#### SCENES FROM...

## ARABIAN HORSE DAYS text by: Anna Stojanowska 2013

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hen the organizational fever and tension associated with the event passes, when the emotions begin to settle and when life starts returning to a relative kind of normal, then comes a time of reflection and recap of all that happened. The weariness slowly goes away and all that remains are the scenes that we have experienced. Knowing the subsequent phases of creating the Arabian Horse Days from the inside it is hard to stay objective, because each story has its own explanation and one tends to look at the result through rose colored glasses of one's own wishful vision. On the other hand many things when seen from the inside appear fuller and more clear.

Definitely the Arabian gala consisting of the Polish National Show and Pride of Poland Sale is one the most important events in the world dedicated to the Arabian horse. This is because of its timeless, breeding character, the quality and number of presented horses and finally because of the influence that it has on the international Arabian community. A genuine influence characterized in real numbers, not just empty slogans.

On early Sunday afternoon, when the championships had been awarded, the Best in Show chosen and the judges could be thanked for their many hours of work, the jury, consisting this year of four remarkable ladies: Sylvie Garde-Ehlert from Germany, Joanna Lowe from Great Britain, Ann Norden from Sweden and Lenita Perroy from Brazil, unanimously agreed that this is one of the most difficult shows in the world, requiring constant focus, experience and a huge determination from the them. There are almost no weak horses here and the differences between horses at the top spots are minimal. Especially the mare championships, both junior and senior, could make one's head spin and almost each of the female finalists could go home with a medal.

#### But let's start from the beginning...

Nearly 130 entered horses and high hopes, an explosive mixture. The 35th Polish National Arabian Horse Show began on Friday afternoon, August 16th, with the performances of yearling and a combined class of 2-3 year old colts. What's surprising is that just two months earlier, during the Junior Spring Show in Bialka, the yearlings, two and three year olds were present in large numbers, whereas in Janów it took a lot of effort to gather two classes. Apparently the famous magnetism of Janów Podlaski does not have an effect on the stallions, especially the younger ones. And it definitely has no effect on their owners. Victorious in Bialka, year old ZŁOTY MEDAL by QR Marc out of Zlota Orda by Pesal this time was defeated by his stablemate, the superbly moving LARANDO by QR Marc out of Laranda by Ekstern. The 2-3 year old colts class was won



Best Handler Paweł Kozikowski from Janów Podlaski Stud

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the Janów-bred BAROK by Om El Bellissimo out of Baida by Balon, before the elegant GOTICO by WH Justice out of Ginga by Galba, bred and owned by Piotr Podgórny.

The sunny, lovely summery Saturday brought a true avalanche of beauty, refinement and mystery. The yearling fillies, divided into three series, made for a very pleasant start of the day. Each next class was like a discovery of a wonderful fairy tale with the best characters.

The competition in the A series ended with the victory of the extremely feminine, chestnut PATRIA by Eden C out of Palmeta by Ecaho from Janów Podlaski, whose performance was evaluated by the judges a 92 points. The second series gave the top spot to another Janów alum, the elegant bay ATANDA by Eden C out of Atma by Ekstern. Champion from Białka, the breathtaking PIACOLLA by Enzo out of Polonica by Ekstern, took the lead in series C with two "20s" (one for head and neck and one for movement) and a total score of 92,83. Piacolla is without a doubt the best Enzo daughter born in Poland and we will definitely hear more about her in the future.

The two year olds, divided into two series, delighted with their high and even quality. Only a few fillies received scores below the 90 point mark and "20s" were handed out freely. The A series was won by the splendid daughter of the famous Pinga - PINIATA by Eden C, delicate and correct, with an excellent body. Of course the mare performed under the banner of Janów Podlaski. The B series brought a rather unexpected victory of the robust, superbly moving DOLORES by Kabsztad out of Dombra by Eldon from Michałów, who "on the final stretch" defeated Janów's EUZONA by Om El Bellissimo out of Euzetia by Etogram by tenths of a point.

