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*When I received the invitation to attend the stallion presentation of Arabian Stud Europe and Leo Arabians, I was immediately enthusiastic. I have seen many times the advertising of Arabian Stud Europe and of course I was more than curious to see the horses of Simone Leo of Leo Arabians, better known as the publisher of Tutto arabi magazine! The presentation was held at the beautiful facilities of Kooiker Arabians in Germany. The original occasion of the presentation was the celebration of the 15 years breeding program of Arabian Stud Europe and the entry of Leo Arabians in Holland and Belgium.*

*Later Talitha Bakker and Simone Leo came with the idea to make collaboration with a few stallion owners in Italy, to bring the best horses to the presentation and to show the Dutch breeders some international quality of the Arabian horse breed. Giacomo Boscarino, Claudio Mazza, Giovana Agostoni and Franco Bloisi gave a positive response and sent their super stars over to be shown at the presentation. Handlers during the presentation were Tom Oben, Giacomo Boscarino, Victor Rannieri and Benjamin Kooiker. Main sponsor of the event was Tutto Arabi.*

*To celebrate the 15 years of Arabian Stud Europe*



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even more, three breedings were presented through the lottery. Two little girls of around the age of 10 were the lucky ones. They were so incredible happy, that even the ones that didn't won, had a smile on their faces. A great idea to give the people this opportunity!

More than 200 visitors from Holland, Belgium, Germany and Italy were present. The presentation started with the first family line of Arabian Stud Europe. Descents from the mare it all began with at Arabian Stud Europe, namely the mare Atlantis (Amal x Ghazel). Her daughter Amal-Chariklia (by Injallah's Fayoum) took over her task as foundation mare at the stud and is currently carrying her 7th foal. This time sired by the interesting Marwan al Shaqab son: GR Marvel.

This Atlantis line was today represented by the gorgeous bay mare ASE Brasília Chariklia (Borsalino K x Amal-Chariklia) and her amazing one week old filly ASE Bahía Chariklia by RFI Farid. Brasília and her foal are in ownership of both Talitha Bakker and Simone Leo and are a strong successor of this family line. Brasília is now carrying a foal by Hassan Ashiraf for leaser Il Paradiso Stud from Italy!

Next to be shown was a bold moving black colt named ASE Bailando (Bastian el Pryam x ASE Brasília Chariklia) – in ownership of Susanne Ackerman. He was joined by his sire, the young Bastian el Pryam (Pryam el Jamaal x Bella Reyna el Bri). Although still young, Bastian is already the sire of many beautiful offspring and is really going to be an interesting stallion to watch as future sire! He is now in the ownership of Amanda Compaan and is also recently been broken into saddle to go to Western riding competitions!

His daughter, AA Revive el Shaklan, immediately took my breath away. She came in with a big attitude and wouldn't stop trotting! This filly represents intense ASE breeding while being by the former stud sire Bastian el Pryam and out Ruby J, who is by the foundation stallion Jazzmeen, out of the former ASE broodmare Roxanna el Bri. Revive is really one to watch and I am looking forward to see her in the showing this show season!

I was extremely anxious to see the foundation stallion of Arabian Stud Europe. The big black stallion Jazzmeen (Esteem x Jasmyne by Nyhl el Jamaal). Unfortunately he was not feeling well that day so the owner decided to leave him at home. Although disappointed, I did appreciate their decision, proving that the wellbeing of the horses is always priority. Luckily he had an amazing yearling daughter present to represent him. Her name was ASE Parissia by Jazz (Jazzme-

en x Parnassia by Classic Shadwan), a black ballerina with a lot of presence and attitude. A real little lady.

Another strong foundation mare of Arabian Stud Europe is the mare Manilah (Radamess II x Marischka), who was at the moment of the presentation at the clinic to be bred with GR Marvel (Marwan al Shaqab) – this foal will be in ownership of Franco Bloisi from Italy. I was lucky to be invited to visit Manilah at the clinic, witnessing her beautiful filly foal at foot by Al Ayal AA. This VA Aryelle bint Manilah is in ownership of Victor Arabians from Italy.

