

2015 EGYPTIAN EVENT



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Israel's annual Egyptian Event, held this year on the 11th and 12th of September at what has recently become a traditional venue at Kibbutz Alonim, was an overwhelming success in every way. Nearly 150 entries were presented before a very competent panel of guest judges which included Dr. Mary Bancroft of Great Britain, Mr. Fausto Scanzi of Italy, and Mr. Benny Freme of Sweden.

Judges and spectators alike noted the tough level of competition across all age sections and many observed that the uniformly high quality of almost all the horses shown and the size of the classes was in itself remarkable.

The weather, even more sweltering than usual, featured unseasonable high humidity, which at times seemed barely tolerable. But horses, handlers and judges rose to the occasion, and although sometimes appearing somewhat wilted, acquitted themselves extremely well.

The large crowds once again enjoyed a well-organized, elegant and very friendly show held in typically warm and friendly Israeli fashion. As always, much of the audience was passionately involved in the entire proceedings and clapped, stamped their feet, and yelled enthusiastically for their favorites, often completely drowning out the music and show announcer.

On Friday morning the competition began with the Futurity classes, each of which had an a) and b) section. The quality in both the Filly and Colt sections was among the highest in the show, a fact which annually brings great pride to Israeli breeders. This year's Gold Medal Filly was the very feminine and refined Rawnaq Al Qasem (Jarwar Al Qasem x Rehanat Al Qasem), who was also ranked at First place in section a). She was followed by the exotic Silver Medal Filly Soraya AA (Al Ayal AA x Saniyyah RCA), ranked First place in the b) section, and the lovely Al Maasa MY (Mouadaar BKV x Johara WWA), ranked Second place behind Soraya AA and awarded the Bronze Medal.

*In the Colts section the captivating Kapital OU, sired by Mouadaar BKV out of Galilee K Daria easily led all four Futurity classes in points, with a score of 90.67 and took home the Gold Medal Colt honors. Shabeen AA (Al Ayal AA x *Saniyyah RCA), a very exotic full brother to this year's Silver Medal Filly Foal, who was ranked First in his own section, eventually captured the Silver Medal. The very mature and striking Shadwan Hamzi (Asfur x Jana Hamzi) who placed Second behind Shabeen AA, was awarded the Bronze.*

Once again the Yearling Fillies attracted a record number of entries and very high scores were awarded in both sections.

*First Place and eventual Gold Medal Yearling Filly was Nardin AH, sired by Al Ayal AA and out of former Israeli National Champion Mare and Israeli Egyptian Event Champion Mare *JPJ Talai. Nardin won in what was an unanimous judges' decision, clearly a result of her stellar movement and overall excellent quality. Behind her, with the Silver Medal was the Al Ayal AA daughter Lubana Al Qasem. Her dam Loubana is herself a spectacular show mare who won several Championship titles before her recent sale abroad. Ranked First Place in her age group and eventual Bronze Medal Yearling Filly was the ultra-exotic Turkiz AA (Al Ayal x *JPJ Talasha), who is very similar in pedigree to the Gold Medal Yearling Filly.*

*All three Yearling Filly champions were sired by the popular Israeli sire Al Ayal AA (*Al Ayad x *The Vision HG).*

Yearling Colts had perhaps less entries than the Filly section, but all were of a similarly high quality and some very high scores were awarded in both sections. First Place winner in section b) and eventual Gold Medal Yearling Colt was the exciting bay Royal Alabina (Al Ayal AA x Princess Alabina), awarded a great score of 90.83 points. This veteran show colt was the Gold Medal Colt Foal at last year's Event. Placing Second in the same age group and eventual Silver Medal Yearling Colt, was the eye-catching chestnut Nader Al Shamal

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*AA (Salaa El Dine x *Insha Sha Latifa). Behind him stood Faed Al Khel (Al Ayal AA x Takiyah AA), who impressed with his excellent front end and solid scores all around.*

