

LA POLO

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*Ninetieth+7th
Edition*

ROSE
QUARTZ

The stone of love

GOLD for
DUTCH

*Netherlands' won a
gold in Para-Dressage
European Championships*

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VICTORY LAP

Team Talandracas get their name on the Coupe D'Or for 6th time

Image: Deauville International Polo Club

POLO



Image: Polo Club Saint Tropez

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The high goal final of Open du Soleil



Image: Gstaad Gold Cup - Facebook

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The 24th Gstaad Gold Cup



Image: The Royal Selangor Polo Club

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The RSPC Open finale at the Royal Selangor Polo Club



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Polo with a view: Eldorado Polo Club

The Invincibles

Coupe d'Or

Deauville International
Polo Club | France 

Talancras Vs Barriere

The competition, which was born in 1950 thanks to the founder of the Barrière group kicked off at the Deauville International Polo Club on 10th August.

The Talancras Team, by edouard carmignac, won the 2019 Gold Cup and scored its name on the cup for the 6th time. A great showdown of Polo in the finals was captured by the intensity of the final match. The night was complemented by an after party with the guests and players. Fran Elizalde, author of six goals in the final, wins the best player award (MVP). Evita, a mare played by ale muzio and raised by Santiago Gaztambide, wins the award for the best mare.



Team Talancras with the Gold cup

One-sided Finale

Gstaad Gold Cup

Gstaad | Switzerland



Clinique La Prairie
Vs Hublot

The Hublot Polo Gold Cup Gstaad is a unique experience in the Swiss sports calendar that goes beyond the competition

Sunday afternoon at the Saanen airfield the audience was treated to all the spoils of international polo. With perfect weather and breathtaking alpine views, it was only fitting the Final be equally spectacular, and as expected, the teams boasting some of the world's best didn't disappoint. Rising to the occasion of the 24th Gstaad Gold Cup was none other than Team Clinique La Prairie after they beat Hublot 10 goals to 5. In the match for 3rd and 4th, Banque Eric Sturdza made good on their promise to try for the best result despite being dethroned of their title by Clinique La Prairie. In a much tighter game, they beat Gstaad Palace.



Clinique La Prairie celebrates the victory

An Early Lead

Open du Soleil

Saint Tropez
Polo Club | France



Los Nocheros 11
Vs Hadoro VAS 8

This is the fifth consecutive season that the club on the French Riviera hosts 18-goal tournaments.

Both the 18- and 10-goal Open du Soleil finals were held at Saint Tropez Polo Club on Sunday. A total of nine teams partook in the competition. First up, Los Nocheros took on Hadoro VAS in the 18-goal final. The teams had faced each other in the group stages, and Los Nocheros had run out the winners. Agustín García Grossi got off to a savage start, scoring five consecutive goals for Hadoro VAS in the first two chukkas of the final. Hadoro made a stunning comeback and blew off some steam to score a set of fabulous goals which fell short of the 5-goal lead of Los Nocheros.



Best Playing Pony: OPEN KINI

The Nail-biting Finale

Open du Soleil

Saint Tropez
Polo Club | France



Battistoni 8
Vs Dark Ice 6.5

As is usual on finals day at Saint Tropez Polo Club, sporting action was accompanied by a fabulous Sunday Polo event.

Next, the 10-goal final saw defending champions Battistoni take on Dark Ice, recent finalists of the Cote d'Azur Cup two weeks prior. Dark Ice received 1.5 goals on handicap, which allowed them to stay in the game at all times—in fact, they even managed to be ahead on the scoreboard in the final chukka. But Battistoni pushed hard, taking advantage of the fact that they had three professionals on their team, and they eventually secured the victory.



Team Battistoni celebrates the title

A Close Call

Coupe de Bronze

Deauville International
Polo Club | France



Las Hermanitas 7
Vs La Concepción 6

Players from all over the world meet every year to compete in prestigious tournaments, enjoy the beach in the morning with their horses and enjoy the charm of the Deauville parties

The Coupe de Bronze, which saw six 8-goal teams compete, came to an end at Deauville International Polo Club. Las Hermanitas performed very well and were able to beat defending champions La Concepcion 7-6 to claim the title. A nail-biting match from the first minute, the final at the coveted polo club had the audience on the edge of their seats throughout the upset. Las Hermanitas was quick enough to score a last minute goal to get their hands on the trophy.