The class of three year old fillies had a very strong line-up and the battle was on right to the very end. Finally the very impressive ESIMA by Altis out of Emanta by Pamir from Falborek Arabians of Krzysztof Goździalski came out victorious.

After a short break, during which the show arena was taken by Hutsul horses from Gładyszów and coldbloods from Nowe Jankowice, Arabian horses returned and there was not one empty seat in the tribunes to be found. Not at all surprising.



Scott Benjamin

Best Breeder Michałów Stud and Jerzy Białobok

The senior mare and stallion classes always cause the most excitement. And as always, the exhibitors did not fail the public. The 4-6 year old mare class, divided into two series, was absolutely out of this world. In each series we had the pleasure of watching eight contestants, out of which all received more than 90 points. The first series was taken by storm by Michałów's ZIGI ZANA by QR Marc out of Zagrobla by Monogramm, who looked magnificent that day. The second series belonged to PILAROSA by Al Adeed Al Shaqab out of Pilar by Fawor from Janów Podlaski, whose 93 points suggested that she would remain undefeated in the finals. And yet...

There is a lot of truth in the saying that the Arabian horse is like wine - the older, the better. There is probably nothing as beautiful as a group of mature Arabian mares. Both series of the 7-10 year old classes had a magical aura to them, they were simply immaculate. The judges were of the same opinion, awarding top marks everywhere. None of the nine contestants presented in both the A and B series was evaluated below 90 points! The first batch saw a domination of Ekstern daughters, out of which as many as four placed in the class top five, starting with the enchanting ALTAMIRA out of Altona by Eukaliptus from Janów Podlaski. The second belonged to the daughters of Gazal Al Shaqab, who secured all the top five spots in class. The hands-down queen of this class, and as it turned out later - of the entire championship, was the somewhat underrated up to now Michałów's NORMA out of

Nina by Monogramm. Not a large mare, but very typey and extremely well moving, with seven "20s" and a total score of 94,33 she not only won her class, but became the highest scored horse of the show.

The 11 year old and above mares class was the proverbial icing on the cake. It was won by the 19 year old (!!!), but still disarming GEORGIA by Monogramm out of Gizela by Palas from Michałów Stud. Statue-like, in beautiful frames, with a ground covering, elegant movement. Beauty of such horses never dwindles.

As much as the presented mares increased the viewers' heart rate, then the stallion classes failed to impress. Both the 4-6 year olds, as well as the 7 year olds and above were mediocre. In the first the competition was routed by the chestnut, well moving EL OMARI by Enzo out of Embra by Monogramm from Michałów, before the robust and energetic ETERNAL by FS Bengali out of Ewitacja by Ganges of Jan Głowacki. The second, older class brought the victory of EQUIFOR by Gazal Al Shaqab out of Eqviria by Pers from Janów Podlaski, who bested the terrific mover, ERYKS by Gazal Al Shaqab out of Emmona by Monogramm from Michałów.

The end of a long and tiring Saturday brought a time to rest for some people and a restless night for others. A night full of hopes and expectations before the Sunday finals and Pride of Poland sale.



Eldon from Michałów Stud WAHO Trophy winner, 28 years old



Best Trainer - Mariusz Liśkiewicz (with his assistant Piotr Dwojak on the left) from Michałów Stud

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The championship finals are always accompanied by a certain anxiety. Everyone is tense - the exhibitors, judges, presenters and of course the horses themselves. It's hard to be surprised.

First up were the junior mares, heating up the already hot atmosphere. Named Polish National Junior Champion was the lovely year old PIACOLLA, leaving Janów's charges: PATRIA and PINIATA with the silver and bronze medals, respectively. Closing off the Top Five were ESIMA and EUZONA.

The Junior Stallion Championships brought a shuffling among the class results. The judges chose BAROK as the champion, whereas the silver medal was claimed by ZŁOTY MEDAL, who was second in class behind LARANDO, chosen as the bronze medalist. The victorious Top Four was completed with GOTICO.