Two-Year Old Fillies attracted seventeen entries in total, and was divided into two sections. The quality was such that all of the entrées, even the lowest ranked, would have been competitive anywhere in the world, with the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners of both sections awarded scores of well over 90 points. First Place winner in the a) section was the very feminine and elegant Bushra AA (Al Ayal AA x Badriyah AA, who had extremely high scores in both type and head & neck, eventually earning 91.33 points. She was followed by the excellent mover Loyal Al Dameer who earned one score of 20 for movement and a total of 91.17 points. In 3rd place was the extremely typey Shaeen (Baha AA x Moniet Al Jamal) awarded very high scores for type and head & neck and an eventual score of 90.83.

*In the b) section First Place was awarded to the outstanding show filly Dalal Zamani (Laheeb x Zena Al Buraq), who obviously enjoyed herself immensely, and earning an outstanding score of 93 points including one 20 for type and another 20 for movement. It was not at all surprising that she was eventually the judges' selection for Gold Medal Filly. Second Place in this section went to the exotic Baarikayh AA (Al Ayal AA x Baraaqa AA) who earned a very high final score of 90.67 points. She was followed by the very feminine *Khatun (Laheeb Al Nasser x *Asalah Al Rabi) with another excellent score of 90.5 points.*

*The Three-Year Old Fillies classes were similarly large, with eighteen entries in all and extremely high scores throughout. In the a) section First Place and later the Silver Medal was awarded to Zaharat Al Laheeb (Laheeb x Jamila Al Magnum) who had a perfect standup and superlative movement, earning her a great score of 91 points. Following in Second place was Dorina RAA (*Nader Al Jamal x AA Mona Albi) with very high scores for type and total of 90.67 points. The*

*very solid Touleen (*MD El Sperado x Vordos) took a close Third with a final score of 90.5.*

*In the b) Section of this class the very elegant Labibah AA (*Nader Al Jamal x Latifah AA) was the crowd's favorite and much impressed the judging panel who awarded her scores of 19.5 across the board for type, one score of 20 for head and neck, and three scores of 19 for movement, garnering her an extremely high final score of 92.93. In the semi-finals Labibah AA was awarded the title Bronze Medal Filly. Behind her in Second Place was her classy half-sister Nadine Bt Nadir (*Nader Al Jamal x Estrella Blanca) with a great score of 91.5. Still another *Nader Al Jamal daughter the ultra-refined Rahaf Al Arab out of Mashallah Aleha placed Third with a score of 91.33.*

*A large Two-Year Old Colts class was also awarded particularly high scores. First Place honors and eventual Silver Medal Colt winner was the extremely typey and elegant Laheeb Al Nar AA (Laheeb x Nashwah AA) who earned excellent scores for type and movement and a final score of 91.83 points. He was followed in Second Place by RB Farid (*True Colours x Lujyan AA) who was awarded one score of 20 for movement and extremely high scores for body & topline to earn 90.67 points. The very classic Kayed Al Hayal (*Nader Al Jamal x Rehan Al Jabal) followed in Third Place with a great score of 90.33.*

*Three-Year Old Colts was won by the striking Mookeed Al Hayal (*Nader Al Jamal x Rehan Al Jabal) who was also awarded the Gold Medal in the Colts section, earning very high scores for type and head & neck. The exciting Shams Sharav AA (*Simeon Sharav x *Saniyyah RCA) was close behind in points, capturing Second Place and eventually the Bronze Medal. Al Latif RC (*Nader Al Jamal x Ansam) earned high scores for type and a solid score of 90.33 to place Third.*

Four-Year Old Mares attracted eight extremely competitive entries and was a delight to watch. Marwa Bt. El Nor

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(Mouadaar BKV x El Nor Kinaani), who took First Place and eventually the Gold Medal Mare title, was awarded two scores of 20 for type and a third 20 for head & neck as well as great scores for movement, resulting in the highest score awarded at this show, 93.17, and the High Point Horse award. Marwa is an extremely classic mare of great quality with tremendous elegance and refinement and was presented in perfect condition. Second Place was awarded to another very classic mare, Loubaba Al Qasem (*Simeon Sharav x Loubana), whose great movement and type earned her a great score of 92 points. The lovely Themar El Hayal (Laheeb x *True Heart) moved beautifully and had a super stand-up, earning her a solid score of 90.67 and Third Place.