Las Hermanitas with the Bronze Cup

A Celebrated Weekend

RJ Polo Ponting Pot
& Jackbarrow Jug

Cirencester Park
Polo Club | UK



Coxwell 6 Vs Smiths Polo 5
Hascombe Stud 7 Vs R&R 4

Established in 1894, amid 3000 acres of parkland and woodland on one of the country's most beautiful parks, Cirencester offers the highest level of polo whilst retaining the charm of a delightfully relaxed country polo club.

Coxwell ended the bank holiday weekend on a high winning the RJ Polo Ponting Pot 6-5 against Smiths Polo. In a brilliant effort in front of an enthusiastic crowd, the Hascombe Stud ended up winning the Jackbarrow Jug 7-4 against R&R. The trophy was presented by Mick Ponting to the winning team. A great way to celebrate the weekend at the Polo fields was complemented by a get together after the matches.



Image: Tom Reynolds/ Cirencester Park Polo Club

The RJ Polo Ponting Pot celebrations

The Open Tournament

RSPC Open

Royal Selangor
Polo Club | Malaysia



La Familia Wind Horse 9
Vs Thai Polo 8

The grand old lady of Malaysian polo has a tradition of polo that reaches back over a hundred years, having been founded in 1902.

In an intense upset on the fields of Royal Selangor Polo Club between La Familia Windhorse and Thai Polo, the fans were excited to their nerves for the finals were played in a classic old-fashioned way. A neck to neck match from the start, La Familia Windhorse was able to get through in the ending minutes with a great attacking strategy. Lifting the RSPC Open Cup after defeating Thai Polo by 9 -8, La Familia Windhorse celebrated the victory in style.



La Familia Windhorse celebrate the win

The Battle of Tycoons

Brecknock Cup

Cowdray Park
Polo Club | UK



Maiz Dulce 6
Vs Hickstead 4



Pedro Harrison's Neptune won the award for Best Playing Pony sponsored by Equine Management/Stephen's Polo.

In an action-packed Bank Holiday weekend at Cowdray Park, 22 matches were played including

the Finals and sub-finals of the 8 goal Brecknock Cup. The Brecknock Cup saw a battle between the teams of two business giants from the south of England – John Bunn's Hickstead side and Peter Barfoot's Maiz Dulce. An intense battle from the start, the finals of Brecknock Cup witnessed Maiz Dulce beat Hickstead 6-4.



Team Maiz Dulce with the Brecknock Cup



Selham Cup

Cowdray Park
Polo Club | UK



Making it to the Selham Cup Final were Madams Farm Gold and High Point Polo Stud/LBF. In an exciting upset, High Point Polo Stud/LBF rode to victory, beating Madams Farm Gold 7-6 in the inaugural Selham Cup Final. A new tournament to the calendar, it has been introduced to encourage newcomers to the sport and players from low-goal clubs to enjoy polo at Cowdray Park.

POLO TO WATCH OUT



**GUARDS LADIES CHARITY
TOURNAMENT FINALS**

12 - 18 Goals

Guards Polo Club | UK

31st August 2019

OPEN DE FRANCE

16 Goals

Domaine de Chantilly Polo Club

- France -

1st - 16th September 2019



A Persian origin game, played on horseback with a ball and mallet, originally, was referred to as 'Chaugan.' But, eventually, 'Chaugan,' lost it's namely existence and is known by the name 'Polo' into the modern scenario.

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***Polo is like playing golf
with a saddle, and there are
a lot of moving parts.***

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- Joel Edgerton



Eldorado Polo Club

- USA -

The Eldorado Polo Club attracts many fans and players of the sport of Polo to the beautiful Coachella Valley. The Eldorado Polo Club has been one of the biggest and most renowned destinations in the west for Polo lovers from around the world for over 60 years, the picturesque mountains at the east end of the Coachella Valley just feels like a tropical paradise, and this is what makes the Eldorado Polo Club such a fan favorite as it attracts many annual visitors. It is a treat for all the Pololovers, as they get to witness the finest of Polo action on display in highly competitive and intense Polo tournaments and to go with it, a paradise in the form of the Coachella Valley, with the serene views and the festivals and annual events it makes an enjoyable vacation spot. The days are sunny and warm nights have a scent of orange blossom all over which becomes the cherry on top.



