# **School for riders**

According to old classical principles Manuel Jorge de Oliveira



- School for advanced riders and professionals
  - School for children and young people
    - Training center on site & online
    - Sales horses and school horses
  - Books and films to improve the knowledge

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### **OLIVEIRA STABLES**

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Stay informed: www.wu-wei-welt.com and www.manueljorgedeoliveira.com In the idyllic Allgäu region, very close to the world-famous Neuschwanstein Castle, classical horsemanship has found its home.

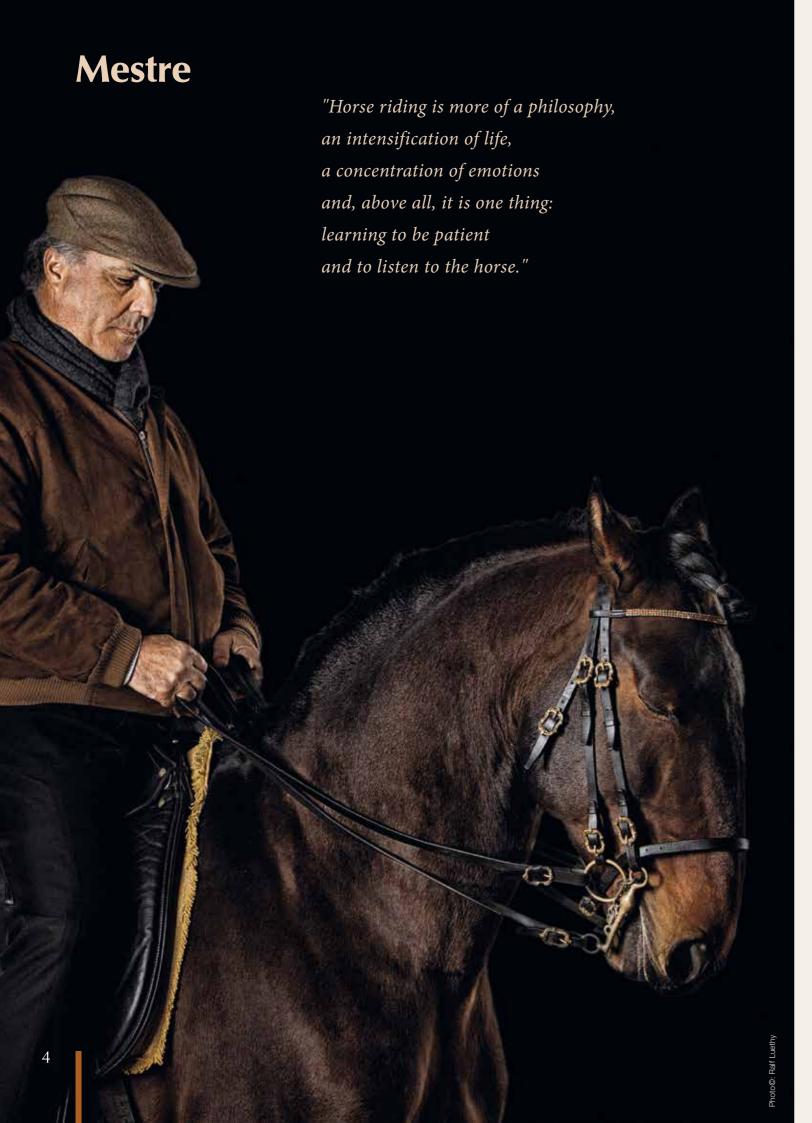
Horse riding, lessons and training in the spirit of the old, true classical equitation take place here.

For several months of the year, Manuel Jorge de Oliveira personally devotes himself to train his team and his students. Working students and riding students receive lessons on school horses that are second to none.

A special foundation is provided by the Escola de Equitação – a three-year school where dedicated riders can mature into true trainers with heart, knowledge and sensitivity. You can find out more about this on page 12-13.

Even experienced professional riders find inspiration and further development at the highest level at Oliveira Stables. At the same time, the KIDS Escola offers the youngest riders a way to learn the basics of horse-friendly and healthy training right from the start.

From 2027, you can look forward to a very special highlight: in July, the Waal dressage tournaments will be held – with the aim of bringing long-forgotten, old criteria of good and true horsemanship back to the fore.



Still alive, Manuel Jorge de Oliveira is already a legend with an unrivalled wealth of knowledge.