Finally the time came for the senior mares. The judges unanimously decided to award the title of Polish National Champion to the most deserving of them all, NORMA. She waited for this gold several years and when she finally won she did so in grand style. The Reserve Champion went to ZIGI ZANA and the bronze medal - PERNILA. This incredible Top Five also included ALTAMIRA and PILAROSA. Any one of these mares could easily win any championship in the world.

EL OMARI did not allow his rivals to take away his victory in the finals. He became Polish National Junior Champion as a result of a unanimous decision of the judges. The silver medal went to EQUIFOR and the bronze to Jan Głowacki's ETERNAL. Closing off the Top Four was ERYKS.

After the champion medals came time for the special awards. It was definitely NORMA's day, as she bewitched the judges to such an extent that they also gave her the title of Best in Show. The Best Race Horse of the Show was PASSIONARIA from Janów Podlaski. Many were touched by the appearance of the 28 year old ELDON by Penitent out of Erotyka by Eufrat, bred at Michałów, who this year received the WAHO Trophy awarded to an outstanding individual of Polish Arabian horse breeding.



Best Head trophy for Norma from Michałów Stud

Izabella Pawelec-Zawadzka the Arabian Horse Breeders Aliance Ambassador and Scott Benjamin

#### **Polish National Junior Female Championships**

#### GOLD





#### Piacolla

(Enzo (US) x Polonica) Michałów Stud

#### **Polish National Junior Female Championships**

#### SILVER Patria

(Eden C (US) x Palmeta) Ianów Podlaski Stud



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## **BRONZE** Piniata

(Eden C (US) x Pinga) Janów Podlaski Stud

#### **TOP FIVE**



Esima

(Altis x Emanta) Krzysztof Goździalski (Falborek Arabians)

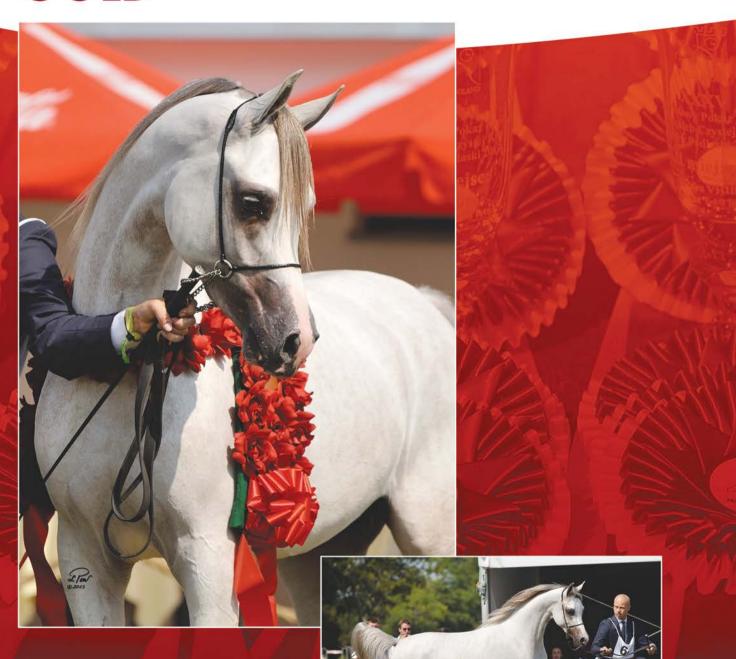


Euzona

(Om El Bellissimo (US) x Euzetia) Janów Podlaski Stud

#### Polish National Junior Male Championships

#### GOLD



#### Barok

(Om El Bellissimo (US) x Baida) Janów Podlaski Stud

#### Polish National Junior Male Championships

#### SILVER Złoty Medal

(QR Marc (US) x Złota Orda) Michałów Stud



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## **BRONZE**Larando

(QR Marc (US) x Laranda) Michałów Stud

#### **TOP FIVE**



#### Gotico

(WH Justice (US) x Ginga) Piotr Podgórny (M Arabians)

