

# Australasian Breeders Cup 2013



*Crave FF  
Futur Farms*



For the third year, the Australasian Breeders Cup, was held at Equitana, this year in Sydney. The Breeders Cup is hosted by The Arabian Horse Breeders Alliance of Australasia Inc, a group formed for the promotion of the purebred Arabian horse in Australasia, and affiliated with the World Cup held in Las Vegas every year.

Unlike Equitana in Melbourne last year, the venue wasn't as conducive to big moving Arabian horses, and the Directors were somewhat perplexed to find that the already small arena, had been cut down to almost half the size that was thought to be available. Nevertheless, the hardworking committee made the best of the difficult situation, compounded by extreme heat, which caused most spectators to crowd under the little available shade, whilst a few hardy souls remained in the open air stands, where they had a terrific view of all the horses on parade.

Because of the limiting size of the arena, class numbers and entries were restricted, however, the Committee were very pleasantly surprised to find that classes, with the exception of the Junior Geldings, were filled within 3 days of going online, and there were horses put on the waiting list should any of the original entries withdraw.

As in previous years, entries were restricted to one breeder per class, in order to allow points for the Breeders Cup to be gained evenly across the Board. This year, we were privileged to host 2 highly credentialed International Judges, and one of Australia's leading Federal Panel Judges. Judging followed the same point scoring system used in Las Vegas, with a score of 10 -20 for each of 6 categories, Arabian Type, Neck and Shoulder, Feet and Legs, Head, Body and Topline and Movement.

Renata Schibler, from Switzerland, has judged in Australia before, and is well known to many Arabian Breeders. She is highly respected Internationally, and has judged at all major shows overseas, including Europe and the Middle East.

She has been an A listed ECHAO judge since 1990, and her involvement with Arabian horses dates back to 1977.

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*Shimmer FF*



Sigi Stiller, from Santa Ynez Valley in California, is the founder of Om El Arab Stud – known worldwide for its successful breeding programme, commenced over 40 years ago in Germany. Famous for combining Spanish and Egyptian bloodlines, the immortal El Shaklan became the most famous of this cross, and is today the cornerstone of Arabian Breeding programmes throughout the world.

Glenys Lilley, our A class Federal panel judge, has been breeding Arabians and Arabian Derivatives for the past 37 years, and has been a Judge for the past 16 years. Her horses have successfully competed at major shows in Hacking, Dressage and Western.

This year 6 classes were held. The Junior Geldings, Fillies and Colts comprised yearlings, 2 year olds and 3 year olds, and then the Senior Mare, Gelding and Stallion Classes were for horses aged 4 and over.

Results are as follows:

- Gold Champion Junior Gelding, and Peoples' Choice, with a score of 328.5, was Chase KA, (Crave FF x Vaya), owned and bred by Sharon and Max Warke, Shona Young and Olivia Cleary. Silver Champion, with a score of 312, was Arionn, (Azteq LBA x Aviva), owned and bred by Vanessa Crossland of Syrah Arabians, while the Bronze Champion, with a score of 308.5, was Infatuated by Fire, (Fire Alert x Miss Infatuation), owned and bred by Lehan Britten.

- The Gold Champion Junior Filly, was the exquisite Estellaa, with a score of 328. By Azteq LBA out of Exotika, she was owned and bred by Vanessa Crossland. Silver Champion was Enchanting FF (Crave FF x Lexington Elysee) with a score of 323, owned and bred by Kate Dertell, whilst the Bronze Champion, and Peoples' Choice, in this group of 9 very beautiful fillies, was Giselle V (Ghazal Ibn Estopa x Adana Al Nadira), with a score of 322.5, and owned and bred by Tanya and Anthony Getyeman.

- Junior Colts had 7 entries, with the Gold Champion, DP Aryan El Jamal (MF Aryan el Thessa x Ella Noura), having a score of 327.5, and also being the Peoples' Choice. Silver Champion was Atlantis FF (A Jakarta USA x Audrey H JCA), owned and bred by Future Farms, this colt had a score of 322. Bronze Champion was the US import, Cinque el Jamaal USA (FT Wuotan x Lolah El Javier), with a score of 321.5, and bred by David Zouch Ross of Australia.

- The Senior Geldings were full at 7 entries, and the Gold Champion was Cruze KA, (Crave FF x Breathless), with a score of 324.5, and giving his owners and breeders their second Gold Champion Silver Champion, and Peoples' Choice, was Astor (Magnum Forty Four x Astoria), with a score also of 324.5,

but dropping to 2nd place because Cruze KA scored higher marks for Type. Bronze Champion was El Arab Magnifico (El Arab Madir x Coolong Park Niziefa), with a score of 321.5 and bred by Dengor Nominees P/L.

- The Senior Mares saw a wonderful line up of 7 feminine and typey beauties, and the Gold Champion was the US import, Milly Van Ryad, with a score of 329.5, she is by Ryad El Jamaal out of GAA Millenia. Peoples' Choice and Silver Champion was Taralea Evita, (Españo Estopa x Redwood Lodge Cabreaa), with a score of 329, whilst the Bronze Champion went to Jenni Fairweather's Jensems Susie Q (Baghira ERA x Warrawee Sahra).

- The final class, was the Senior Stallions, with 6 entries, the number restricted due to the size limitations of the ring. The Gold Champion, saw the return to the show ring of Crave FF, (Mash x Bremervale Charmed), with a score of 328, he was also Peoples' Choice. Silver Champion was Ghazal Ibn Estopa (Estasan Ibn Estopa x Windella Silver Sequin), with a score of 327, whilst the Bronze Champion was Fire Alert (TS Al Malik x Fire Flame), with a score of 322 and owned by Lehan Britten.

Sadly, the ring size prevented us showcasing the versatility of our Purebred Arabians, however, many thanks to Belinda Zaiter and Viv Motbey, who with Jade Park Astound, and River Oak Prominence, were able to give us a glimpse of Western Pleasure, and English Attire, and then demonstrate Native Costume at the end of the Stallion Class.

This year, our High Point Score Award, went to the US import, Milly Van Ryad, with a score of 329.5, whilst the Judges' Award for Best Handler went to Anthony Getyeman. Once again, we were privileged to have Scott Benjamin give us a short critique on our Gold Champions – something that's always helpful to breeders, handlers and spectators. Interestingly, a few comments were gleaned from the crowd regarding the judging system, and how much they enjoyed it, particularly with the scores being available so quickly.

The following night saw the first Presentation Dinner, with the magnificent Breeders Cup, very generously donated by the Farrell family of Mulawa Arabians, on display for the first time. This year, the Breeders Cup was won by a very excited Kate Dertell, from Future Farms, with 1 Gold Champion and 2 Silver Champions, just piping the connections of Cruze KA and Chase KA, with their 2 Gold Champions. It was interesting to note that Future Farm's, Crave FF, was the sire of 2 Gold Champions and 1 Silver Champion







Next year, it is anticipated that Equitana will return to Melbourne, giving us another opportunity to showcase our beautiful Purebred Arabian Horses. The Directors would also like to thank our very generous supporters, in particular, Jenni Fairweather, who did an outstanding job designing and making our sashes.

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- (1) Giselle V
- (2) Renata Schibler, Sigi Stiller, Scott Benjamin  
Glenys Lilley & Allan Preston
- (3) High Point Score Award,  
(IMP US), Milly Van Ryad
- (4) Sigi Stiller & Collen Rutherford
- (5) Doyal Dertell & Shimmer FF - Arabian Showcase
- (6) Meeting The Fans
- (7) Jade Park Astound - Belinda Zaiter
- (8) Judging



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