RICHARD VOGEL & UNITED TOUCH

RULE THE BRABANTHALLEN AT THE DUTCH MASTERS

A Rolex Grand Slam of Showjumping Event

THE 2026 ROLEX GRAND SLAM OF SHOWJUMPING SEASON MADE A HIGH-STAKES DEBUT AT THE DUTCH MASTERS IN ‘S-HERTOGENBOSCH. SET AGAINST THE IMPRESSIVE BACKDROP OF INDOOR BRABANT, THE OPENING MAJOR OF THE YEAR CHALLENGED THE WORLD’S BEST WITH A DEMANDING COURSE DESIGNED BY DUTCH DESIGNER LOUIS KONICKX.

The competition saw 37 of the world’s leading horse-and-rider combinations take part, with 11 qualifying for the jump-off. Notably, the defending champion, Simon Delestre, did not make it to the jump-off round after picking up a fault in his opening run.

Competing for a share of the €1,000,000 prize fund, Martin Fuchs on L&L Lorde, Henrik von Eckermann on Qasirah van de Reistenhoek, Pieter Devos on Casual DV Z, and Thibeau Spits on Impress-K van’t Kattenheye Z all managed clear rounds in the jump-off. However, none could match the pace set by Richard Vogel and United Touch S.

Setting an unbeatable standard as the first combination to enter the jump-off, Vogel delivered a flawless performance in 39.42 seconds. His time remained unmatched throughout the evening, securing a dominant victory and marking the first step in his quest for the Grand Slam title.

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