The beautiful landscape view of Eldorado Polo Club

Winter Season Schedule

Eldorado Polo
Club | USA



The Eldorado Polo & Riding Academy is best known for its achievements in preparing their players for the game of polo and teaching riding horsemanship skills regardless of their level.

Eldorado Polo Club located in Indio, California, has announced details on their 2020 winter polo season. Sunday polo will take place beginning January 5 through March 22. The celebrated Jason Memorial Polo Cup will kickstart the Polo Season at the Club with matches in the first and second week of January. The Coachella Valley Officers Cup will be an interesting wind up to the January month. Carlton & Keleen Beal Cup will hit the Polo fields in February and Eldorado March League will be an interesting end to the season.



Image: Kaylee Wroe/USPA

Highlights from the previous season

EQUUS



Image: rotterdam2019.com

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Team Netherlands won Gold on home soil



Image: dhaindia.com

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Asian Games Silver medalist Fouaad Mirza talks about Olympic qualification



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Dancing to the tunes of nature, the horse moves on a drumbeat.



Image: watchonista.com

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Martin Fuchs defeats former World Number one, Ben Maher

Dutch take gold on home soil

Para-Dressage European Championships

Rotterdam | Netherlands 

Top scores by Frank Hosmar and Sanne Voets secured The Netherlands' second major international team title at the Longines FEI Para-Dressage European Championships in Rotterdam. In front of an excited home crowd, the pair led both their Grades in the final day of the team contest. The win comes just under a year after their victory at the FEI World Equestrian Games, Tryon (USA). "It's good, and sometimes easy to win," said Hosmar. "But staying there is harder."



Image: Susan Lentjes

Team Netherlands with the gold medal

Olympic qualification still in range

Olympics 2020

Tokyo



An elusive Olympic qualification in equestrian is still within India's grasp provided all factors work in his favour, feels Asian Games silver medallist Fouaad Mirza. The 27-year-old shot to fame after he became the first Indian to win an Asian Games individual medal in equestrian since 1982 besides guiding the country to a second-place finish in the team competition in Jakarta last year.

"My main focus is the selection for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics right now. It's within our grasp but it also depends on the horses." Fouaad told PTI from Germany.



Asian Games Silver Medalist - Fouaad Mirza

An Unexpected Gold

 Rotterdam | Netherlands

European Championship
Show Jumping

An emotional Martin Fuchs watched in amazement how former World number one Ben Maher and Explosion W (Chacco-Blue) took one pole down in round B of this EC Jumping, which was completely unexpected. That meant a gold medal for him and thirteen-year-old Clooney 51 (Cornet Obolensky), the recently elected horse of the year. Following a perfect first round, Maher knocked a fence to slip down into the second position. With 4,46 points, the gold medal was won by Martin Fuchs.



Martin Fuchs, Ben Maher, and Jos Verlooy

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*The horse moved like a dancer,
which is not surprising.*

*A horse is a beautiful animal,
but it is perhaps most remarkable
because it moves as if it
always hears music*

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- Mark Helprin

OPULENCE



The affair of the ballet shoes

Image: University of North Carolina School of the Arts



Dia Mirza and Simran Singh Shergill at M3M Polo Suites



Sabre A Champagne

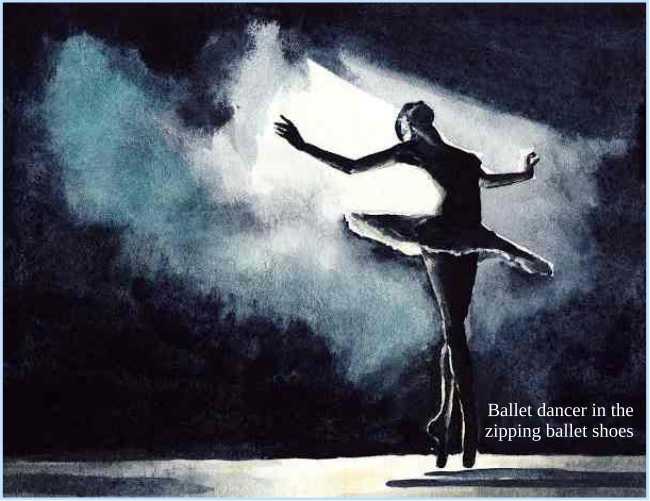
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Rose Quartz, the stone of love

