

CLINIC OF HANDLER

Alborz-Iran



by Marco Capelli ■ photos by Marco Capelli

Chiamati nuovamente in Persia per la terza edizione del nostro "Clinic per Handler di 1° livello", veniamo ospitati questa volta dalla IRIEF, Federazione Equestre Repubblica Islamica dell'Iran.

Ad accoglierci all'aeroporto due grandi amici, Saman Moradi (fotografo) e Ali Hashemian (trainer) con la tipica accoglienza iraniana.

Poche decine di chilometri fuori Teheran, nella regione del Kordan, si trova il centro equestre dove si svolgerà il Campionato Nazionale Iraniano affiliato ECAHO.

Tra i numerosi partecipanti, 52 quest'anno, scorgiamo alcune facce già conosciute negli altri due clinics, e questo ci conferma la loro voglia di carpire i segreti di questa particolare professione.

Con immenso piacere ci fanno notare che tutta la parte didattica è stata tradotta e scritta in persiano come fosse un manoscritto prezioso.

Inizia Franck spiegando la parte teorica delle Norme Ecaho, tradotta in persiano dall'amica Hily, allevatrice in Teheran. La spiegazione si protrae per tutta la mattinata. Caratteristica particolare di questa edizione di Clinic Handler è che ci vengono proposti cavalli di razza iraniana per le prove pratiche, cavalli dalla struttura possente e dal fisico sportivo.

Dopo una pausa a base di kebab, Franck con simpatia e disinvoltura porta a termine il lungo e impegnativo pomeriggio di spiegazioni e prove pratiche.

Il mattino successivo di buon'ora ritorniamo nel ring e prova dopo prova, tra conduzione, stop, conduzione frontale, stop, spostamento, contatto, e tante carezze ai cavalli che con pazienza ci accompagnano, giungiamo alla fine del nostro Clinic. Alle insistenti richieste di maggiori approfondimenti da parte dei partecipanti, desiderosi di imparare il più possibile, Franck ha risposto dando delle anticipazioni sui contenuti del corso di secondo livello, ricordando però a tutti che l'esperienza di 40 anni in questa professione non può essere trasmessa in poco tempo, né i cavalli sono in grado di apprendere nell'arco di un Clinic.

Per avere risultati concreti ed essere padroni del mestiere di Handler sono necessari dedizione, passione e l'assoluto rispetto per il proprio cavallo.

"Per avere poco ci vuole tanto tempo, per perdere tutto occorre poco tempo". □

For the third edition of our course named "Clinic of Handler 1st level", we were called in Persia by IRIEF, Equestrian Federation of I.R. Iran, which hosts us for this edition.

Waiting for us at the airport are two good friends of ours, Mr. Saman Moradi (photographer) and Mr. Ali Hashemian (trainer), as in the best Iranian tradition.

Few kilometers away from Teheran, in the region of Kordan, we reach the equestrian center where the Iranian National Championship (affiliated to ECAHO) will be held.

Amongst several participants, 52 for that edition, we recognize people we have already met before, during the past two editions as a confirmation of their enthusiastic will to catch the secret to be a good handler.

All the educational is translated into Persian as it were a precious text.

Franck begins the Clinic explaining the Ecaho Rules, translated by our friend Hily, breeder in Teheran, until the end of the morning.

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Clinic of Handler's edition we use Iranian purebred horses, with strong body and sportive attitude.

After a break eating kebab, Franck continues the long and demanding afternoon, made of theory and practice, managing effortlessly the time.

The day after, early in the morning, we come back to the ring and step by step we arrive at the end of the Clinic, giving many caresses to the horses that patiently stay with us.

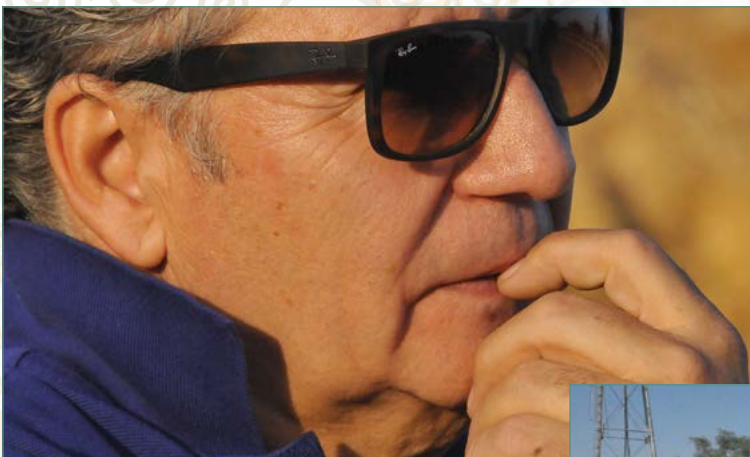
Franck answers also to the demanding questions by our participants, who want to discover more about being a handler, and Franck gives a preview of the Clinic of Handler 2nd Level.