Manuel Jorge Martins de Oliveira was born in February 1959 in Azambuja, Portugal, on the large Lusitano stud farm Ortigão Costa. He has been riding since he was six years old. Early on, he developed a desire to become a bullfighter. He became the most famous and successful bullfighter of his time, celebrated in Portugal, Spain and France. But fame and success did not fulfil him – on the contrary, he soon felt empty and drained.

Through four years of intensive exchange with Nuno Oliveira, from 1985 until his death in 1989, Manuel began to grow and flourish inwardly. He discovered the humanity within himself. His riding began to develop – his relationship with horses changed.

"With Nuno, I saw a side of life that I had never seen before. The philosophical, spiritual side, the genuinely artistic side, if you will. I saw the eternal part of life, the part that becomes visible from the back of a horse. Talking to Nuno was like being able to ask Picasso, Dalí or van Gogh personally how to draw and paint. Imagine having the privilege of talking to Picasso every day for four years. It changes your life so immensely, and after such encounters you are no longer the same as before. And so I was able to talk to the Picasso of horsemanship. To this genius. Talking and being with him gave me self-confidence, peace and serenity.

Nuno was an artist who was connected to immortality and eternity, and these people can help others. I saw him and felt it. In Nuno, I recognised the light that told me: 'Follow him...'

"Only through devotion to life is true inner freedom possible. Horses open the way for us to get there. This is the real meaning of riding."

Manuel Jorge de Oliveira



From top to bottom: Lusitano stallion Triunfo by Crystal Samani With Jogador in the ballotade · Lusitano gelding Burlão, EU Working Equitation Champion 2013 Career highlight with Foguete · The inspiration: Nuno Oliveira



Christina Wunderlich, born in 1987, is a veterinarian by profession and aims to impart a deep understanding of biomechanics and riding to her clients and students. Ultimately, riding is all about feeling.

She developed this feeling in Portugal during her stay at Manuel Jorge's stable in Cartaxo where she also learned to speak the Portuguese language fluently – she just completely fell in love with this world. In Germany at Oliveira Stables, she is leader of the team riders and keeps the spirit alive when the master is not on site. Her focus as a veterinarian is the healing and prevention which can be provided for our horses by the art of classical dressage. Giving riding lessons focused on how to keep the horse healthy or help the horse to be healthy again is her way of carrying out her profession.

Manuel Jorge de Oliveira says: "I have given thousands of lessons in my life to thousands of students – but there was nobody like Christina – she is really a rider – in her mind she is a rider, interested in being ONE with the horse – not just beautiful on the horse."

Christina Wunderlich has been learning from Manuel Jorge de
Oliveira for many years and is always fascinated by him because his
riding philosophy does not follow any method, but only spirituality.
He himself once explained it this way: "My horse and I are part of the
cosmos. In this universe, forces and movements are at work that are
within each of us, and we notice a peace within ourselves when we
move in sync and harmony with the universe. The earth rotates around
itself and around the sun. The rotational movement around itself enables
the vertical axis."

When I ride a horse, I orient myself precisely to these movements of our planet. I want to be in vertical balance and horizontal balance. The Earth rotates around itself because it wants to gain energy to sustain life on Earth. And it absorbs the energy of the sun on its orbit. When I move in harmony with the axes of the world, I create good energy. When I ride, I want a well-rounded, collected horse to embody the character of the earth. Only with a well-rounded horse with an arched back does riding become dressage."

