

HORSES & HERITAGE

Activities 2020

What to write about this year in a state of emergency? “Pandemia”, “lockdown”, “incidence rate”, who had an idea in January what all this means and which impacts it would bring?

Of course, I had to cancel or postpone all projects, programmes and excursions I had prepared during winter. At the beginning of 2020 Horses&Heritage had finally gained momentum and my calendar was filled nicely.

Solely, my presentation “*Glorious Fellows for Glorious Carriages: from Carriage Horse to World Heritage*” at the Museum of Transport in Dresden as part of a symposium on mobility during the 18th century, could take place as planned.

In February, I had the opportunity to visit the well worth seeing hippological collection of Český Krumlov castle and enjoyed an inspiring conversation with its director.



All other tours, symposia and exhibitions prepared for 2020 had to be postponed, including the Horses&Heritage Study Programme in Saxony and the excursion of the Wiesbaden Riding and Driving Club to France. Progress of the European Cultural Route stimulated in 2019 fell behind, too.

Luckily, I was commissioned by the Saxon Stud Administration, which mean regular meetings at Moritzburg and Graditz.



Only one visit at Kladruby nad Labem can be noted in 2020. Those happy days took place in connection with the Czech Driving Championships, which had been set-up quickly in September.

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Already in spring, I had the chance to purchase the horse of my heart, Generale Aluma II-20, who represented the Czech Republic and its National Stud as part of the four-in-hand-team of Jiří Nesvačil jun. from 2014 to 2016. By far the best development of this year!

In July we spent two weeks at Redefin State Stud in Mecklenburg-Pomerania and benefited from the excellent training of the federal driving school.



In September we were invited for a photo shooting to support the former Courtly Stud Blesern close to Wittenberg. My living monument for the monument in stone.



We enjoyed golden October days riding and driving around our beautiful home in the south of Brandenburg. Then, the year quickly approached its end.

Let's hope that 2021 will bring back some normality and that encounters can take place light-hearted again, soon - best with and around our horses!

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