of shavings. The use of straw is not allowed. All the stalls have to be accessible at all times.



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## EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP AQHA CLASSES

### OPEN

2036 Stallions 2 & Under  
 2037 Stallions 3 & Over  
 1730 Performance Stallions  
 1054 Yearling Mares  
 1055 2-Year-Old Mares  
 1056 3-Year-Old Mares  
 1057 Aged Mares  
 1750 Performance Mares  
 1074 Yearling Geldings  
 1075 2-Year-Old Geldings  
 1076 3-Year-Old Geldings  
 1077 Aged Geldings  
 1770 Performance Geldings  
 1170 Working Western Rail  
 1341 Junior Bit Reining  
 1342 Senior Reining  
 1343 Hackamore/Snaffle Bit Reining  
 1361 Junior Western Riding  
 1362 Senior Western Riding  
 1381 Junior Trail  
 1382 Senior Trail  
 1390 Ranch Trail  
 1421 Junior Western Pleasure  
 1422 Senior Western Pleasure  
 1431 Junior Ranch Riding  
 1432 Senior Ranch Riding  
 1441 Junior Hunter Under Saddle  
 1442 Senior Hunter Under Saddle

### AMATEUR

2036 Stallions 2 & Under  
 2037 Stallions 3 & Over  
 2730 Performance Stallions  
 2054 Yearling Mares  
 2055 2-Year-Old Mares  
 2056 3-Year-Old Mares  
 2057 Aged Mares  
 2750 Performance Mares  
 2074 Yearling Geldings  
 2075 2-Year-Old Geldings  
 2076 3-Year-Old Geldings  
 2077 Aged Geldings  
 2770 Performance Geldings  
 2120 Showmanship at Halter  
 2170 Working Western Rail  
 2340 Reining  
 2360 Western Riding  
 2380 Trail  
 2390 Ranch Trail  
 2400 Western Horsemanship  
 2420 Western Pleasure  
 2430 Ranch Riding  
 2440 Hunter Under Saddle  
 2520 Hunt Seat Equitation

### AMATEUR SELECT\*

2128 Showmanship at Halter  
 2178 Working Western Rail  
 2348 Reining  
 2388 Trail  
 2408 Western Horsemanship  
 2428 Western Pleasure  
 2368 Western Riding  
 2438 Ranch Riding

\*Classes with less than 5 entries on deadline date will be scratched

### YOUTH

4051 Mares 2 & Under  
 4052 Mares 3 & Over  
 4750 Performance Mares  
 4071 Geldings 2 & Under  
 4072 Geldings 3 & Over  
 4770 Performance Geldings  
 4120 Showmanship at Halter  
 4340 Reining  
 4360 Western Riding  
 4380 Trail  
 4400 Western Horsemanship  
 4420 Western Pleasure  
 4430 Ranch Riding  
 4440 Hunter Under Saddle  
 4520 Hunt Seat Equitation

## ADDITIONAL CLASSES (No European Championship Title)

### AQHA L1 OPEN (GREEN)

1343 Reining  
 1363 Western Riding  
 1383 Trail  
 1394 Ranch Trail  
 1424 Western Pleasure  
 1433 Ranch Riding  
 1443 Hunter Under Saddle

### AQHA L1 AMATEUR (NOVICE)

3120 Showmanship at Halter  
 3340 Reining  
 3360 Western Riding  
 3380 Trail  
 3400 Western Horsemanship  
 3420 Western Pleasure  
 3430 Ranch Riding  
 3440 Hunter Under Saddle  
 3520 Hunt Seat Equitation

### AQHA L1 YOUTH (NOVICE)

4128 Showmanship at Halter  
 4348 Reining  
 4368 Western Riding  
 4388 Trail  
 4408 Western Horsemanship  
 4428 Western Pleasure  
 4438 Ranch Riding  
 4448 Hunter Under Saddle  
 4528 Hunt Seat Equitation

### EUROPEAN CELEBRATION

sponsored by Kaiser Show Horses  
 total prize money 10.000 Euro

5380 Trail – prize money 5.000 Euro  
 5420 Pleasure – prize money 5.000 Euro

Eligible for 4 & 5 year old horses (Quarter Horses, Paint Horses und Appaloosas).

The degree of difficulty in the trail will be according to the age of the horses.

The winner will receive an US-Trophy.

### KUMLEGAARD YOUNG HORSE CUP

sponsored by Kumlegaard Quarter Horses  
 total prize money 4.000 Euro

5210 Showmanship – prize money 1.200 Euro  
 5215 Longe Line – prize money 1.200 Euro  
 5220 Trail In Hand – prize money 1.200 Euro

Eligible for 2 & 3 year old horses that are not shown under the saddle at this show.  
 The cup winner will receive an US-Trophy and 400 Euro prize money.