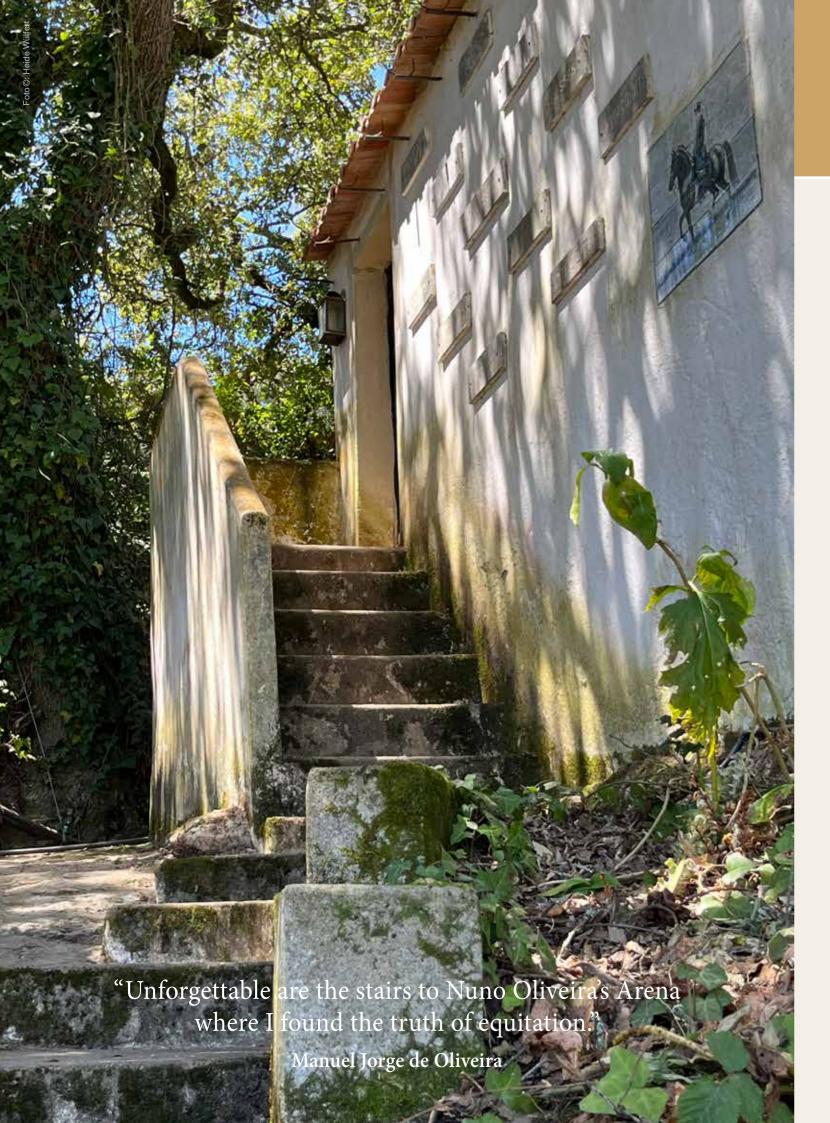
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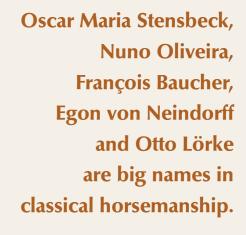


# We do this because ...



"The horse is heaven. The rider is earth. Together they are ONE."

Isabella Sonntag



When we look at pictures, books or films of these deceased masters, we realise that equivalent images of horses and riders are ALMOST nowhere to be found nowadays. We find this regrettable, even tragic. Because these riding masters, their horses and their riding skills demonstrate the highest level of skill, true balance and a graceful connection between horse and rider.

We have therefore made it our mission to be among the last bastions of classical horsemanship in the true sense of the word and to dedicate our efforts to these venerable riding masters.

At the same time, we want to preserve this art and knowledge and pass it on to those who share our fascination and ambition.

That alone is our motivation and gives us the strength to walk this lonely path.

Would you like to join us?



# **Training ON SITE & ONLINE**

We offer training in saddle and work in hand regardless of training level, class, breed and age.



# Riding facility & prices

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### **Training ON SITE**

You're always welcome to visit us in person for several intensive training days in a row!

### **Our riding facilities:**

- Indoor riding arena 20 x 60 m
- Outdoor riding arena 30 x 70 m
- Gallop track
- Grass jumping arena
- Open stables
- Paddocks covering an area of 13 hectares (open or closed depending on weather conditions!)
- Stallion boarding is of course possible

### **Included in your stay:**

- one private lesson per day by OS Team Rider with private horse or school horse
- Full-day access (from 9 a.m. 6 p.m.) to the riding arena, where you're welcome to observe other riders and trainings. Ask any questions you may have during this time.
   The Oliveira team is at your disposal.
- Please note that cancellation of a booking at least 6 weeks before the start date will incur a 10% cancellation fee.

### **Riding lessons take place with:**

- your own horse

Guest stalls are available Stallion boarding is of course possible

- a school horse

Our horses are true teaching horses, Lusitanos and warmbloods, trained to the higher classes and kept at this level by our riders.

### **Pricing:**

- 5 days including all services: 690 €
- Each additional day: 100 €

# Accommodation options in and around Waal:

- Hotel Endhart, Landsberg am Lech info@landhotel-endhart.de
- Hotel Alpenflair, Buchloe
   info@alpenflair-hotel.de
- Gasthaus Deutsches Haus, Waal info@deutscheshaus-waal.de
- Two Holiday Apartments in Waal siegrid.leichtl@wu-wei-welt.com
- NhatsApp: +49 170 488 89 09
- **Location:** Oliveira Stables, 86875 Waal, Germany. About 1 hour's drive from Munich Airport
- **Tip:** We recommend renting a car to stay flexible and independent during your visit.

