

Organized perfectly by Josy and Kristel Everars-van den Broek at a fairytale venue: The Castle of Alden Biesen.

The Grand Commandery Alden Biesen dates back to the 13th century Crusades. In 1190, brave knights founded the German Order of the Teutonic Knights. Alden Biesen was the principal town of a bailiwick or province of this Teutonic Order. For centuries, the castle housed the Grand Commander, a powerful man who governed the province of Biesen. Hence the name: Grand Commandery Alden Biesen.

Currently a magnificent heritage site, an international culture and conference centre, a tourist draw and once a year the place to be for Arabian horse enthusiasts from around the world.

This year's Judges, Mr. Graham Smith from Australia, Mrs. Janice McCrea from the USA, Mr. Jerzy Bialobok from Poland and Mrs. Claudia Darius from Germany had the difficult task to choose the horses most deserving of the champion titles.

I will limit myself to the top 5 horses from each class, for complete results check Arabian Horse results (www.arabianhorseresults.com).

The filly foals had the privilege to start the show on Saturday, with a first place for the very refined **Diva La Luna** (E.S. Harir x Safeera el Marc) proudly bred and owned by Vaessen Jack from The Netherlands, followed by an excellent moving **TZ Louizah** (El Palacio VO x Khimara) bred and owned by Tinneke en Zacarya Tossey-Aznag from Belgium and a third place for **Forelock's Vermillion** (Aj Dinar x Valeta F) bred and owned by Forelock's Arabians NL, who showed great confidence already. The fourth place was taken by **D'Jairah AO** (Jaipur El Perseus x El Emeera AO) bred and owned by Arabian Obsession from Belgium, the first European bred foal from Jaipur el Perseus. Fifth place was earned by **R&D Adyatah bint Amal** (TH Amal x Femia) bred and owned by Remaco and Dorien Van der Vliet -Van Damme from Belgium, the youngest of the group...

Next class, the colt foals! Only two entered the ring, **B.A. Palucci** (Magic Magnifique x Palissade KA) bred and owned by Bembom Arabians NL, took the first place with his beautiful face, closely followed by second place **Forelock's Ympresario** (AJ Dinar x Forelock's Yzabeau) bred and owned by Forelock's Arabians NL, a colt with the most extreme neck.

After we had two well filled classes of yearling fillies. In class A the first place was taken by **Ashwaq Al Shaqab**

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(Wadee Al Shaqab x Diademah) bred and owned by Al Shaqab Member of Qatar Foundation ,QAT. This filly had fantastic attitude and presence. Runner up was bold moving **TM Galileah** (Shanghai EA x Karolina) bred by Jose Orlando A Teixeira Jr from Brazil and owned by Mr. Mubarak al Khashab (UAE). A well deserved 3rd place was given to pretty **Fajir Albidayer** (S.M.A magic one x San Jose Alfonsina) bred and owned by Mr. Al Qasimi Mohammed Bin Saud from UAE. 4th place was **Layla NK** (TH Hamza x Salsa Jaafar) bred and owned by Kahook Nofal ,Jordan. A very flashy chestnut filly. And a fifth place for **Saja Al Shahania** (Kanz Albidayer x MFA Annies Song) bred and owned by Al Shahania stud , Qatar.

Class B was won by the very beautiful **Arsenia OS** (Aj Mardan x Maryse OS) bred by Gestut Osterhof from Germany and owned by Ajman stud , UAE. She received 2 x 10 for type and H&N! Second place for the chesnut **Padme Di Mar** (Psyasic x Principessa Di Mar) bred and owned by Soc Agr. Tre Stelle from Italy, followed by the bay, showy **Taraf Athbah** (EKS Alihandro x Nesj El Khimala) bred and owned by Athbah Stud , KSA. 4th place got to refined **Amore Alaalya** (Avalon LBA x Ghazalah Alaalya) bred and owned by Mr. Sami Bin Mohammed Bin Saeed Saad from KSA closely followed by the 5th place, **Thahabeiah Al Bustan** (FA EL Rasheem x C Sweet Dreams) bred by Al Bustan stables UAE and owned by Alorasia Stud from KSA.

Two classes of yearling colts followed.

