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ARABIAN BREEDERS

World Cup



LAS VEGAS

6TH ANNUAL EVENT



HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PREMIER ARABIAN HORSE EVENT

Is it me? Or was this the best Arabian Breeders World Cup Show yet? The Opening Night Gala, the horses, the people, the competition, the organization, the all new stallion showcase, and of course the judges - every element came together to create an event that will be remembered for years to come!

Experience proves that the success of any Arabian horse show is determined by the amount of organizing and preparation that is done prior to the event. In the case of the ABWC, that work began months in advance and the result was a show, an event, that seemed effortless and graceful, yet vibrant and exciting.

It was the perfect blend of good-natured fun, entertainment, education, sportsmanship, competition, and a true celebration of some of the most exquisite Arabian horses in the entire world.

The established venue of the ABWC is the South Point Hotel and Casino. It is the only hotel in Las Vegas, and perhaps the entire United States, that includes a world-class equestrian center. Each year the South Point rolls out the red carpet to welcome the ABWC and the Arabian horse community.

Las Vegas has been the perfect venue to host this event, to showcase the horses, and to welcome visitors from around the world with style and flair.

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Eden C

(Enzo x Silken Sable)

Senior Stallion Supreme Gold Champion



Noft Al Nayfat

(Ajman Moniscione x Eagleridge Passionata)
Yearling Filly Gold Supreme Champion





An important aspect of the ABWC is the participation of amateur owners and handlers. Thursday, the first day of the show was entirely dedicated to amateur classes including the lucrative AHBA Futurities for Yearling and Two-Year-Old Fillies and Colts.

These classes, which offer substantial prize money, are meant to promote and encourage breeders, as well as to reward their efforts. This year, the winners of these four classes were awarded over \$128,000; and all horses in these classes were presented by amateur owners or handlers. It was very special to watch some of the winners at the show who were the breeders, owners and handlers of their horses. You could really see the love and pride they have for their horses and the sense of accomplishment in achieving such a prestigious award.

Everyone was ready for the excitement of Friday's classes for the females. There were five sections of yearling fillies. The class was divided into smaller sections for the benefit of these young horses and to minimize the possibility of stress as it was the first show experience for many of them. There were two sections of two-year-old fillies and one section each for mares three, four, five, six – eight, nine years and older, and then finally for broodmares of any age.

The winners of these classes advanced to the championships on Sunday.

Classes on Saturday presented some of the most spectacular colts and stallions in the world.

There were five sections of yearling colts, followed by sections for two, three, four, and five-year-old stallions, as well as six – eight, nine - eleven, and then stallions 12 years and older. Although it was a very full day of classes, nobody wanted to miss the next attraction. It was a new concept for the show and the debut of the Arabian Breeders Stallion Showcase.

Before we knew it - it was Sunday morning and time for the Championships of the show. It was non-stop excitement. After the morning championships, there was an encore presentation of the Stallion Showcase, which was spectacular! The afternoon classes were started off with the colorful and patriotic Flags Of Nations presentation. I believe everyone in the area rose to their feet to honor the flags of each participating country as they were presented in the dramatic spotlight. The arena was lined end to end with flags, which was a strong visual statement of the international community that was gathered together at the show.





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Barzan Al Shahania

(Stival x NW Siena Psyche)

Unanimous Junior Stallion Gold Supreme Champion



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children's education hour



AROUND THE SHOW & GALA NIGHT



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STALLION SHOWCASE

PYRO THYME SA



EL NABILA B



WH JUSTICE



MPA GIOVANNI



ENZO



WH JUSTICE





Wendell Hansen, the breeder of WH Justice and his son Travis
Photo: Marketing Mafia Productions





At intervals during the afternoon championship classes, special presentations were made including a touching memorial to the late Don Morse, a founding member of the AHBA, and strong supporter of the Arabian horse. The AHBA is a breeders organization and this year the board of directors chose to honor Dr. Aloysio Andrade de Faria of Haras Fortaleza, Brazil, with a Lifetime Achievement Award.



In addition to choosing the champions of the show, the judges were asked to select from the handlers of the show, both professional and amateur, the person they believe demonstrated the best horsemanship, sportsmanship, respect for their horses and their peers, as well as who represented the spirit of the show through their handling and presentation of their horses. The judges were unanimous in their selection of Austin Boggs of Midwest Station I.



After the Championships for Senior Mares and Stallions, one of the highest honors of the show was awarded – The Arabian Breeders Cup. The top five breeders of the show were invited into the ring. The Arabian Breeders Cup is awarded annually to the breeder who achieved the greatest success with horses competing at the Arabian Breeders World Cup show. The winner of the 2012 Arabian Breeders Cup was Michael Byatt.



It seemed like the ABWC literally flew by and it ended far too quickly.. Congratulations to all of the competitors, winners, trainers, handlers, owners, and of course, the breeders of the 2012 Arabian Breeders World Cup – enjoy your success!



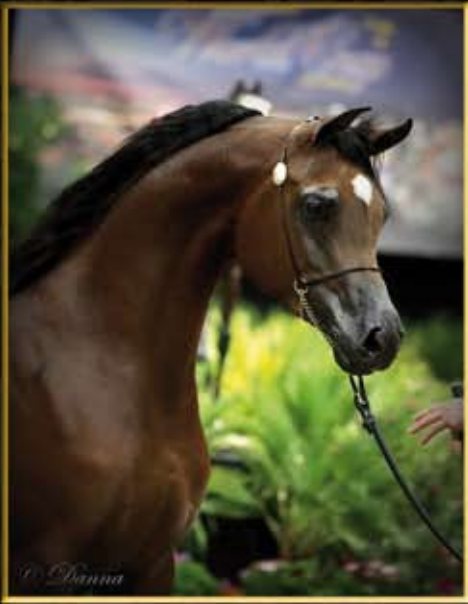
Mares & Fillies





Stallions & Colts









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