



LOVE RIDE SWITZERLAND COMMITTEE

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Preview of the 30th Love Ride on Sunday, May 8, 2022, Dübendorf Airfield

A heart moves!

After a two-year break due to the Corona pandemic, the Love Ride is finally back - just in time for its 30th anniversary. On Sunday, May 8, 2022, at 8:00 a.m., the doors of the Dübendorf airfield will open once again for Europe's largest biker benefit event in support of people with muscular diseases and impairments. The event will be musically supported by Philipp Fankhauser, Marc Storace (Krokus), Marc Lynn (Gotthard) and other great Swiss artists. A spectacular air show with the Patrouille Suisse, the Swiss Hornet Display Team and the parachute troop Swiss Parawings, a stunt show of the Freestyle Verein Schweiz and other highlights complete the program. Punctually at 11.00 a.m. and accompanied by the new anthem of the Love Ride, the unique ride with muscle-impaired and impaired people will start, together with up to 5000 motorcycles, sidecars, and trikes.

The Love Ride Switzerland is the largest biker benefit event in Europe to support people with a muscular disease or impairment. This unique family event in its current form is only made possible thanks to the hundreds of volunteers, numerous sponsors and patrons. It all takes place on May 8, 2022, starting at 8:00 a.m. at the Dübendorf airfield and in any weather.

30 years of Love Ride

What began in Bänikon near Kloten on May 1, 1993 with fewer than 100 motorcycles has developed over the past 30 years into a major charity event with thousands of visitors. Already in the third year after its premiere, the Love Ride Switzerland moved to the Dübendorf airfield thanks to the then patron, Federal Councillor Adolf Ogi. Since then, the Love Ride Switzerland has become a major annual event that is famous far beyond the country's borders. Over the past 30 years, more than 8.14 million Swiss francs have been raised and donated to benefit people with muscular diseases and passed on to those affected. The recipe for success has remained unchanged over the years: "Have fun and do good" - or just according to the motto "A heart moves".



Ride-out

The absolute highlight of the event is the approximately 60 km long ride through the Zurich Unterland and Oberland, which offers people with disabilities the unique opportunity to ride along in a sidecar or on a trike and thus forget everyday life and mobility restrictions for a moment. To ensure that everyone who wants to can ride along, in addition to a large number of motorcycles of all brands, sidecars and trikes are especially welcome, as for safety reasons our passengers are only allowed on the ride-out with these vehicles.

Love Ride Eagle 2022

Representing all people with a muscle disease, this year Cla Capitani invites everyone to this day of solidarity. This will be Cla's first Love Ride and he says he is looking forward to the "cool machines, interesting people and good conversations". His disease, muscular dystrophy Duchenne, keeps him wheelchair-bound and dependent on help in everyday life. The fun-loving 21-year-old and trained mediamatician doesn't let this get him down, however, but is out and about whenever possible, be it at field hockey games, at the cinema or as a vintage car rally co-pilot. He has also been an enthusiastic power chair field hockey player for the Iron Cats for six years.

Diverse offerings

A cross-section of the Swiss motorcycle scene is offered by the large exhibition "Bikes & Stuff", where a diverse range is presented and sold. Culinary variety will be provided by the various partners of the Love Ride. And of course the Love Ride souvenir store offers something for everyone to take home, T-shirts, buffs, key rings (new!) and a special edition pocket knife, as well as the popular bandanas and bears.

Anthem for the Love Ride

The Love Ride was given the slogan "A heart moves" in 2019. Marc Storace (voice of Krokus) and Marc Lynn (bass of Gotthard) together with friends Heinz Tobler (Guitar), Roger Zirn (Drums) and Bruno Leuwylar (Guitar) took this as an opportunity to musically implement the slogan on the 30th anniversary. Under the band name "Passion Fire" they release the new anthem "Love Moves" and four other songs just in time for the Love Ride on Sunday, May 8, 2022. The disc can be purchased on cede.ch or directly on site on May 8. The band signs.

Musical support

Throughout the day, Swiss artists such as Philipp Fankhauser, Crystal Ball, Sam Red and Thommy Romero will provide musical highlights ranging from blues to rock and metal. A very special birthday present is the performance of the new anthem "Love Moves" by Passion Fire.

Anniversary attraction and shows

One of the highlights of the Love Ride should also make the hearts of aviation enthusiasts beat faster: The Patrouille Suisse aerobatic squadron, the Swiss Hornet Display Team and the Swiss Parawings parachute troop will demonstrate their precision aviation skills in spectacular shows. The Freestyle Verein Schweiz will also provide exciting moments in its "stunt shows". The clash between the Powerchair Hockey National Team and the National League A Swiss Unihockey Men will be

particularly sporty. The Circus Balloni and Hampi's play bus will ensure that even the youngest visitors will not be bored.

Donations

All the day's proceeds go directly to the benefit of those affected via the Awards Committee, as the costs of the event are covered by sponsorships and all those involved work on a voluntary basis. The close cooperation with the partner organizations, the [Swiss Muscle Society](#), the [Swiss Cystic Fibrosis Society \(CFCH\)](#), the [Marfan Foundation Switzerland](#), [Pro Infirmis Switzerland](#) and the [Swiss Foundation for the Cerebral Palsy Child](#) allows an unbureaucratic, yet professional financial support.

Action from AVIA

Even if most donations are gained at the event, donations during the year are extremely welcome. In addition to direct payments to the donation account, donations via [AVIA / Osterwalder AG fuel card](#) are now also possible: by using the card, every liter of fuel filled up is 2 centimes cheaper and 3 centimes go to the Love Ride donation account. For its 30th anniversary, Osterwalder AG will donate an additional CHF 5 to the Love Ride for every card application completed between May 1 and 15, 2022.

Guests at the Love Ride

In addition to the patron and wheelchair athlete [Edith Wolf-Hunkeler](#), Marc Storace, the voice of Krokus, Marc Lynn, the bass player of Gotthard, Manu Burkhardt from Cabaret Divertimento, Jonny Hill, known for his "Ruf Teddy Bear 1-4" and Fredy Frutig, former drummer with Montezuma, Krokus and Gianna Nannini will be on site.

Special thanks

The Love Ride Switzerland in its current form is only possible thanks to the support of numerous helpers, sponsors and patrons, as well as countless friends and fans. Special thanks are due to all of them, especially to the main and co-sponsors Harley Davidson, Medica - Medizinische Laboratorien Dr. F. Kaeppli AG and TCS Training & Events.

Donation ticket presale

Advance ticket sales will take place until May 7, 2022 at the official [ticket agencies](#). Bikers can thus use a separate entrance and save themselves long waiting times at the box office.

So whether you are more attracted by the musical, aviation, culinary or social aspects - one thing should be clear in any case: it will be worthwhile to drop by the **Dübendorf airfield on Sunday, May 8, 2022, between 8:00 and 17:00.**

Love Ride online

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Information about the Love Ride and program: www.loveride.ch

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