### **ONLINE training – train from anywhere:**

Since many of our students are based in other countries, we also offer online riding lessons.

### <u>To participate, you'll need:</u>

- a stable internet connection
- someone to film you during your ride
- and Bluetooth earphones, so you can clearly hear your instructor

### **Pricing:**

- with veterinarian Christina Wunderlich: 150,-€
- with a OS team rider: 95 €







Christina Wunderlich during a lesson in the indoor riding area.







Photos from left to right: Carlos Conceição on Lusitano stallion Lobo during a lesson with Manuel Jorge de Oliveira Carolin Rudat on Infante and Christina Wunderlich on Zingaro at FEIRA 2024

Alessia Mattli and PRE stallion Zancarron ride under the guidance of Manuel Jorge de Oliveira

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# Escola de Equitação

Training for horses and riders in fixed groups – These groups ride together for 3 years, following the "Vertical-Trilogy".



# **Procedure · Terms** and conditions · Prices





Following the opening of Oliveira Stables (2015) in Waal, a three-year training programme was launched in 2016 under the direction of Manuel Jorge de Oliveira/Christina Wunderlich - for riders who want to explore the truth of riding and horse training in depth.

The name: **ESCOLA de EQUITAÇÃO** 

Due to high demand, there is now also the MINI ESCOLA (run by MJOauthorised students), the KIDS ESCOLA (run by Anna Fiedler), the REHA ESCOLA - specialising in rehabilitation horses, the PROFESSIONAL ESCOLA specialising in professional riders, the THREE HEARTS ESCOLA – specialising in working with the tourinha - and, as a continuation after completing a regular three-year Escola, the ALTA ESCOLA.

## General requirements for participation in the Escola de Equitação or Mini Escola de Equitação:

- Reinless seat, familiarity with the literature of François Baucher and the VERTICAL books 1 to 3, as well as a serious willingness to abandon existing concepts if necessary.
- Participation is possible with your own horse or with a school horse from Oliveira Stables.

### **Schedule:**

- Escola de Equitação 6 sessions per group, each lasting 5 days (duration 3 years)
- Mini Escola de Equitação 4 sessions per group, each lasting 3 days (12 days per year), duration 3 years
- 8-10 participants per group

### **Conditions:**

You commit to three years – but have the option to cancel AFTER one year of training has elapsed, before the invoice for the following year is issued. The course does not conclude with an exam; rather, everyone takes their own daily test for themselves and their horse, because it is about further development, not about achieving goals. Riding school is a school of life, and life itself is the test. Those who wish to do so can obtain a certificate of participation from the Escola de Equitação and/or take a separate examination for the 'Vertical Rider's Pass' (available at basic, advanced and high school levels).

### **Prices:**

- Escola de Equitação per session: € 975 plus VAT.
- Escola de Equitação MINI per session: € 525 plus VAT.
- Alta Escola per session: € 1,250 plus VAT.
- In addition, there is the guest box for your own horse or the fee for the school horse and accommodation for yourself. Payment terms can be agreed individually.
- Spectators per appointment/block Escola de Equitação: € 200 Spectators per appointment MINI Escola: € 150
- Spectators annual ticket MINI Escola: € 500 Spectators annual ticket Escola de Equitação € 1,000





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# **Impressions**

# Only the best is good enough

Owner, management and instructors at Oliveira Stables

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# **Books and films**

# Weekly calendar 2026

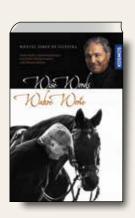
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The Touch of Eternity
160 pages
price: 29,95 €



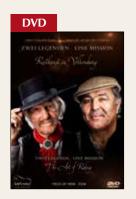
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Manuel Jorge
de Oliveira's time with
Master Nuno Oliveira.
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Manuel Jorge de Oliveira "Wise Words -Wahre Worte" Enchanting – compiled by Denise Reichenwallner and Viktoria Teutsch 220 pages price: 19,90 €



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# OLIVEIRA STABLES TV

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# **OLIVEIRA STABLES TV IS** THE ONLINE LEARNING PORTAL WITH **CONSTANTLY GROWING CONTENT!**

Here, you have the opportunity to immerse yourself in the diverse vertical world at any time - no matter where you are in the world!