Image: Tranquil Lifestyle

Zippy Ballet Shoes



Ballet dancer in the zipping ballet shoes

Image: Etsy

EVOLUTION OF BALLET SHOES

The light and versatile pair of shoes has transmogrified into numerous ways as it passed down the vagaries of time. Before the French revolution ballet shoes came hitched with heels, which lacked flexibility to articulate and fully stretch the foot in a tendu. Marie Camargo the member of the Paris opera ballet was perhaps the first ballet dancer to perform in bespoke ballet shoes sans heels or a heel breast. A famous shoe designer Charles Didelot was the man behind fabricating the new framework of the ballet shoes that Marie Camargo had worn.

Besides this, another famous sought after Russian ballerina Ana Pavlova added an element of toughened leather sole that flattened the toe area thereby proffering some respite from her injuries.



Rose Quartz: The Stone of Love



Image: Etsy

Dating back to 7000 B.C, the first traces of this iconic stone is claimed to be found in Mesopotamia (now Iraq). Conceivably it was fabricated and crafted by the Assyrians in 800-600BC. Also, Assyrians and Romans were claimed to be the first one's for bringing in the fad of studded stones and jewels, over and above this, many significant civilizations from the past have considered it as a potent talisman.

Sailing back to the bygone times of Greek era, Aphrodite- the god of love had an affair with a young, suave man named Adonis. One day when Adonis went into the jungle in order to hunt for a wild boar, Aphrodite's mind was flashed with a bolt of enlightenment

which made her experience a negative premonition. Ares the god of war, who was also Aphrodite's ex lover, had a jaundiced eye on the pious couple's blooming love. He disgusted as a wild boar and tried to deceit Adonis in order to trap him into his bait of disgust.



Image: luxatic

Rose Quartz, the stone of love

M3M Launches Polo Suites

Soon after he stepped up the stage and rested his athletic body on the soft velvet of the chair, the star polo player of India, Simran Singh Shergill was shot with an array of questions of what polo is for him at a recent event, 'Rendezvous With The Stars' in Gurugram organised by M3M Group for the inauguration of M3M Polo Suites. Smiling indifferently with his face flushed with a light blush, he faced up to the confession of Bollywood actress who sat right next to her. Dia Mirza said, " Before you (Simran Singh Shergill) say anything, I need to say something. I used to bunk my school to go and watch Polo matches. Two of my friends, Shamsheer and Basheer Ali from Hyderabad played Polo and I used to go very often to watch them play. I am a big fan of the sport."

Adding to the confession of the Bollywood actress, the polo player notably remarked during the candid talk show that was hosted by Vineet Nanda, President Sales and Jyotsna Chauhan, Advisor Marketing in the presence of Basant Bansal, founder and chairman of M3M Group; Pankaj Bansal, Director of M3M Group. Simran Singh Shergill said, " Polo is a very unique game where it does invite a lot of people, a lot of glamour too is involved in it, but there is also a lot of hard work that goes behind it..."



Bollywood actress Dia Mirza and polo player Simran Singh Shergill at M3M Polo Suites

Sabre A Champagne

A bespoke way of popping out the fizz into a streamline of sparkling liquid is known as the tradition of 'sabre a champagne'. It is a legacy of cleaving off the bottle's head with a hilted dagger in order to get a streamlined liquid propelling out from the bottle's neck that is cooped up within the bottle, due to an internal pressure caused by the cork. Hence, spout of champagne spurting out from the bottle is marked as a moment brimmed with prosperity, opulence, luxury and triumph.

