FEGENTRI PRESS INFORMATION

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70 years of World Championships

Dear Friends of FEGENTRI,

On behalf of our President and the entire Board, I am pleased to present the second edition of the 2026 FEGENTRI Press Release.

The month of May has been particularly active, with all four championships now well underway across Europe. This period offers riders a wonderful opportunity to discover the spirit of FEGENTRI, build international connections, and get to know their fellow amateur riders from different countries.

None of our championships would be possible without your continued support and dedication. If you would like to play an even greater role in the future of international amateur racing, we would be delighted to welcome you as a FEGENTRI Individual Member. For further information, please contact charlotte@fegentri.com.

Your commitment truly makes a difference.

With kind regards,
Charlotte Rinckenbach
General Secretary, FEGENTRI

Join the community, become a **FEGENTRI Individual Member!**

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MEMBERS' CORNER

Condolences – Christian Seguin (October 20, 1936 – May 17, 2026)

FEGENTRI is deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Christian Seguin, one of the emblematic figures of the FEGENTRI gentlemen-riders' alumni.
Christian Seguin made history as the first French rider to become FEGENTRI World Champion in 1958. A remarkably talented and courageous rider, he was respected throughout Europe for his discipline, determination and elegance over jumps.

Christian Seguin

Christian Seguin, 1958 FEGENTRI Golden Spur for France
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Among his many achievements, he notably won the Prix de France five times at Auteuil, a record that remained unbeaten. At only 27 years old, the press already described him as a "crack gentleman," with nearly 190 victories to his name, including 88 over jumps. Throughout his career, he competed successfully in France, Italy, Belgium, Germany and Switzerland, earning victories in prestigious international races such as the Grand Steeple-Chase of Baden-Baden and the Merano Cup.
Born into the racing world through his father, who worked for the Société des Steeple-Chases de France, Christian discovered horses at a very young age aboard a pony named "Zouzou." His passion for racing never left him. Despite the many serious injuries he endured during his career, his love for competition and jump racing always prevailed.
Beyond his achievements on the racecourse, those who knew him will remember a loyal, joyful and deeply kind man, known for his modesty, humour and unwavering devotion to his family and friends.
The entire FEGENTRI family extends its sincere condolences to his wife, children, grandchildren, relatives and friends during this difficult time.

WITH NOLIMIT claims Grade 1 glory at Punchestown under FEGENTRI alumnus Joshua Halford

Irish FEGENTRI alumnus Joshua Halford rode the biggest winner of his career to date on April 29th, 2026 as WITH NOLIMIT won the Grade 1 Race & Stay At Punchestown Champion I.N.H. Flat Race for trainer Gordon Elliott.

Joshua Halford after his win at Punchestown ©private

After finishing ninth in the Cheltenham Champion Bumper, the Gigginstown House Stud-owned gelding reversed the form in impressive style, travelling strongly before taking the lead over a furlong from home.
This success highlights both Joshua Halford's growing talent and the continued international success of FEGENTRI alumni.

The FEGENTRI Gentlemen's League Championship becomes the FEGENTRI Jump Championship

From the 2026 season onwards, the FEGENTRI Gentlemen's League Championship will officially be renamed the "FEGENTRI Jump Championship".
FEGENTRI will now act as the sole organizer of the Championship, as the founders of The Gentlemen's League, Maxime Denuault and Gonzague Cottreau, pursue new directions in their professional and personal lives.
FEGENTRI would like to express its sincere gratitude to both Maxime and Gonzague for their dedication, commitment, and invaluable contribution to the development of the Championship over the years. We look forward to continuing to share with them the passion and values of amateur racing in the future.

FEGENTRI World Championship for Lady and Gentlemen-Riders

9 MAY 2026 – HALLE, GERMANY – LADY RIDERS
The second race of the season for the FEGENTRI Lady Riders Championship took place in Halle, Germany. Germany's Nora Cronauer climbed strongly in the FEGENTRI rankings after securing her second victory of the season aboard ZEGA TOP.
Beyond the racing, the Lady Riders also enjoyed valuable moments together off the track, sharing excellent dinners organized by the German Amateur Club in the beautiful city centre of Halle. These convivial evenings further strengthen the international friendships and spirit that make FEGENTRI so special.

17 MAY 2026 – OSLO, NORWAY – MIXED RACE
The FEGENTRI Lady and Gentlemen-Riders had the unique opportunity to experience racing in Oslo, Norway, on the country's National Day.
The mixed race over 1,100 meters was won by Belgium's Lize Dieteren, who celebrated her first FEGENTRI victory of the season.
Despite difficult weather conditions leading to several non-runners and the merging of the two originally planned races into a single event, all riders greatly enjoyed the warm hospitality of the Norwegian Amateur Club and a memorable evening of celebration in the festive atmosphere of Norway's national celebrations.

24 MAY 2026 – MOST, CZECH REPUBLIC – LADY RIDERS
The FEGENTRI Lady Riders gathered in Most, Czech Republic, for the first step of the 2026 FEGENTRI season in the country. Representing the host nation, Katerina Bilkova secured victory aboard ZAUKHAN, celebrating her first FEGENTRI success of the season in front of a home crowd.
Beyond the racing, the Lady Riders also had the opportunity to discover the region and visit the beautiful Hnevín Castle, sharing memorable moments together off the track.
Many thanks to Pavlina Kasparova for the excellent organization and warm hospitality throughout this successful first stage of the season.