### PLEASURE VERSATILITY

prize money 1.000 Euro added  
 (100% entry fee pay back)

5500 Pleasure Versatility  
 Eligible for horses 6 years old and older.

### RANCH RIDING CHALLENGE

prize money 1.000 Euro added  
 (100% entry fee pay back)

5600 Ranch Riding Challenge  
 Eligible for horses 6 years old and older.

### NSBA OF GERMANY FUTURITY

5001 NSBA Western Pleasure Open  
 5002 NSBA Western Pleasure Non Pro  
 5003 NSBA Hunter Under Saddle Open  
 5004 NSBA Hunter Under Saddle Non Pro  
 5005 NSBA 2YO Longe Line  
 5006 NSBA 3YO Longe Line  
 5007 NSBA Trail Open

3 year old horses can not be shown under the saddle.

### LEAD LINE

5511 Kids



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## RULES AND REGULATIONS

### 1. Governing Regulation

The European Championships (EC) shall be governed by the rules and regulations of the AQHA Official Handbook and the FEQHA European Championship Show Rules. In case of conflict between AQHA and FEQHA rules, the latter will prevail. All participants and horse owners agree to abide by such rules and regulations.

### 2. Eligibility

To participate in the European Championships the owner of the horse at least has to be resident in an European State. For the purpose of this regulations Europe is intended in its enlarged geographical meaning. FEQHA will allow exhibitors and owners from Israel to compete in the EC as well.

The exhibitor and the horse owner have to be member of an FEQHA (z.B. DQHA, AIQH ...) member association. If the country of residency does not offer such an association, the exhibitor and the horse owner have to become members of another affiliated associations of their choice.

### 3. Registration procedure

Entries will only be processed if:

- The online entry forms on [www.ecqh.eu](http://www.ecqh.eu) are filled out correctly and have been sent time for the entry deadline.
- The entry and stable fees are paid and credited to the FEQHA account until three days after the entry deadline.
- The district office Amberg-Sulzbach demands for all horses from outside of Germany, to deliver the health certificates to the showoffice.

Foreign horses without health certificates may not be brought to Kreuth. The vet papers will be checked locally by the official veterinarian.

By sending the entry, the competitor/exhibitor agrees to comply with the rules and regulations as stated in the show announcement. The promoter is not responsible for late or lost entry forms. The competitor has the sole responsibility for his start.

### 4. On-Site Check-In Information

Upon entry, every exhibitor and owner and all other participants accept the facility and grounds, including, but not limited to, the arena, stalls and alleyways, where the show is being conducted on an "as is" basis and agree to be solely responsible for property damage or personal injury caused by third parties to the exhibitor, participant or owner, his/her property or staff, or caused by himself/herself, his/her participant horses, exhibitors, representatives, agents and employees occurring in conjunction with this show; and further agree to indemnify and hold FEQHA harmless from any and all such liability, whenever or however, arising, not caused by FEQHA's own negligence or that of FEQHA's representatives, agents or employees.

### 5. Health Requirements

Each horse must be liability insured, free of any epidemic disease and must come from a stable free of any epidemical disease. The horse must be as well vaccinated against influenza. The last vaccination can not be older than 12 month. The certificate of vaccination must accompany the horse and it has to be produced at the show office upon request.

### 6. Clipping and Equipment

Applicable rules are those of the hosting country.

### 7. Doping Controls

The EC committee, consisting of a FEQHA officer together with the showmanager, shall arbitrarily choose classes and within them the places to be tested. The testing procedure will also be determined by the EC committee.

By submitting the entry form riders, exhibitors and horse owners agree to their horses being drug tested (blood or urine). Tests will be performed in accordance with the current FEI list of prohibited substances (prohibited substances list). The EC committee decides per individual case if a medication will be accepted (medication sheet).

In case of violations horse owners, riders and horses will be disqualified from the entire event. Paid entries and stable fees will not be refunded. The horse owner/participant agrees to bear the entire costs of the doping test in case of a positive result and to give back any potential titles, awards and prize money as well as to accept all consequences and sanctions imposed by the FEQHA Executive Committee (bans, fines, etc.).

### 8. Insurance and other Regulations

Every horse must have liability insurance.

Each horse owner at assignment of entry, each companion and visitor when entering the show area agrees with the directives and Instructions of the organizer and agrees to the regulations of the AQHA Official Handbook and the and conditions of the announcement. The organizer is entitled to modify the competition according to the AQHA Official Handbook, to reschedule the show or, upon repaying the fees, to cancel the show if deemed necessary under special circumstances.