The classic bottle's two points meets together for making it the weakest point to sabrage and lop off the bottle head with a dagger, thereby spouting out a streamline of sparkling liquor trickling into the souls of the spectators. The pressure is so much within the bottle that even a small fracture will propel the liquor to flow out into a streamlined, consequently separating apart the cork from the bottle. Hence this sight of 'sabre champagne' exudes out a sentiment of affluence, extravagance, opulence and luxury.



Image: Anthropologie



Image: South China Morning Post



SALON PRIVÉ

Concours d'Elégance in the truest sense, Salon Privé is the most luxurious of garden parties set against the backdrop of 'Britain's Greatest Palace', Blenheim Palace. Presenting the finest collection of supercars, hypercars and classic cars, along with a luxury retail village and exquisite cuisine, it is a truly unique experience. Alongside this rich and eclectic show of classic cars, this is a unique opportunity to not only admire, but also test-drive cars from the world's most elite super and hyper car brands. Beyond the automotive wonders of Salon Privé, lies an extravagant and quintessentially English social day out for all to enjoy, with a luxury retail village to explore, as well as champagne, lobster luncheon and afternoon tea.



NEW YORK FASHION WEEK

The highly acclaimed New York Fashion Week, held in February and September of each year, is a semi-annual series of events when international fashion collections are shown to buyers, the press and the general public. This is a must-attend event for all haute couture aficionados.

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***To travel is to discover that
everyone is wrong about
other countries.***

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- Aldous Huxley



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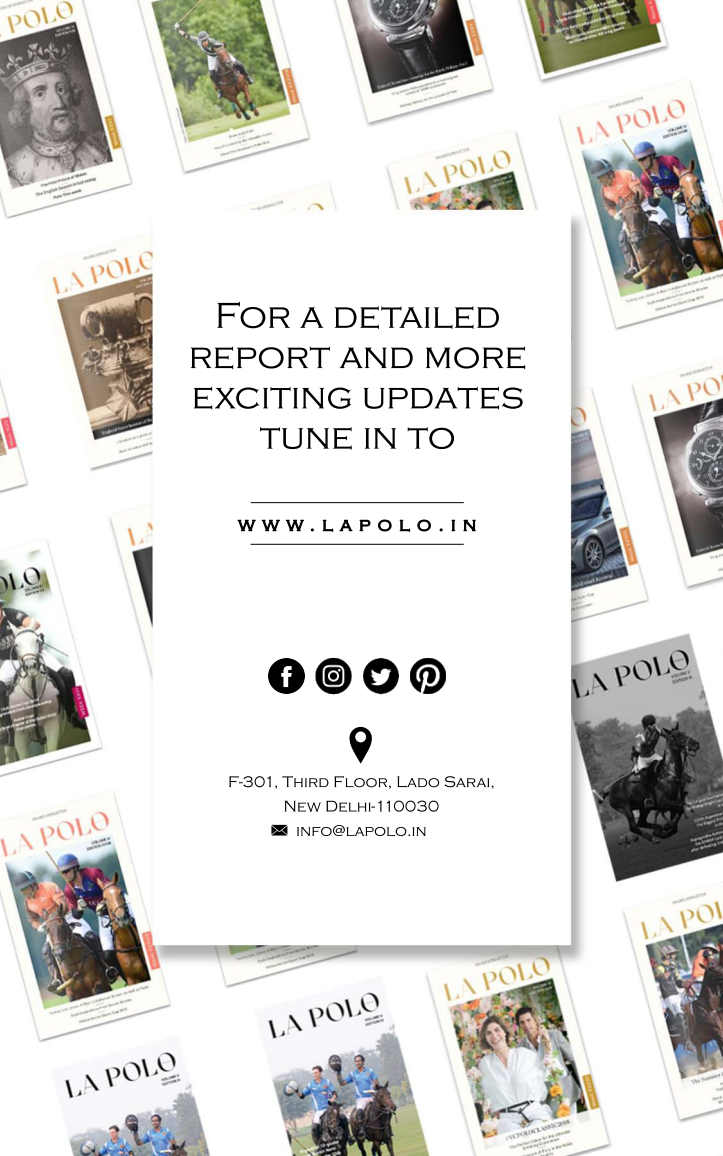
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