

# Lebanon Championship

Mourshed Al Rayan renews its glory and gains championship of Lebanon, Silket Maria on the mares category and Zeina El Amin on fillies

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*tion, under the supervision of a committee of international juries, we shall mention: Mr. Bassel Jadaan from Syria, Irina Sticklers from Russia, Carine Macray from America, Abdallah Daraki from Jordan and Tarek Hamza from Egypt. The competitions led to the following results:*

*First Category: One- year- old yearling fillies  
This category witnessed a high level of competition. The first place was gained by the filly Zeina Al Amine that reached this position with one point ahead of its competitor Ramira Rose. The results were as follow:*

*First : Zeina Al Amin owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Amine*

*Second : Ramira Rose owned by Mr. Maher Hammoud*

*Third : Faibaa owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Araiby*

*Second category: Two- year- old fillies/ yearling*

*The competition for this title reached its upmost level between the participating fillies, whereas the first and second winning fillies gained equal points, yet the one that took the first position was distinguished by the points for type. Similarly, the competitors that gained the third and fourth position had equal points yet the third position was also distinguished by type. Thus the results were as follow:*



Judges and Officials



Gold Medal Champion Fillies  
**ZEINA AL AMEEN**  
 owned by Mr. Mohamad Jaafar



Gold Medal Champion Colts  
**AABES AL AMEEN**  
 owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Amine



Gold Medal Champion Mares  
**SELKET MARIA**  
 owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Araiby



Gold Medal Champion Stallions  
**MURSHID AL RAYYAN**  
 owned by Mr. Chafic Al Moussawy

First: Elmas Jaafar owned by Mr. Mohamad Jaafar  
 Second: Marmoura owned by Mr. Maber Hammoud  
 Third: Sultana Jaafar owned by Mr. Ali Madany  
 Third category: Three-year-old fillies  
 This category had 7 participants, the winner was the filly Natacha, with 90,25 points, a difference of one point and a quarter from the second position. The results were as follow:  
 First: Natacha owned by Mr. Yasser Dahrouj

Second: Zatrolaf owned by Mr. Adnan Mazloun  
 Third: Lakchmy owned by Mr. Maher Hammoud  
 Fourth category: Male yearling (one year old)  
 Six yearlings competed for this category. It was a high level competition, by the end of which the yearling Abbas Al Amine took the first place. The results were as follow:  
 First: Abbas Al Amine owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Amine  
 Second: Saif Assy owned by Mr. Assy Hillany



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### Silver Medal Champion Fillies

## **ALMAS JAAFER**

owned by Mr. Mohamad Jaafar



### Silver Medal Champion Mares

## **TM LEEGIA**

owned by Mr. Adnan Mazloun

*Third: Nahdan owned by Mr. Chafic Moussawy*

*Fifth category: Two-year-old colts*

*Within this category the colt Marwan Shah was remarkable and took the first place after a strong competition through which it was able to gain 89 points, with a difference of three quarters of a point. The results were as follow:*

*First: Marwan Shah owned by Mr. Maher Hammoud*

*Second: Amir Al Zaman owned by Mr. Bassem Youssef*

*Third: Rayhan owned by Mr. Chafic Moussawy*

*Sixth category: Three-year-old colts*

*In this category the colt The Dolce Vita was highlighted gaining 91,75 points, took the first place with a difference of three points and three quarters ahead of the second position. The results were as follow:*

*First: The Dolce Vita Chah owned by Mr. Wassim Hammoud*

*Second: Alyan owned by Mr. Chafic Moussawy*

*Third: Al Ders owned by Mr. Khaled Mansour*



### Silver Medal Champion Colts

## **THE A DOLSHY GITA**

owned by Mr. Wassim Hammoud

### Silver Medal Champion Stallions

## **BOURKAN**

owned by Mr. Chafic Al Moussawy

*Seventh category: Four-year-old mares*

*Seven mares participated in this competition, that witnessed a great competition between the participating mares, particularly between M Ligia and D In Ishaba the last one mentioned lost the first place three quarter of a point behind the first placed. The results were as follow:*

*First: M Ligia owned by Mr. Adnan Mazloun*

*Second: D In Ishaba owned by Mr. Ali Hillany*

*Third: Soubaila Al khalediah owned by Assy Hillany*

*Eighth category: Mares 5-8 years*

*The mare Guita was the winner gaining 88,50 points, leaving the second position behind with a difference of three quarters of a point. The results were as follow:*

*First: Guita owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Araiby*

*Second: Moulan Rouge owned by Mr. Adnan Mazloun*

*Third: Rayhana owned by Mr. Hicham Khalil*

*Ninth category: Mares 9 years and above*

*The mare Silkat Maria was highlighted registering the second winning for Al Araiby Stables, with 89,75 points and leaving the second position winner, Halifa Bbehind with a difference of one point. The results were as follow:*

*First: Silkat Maria owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Araiby*

*Second: Al Halifa B owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Amina*

*Third: Zahd owned by Mr. Hicham Araji*

*Tenth category: Stallions of all ages*

*The stallion Mourshed Al Rayan gained the championship, with 93,50 points. The results were as follow:*

*First: Mourshid Al Rayan for Mr. Chafic Al Moussawy*

*Second: Bourkan for Mr. Chafic Al Moussawy*

*Third: Toufic for Mr. Hicham Khalil*



**Bronze Medal Champion Fillies**

**RAMEERA ROSE**

owned by Mr. Maher Hammoudr



**Bronze Medal Champion Colts**

**MARWAN SHAH**

owned by Mr. Maher Hammoud



**Bronze Medal Champion Mares**

**HALEEFA B**

owned by Mr. Mohamad Al amine

**General Championships**

For these championships, all horses occupying the first and second place on each category participated. The horses were distributed among four championships:

**Fillies/Colts Championships**

This championship was competed by all fillies/colts that occupied the first and second place on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd category, the results were as follow:

Champion: Zeina Al Amine owned by Mr. Mohamad Jaafar

Silver runner: Almas Jaafar owned by Mr. Mohamad Jaafar

Bronze runner: Ramira Rose owned by Mr. Maber Hammoud

**Bronze Medal Champion Stallions**

**TAWFEEK**

owned by Mr. Hicham Al Khalil

**Colts Championship**

All colts occupying first and second place on the 4th, 5th and 6th category participated in this championship. The results were as follow:

Champion: Abbas Al Amin owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Amine

Silver runner: The Dolce Vita owned by Mr. Wassim Hammoud

Bronze runner: Marwan Chah owned by Mr. Maher Hammoud

**Mares Championship**

This championship witnessed a fierce competition between the mares that occupied the 1st and 2nd place on the 7th, 8th and 9th category. The results were as follow:

Champion: Silket Marian owned by Mr. Mohamad Al Araiby

Silver medal: M Ligia owned by Mr. Adnan Mazloum

Bronze medal: Halifa B owned by Mr. Mohamad Al amine

**Stallion Championship**

The stallion Mourshed Al Rayan concluded the competitions of this championship by winning the championship for three consecutive years. The results were as follow:

Champion: Mourshed Al Rayan owned by Mr. Chafic Al Moussawy

Silver medal: Bourkan owned by Mr. Chafic Al Moussawy

Bronze medal: Toufic owned by Mr. Hicham Al Khalil. □