In addition to recordings of all program items from past fairs and the English-language vertical educational film series, new film contributions are uploaded regularly at short intervals, which you can not only enjoy, but also use to train your own eye and broaden your horizons. These are recordings of lessons, courses, and training sessions - uncut, as they actually take place, and often commented on directly in the film. In addition, all film contributions are subtitled in German and English for an even better understanding of what is shown!

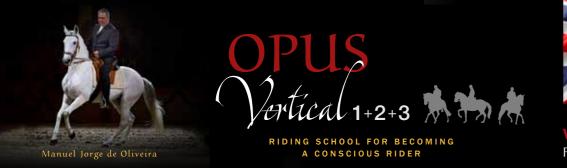
### The highlight is, of course, the multi-day recordings of our FEIRA events in absolute TOP QUALITY.

Take a look at the media library to see what you feel like watching whenever and as often as you like! Oliveira Stables TV can be viewed with a **personal login** via the internet – on your PC, tablet, or smartphone. Your vertical inspiration and visual training on screen is available either as an annual subscription that can be canceled at any time, as a monthly subscription, or initially as a 48-hour trial access that will be credited upon renewal.











Film adoptions - more on page 21

# → WWW.OLIVEIRA-STABLES.TV

# HORSES FOR SALE FROM OLIVEIRA STABLES



**OLIVEIRA STABLES** are closely associated with the Lusitano breeding programme of Manuel Jorge de Oliveira, the SOCIEDADE AGRICOLA OLIVEIRA MARTINS IN CARTAXO, PORTUGAL.

This ensures that you will only purchase Lusitanos that have been raised in the best conditions from foalhood onwards and are later trained correctly under saddle.

If you are interested, please contact Isabella Sonntag by Tel. +49 81 92 / 93 41 92 or isabella.sonntag@wu-wei-welt.com

# So many great school horses ...

'Let your horse love what you want it to love.'



born: 2009 Lusitano gelding bred by

born: 2004

Lusitano stallion bredby

Ricardo Venancio



born: 2012 Lusitano gelding bred by

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Lusitano gelding bred by

Manuel Jorge de Oliveira



/ born: 2007 Lusitano stallion bred by Assunção Coimbra



/ born: 2009 Luso-Arabian, gelding, bred by Lopo de Carvalho



efiro / born: 2004 Lusitano stallion bred by CasaAgricola Palma



Lusitano gelding bred by Manuel Jorge de Oliveira

### ... at Oliveira Stables!

It is probably unique worldwide to be taught on horses that perform the entire haute école programme.

We have 12 school horses in training for you at all times. This means that we invest a large part of our time in training horses that teach you what lightness really is and how it feels.

Without knowing the harbour, the ship cannot arrive :-)

# Manuel Jorge de Oliveira 1+2+3

Much of what Manuel Jorge de Oliveira talks about in his lessons is no longer heard anywhere else – it is ancient knowledge that, unfortunately, is hardly ever taught in such depth anymore. And that is precisely why these works were created.











**Book** Vertikal 3 365 pages price: 34,99 €



# Set of 3 books Vertical 1+2+3 for only 89,99 €

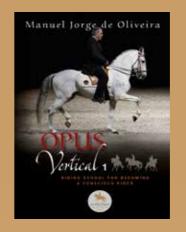
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# Watch it online!

# **Opus Vertical 1**

Ancient knowledge of correct horse training in highest quality preserved and taught by Manuel Jorge de Oliveira and his pupils. In this first part of the trilogy it is all about the basic work of correct horse training.



The book Vertical 1+2 are now available as a FILM adaption:



If you are located in UK

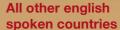




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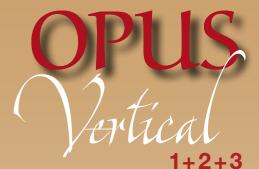












# Opus Vertical 2.1 / 2.2

We enter in the world and home of Manuel Jorge den Oliveira in Portugal and follow up with the correct training of horses. In this part in detail about correct trotting and beginning to canter.





If you are located in UK





If you are located in USA





All other english spoken countries







**OPUS Vertical 3.1** 

and 3.2 coming soon



# Association WuWeiS e.V. ...

Preservation of values and knowledge of the interest of the horse e.V.

Recognised as a charitable organisation. Research for the purpose of animal welfare! Become a member ...

### Why do we need the association?

In both competitive and recreational riding, people cause their horses pain, suffering and injury due to a lack of knowledge, poor riding skills and/or excessive ambition. This is ethically unacceptable.