The first place in class A was achieved by **Picasso Di Mar** (Cavalli x SG Wendetta) perfectly handled by Giacomo Capacci. The amazing **Hatem Athbah** (EKS Alihandro x Esperanza Al Ventur) bred and owned by Athbah Stud, KSA trotted himself to second place, 3rd with an ex aequo was **Wazeer Sahara** (Magnum Psyche x Sahara Adeeba) bred by Haras Sahara Brazil and owned by BKV Arabians Israel. **Hanaya Habib El Ezz** (Ezz Ezzain x HF Imtoxicating) bred and owned by Hanaya Arabians from Switzerland took the 4th place and 5th was **DS Jazz** (Ascott DD x Lolita) bred and owned by Saelens Danielle and Nicolas from Belgium.

Only 3 entered in class B, and it was **Muntasir J** (Excaibur EA X Mississippi J) bred and owned by Jadem Arabians Belgium, who impressed most. Runner up was **Montecore** (Aj Mardan x Mahalya el Jamaal) Bred and owned by Jean Mattens from Belgium. A 3rd place for the smooth moving **Majed Alaalya** (QR Marc x Ghazalah Alaalya) bred and owned by Mr. Sami Bin Mohammed Bin Saeed Saad from KSA.

Next class, the two year old fillies, majestically won by **DA Alihandra** (EKS Alihandro x DA Miss Justice) bred and owned by Cornelia Kolnberger from Austria, with **Safiat Al Shaqab** (Kahil Al Shaqab x Shalimar) bred and owned by Al Shaqab Member of Qatar Foundation QAT, on her heels.

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Kamouneh Al Zobair (RFI Farid x Nesj El Khidouna) bred and owned by H.E. Sheikh Abdulla Bin Mohammed Ali Al Thani from UAE on a 3rd place. Fourth was again for Al Shaqab with **Ghanimat Al Shaqab** (Marwan Al Shaqab x Padova) and a 5th place for the graceful **Amaya AT** (Fadi Al Shaqab x Ava) bred and owned by Al Thumama Stud Qatar.

The two year old colts class had 3 entries. **H Pacino** (Vivegas x Exotic pearl) bred by Chillingworth Claire, UK and owned by Mario Gallagher from Belgium won without doubt. **Ghibli J** (Emerald J x Gabriella J) bred by Jadem Arabians Belgium and owned by Jamar Faisal Ibrahim Al Ibrahim from KSA got the second place and a third place for **Hur Al Baytar** (Sultan Al Zobara x Abha Jamaica) bred and owned by Javier Fernandez Echarri from Belgium.

The foal Championship was held on Saturday as well. The first amazingly beautiful trophy was earned by the gold filly **Diva La Luna** (E.S. Harir x Safeera el Marc) proudly bred and owned by Vaessen Jack from The Netherlands. Silver for filly foal **TZ Louizah** (El Palacio VO x Khimara) bred and owned by Tinneke en Zacarya Tosseyn-Aznag from Belgium and bronze title for colt foal **B.A. Palucci** (Magic Magnifique x Palissade KA) bred and owned by Bembom Arabians NL.

In the evening everyone was invited to **Nesj Arabians** to view this successful breeding program up close.

On Sunday the day started with the two year old fillies. Classwinner was **Marrakech J** (Emerald J x JA Ultima) bred and owned by Jadem Arabians from Belgium, this filly would also win the best Belgian participant trophy later this day. 2nd was the very pretty **Mashkora Al Shaqab** (Fadi Al Shaqab x Marwa Al Shaqab) bred and owned by Al Shaqab Member of Qatar Foundation QAT. On 3rd place you could see the very elegant **La Dolfina Alfabia** (EKS Alihandro x Alfabia Albachiara) owned by Al Thumama stud Qatar. **KAS Dalida** (Ajman Moniscione x Atheena) bred by Wenche Roefs from Belgium and owned by the Royal Cavalry Of Oman reserved the fourth place. **Princess Castra SBM** (Lothar El Nyhl x Tosca De Forgehill) bred and owned by Sarah Howard (Hampton) from UK got 5th place.

On to the next class, the 3 year old colts. **Magnums Volcan KA** (Qr Marc x FS Magnum's Madonna) bred and owned by Knocke Arabians from Belgium proved again to be a winning horse followed by the majestic **R'Adjah de Cartherey** (QR Marc x Badi'ah De Cartherey) bred and owned by Chantal Rigat from France. 3rd and 4th place ended with the same score but **Masoun Al Adeyat** (Ajman Moniscione x Maryah OS) bred and owned by the Royal Cavalry of Oman moved a little better than **Evangelos KA**



(WH Justice x Eden May) bred and owned by Knocke Arabians from Belgium.