Although Manilah herself was not present, she was strongly represented by her son, daughter and first grandson! Especially the last one captured an incredible amount of fans. At just two weeks old, he was trotting around with his tail in the air, owning the arena and telling everyone he was the new king. Well, I believe him! This one is going to be a star! His name is ASE Faraaj. He is by RFI Farid and comes out of ASE Bisiriya Hlayyil (Bisbr x Manilah). Arabian Stud Europe trusted a lot RFI Farid when they bred four of their best mares to him last year. Seeing the first two, I can say their trust in the stallion was well-founded as these two foals are of very good quality!

Next to deliver by Farid is the mare Dakaree (Dakar el Jamaal x Ultimate Fancy) – who is currently in Italy to win an embryo for the famous Al Shaqab Stud in Qatar.

Next to be shown to the public was the big moving ASE Marajó (Marajj x Manilah). A three years old stallion that has been successfully shown the past years and who is growing up to be a beautiful horse!

Before having a lunch break with Dutch meatballs and cheese and Italian mozzarella and Pizza, we had one more stallion to look at. He was coming right off the field and was still in his big wintercoat, though you could still see his quality. My heart melted by looking into the big dark eyes and his long 'Ali Jamaal' mane. His name was ASE Nihar el Jary. A son of Jary el Jamaal and out of Anjuli Bai by Mishaal HP.

After the break it was time for the senior stallions! Presented first was Jaffar by Ashiraf (Amir Ashiraf x Naija el Mut) – a young stallion owned by Claudio Mazza and Giacomo Boscarino. With his big Spanish eyes and his bold movement, he gained many admirers. I enjoyed that the owners also decided to show them in liberty in the indoor arena. Giving an even better impression of the horse.

A gorgeous mare of Leo Arabians was presented next. Her name was Mata Hari HY (Lumiari Amadeus x Kursk HG). I saw her son Don Luciano SL (by Psyrrasic) winning the



bronze medal at the Trapani show some weeks earlier and I was really anxious to see her. Simone Leo brought Mata Hari from Brazil years ago and is now his private mare that is, besides an excellent broodmare, also his personal riding horse! At the moment she is in foal to Hassan Ashiraf.

A stallion who was presented next. Gorgeous dark eyes, extreme face and long neck, this stallion really impressed me. He is owned by Giacomo Boscarino from Italy. I have seen some foals of Hassan Ashiraf last year and I must say that they all have his looks. Am interested to see what he will do with the mares of Leo Arabians!

To be presented next was the extreme moving Magdalena Galaa (WH Justice x Mareva). Wow, what can that beauty move! I had Goosebumps all over! I have seen this mare when she was still a junior filly, getting the champion title in Italy and I think she really improved! She is now in foal to Hassan Ashiraf as well and what a stunner that must be!

More stallion power was still to come. Another gorgeous face came in dancing into the arena. His name was Fluke (WH Justice x Guendalina), owned by Giovana Agostoni and full brother to Amir Ashiraf, who is the sire of both Jaffar and Hassan. The Goosebumps that was still there from Magdalena definitely stayed as this stallion made a big impression as well! I was there for happy to hear that Fluke was staying in Holland for the next couple of months. A big opportunity for all the Dutch breeders!

Then it was time for a big bay stallion to dance into the arena. ES Rivas is in ownership of Kooiker Arabians and is a grandson of the great Menes. He clearly enjoyed the audience and was a pleasure to watch.

A timid two years old filly came in next, absolutely gorgeous with big eyes and an extreme face. Unfortunately she was to impressed by everything and didn't really know what to do. Her name was Stig Ashirafa (Amir Ashiraf x Evelyne Bay). I believe that with a bit more self-confidence, this filly can really become interesting when she is older!

