

## **Report on the 5th race-related European show of pigeon breeds from the Balkan countries.**

This RBES with the 14th National Small Animal Anniversary Show from January 14th to 15th, 2024 was held in the sports hall of the city of Tešanj.

A big thank you to the entire organizing committee led by Bosnian President Edin Jabandzic. This sports hall was ideal due to its great lighting conditions and single-row box structure.

The surrounding national associations were invited to this RBES. Five nations followed the call with 1050 pigeons in 37 different breeds and many more colours. A total of 2126 pigeons were at the exhibition.

But numerous poultry, rabbit and bird breeds were also shown at the National. Unfortunately, the Serbian exhibitors had major problems crossing the border and, after long negotiations, were only able to cross the border after 36 hours.

The 57 judges from 5 nations had to judge the purebred pigeons. When judging the pigeons, the EE judges' background is clearly visible from the information on the cards. (EE rating system)

A total of 37 European champions and 23 European champions were awarded at the breed-related European show. The EE-medals went to a Janjanski Roller and a Dubica Roller.

At the ceremonial opening on Friday afternoon, President Edin Jabandzic welcomed numerous personalities from politics and business. This celebration was also attended by many visitors from the city, exhibitors and visitors from near and far.

The speakers were delighted to see so many small animals in the town of Tešanj and thanked everyone who contributed to the success of this unique anniversary show.

As a thank you for organizing this RBES, the president was presented with a medal by the chairman of the pigeon division in the EE.

The two youthful folk-dance performances were particularly impressive. The opening ceremony was recorded and broadcast on television.

At the very well-attended breeders' evening on Friday evening, numerous politicians, employees and guests of honour were surprised with great honorary prizes.

The Bosnian Association is working with the EE in an exemplary manner and is organizing the next but one European judges' seminar from the 19<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025.

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