Mares 4 to 6 years old was won by an Al Shaqab horse, **Al Anood Al Shaqab** (Kahil Al Shaqab x Miss El Power JQ) very close behind was **Elisa** (Baha AA x EAI Safolima) bred by Yeik Edri from Israel and owned by Hanaya Arabians from Switzerland. And 3rd place to **Badi'ah De Cartherey** (Ajman Moniscione x yallah Bint Mahalim) bred and owned by Chantal Rigat from France.

Mares 7 to 9 years , the winner here was awesome **Mystica Antasia** (WH Justice x LL Albufera) Owned by Awaad Mubarak from UAE, 2nd place for the fantastic moving **Wieza Roz** (Ekstern x Wieza Babel) Owned by A Thumama stud from Qatar and on 3rd place pretty faced **TF Andalusia** (Botswana x TF Kestrelia) Bred by Westeley Curtis from the USA and owned by Lutetia Arabians from France.

Excitement! Mares 10 years and older.. my personal favourite! Polish **Pepita** (Ekstern x Pepesza) bred by Janow Podlaski from Poland and owned by Sheikh Mohammad Almarri from UAE scored 3 x 10 for type! And of course won her class with 43.17 points. Second was snow white straight Egyptian mare **Fatemat Al Naif** (Ashhal Al rayyan x Ansata Nile Gypsy) bred by Al Naif stud Qatar and owned by Hanaya Arabians Switzerland. Spanish beauty **ABHA**

Ithuy (El Perfecto x L.M Tambaa) bred by Marieta Salas Zaforteza Ses Planes Stud, Spain and owned by Javier Fernandez Echarri from Belgium.

Senior stallion classes are always fun to watch and the first was stallions 4 to 9 years old, won by the most extreme face ever **Van Gogh AM** (Magnum Psyche x Ynazia HCF) bred by Sally Bedeker from the USA and owned by Asayel stud UAE. **Munir Al Adeyat** (WH Justice x GH Marwana) bred and owned by the Royal Cavalry of Oman got second and **Etoryk** (Om El Shahmaan x Etnologia) proudly owned by Flaxman Arabians from Belgium wasn't his usual self and got third.

Right before lunch we got to see the 10 years and older stallions, won by the big dark **Sabea Al Sahraa** (Koronec x Nouf Al Thalitha) bred by King ABDULA BIN ABDUL AZIZ AL SAUD from KSA and owned by Athbah stud from KSA. Close followed by **LVA Maximus** (Españo Estopa x Challon Salana) bred by Virginia Brown from the UK and owned by Khaled Alsabah Hamad from UAE.

During lunch (a very nice BBQ) we could see a presentation from American miniature horses, what a delight to see these "mini" Arabians prancing in the main ring. We also got entertained with the most beautiful birds of prey. Liezel Everars is not only a very good rider as she amazed us



again this year with her riding skills, she is also a very kind and caring young lady as she sold tickets for her own invented Charity Raffle with amazing prizes for the less lucky kids at her school.

Before the Championships we got treated with two classes, **Emirzo** (Enzo x Emira) proudly owned by Flaxman Arabians from Belgium won his gelding class and second place went to **All Spice SBM** (H.Tobago x Angelita) bred and owned by Sarah Howard Hampton from the UK.

In The Liberty class it was again Emirzo who won with his outstanding moves, followed by **Joarah Emperor** (Emerald J x A' Emaan) who showed a lot of confidence at such a young age.

Finally the championships, kick-off by the yearling fillies, unanimous Gold title for **Arsenia OS** owned by Ajman stud, UAE. Silver title went to Qatar with **Ashwaq al Shaqab** and the bronze trophy was given to **TM Galileah**.

Muntasir J received the gold for Christine Jamar in the Yearling colt championship, **Picasso Di Mar** got silver and the cheeky **Hatem Athbah** earned bronze.

Very tough junior Fillies championship was unanimously won by **DA Alihandra** for her breeder Cornelia Kolnberger, Jadem Arabians from Belgium received their second title

with **Marrakech J** and also Al Shaqab stud Qatar received bronze with **Safiat Al Shaqab**.

The Junior colts battled hard with **Magnums Volcan KA** as the winner for Belgium, Silver went to **H Pacino** also for Belgium and bronze for **R'adjah De Cartherey** from De Cartherey Arabians, France.