#### Polish National Senior Female Championships

#### GOLD





#### Norma

(Gazal Al Shaqab (QA) x Nina) Michałów Stud

Best in Show Best Head Best Mover Highest Scored Mare

#### **Polish National Senior Female Championships**

#### SILVER Zigi Zana

(QR Marc (US) x Zagrobla) Michałów Stud





## **BRONZE**Pernila

(Gazal Al Shaqab (QA) x Pepesza) Janów Podlaski Stud

#### **TOP FIVE**



#### Altamira

(Ekstern x Altona) Janów Podlaski Stud



Pilarosa

(Al Adeed Al Shaqab (QA) x Pilar) Janów Podlaski Stud

#### Polish National Senior Male Championships

#### GOLD





#### El Omari

(Enzo (US) x Embra) Michałów Stud

#### **Polish National Senior Male Championships**

#### **SILVER** Equifor

(Gazal Al Shaqab (QA) x Eqviria) Janów Podlaski Stud



### **BRONZE** Eternal

(FS Bengali (DE) x Ewitacja) Jan Głowacki

#### **TOP FIVE**



**Eryks** (Gazal Al Shaqab (QA) x Emmona) Michałów Stud

## PRIDE OF POLAND

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The Arabian Horse Days are a true marathon, only for the most enduring. There is not much time for rest, emotions are thick in the air, the days are filled to the brim with horses and conversations are only about one thing. When the championship applause died down, everyone began to impatiently look towards the indoor arena, where later that afternoon the 44th Pride of Poland Sale would take place. It is difficult to speak about novelties and innovations after more than 40 years of the sale's existence, however this year there were some changes. The organizers made an attempt to bring in some fresh air and invited a new auctioneer to conduct the sale. Irishman Andrew Nolan turned out to be exactly what they needed. Full of charisma, energy and tons of good humor, he gained the sympathy of

all those gathered immediately. The construction of the offer also underwent changes. For many years the auction list began with very good, but not the best horses, kind of preparing the buyers for the upcoming stars. This year it were the two stars that were to open the bidding. The once Silent, now Summer Sale was moved from Sunday evening to Monday afternoon. The sale was conducted in the form of a typical auction, mostly with written offers placed earlier. Also - this time the horses were present. What remained unchanged? All those element that have made the Pride of Poland last through all these years. First of all the quality of the horses, carefully selected over many months. It is them that build the strength and attractiveness of the event. The atmosphere, totally inimitable, created mainly by the



Agata Parys from Poland the buyer of Palatina (90.000) and Poezja (22.000) Jerzy "George" Zbyszewski (US)

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wonderful public gathered at Janów, successfully encouraging the buyers to raise their bidding plates. The clients, who visited Janów this year. For some a visit to Poland in August is a fixed date in their calendar, while some came to Janów for the first time.

And then it began. 27 mares from the Pride of Poland offer awaited, like film stars before the premiere of their latest flick, the reaction of the buyers. The auction was commenced by the remarkable BELGICA from Janów Podlaski, disarming with her beauty and femininity. After a several minute long bidding she changed both country and owner. She will head to Mrs Shirley Watts, Great Britain for 410,000 Euro. An auction that started off with such a strong accent could not end differently than in success. When Belgica was substituted on the arena with EL SAGHIRA from Michałów, everyone expected the fireworks to explode. The public welcomed every bid increment with loud applause up to 500 thousand Euro, for which the mare was sold. She will go to the United Arab Emirates, Sheikh Ammar Bin Humaid Al Nuaimi. The auction's third price was achieved by Michałów's EKSPULSJA, a very Polish in type mare, who was secured for 400,000 Euro by Mrs Shirley Watts again.

In the end only five mares did not change owners and the auction's outcome reached more then 2,200,000 Euro. In today's difficult times it is a unique result.