There are many ways to bring about change:

- Training and further education for riders and trainers in all riding disciplines in competitive sports and recreational riding,
- Meaningful projects for the rehabilitation and recovery of 'damaged' horses
- Targeted promotion of young riders and
- Commitment to research and science.

And we want to intervene in all of these areas. We are committed to preserving and promoting old knowledge and values in the interests of horses.

### What does the association do?

The non-profit association promotes the preservation of values and knowledge relating to horses through ambitious projects in the following categories:

- Training, keeping and use of horses,
- Training and further education of riders and
- Science and research on the subject of horses,
- Promotion of doctoral, master's or diploma theses dealing with topics that correspond to the objectives of the association

The focus is always on the welfare of the horse. All objectives serve the purpose of animal welfare.





# INITIATOR | Project Good Boy ...

Good Boy, a son of Goldfever, was essentially the catalyst for the development of the rehabilitation circle and the work with a wide variety of rehabilitation horses in April 2018. The Hanoverian could no longer move straight ahead, was almost ataxic, ended up at a cattle dealer (!), was bought out of there and came into the care of WuWeiS e.V., where his rehabilitation at Oliveira Stables began, along with his chance for a permanent forever home. Good Boy is an exemplary project for active animal rescue - and like him, many horses that have long been given up need the help of the association and your help.

# member or sponsor of the association?

sustainable support for our ongoing activities for the benefit of horses. As a sponsor, you support specific projects or systematic campaigns run by the association with a one-off donation or targeted sponsorship.

We will keep you up to date on the status of the project. We will coordinate the possibilities for publications and marketing on a project-by-project basis. You take a clear stand against the ruthless pursuit of human interests at the expense of the welfare of horses as sentient beings capable of suffering.

Can we count on you?

We appreciate your donation (tax deductible)

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Membership fees options

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membership and undertake to pay the membership fee

■ Membership 85,-€ per year, admission fee 35,-€

■ Pupil/student discount 35,- € per year, admission fee 15,- €

**■** Lifetime membership once 1500.-€

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**Membership fees** 

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### **Executive committee**





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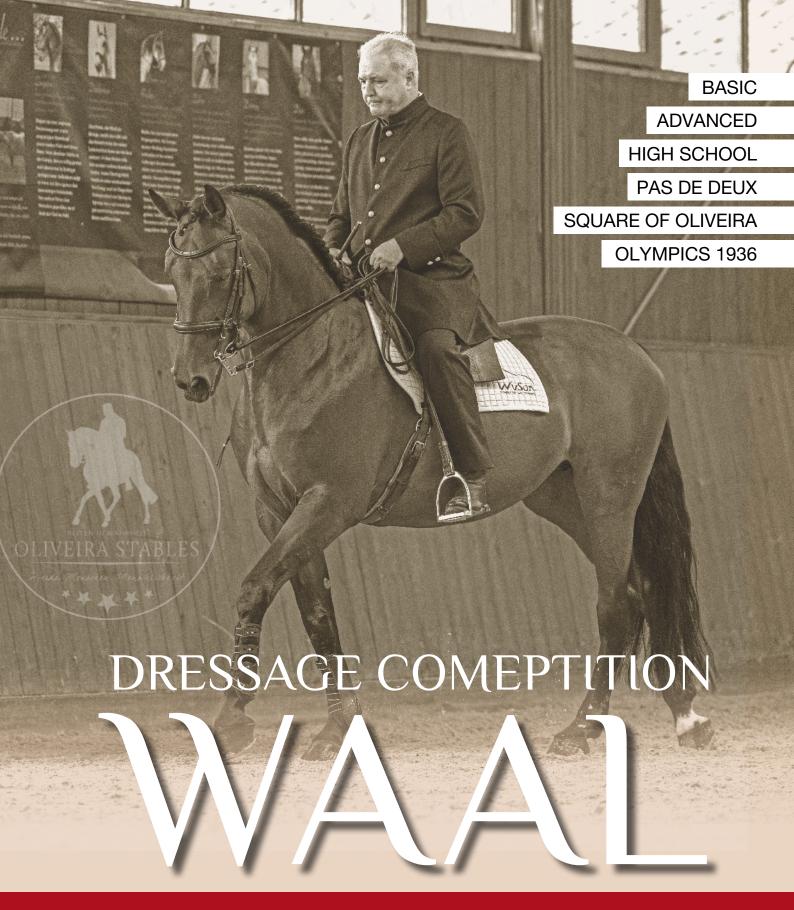
# **Honorary** member





Manuel Jorge de Oliveira

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... with the goal of making long-forgotten, old criteria of good and true riding the standard again.

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