First Place winner of the Five & Six-Year Old Mare class was the ethereal Lutfina (*Nader Al Jamal x Latifah AA) whose high scores and beautiful presentation earned her an excellent 92.33 points and the Silver Medal in the Mares section. The very feminine and classic Badi'ah AA (*Nader Al Jamal x Baraqa AA) followed in Second Place with a great score of 90.5 and went on to capture the Bronze Medal. Third Place was awarded to the extremely refined Al Ranin (*Nader Al Jamal x Tanjara) with 90.17 points.

In the Seven-Year Old & Older Mares class Bayan Al Mukhtar (*Shaji Al Naif x *MB Kaydeena) stood in First Place with great scores for type and movement and a total of 90.67 points. The elegant *Oruba Alrabie RCA (Bellagio x Bint Alishabm) followed close behind in Second with great scores for type and head & neck with 90.33 points. Nur Salam (Al Bilal x *Bobaita) took Third with a solid score of 89.83 points.

Mishal Ibn Laheeb (Laheeb x *So True) grabbed First Place honors in the Four-Year Old Stallions class and Gold Medal Stallion honors with his great standup and wonderful type and a great score of 90.33. He was followed in Second Place by the elegant and masculine Radwan Ibn Laheeb (Laheeb x KZ Halimaah Raz). Still a third Laheeb son, Amir Al Hayal

out of Sinana NN placed Third.

The beautiful Wahildaar BKV (Laheeb x *Barakis Whisper) earned great scores for type and head and neck for a great score of 92 points, capturing First Place in the Five-Seven Year Old Stallions class and eventually the Silver Medal in the Stallions section. *Sheikh Al Jabal (Thee Equalizer x *HT Kamilah) won Second Place honors by virtue of his great elegance and overall quality. In Third Place was the excellent mover Al Makdad AH (Muashir x Barakat Laheeb).

The impressive and charismatic Shadwan Ibn Setala (*HT El Khurafa x *Setala) earned super scores for type and head & neck capturing both First Place honors in the Eight Years & Older Stallions class and the Bronze Medal. He was followed by the elegant Al Raheb AA (Laheeb x *The Vision HG) in Second Place who earned similarly high scores. AA Al Kareem Shah (Al Maraam x *FS Kalua) made a beautiful presentation and showed a super standup to earn Third Place.

The dominant sires at this year's Egyptian Event were as follows: Al Ayal AA (*Al Ayad x *The Vision HG), with 20 offspring shown, was the sire of six medal winners; Laheeb (*Imperial Imdal x *AK Latifa), with eleven offspring shown, was the sire of five medal winners; *Nader Al Jamal (Ansata Sinan x Savannah CC), with 15 offspring shown, was the sire of three medal winners; and finally Mouadaar BKV (Al Bilal x *Barakis Whisper), with five offspring shown was the sire of three medal winners. This certainly makes it clear why Israeli-bred straight Egyptian horses are gaining such recognition as both show horses and producers of show winners both here in Israel and abroad.

