

Twenty-three nations take part in the NHS international competition from 3 to 6 august in Saint-Lô, France



This year, the Normandie Horse Show is extending its international competition and adding 2* and 1* labels to the CSI 3* in place since 2015.

From Thursday 3 to Sunday 6 August, 160 riders and almost 300 horses will be treading the Uriel track in 16 classes, 3 of which will count towards the riders' world ranking.

Among them will be some of the regulars at the Saint-Lois summer show, such as the winners of previous editions of the CSI 3*: Mathieu Billot (FRA), Laurent Goffinet (FRA), Hubert Pignolet (FRA), Victor Bettendorf (LUX, no. 32 in the world rankings) and Julien Epailard (FRA), currently no. 2 in the world rankings.

Pedro Junqueira Muylaert will be joined by fellow Brazilians Pedro Veniss (n°102), Felipe Amaral and Sérgio Neuppmann Junior, while Bertram Allen (n°31), his younger brother Harry Allen, Dermott Lennon and Emily Turkington will be defending Ireland's colours.

A fine British delegation will be present, including Scott Brash (no. 38), William Funnell and Guy Williams. Our Swiss neighbours will be represented by Olympic champion Steve Guerdat (n°15), Anthony Bourquard, Sasha Barthe and Najda Peter Steiner, as will the Belgians with world champion Philippe Le Jeune, Cyril Cools and Dieter Vermeiren.

Germany, Argentina, Australia, Chile, Ecuador, Spain, India, Israel, the Netherlands, New Zealand and Poland will be present in the CSI 3*.

As for the French riders, Kevin Staut (n°17), Pénélope Leprévost (n°57), Edward Levy, the reigning French champion (n°88) and François-Xavier Boudant (n°114) will all be on the starting grid.

Click here to see the provisional master list.

Highlights of the competition

- Prix Cheval Liberté 1m45 of the CSI 3* - qualifier for the Grand Prix, Friday afternoon
- CSI 1* Grand Prix Ville de Saint-Lô at 1m30, Saturday afternoon
- Prix Saint-Lô Agglo 1m45 CSI 3* - qualifier for the Grand Prix, Saturday afternoon
- Prix Crédit Mutuel CSI 3* - six bars, Saturday during the NHS evening (paying entry)
- CSI 2* Grand Prix at 1m45 Région Normandie, Sunday lunchtime
- CSI 3* Grand Prix Département de la Manche at 1m50, Sunday around 3pm

The international competition kicks off on Thursday afternoon with Label 2* and 1* classes. Timetables will be available from Thursday morning on www.worldsporttiming.com and the events will be broadcast live on Grandprix.tv.