

## **The Whitakers WILL be at Windsor!**

### **Whitakers join top line-up of other Show Jumpers in additional competitions**

They may not be taking part in the Championship action but that hasn't stopped Olympic Team Gold medallist Laura Kraut and The Whitaker family from making the trip to Windsor for the Alltech FEI European Jumping & Dressage Championships 2009 (25-30 August)

John, Robert, Ellen and William Whitaker have all entered the additional competitions held on Thursday and Friday evening: The H&M Six-Bar and the H&M Puissance.

Additional riders for these non-Championship competitions also include British riders: Guy Williams; Nick Skelton; Laura Renwick; Geoff Lockett; Tina Fletcher; Phillip Spivey; David McPherson; Derek Morton; Tim Page; Ryan Prater; Daniel Neilson and US Jumper Lauren Hough.

Following Thursday night's H&M Six-Bar, The 17 competitors will feature in a jam-packed Friday night programme - the Alltech World Equestrian Games Gala Night – fast becoming a popular entertainment evening showcasing all of the FEI disciplines and culminating in the H&M Puissance. (Full timetable below).

Riders who compete in the additional jumping competitions on Thursday and Friday will also be eligible to enter the Rolex Grand Prix on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August.

The H&M Six Bar and The H&M Puissance will feature other competitors and horses declared as 'definite entries' but who did not take part in the Championship rounds. The Rolex Grand Prix will feature competitors and horses entered as 'definite entries' but who did not qualify to take part in the Third Competition of the Jumping Championships.

#### **Ticket Information:**

Tickets for the Alltech FEI European Jumping and Dressage Championships 2009 are priced between £7 and £49 (£7, £10, £16, £22, £25, £28, £35, £45, £49). The box office telephone numbers are 0871 230 1087 (UK) and + 44 115 993 4409 (International). For online ticket bookings and further information of the confirmed programme of events please visit [www.alltechwindsoreuropeans.com](http://www.alltechwindsoreuropeans.com)

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**Notes to Editors:**

**Full Friday night timetable:**

19.05 hrs	Arena Carriage Driving
19.25 hrs	Carriage Driving presentation
19.30 hrs	Demonstration of Vaulting
19.40 hrs	Para-equestrian display to music
19.55 hrs	Demonstration of Reining & Endurance
20.05 hrs	Shetland Pony Grand National
20.15 hrs	Quadrille: The Duke of Richmond's Ride
20.25 hrs	Interval
20:55 hrs	Presentation to winners of AmTrust Equine RWHS Unaffiliated Championships 2009
21.00 hrs	Eventing Grand Prix
21.35 hrs	Eventing GP Presentation
21.45 hrs	H&M Puissance
22.35 hrs	Finish

For further information on the **Alltech FEI European Jumping and Dressage Championships** please contact Kelly Smith on +44 (0)1753 847915 or email [kellys@hpower.co.uk](mailto:kellys@hpower.co.uk).

**About the Organisers:**

The HPower Group produce, manage and promote large scale public events worldwide specialising in equestrian competitions, ceremonial events and public entertainment.

The HPower Group is the organiser of the Royal Windsor Horse Show, Olympia, The London International Horse Show and the FEI European Jumping and Dressage Championships 2009. The HPower Group has previously produced and directed All The Queen's Horses, Army 2002, and the World War 2 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations. Simon Brooks-Ward, managing director, was also Event Director for the Territorial Army's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary National Pageant on Horse Guards.

**About UK Sport**

The Alltech FEI European Jumping & Dressage Championships 2009 has been part funded by UK Sport's National Lottery-funded World Class Events Programme, which aims to secure events of strategic importance that deliver a range of lasting benefits. These include economic, social and cultural benefits as well as improving sporting performance by home athletes, encouraging participation and leaving a legacy of facilities and development initiatives. Over 120 sporting events have been staged in the UK through the programme since 1997. More at [www.uk sport.gov.uk](http://www.uk sport.gov.uk)

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Alltech is the proud sponsor of the Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games 2010™ to be held in Kentucky, USA from the 25<sup>th</sup> September to the 10<sup>th</sup> October 2010 and the Alltech FEI European Jumping and Dressage Championships to be held in Windsor, United Kingdom from the 25<sup>th</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup> August 2009.

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