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SEASON PREVIEW

Anticipation builds ahead
of the 2022/23 term





From top left, clockwise: CIS' Ashley Gale came first; AISHK's Sarah Broderick was second; while ICHK's India Gray; and RCHK's Evie Sum claimed third place in the Higher Division of the HKEF Inter-school Equestrian Challenge 2022

RISING STARS

The HKEF Inter-school Equestrian Challenge takes the lead in cultivating young talent

Now in its 16th year, the Hong Kong Equestrian Federation (HKEF) Inter-school Equestrian Challenge has had its fair share of ups and downs, and remains the city's largest equestrian competition for young riders. It has always played an important role in nurturing budding talent and providing solid foundations for many athletes who have gone on to compete successfully at university, national and international levels.

To adapt to social distancing measures, this year's inter-school challenge once again embraced the video submission format for riders aged 12 to 16 in the Higher Division. But riders aged between 10 and 14 in the Lower Division couldn't compete due to school suspensions and

restrictions on gatherings. As such, there were fewer participants and no grand final. Despite the challenging circumstances, 13 individual riders from 10 schools took part in the Higher Division.

Ashley Gale from Chinese International School (CIS) was the individual overall winner with the highest score of 161.48 – the sum of dressage and jumping percentages. Sarah Broderick from Australian International School Hong Kong (AISHK) came second with 159.17, followed by Evie Sum from Renaissance College (RCHK) and India Gray from International College Hong Kong (ICHK) – both in third place with 157.52. The riders received generous prizes that can be used towards an equestrian training programme of their choice. ➤

KGV's Charmaine Ip (top right); HKIS' Anita Qian (middle row, left) and KGV's Julie Bardin (middle row, right) were the top three riders in the Eventing Challenge; Charmaine Ip, Dr Simon Griffin, HKEF Equestrian School Sports Coordinator, and Bobo Poon, representative of programme sponsor Horse & Hound Hong Kong strike a pose



In dressage and jumping, the top five riders were recognised through placings. The top three in each discipline won attractive prizes, including saddle pads and vouchers sponsored by Horse & Hound Hong Kong, an equestrian apparel and tack shop. To encourage participation, all competitors were given certificates and HK\$200 vouchers.

Unfortunately, both the Eventing Horse of the Year Show and the final leg of the Senior Inter-school Eventing Challenge were cancelled, so like in 2020, the final rank was determined by using the riders' best results from scheduled eventing competitions that were held earlier this season.

Among the nine competitors who qualified for top spots were Charmaine Ip of King George V School (KGV) and her partner Hope, who won with the fewest

penalty points – 14.2. Anita Qian from Hong Kong International School claimed second place with 15.14 points and Julie Bardin (KGV) came third with 15.28 points. As this year's winner, Ip received HK\$10,000 worth of HKEF funding, which will go towards an approved training programme of her choice.

The HKEF congratulates the outstanding riders in this year's competition, and expresses its gratitude to all participating riding schools, parents and officials – especially our judges, Suzanne Baker and Possum Richards – for their effort and support in making this event possible even under difficult conditions.

We look forward to continuing to support our young riders with more vibrant inter-school competitions next season. ●



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萬眾期待的2022/23年度馬季





由左上起，順時針：在2022年度香港馬術總會校際馬術挑戰賽高級組賽事中，漢基國際學校的紀雪寧排名首位；澳洲國際學校的Sarah Broderick位列第二；而國際學校的India Gray及啟新書院的沈奕希則並列第三

馬術 明日之星

香港馬術總會校際馬術挑戰賽引領本港
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港馬術總會（馬術總會）校際馬術挑戰賽今年已踏入第16屆，儘管經歷過許多起伏順逆，至今仍是本港最大型的青少年馬術比賽。此賽事在培養新秀方面，一直扮演著關鍵角色，並為許多年輕的馬術選手奠定扎實的基礎，讓他們在參與大學、國家級或國際賽事時大放異彩。

為了配合現行的社交距離措施，今年為12至16歲騎手而設的校際馬術挑戰賽高級組賽事再次沿用錄像模式作賽。然而，在限聚令及學校停課的情況下，為

10至14歲騎手而設的初級組比賽今年未能舉行。雖然高級組賽事未有舉行決賽，參賽人數亦有所減少，但依然吸引了10所學校的13名騎手參加。

綜合盛裝舞步及場地障礙的成績，漢基國際學校的紀雪寧（Ashley Gale）以161.48分成為個人總排名冠軍。澳洲國際學校的Sarah Broderick以159.17分排名第二，而啟新書院的沈奕希及國際學校的India Gray則以157.52分並列第三。他們均獲得豐富獎勵，可用於自選的騎術訓練。🐾

英皇佐治五世學校的葉宥彤（右上）；香港國際學校的錢梓欣（中排，左）；以及英皇佐治五世學校的Julie Bardin（中排，右）於三項挑戰賽中位列前三名；葉宥彤、香港馬術總會學校馬術體育推廣主任Simon Griffin博士及贊助商Horse & Hound Hong Kong代表潘映彤合照



此外，在盛裝舞步及場地障礙兩個項目中，表現最佳的五名騎手將分別獲得名次。各項目中的前三名騎手，均可獲得由香港馬術服裝及馬具用品店Horse & Hound Hong Kong贊助的精美獎品，包括馬鞍墊及優惠券。參與是次賽事的騎手均獲頒贈證書及200港元的優惠券以作鼓勵。

令人惋惜的是，三項馬王賽及校際馬術三項挑戰賽的決賽均須取消，因此我們再次沿用2020年的計分方法，改以騎手於賽季期間舉行的三項挑戰賽中的最佳成績決定最終排名。

獲得爭奪名次資格的九名騎手中，英皇佐治五世學校的葉宥彤策騎「Hope」獲得最低的14.2罰分，成為三項挑戰賽冠軍。香港國際學校的錢梓欣憑15.14罰分位居第二，英皇佐治五世學校的Julie

Bardin則獲得15.28罰分，位列第三。今年的冠軍葉宥彤獲得馬術總會頒贈10,000港元獎金，可用於她自選的馬術訓練課程。

馬術總會恭喜各位騎手於今年的馬術總會校際馬術挑戰賽獲得優秀成績，同時亦衷心感謝所有騎術學校、家長及賽事官員的鼎力支持，尤其是裁判貝蘇珊及Possum Richards，於充滿挑戰的環境中提供協助，令比賽得以順利進行。

我們熱切期待繼續支持年輕騎手，於下季賽事再次迎來蓬勃氣象！●

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