There is no contractual relationship between the promoter on the one hand and the visitors, competitors, exhibitors and owners on the other hand. Liability for theft and injury of persons or animals is excluded. Especially participants are not assistants in the sense of § 278 and § 831 German Civil Code (BGB).

### 9. Refunds

Presenting a vet certificate before the beginning of a show the show management can repay half of the entry fee. Office charge on principle will not be repaid. Fee for stalls is only repaid, if the reserved stall is rentable again.

### 10. European Champion Title Award

The European Champions in Youth, Amateur and Open Classes are determined through finals. In order to make it to the Finals, one must qualify through the 4 AQHA Shows (hereafter referred to as "go-rounds") of the European Championships. The finalists will be determined by adding up the points or scores while taking the off-pattern runs into account.

In Halter Classes no finals will take place and the European Champions are awarded by adding up the points from the placings or scores of all four shows. In all Halter classes with less than three exhibitors there will be no European Champions. In Performance classes with less than five exhibitors, there will be no finals and no European Champions' title will be awarded.

To get into a final the horse-exhibitor combination must not be disqualified (e.g. 0 score) in any of the four shows.

In Level 1 Classes there will be no European Champions' title.



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### 11. Points in Placed Classes

In all non-scored classes (Western Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle & Working Western Rail) points are awarded according to the placings.

Numerical Scores for Placed Classes (schedule of points of the AQHA-World Show)

1. 120	6. 55	11. 15
2. 105	7. 45	12. 10
3. 91	8. 36	13. 6
4. 78	9. 28	14. 3
5. 66	10. 21	15. 1

### 12. The number of finalists

is dependent upon the number of exhibitors in the go-round.

25 and more	15 finalists
20-24	12 finalists
15-19	10 finalists
9-14	8 finalists
5-8	all exhibitors are in the final

### 13. Judging of the finals.

Three judges will judge the final classes. Each judge will evaluate each class independently of the other judges and will place through fifteen (15) places. Their individual scores or placings will be given to the European Championship Show management for tabulation. The final placing shall be determined by combining the three scores or points while taking the off-pattern runs into account.

### 14. Tie Procedures

The ties will be broken through a tie judge. The tie-judge will be defined by the showmanagement and published to the exhibitors.

### 15. All-Around Champion

In the Youth, Amateur, Select Amateur and Open Classes for each of the 4 shows an All-Around Champion is awarded separately. In the Level 1 Open, Amateur and Youth classes, all-around champions will also be calculated in both shows.

### 16. NSBA of Germany Futurity

The NSBA Futurity is eligible for 3 to 6 years old horses, whose sire has been paid in the NSBA Germany e.V. Futurity Program. To participate in the classes the exhibitor and the owner must hold a current membership of the NSBA of Germany e.V.

One exhibitor may show two horses in the NSBA Longe Line Futurity. 3yo horses can not be shown under the saddle. For further information visit: <https://nsba-germany.de/futurity>

### 17. Pleasure Versatility

Open to 6-year-olds and older horses. The order of "go" will be determined by draw the evening before the Pleasure Versatility.

Horses are shown, sequentially, in three classes: 1) versatility pattern to count 40 percent, followed by 2) western pleasure to count 40 percent, and finishing with 3) conformation to count 20 percent. Prior to exiting the arena after completion of the versatility pattern, exhibitors will be required to dismount. All exhibitors will be able to mount after the final horse has completed the versatility pattern. Horses remain in the make-up ring, or show pen, for the duration of the event. Horse must show in all classes to receive final placings. The same exhibitor must show the same horse in all classes.

These classes will highlight form to function, conformation, trainability, quality of movement and performance using traditional AQHA class rules. The low judge's score of each exhibitor will be dropped in all three classes, thereby rewarding excellence. The final result will be calculated by adding the single class placings, including the above percentages. Placings will NOT be announced, or made known to any judge, until the event has been completed.

The class has a guaranteed prize money of 1.000 Euro plus 100% pay back of the entry fee. Prize money will be given to the best 5 horses according to the NRHA-key: 34 / 27 / 20 / 10 / 9 percent.

### 18. Ranch Riding Challenge

Open to 6-year-olds and older horses. The order of "go" will be determined by draw the evening before the Ranch Riding Challenge. A rider may present a maximum of three horses in this class. No standard ranch riding pattern is used for this class. Judging is based on AQHA rules. The prize money for the Ranch Riding Challenge is 1,000 euros plus 100% Payback. The distribution is made to the first five places with the NRHA key: 34 / 27 / 20 / 10 / 9 percent.