25 MAY 2026 – FRAUENFELD, SWITZERLAND – LADY RIDERS
Whit Monday's race meeting proved to be a highly successful occasion for the FEGENTRI Lady Riders in Frauenfeld, Switzerland. The event was marked by a warm welcome from the organisers, with the riders invited to a convivial dinner the evening before the race. The gathering brought together the FEGENTRI Lady Riders, representatives of Galopp Schweiz, and members of the racecourse management, reflecting the strong spirit of cooperation and hospitality surrounding the meeting.
On race day, the atmosphere remained excellent under a warm and sunny weather forecast, with competitive racing and strong performances from the participating riders. Swiss nominated rider Sally Langhard delivered a great ride, securing her first victory of the season aboard THEWORLDISNOTENOUGH.

FEGENTRI Jump Championship

17 MAY 2026 – AUTEUIL, FRANCE
The second stage of the 2026 FEGENTRI Jump Championship took place at Auteuil on the famous Steeple-Chase course, on the prestigious day of the Grand Steeple-Chase de Paris. Four nations were represented, with FEGENTRI Board Member Patrick Mullins also taking part in the race.
After securing his first victory over jumps just days earlier at Le Lion d'Angers during the renowned France Sire Anjou-Loire Challenge, the French rider Corentin Le Guevel continued his impressive rise by claiming victory in the Prix Maréchal Foch on BENOU.
The race was followed by a warm and convivial gathering at the headquarters of the Club des Gentlemen-Riders et des Cavalières de France, bringing together riders, organizers, and guests in the true spirit of amateur racing.

FEGENTRI Junior Championship Championship

10 MAY 2026 – BUDAPEST, HUNGARY
The 2026 FEGENTRI Junior Championship got off to a wonderful start in Budapest, Hungary, at the famous Kincsem Park racecourse.
The draw took place during an official dinner held at the racecourse on the evening before the race, perfectly organized by Dr. Marta Seres. Following the competition, participants also enjoyed a sightseeing tour of Budapest, offering a great opportunity to discover the city and strengthen friendships between the young riders.
Representing Germany for the second consecutive year, Luisa Marie Keller celebrated her very first FEGENTRI victory aboard the pony Little Lioness.
Many thanks to Magyar Ponichampionátus for the excellent organization and warm hospitality throughout this memorable event.

Sarah Leutwiler, Charlotte Rinckenbach and the FEGENTRI Lady riders at Frauenfeld ©Michèle Forster

Lize Dieteren wins at Oslo ©Emilie Finckenhagen

Corentin Le Guevel (FRA) over a jump on BENOU ©APRH

Sally Langhard (CH) wins at Frauenfeld ©Michèle Forster

Katerina Bilkova wins the race on ZAUKHAN ©Pavla Pechmanova

Luisa Marie Keller (GER) wins at Kincsem Park © Kincsem Park

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Nora Cronauer (GER) after her win on Zega Top ©galoppfoto.de

FEGENTRI World Championship Lady Rider Ranking ‚Riders' 2026

Rank	Rider	Nation	Winners	Points
1	Nora Cronauer	Germany	2	27
2	Lize Ghys-Dieteren	Belgium	1	19
3	Sally Langhard	Switzerland	1	15
4	Sophie O'Brien	USA		12
5+	Katerina Bilkova	Czech Republic	1	11
5+	Mie Blichfeldt	Norway		11
7	Emelie Gustavsson	Sweden		9
8	Anna Jeles	Hungary		7
9	Earine Dubourg	France		6
10	Francesca Cecchini	Italy		5
11	Serena Brotherton	Great Britain		4
12	Alessia Nuti	Italy		1

FEGENTRI World Championship Lady Rider Ranking ‚Nation' 2026

Rank	Nations	Winners	Points
1	Germany	2	27
2	Belgium	1	19
3	Switzerland	1	15
4	USA		12
5+	Czech Republic	1	11
5+	Norway		11
7	Sweden		9
8	Hungary		7
9+	Italy		6
9+	France		6
11	Great Britain		4

FEGENTRI World Championship Gentlemen Rider Ranking ‚Riders' 2026

Rank	Rider	Nation	Winners	Points
1+	Lewis Kent	Great Britain	1	10
1+	Alix Lemaire	France	1	10
3	Giacomo Perugini	Italy		8
4+	Paul Cawley	Ireland		7
4+	Alvaro Sainz	Spain		7
6	Kenny Roussety	Mauritius		4

FEGENTRI World Championship Gentlemen Rider Ranking ‚Nation' 2026

Rank	Nations	Winners	Points
1+	Great Britain	1	10
1+	France	1	10
3	Italy		8
4+	Ireland		7
4+	Spain		7
6	Mauritius		4

FEGENTRI Jump Championship Ranking ‚Riders' 2026

Rank	Rider	Nation	Winners	Points
1	Jan Ilik	Czech Republic		3
2+	Ross Sugrue	Ireland		2
2+	Earine Dubourg	France		2
2+	Elliot Öhgren	Sweden		2
2+	Daniel Thomas Hyde	Ireland		2
6+	Pavel Bradik	Germany		1
6+	Darren Andrews	Great Britain		1

FEGENTRI Jump Championship Ranking ‚Nation' 2026

Rank	Nations	Winners	Points
1	Ireland		4
2	Czech Republic		3
3+	France		2
3+	Sweden		2
5+	Germany		1
5+	Great Britain		1

FEGENTRI Junior Championship 2026

Rank	Nation	Riders	Winners	Points
1	Germany	Luisa Marie Keller	1	10
2	Hungary	Zara Csontos		7
3	UK	Tallulah Edmunds		5
4	Italy	Leonardo Muzzi		3
5	France	Thibault Delaunay		2
6	Belgium	Celia Lohest		1