

Press Release

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FKF-Award 2022 – These are the winners

Members of the FKF e. V. voted on European novelties 2022

On Sunday, February 5, 2023 the winners of this year's FKF-Awards were announced. The announcement took place during the FKF-Convention at Heide Park Resort. Since 2003, the FKF-Award has been presented by the Freundeskreis Kirmes und Freizeitparks e. V. (FKF) and honors special European novelties of the previous year from amusement parks and showmen.

The FKF-Award in the category *roller coaster* is given to **Fønix** at **Fårup Sommerland** in Denmark. Built by Dutch manufacturer Vekoma, the model *Wildcat* impresses with a 900-meter long, 40-meter high and 95km/h fast layout filled with action and speed.

The second FKF-Award in the category *park attraction* goes to the Italian theme park **Gardaland**. In the award-winning attraction **Jumanji – the Adventure**, guests experience an adventure through the world of Jumanji. The 287 meter long attraction by manufacturer *Oceaneering* impressed the club members.

The third FKF-Award in the category *mobile/funfair* is earned by the German showman **Lutz Köhrmann** with **Escape – Flight of Fear**. The attraction from Dutch manufacturer *Mondial* can be found on the fairgrounds since 2022. It convinces with a detailed and loving design and is guaranteed to be a highlight at any fairground.

Every year, the attractions eligible for the award are proposed by the 1,580 members of the association themselves. The subsequent voting takes place via the association's internal and self-developed voting system, which takes particular account of the individual experiences of the voters through comparisons. The award is symbolized by a glass cube with a three-dimensional laser-engraved Ferris wheel.

The Freundeskreis Kirmes und Freizeitparks e. V. congratulates all winners. If the situation allows, the FKF-Awards will be presented personally to the respective winners during the year. On this occasion, the merit will be acknowledged with a greeting from the board and an additional award plaque next to the glass cube. For more information on the voting process and the current winners, please visit www.fkf-award.de.

The Freundeskreis Kirmes und Freizeitparks e.V. is Germany's largest association for funfair and amusement park enthusiasts. The association was founded in December 1997 at the Winterdom in Hamburg. The FKF e.V. continuously organizes a variety of meetings and events in amusement parks and at funfairs, whereby the focus is the community of the association members.