

# British Equestrian update

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# Road to Aachen 2026 – FEI World Championships

- Dressage, eventing, four in hand driving, jumping, para dressage and vaulting all at **Aachen, Germany** over **11 – 23 August**. Monday was the 50-day countdown marker!
  - First opportunity for dressage, eventing, jumping and para to qualify for LA28 – WCP primary objective.
- Endurance – currently scheduled in **AlUla, Saudia Arabia** on **28 November** – monitoring situation.
- **Nominated selection meetings** have all taken place with announcements underway (subject to appeals).
- Busy but encouraging spring and early summer **competition results**:
  - Ros Canter’s historic Badminton triumph just three months after the arrival of her second child
  - A jumping Longines League of Nations British team win in Rotterdam
  - 5\* Jumping GP victories for Ben Maher, Scott Brash, Harry Charles and Donald Whitaker
  - Luhmuhlen 5\* eventing win for Caroline Harris
  - International dressage wins for Becky Moody, Carl Hester, Charlotte Fry and Fiona Bigwood
  - Vaulting athlete Ursula Levett secured selection for Aachen – currently world number 14.



# Federation activity update

- **Social value and advocacy** – stage three work with Lexington recently concluded, now to roll out
- **Equine welfare progress** – both EWSG and EWEAG delivering against remit, Action Plan due to be launched next week
- **Equine influenza outbreaks** – with ERG and EIDAG co-ordination of federation response, MB actions and educational/vigilance messaging
- **Workforce** – People Plan progressing and Workforce Insights Project tender launched
- **Equestrian Coaching Certificate** – revitalised qualification pathway launched on Monday as part of UK Coaching Week
- **Environmental sustainability** – digital resources hub **The Hoofprint** launched with delivery in Q3