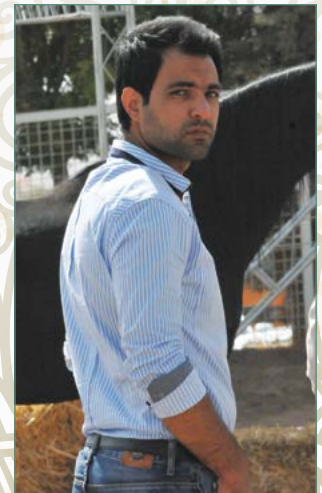
Franck reminds to everybody that a 40 years experience cannot be taught in a two days Clinic. And the horses cannot learn in such a short time.

Commitment, passion and utmost respect to horses are necessary to achieve concrete results and to become a good handler.

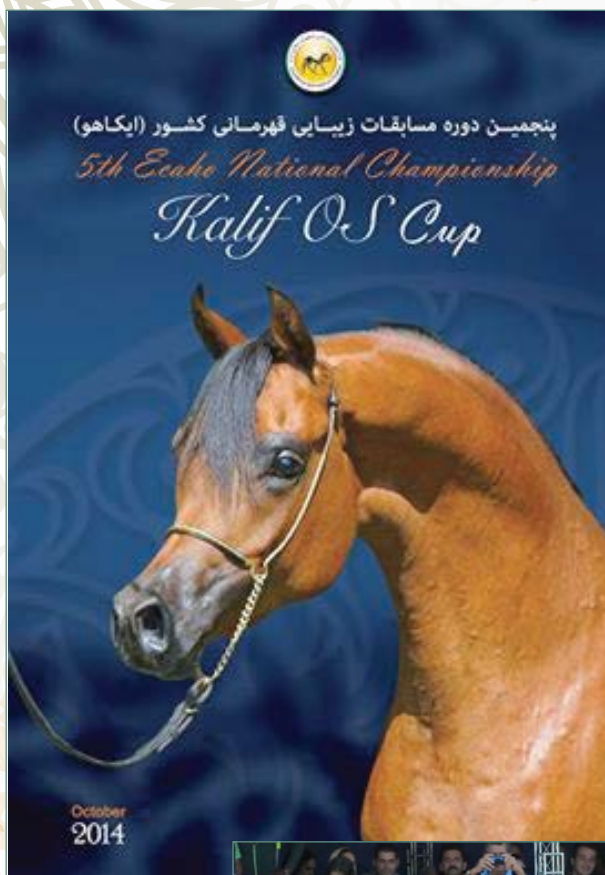
"You need a long time to reach a little and a short time to lose everything". □







Kordan Iran



by Giorgia Mauri ■ photos by Marco Capelli

For many decades Iran has been an ideal place to breed Arabian horses. The passion and love of Iranian breeders developed during the years a strong attachment to their horses through mutual understanding.

This was a great achievement for the people in Iran and purebred Iranian horses became proudly famous during the years.

Iranians bred arabian horses as measure of honor and respect.

Iranian Arabians are strong and very beautiful horses: they have the potential to change the type of the Arabian breeding and to raise a better quality of horses, both for riding and for show.

Iranian breeders are determinate in the attainment of beauty, proportion, quality, temperament and extreme refinement of their Arabian horses. These efforts enable them to present their horses in national and international shows.

The 5th ECAHO National Championship took place on 8th, 9th and 10th October 2014 in Kordan (kohsar), in Alborz province, Iran, and many enthusiast purebred arabian horses were gathered the show.

200 horses in total: fillies, colts, mares and stallions were registered in their corresponding classes. Organizers issued a show catalogue providing all the necessary informations about the time schedules, pedigrees of the horses in different classes and owners details.

International judges and DC as well as handlers were also invited from Italy, France, Belgium, Morocco and Slovenia.

International judges were:

Mrs. Marie Paquay from Belgium, Mr. Fausto Scanzi from Italy, Mr. Pierluigi Rota from Italy.

International DC:

Dr Malak Benamar from Morocco, Mr. Marco Capelli from Italy, Mr. Darioush Rastegar from Iran.

Two days before the show, a two days training course named "Clinic of Handlers" has been organized and held by the Professional Trainer Mr. Franck Boetto from France, to enhance the professional handlers' knowledge about Ecaho rules.

Horses have been classified into two groups, including straight Iranians and horses crossed with foreign purebred arabian blood. Horses were judged according to their type, head and neck, body and topline, lay and movement and their scores were announced for junior and senior male and female championships.

The first day of the show (Wednesday 8th October 2014) the crowd enjoyed the competition of the straight Iranian classes. Some breeders were quite passionate about their Straight Iranian horses. This made the competition very exciting.

The second day (Thursday 09th October 2014) of the show provided interesting and unexpected speculations about Ecaho horses. The show started early in the morning. The scores of horses provided by judges were reported with high accuracy.

The third day (Friday 10th October 2014) was dedicated to the final championships.

One of the most significant aspects of this show clearly revealed the fact that interest about purebred arabian horses is gaining popularity in Iran and this magnificent creatures do deserve our love, care and attention.

These demanding event can hopefully be held at international level in the near future.

We hope that more people will get into the arabian horses world after this well organized show and Clinic of Handler 2014. A very good way to let everybody know the rules of the show and how to communicate with arabian horses. □



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