

# Chester Weber Concludes European Tour as Top Placing American at 2016 FEI World Driving Championships

Ocala, Florida (September 12, 2016) – After competing his Four-in-Hand team at top CAI tournaments across Europe this summer, Chester Weber is settling back home at his Ocala, Florida farm. Weber drove his and Jane F. Clark's team of harmonized bay KWPN geldings to world-class finishes at several prestigious competitions, concluding their summer season as the top placing American in the 2016 FEI World Driving Championships for Four-in-Hand in Breda, the Netherlands.

Driving through all three unmistakably challenging phases representing the red, white, and blue, Team Weber finished in fourth place at the World Driving Championships held August 31 through September 4. Weber also led the US Driving Team with quality performances that set the stage for teammates of James Fairclough, Allison Stroud, along with individual Misdee Wrigley Miller.

“It was super challenging course, evidenced by the one double-clear round, but I am really pleased with my group of horses and with our top-four finish,” Weber commented. “We went into this thinking we could drive for a medal, but with more time to train before the 2018 [FEI World Equestrian Games], hopefully we can do that next time.”

This past summer, the dubbed “Mr. Dressage” once again proved his place amongst the world's best drivers by demonstrating Team Weber's strength and stamina on the international podium. Weber commenced the summer with a solid performance at the hotly anticipated CHIO 4\* Royal Windsor Horse Show in England, and then went onto Drebkau, Germany to take the top honors at the CAI 3\* tournament. Most recently Weber took third overall at the CAIO 4\* of the CHIO Aachen World Equestrian Festival in Aachen, Germany before heading onto Breda, the Netherlands.



Chester Weber finished as the top placing American taking fourth individually at the 2016 FEI World Driving Championships for Four-in-Hand in Breda, the Netherlands (Photo courtesy of HIPPOEVENT and Šárka Veinhauerová)



Team Weber returns to Ocala, Florida after their summer tour competing in Europe (Photo courtesy of HIPPOEVENT and Šárka Veinhauerová)

The 13-time U.S. Four-in-Hand National Champion is now on home soil, soon to be joined by his and Clark's bay geldings. Additionally, Weber will be welcoming 5-year-old KWPN gelding, nobly named Governor, to his main training program in the states. Acquired from Riant Paardesport Centrum and Mieke van Tergouw, Governor has been training with Jan van den Berghe in Weber's young horse program in Belgium since he was 3-years-old. Already showing great promise driving in pairs, Governor is ready for the big leagues and will transition to the four-in-hand team soon.

For more news on Team Weber's latest tournaments and new horses, follow the official Facebook and Instagram @ChesterWeber accounts, and visit [www.ChesterWeber.com](http://www.ChesterWeber.com).