As expected a glorious golden trophy for **Pepita** in the senior mares championship, silver for **Al Anood Al Shaqab** and **Elisa** won the bronze for Switzerland.

Last but not least, the senior stallions, the grand finale! **Van Gogh AM** earned unanimous gold for Asayel stud, **Sabea Al Sahraa** received a well deserved Silver title and **Munir Al Adeyat** bronze.

Tradition at Elran cup, best in show is replaced by Crowds favourite. It starts the same as all gold winners enter the ring BUT also the audience enter the ring and group with their favourite horse. Heads are counted and result in crowds favourite: **Magnums Volcan KA**, Congrats to Knocke Arabians Belgium!

Josy and Kristel, again thank you for your hospitality and see you next year!

Sarah Mets

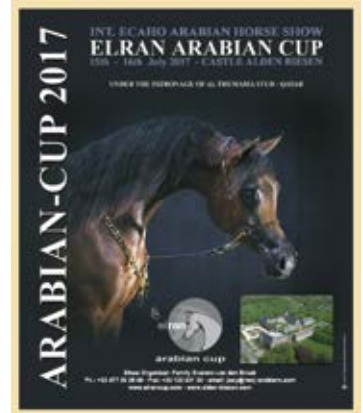


FOALS



DIVA LA LUNA

ES HARIR X SAFEERA EL MARC
BREEDER: VAESSEN JACK
OWNER: VAESSEN JACK



GOLD

SILVER

TZ LOUIZAH

EL PALACIO VO X KHIMARA
BREEDER & OWNER:
AZNAG-TOSSEYN ZACARYA & TINEKE
ZACATOS ARABIANS



BRONZE

B.A. PALUCCI

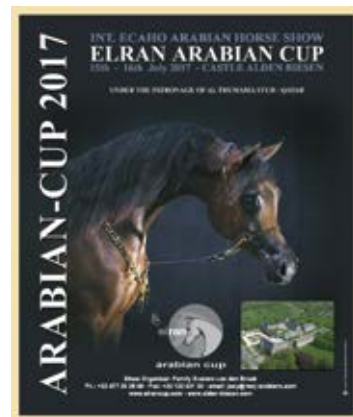
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BREEDER: BEMBOM ARABIANS
OWNER: BEMBOM ARABIANS



YEARLING FILLIES



GOLD



ARSENIA OS

AJ MARDAN X MARYSE OS
BREEDER: GESTÜT OSTERHOF
OWNER: AJMAN STUD

SILVER

ASHWAQ AL SHAQAB

WADEE AL SHAQAB X DIADEMAH
BREEDER & OWNER:
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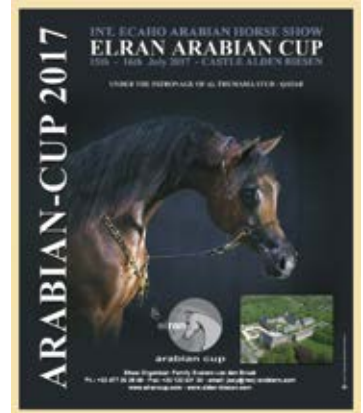
BRONZE

