

# Pferd International 2012

## Dressage of the highest level in the Olympia hall

The winner of the Grand Prix Freestyle, Valentina Truppa, pictured between runner-up Isabell Werth and third placed Victoria Max-Theurer. This was the image that concluded four days of extraordinary dressage sport and emphasized the great name of the tournament in the Olympic equestrian center. "Munich has developed into an ideal platform for Equestrian at world level. Pferd International was praised by the best riders in the world for the quality of the facilities and the competition." Those are the words used by Hans-Peter Schmidt, chairman of the supervisory board of the NÜRNBERGER Insurance group and President of the Bavarian equestrian federation to sum up the event. The member of the Präsidium of the German equestrian federation (FN), Schmidt reminded all riders that they are role models and examples for responsible and correct behaviour around our partner, the horse. More than 60.000 spectators came to watch the high-class programme in both Dressage and Jumping, as well as the competitions for drivers, vaulters and western riders; and showed once and for all the incredible appeal of the equestrian sports.





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1. Valentina Truppa and Eremo del Castegno triumphed in the Grand Prix Freestyle.
2. Edward Gal and Hans-Peter Minderhoud love to come to Pferd International in Munich.
3. Reitmeister Gunther Feisterling was honoured with the Felix-Bürkner-Medal for his outstanding contributions to professional equestrianism
4. Show director Dr. Ench Hergen, Hans-Peter Schmidt (President of the Bavarian equestrian federation and Member of the Präsidium of the German equestrian federation) and Josef Pfller (deputy chairman of the supervisory board of the NURNBERGER Insurance group) applaud the successful participants.
5. Ten in hand, already a tradition in the colourful Show at Pferd International
6. Isabell Werth and Victoria Max-Theurer with the winner Valentina Truppa in their midst
7. A Bavarian retired Asti Spumante, rather successful with his rider Thomas Muhlbauer, said goodbye to top sport at Pferd International
8. Fortune plays its part -- as everywhere.
9. Happy about their triumph in the Grand Prix of Bavaria: Hans-Dieter Drener and Embassy
10. Tinne Vilhelmsen-Silfven and Don Aurelio won the overall rankings of the World Dressage Masters-Senes.
11. Helmut Brunner (Minister of Food, Agriculture and Forest) and Bernhard Graf von Ballestrem (Show Director) enjoyed the ride
12. Keen visitors observed the excellent sport at the Pferd International
13. A traditional big prize giving ceremony in the Grand Prix Freestyle. Hans-Peter Schmidt (chairman of the supervisory board of the NURNBERGER Insurance group), Dr. Beate Merk (Minister of Justice, Food and Consumers protection), John van de Laar (Managing Director of the WDM) and Show Director Dr. Ench Hergen congratulate the medal winners