The Monday sale was also met with recognition by the public. Those clients that stayed a day longer knew exactly what they were waiting for and bid with a plan. No chance accidents and wandering around in the mist. The highest prices was achieved by the good and typey SPAŁA, bred by Bogusław Dąbrowski, for whom 40,000 Euro was paid. Sometimes finding oneself among the right company is the recipe for success,

Janów's Arabian horse festival is an event bearing both a breeding and financial nature - things that seemingly are difficult to put together. Subtle emotions from observing beauty clash with brutal economy. The many aspects of the event cause every person to look at it in a different way. However we would like to summarize it, there will be as many opinions as there were observers. And that's a good thing, because it means that it doesn't leave people indifferent. And there is nothing worse than indifference.



Annika Öbrink from Sinus Arabstuteri (SE) the buyer of Kraśnica (65.000) and Złota Orda (35.000)

Izabella Pawelec-Zawadzka



El Saghira (Galba (DE) x Emira)



Stuart Vesty and Arkadiusz Okoń from Zaborek

Barbara Orłoś and Jadwiga Koch daughters of director Andrzej Krzyształowicz



El Saghira (Galba (DE) x Emira)



Polish state studs directors

Monika Goździalska and Krzysztof Goździalski from Falborek Arabians



Belgica (Gazal Al Shaqab (QA) x Belladona)



Idris Hassan



David Boggs wih the family (US)



Ekspulsja (Gazal Al Shaqab (QA) x Elandra)



Bogusław Dąbrowski - the breeder of Spała



Andrew Nolan (IR) - the new auctioneer with Anna Stojanowska and Barbara Mazur



Pietra (Eden C (US) x Pepina)



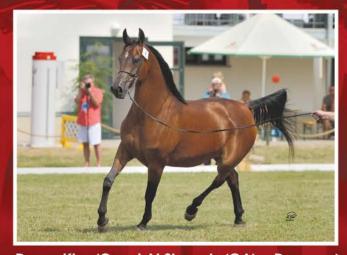
Palatina (QR Marc (US) x Palmeta)



Espinilla (Al Maraam (IL) x Espadrilla)



Kraśnica (QR Marc (US) x Kasjopea)



Dama Kier (Gazal Al Shaqab (QA) x Demona) Eferada (QR Marc (US) x Efuzja)



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Arabian mares – Pride of Poland											
lot	price (€)	name	color	foaled	sire	dam	owner				
1	410.000	Belgica	bay	2003	Gazal Al Shaqab	Belladona	Janów Podlaski Stud				
2	500.000	El Saghira	grey	2007	Galba	Emira	Michałów Stud				
3	45.000	Eferada	bay	2009	QR Marc	Efuzja	Janów Podlaski Stud				
4	50.000	Dama Kier	bay	2004	Gazal Al Shaqab	Demona	Michałów Stud				
5	45.000	Alegra	chest.	2008	Ganges	Alena	Janów Podlaski Stud				
6	400.000	Ekspulsja	grey	2004	Gazal Al Shaqab	Elandra	Michałów Stud				
7	-	Elatha	grey	2008	Pegasus	Eurita	Białka Stud				
8	90.000	Palatina	chest.	2009	QR Marc	Palmeta	Janów Podlaski Stud				
9	-	Daga	d.bay	2004	Gazal Al Shaqab	Dajana	Michałów Stud				
10	25.000	Cerinola	grey	2001	Ecaho	Celna	Janów Podlaski Stud				
11	-	Garuda	grey	2007	Galba	Gotlandia	Michałów Stud				
12	95.000	Pietra	bay	2009	Eden C	Pepina	Janów Podlaski Stud				
13	65.000	Kraśnica	chest.	2009	QR Marc	Kasjopea	Michałów Stud				
14	20.000	Perlahaba	grey	2010	Al Lahab	Pernacja	Falborek Arabians				
15	22.000	Poezja	chest.	2007	Enzo	Pelota	Janów Podlaski Stud				
16	21.000	Antaja	grey	2004	Ekstern	Abba	Białka Stud				
17	45.000	Wagira	chest.	2008	Enzo	Wkra	Michałów Stud				
18	33,000	Eudora	grey	2004	Piaff	Euzetia	Janów Podlaski Stud				
19	21.000	Figurantka	grey	2004	Ekstern	Firosetta	Czeple Arabians				
20	20.000	Zmowita	chest.	2008	Enzo	Zmowa	Michałów Stud				
21	18.000	Ostoja	grey	2005	Ekstern	Olita	Janów Podlaski Stud				
22	67.000	Espinilla	chest.	2007	Al Maraam	Espadrilla	Michałów Stud				
23	33.000	Enaam	grey	2006	Ekstern	Elwira	Janów Podlaski Stud				
24	35.000	Złota Orda	grey	1999	Pesal	Zagrobla	Michałów Stud				
25	-	Centuria	grey	2010	Esparto	Cyrolka	Białka Stud				
26	-	Ananda	grey	2004	Pesal	Aneksja	Janów Podlaski Stud				
27	12.000	Prosna	grey	2004	Grafik	Prudencja	Michałów Stud				