TM GALILEAH

SHANGHAI EA X KAROLINA
BREEDER: JOSE ORLANDO A TEIXEIRA JUNIOR
OWNER: MR. MUBARAK AL KHASHAB



YEARLING COLTS



GOLD

MUNTASIR J

EXCALIBUR EA X MISSISSIPPI J
BREEDER & OWNER:
JAMAR - DEMEERSSEMAN CHRISTINE

SILVER

PICASSO DI MAR

CAVALLI X SG WENDETTA

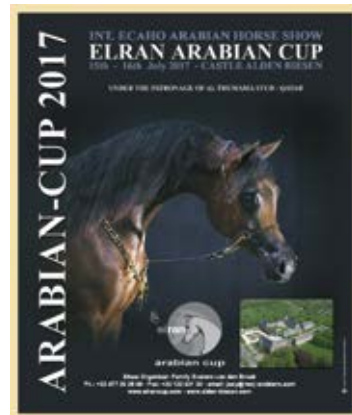


BRONZE

HATEM ATHBAH

EKS ALIHANDRO X ESPERANZZA AL VENTUR
BREEDER & OWNER:
H.R.H.P. ABDULAZIZ BIN AHMED BIN ABDULAZIZ

JUNIOR FILLIES



GOLD

DA ALIHANDRA

EKS ALIHANDRO X DA MISS JUSTICE
BREEDER & OWNER:
KOLNBERGER CORNELIA

SILVER

MARRAKECH J

EMERALD J X JA ULTIMA
BREEDER & OWNER:
JAMAR - DEMEERSSEMAN CHRISTINE



BRONZE

SAFIAT AL SHAQAB

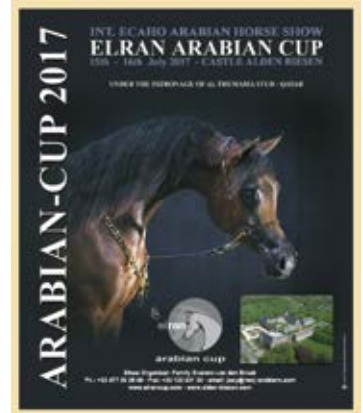
KAHIL AL SHAQAB X SHALIMAR PRESTIGE
BREEDER & OWNER:
AL SHAQAB MEMBER OF QATAR FOUNDATION

JUNIOR COLTS



MAGNUMS VOLCAN K.A.

QR MARC X FS MAGNUM'S MADONNA
BREEDER & OWNER:
KNOCKE ARABIANS



GOLD

SILVER

H PACINO

VIVEGAS X EXOTIC PEARL
BREEDER: CHILLINGWORTH CLAIRE
OWNER: GALLAGHER MARIO



BRONZE

R'ADJAH DE CATHEREY

QR MARC X BADI'AH DE CARTHEREY
BREEDER: RIGAT CHANTAL
OWNER: RIGAT CHANTAL

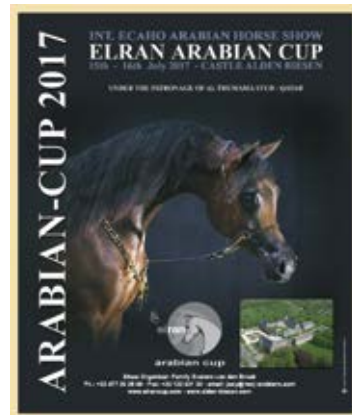


SENIOR MARES



PEPITA

EKSTERN X PEPESZA
BREEDER: DR. MAREK TRELA (JANOW PODLASKI)
OWNER: SHEIKH MOHAMMAD ALMARRI



GOLD

SILVER

AL ANOOD AL SHAQAB

KAHIL AL SHAQAB X MISS EL POWER JQ
BREEDER & OWNER:
AL SHAQAB MEMBER OF QATAR FOUNDATION



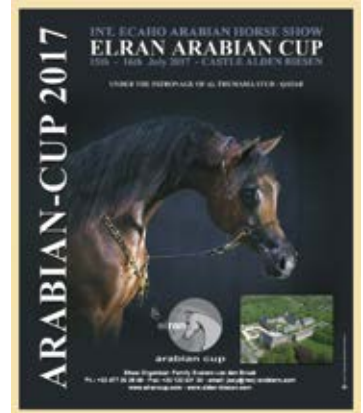
BRONZE

ELISA

BAHA AA X EAI SAFOLIMA
BREEDER: YEIK EDRI
OWNER: HANAYA ARABIANS



SENIOR STALLIONS



GOLD

VAN GOGH AM

MAGNUM PSYCHE X YNAZIA HCF
BREEDER: BEDEKER SALLY
OWNER: ASAYEL STUD

SILVER

SABEA AL SAHRAA

KORONEC X NOUF AL THALITHA
BREEDER:
KING ABDULA BIN ABDUL AZIZ AL SAUD
JANADRIYA FAMR
OWNER: ATHBAH STUD

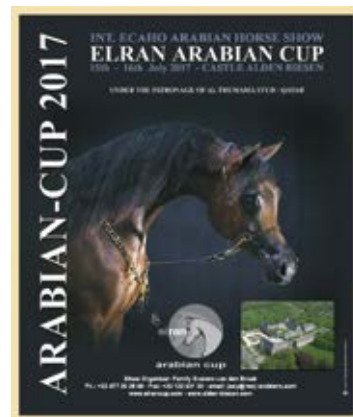


BRONZE

MUNIR AL ADEYAT

WH JUSTICE X GH MARWANA
BREEDER & OWNER:
ROYAL CAVALRY OF OMAN

CROWDS FAVORITE



GOLD

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QR MARC X FS MAGNUM'S MADONNA
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