



20TH ANNIVERSARY IN GSTAAD

In August the 20th anniversary of the Hublot Polo Gold Cup Gstaad was celebrated, culminating in an unexpected final match.

It is one of the most impressive settings of all tournaments worldwide: In August the 20th edition of the Hublot Polo Gold Cup Gstaad was held on the Gstaad-Saanen airport field in front of the magnificent backdrop of the Bernese Oberland. The first polo tournament in Gstaad was held in 1996, so in 2015 the Gold Cup celebrated its 20th anniversary. The motto of the event was Switzerland and its traditions and the programme featured four days of intensive sport and a multitude of attractions. The tournament started with fiercely contested qualifying matches, but the penultimate day was met with heavy rain causing a waterlogged pitch which was deemed too dangerous to play a competitive match. As a result from this, the semi-finals were held as a penalty shoot and the final match on Sunday was replaced by a 4-chukka exhibition match. The four team patrons and the four best players of the tournament were split into two teams to play in a non-competitive manner. The teams remained head-to-head throughout each chukka until the final whistle blew with a finishing score of 7-7. In the end both teams shared the 2015 Hublot Polo Gold Cup Gstaad Trophy. To conclude the tournament a traditional Swiss-themed parade took place to mark the heritage of the tournaments home country. www.polo-gstaad.com