Arabian mares & fillies - Summer Sale										
lot	price (€)	name	color	foaled	sire	dam	owner			
S/1	-	Elomina	grey	2011	Eryks	Elocea	Białka Stud			
5/2	withdrawn	Patiena	grey	2011	Ekstern	Pasywa	Lech Błaszczyk			
S/3	=	Baronessa	grey	2009	Perseusz	Bajgora	Janów Podlaski Stud			
5/4	sold	Alcazara	bay	2009	Ganges	Alhambra	Janów Podlaski Stud			
S/5	=	Anilina	grey	2009	Porto	Anilla	Janów Podlaski Stud			
5/6	sold	Warsa	bay	2009	Ganges	Watra	Janów Podlaski Stud			
S/7	23.000	Pustynna Fiesta	grey	2009	Ekstern	Pustynna Róża	Michałów Stud			
5/8	10.500	Cervinia	grey	2009	Enzo	Cerelia	Janów Podlaski Stud			
S/9	sold	Ezygona	chest.	2009	Piaff	Emda	Białka Stud			
\$/10	withdrawn	Elfera	chest.	2006	Psytadel	Eiffla	Lech Błaszczyk			
S/11	18.000	Permila	grey	2005	Ararat	Perfazja	Białka Stud			
5/12	-	Zorza Poranna	bay	2005	Wołyń	Zulejda	Paweł Redestowicz			
S/13	_	Horda	grey	2005	HS Etiquette	Hekla	Janów Podlaski Stud			
5/14		Orlanka	chest.	2005	Aslan	Osaka	Pawel Redestowicz			
S/15	=	Wołynianka	bay	2005	Wołyń	Wizyta	Paweł Redestowicz			
5/16	-	Adelina	grey	2005	Grafik	Anakonda	Michałów Stud			
S/17	-	Fellena	grey	2005	Emigrant	Felicjana	Michałów Stud			
S/18	14.000	Wieża Snów	chest.	2005	Emigrant	Wieża Babel	Michałów Stud			
S/19	-	Niebianka	bay	2004	Emigrant	Nana	Paweł Redestowicz			
S/20	sold	Bint Moleta	grey	2004	Ecaho	KP Bint Malikah el Nil	Falborek Arabians			
5/21	40.000	Spała	grey	2002	Ekstern	Słonka	Bogusław Dąbrowski			
S/22	7.500	Dombra	grey	2001	Eldon	Dąbrowica	Michałów Stud			
5/23	-	Perga	grey	2000	Emigrant	Pergola	Michałów Stud			
S/24	-	Cyrylica	chest.	2000	Empres	Centra	Kurozwęki Stud, J.M. Popiel			
5/25	5.500	Zatoka Perska	bay	1999	Wachlarz	Zuzanna	Michałów Stud			
5/26	5.600	Ellanda	bay	1998	Wojsław	Ellada	Michałów Stud			