Last to be presented, but definitely not the least, was a recent import from the United States. He already arrived in Holland a few months ago and has his first mares checked in foal. His name is GR Marvel. A gorgeous son of Marwan al Shaqab and out of LC Ferrarity by Padrons Psyche. The first thing that captured my attention was his beautiful extreme face, unlikely to see in the most Marwan sons. His long neck, long mane and tail and bold movement, made a lot of people weak on the knees. What a horse! I think that this Marvel is a legend in the making and that we will hear a lot about him

in the next years. Both as showhorse and as future sire! His new owner Franco Bloisi is taking him to Italy later this month and I am really sad to see him go!

After the presentation I followed Simone & Talitha to their private farm in Holland to see Jazzmeen. He was standing in his field like a proud king. Elegant and majestic in a shiny black colour, I can imagine why Talitha felt so in love with him. It is a shame she closed his breedingbook as also his production shown at the private farm is really good! After a big hug with the gentle stallion, I had to go back home. It was a really nice day with beautiful horses and a great atmosphere. I think it is very good that all these breeders decided to collaborate and to bring all these amazing horses together at one place as "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." - Helen Keller. □



GR Marvel (Marwan al Shaqab)



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ASE Brasilia Chariklia (Borsalino K x Amal-Chariklia)



AA Revive el Shaklan (Bastian el Pryam x Ruby J)



ASE Bahía Chariklia SL  
(RFI Farid x ASE Brasilia Chariklia)



ASE Parissia by Jazz (Jazzmeen x Parnassia)



ASE Faraaj (RFI Farid x ASE Bisiriya Hlayyil)



Mata Hari HY (Lumiari Amadeus x Kursk HG)

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a group of Belgian and Dutch attendees



Giacomo Boscarino, Italy



The Tutto Arabi team



Benjamin Kooiker with ES Rivas (by Sivmen B)



Tom Oben & Talitha Bakker



GR Marvel

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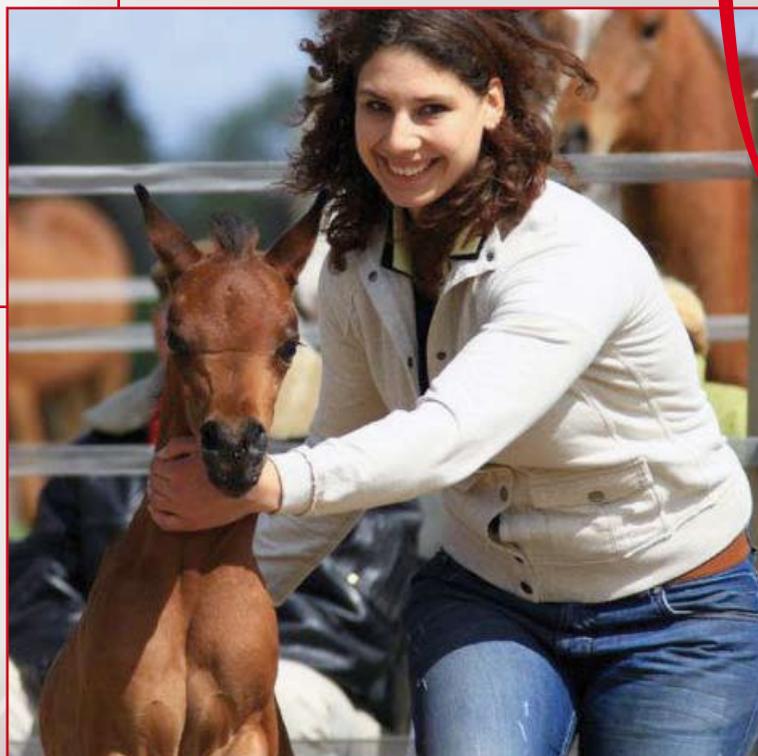
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