As always, the Israeli Event was a wonderful showcase for Israel's extraordinary love affair with straight Egyptian Arabian horses, and a very vocal and loyal following of fans are already eagerly awaiting next year's show. □

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MARWA BT. EL NOR
HIGH POINT HORSE
93.17 POINTS

FILLY FOAL CHAMPION



GOLD MEDAL - RAWNAQ AL QASEM

(JAWHAR AL QASEM X REHANAT AL QASEM)
BRED AND OWNED BY HIKHMAT TAHA & SHADI ABED



SILVER MEDAL - SORAYA AA

(AL AYAL AA X SANIYYAH RCA)
BRED BY ARIELA ARABIANS
AND OWNED BY ARIELA ARABIANS AND ADL ALHEIB



BRONZE MEDAL - AL MAASA MY

(MOUADAAR BKV X JOHARA WWA)
BRED AND OWNED BY AL MUWATEZ FARM

COLT FOAL CHAMPION



GOLD MEDAL - KAPITAL OU

(MOUADAAR BKY X GALILEE K DARIA)
BRED AND OWNED BY OMER UZAN



SILVER MEDAL - SHAHEEN AA

(AL AYAL AA X *SANIYYAH RCA)
BRED AND OWNED BY ARIELA ARABIANS



BRONZE MEDAL - SHADWAN HAMZI

(ASFUR X JANA HAMZI)
BRED BY HAMZI BADIR
AND OWNED BY HAMZI BADIR & ASHRAF HATIB

YEARLING FILLY CHAMPION



GOLD MEDAL - NARDIN AH

(AL AYAL AA X *JPJ TALAI)
BRED AND OWNED BY AVI HALEK



SILVER MEDAL - LUBANA AL QASEM

(AL AYAL AA X LOUBANA)
BRED BY HIKHMAT TAHA
AND OWNED BY HIKHMAT TAHA & RASHAD DAOUD



BRONZE MEDAL - TURKIZ AA

(AL AYAL AA X *JPJ TALASHA)
BRED BY ARIELA ARABIANS
AND OWNED BY ARIELA ARABIANS AND WAHABI FALACH

YEARLING COLT CHAMPION



GOLD MEDAL - ROYAL ALABINA

(AL AYAL AA X PRINCESS ALABINA)

BRED BY YARON YEHEZKEL AND OWNED BY YARON YEHEZKEL, SHIMI KAZAZ AND AVI HILLEL



SILVER MEDAL - NADER AL SHAMAL AA

(SALAA EL DINE X *INSHA SHA LATIFA)
BRED AND OWNED BY ARIELA ARABIANS



BRONZE MEDAL - FAED AL KHEL

(AL AYAL AA X TAKIYAH AA)
BRED AND OWNED BY NISHAT AND BARKAAT MANSOUR

FILLY CHAMPION



GOLD MEDAL - DALAL ZAMANI

(LAHEEB X ZENA AL BURAQ)
BRED AND OWNED BY MUHAMED ALKASSISI



SILVER MEDAL - ZAHARAT

AL LAHEEB
(LAHEEB X JAMILA AL MAGNUM)
BRED AND OWNED BY SABER BADIR



BRONZE MEDAL - LABIBAH AA

(*NADER AL JAMAL X LATIFAH AA)
BRED BY ARIELA ARABIANS
AND OWNED BY ARIELA ARABIANS & ALI ZUBAIDAT

COLT CHAMPION



GOLD MEDAL - MOOKEED AL HAYAL

(*NADER AL JAMAL X REHAN AL JABAL)
BRED AND OWNED BY NIDAL & NAJIB ATTALLAH



SILVER MEDAL - LAHEEB AL NAR
(LAHEEB X NASHWAH AA)
BRED AND OWNED BY ARIELA ARABIANS



BRONZE MEDAL - SHAMS SHARAV AA
(*SIMEON SHARAV X *SANIYYAH RCA)
BRED AND OWNED BY ARIELA ARABIANS

MARE CHAMPION



GOLD MEDAL - MARWA BT. EL NOR

(MOUADAAR BKV X EL NOR KINAANI)

BRED BY KINAANI SALACH AND OWNED BY SHIMON GLAM



SILVER MEDAL - LUTFINA AA

(*NADER AL JAMAL X LATIFAH AA)

BRED BY ARIELA ARABIANS

AND OWNED BY ARIELA ARABIANS AND MENI ABOUDI



BRONZE MEDAL - BADI'AH AA

(*NADER AL JAMAL X BARAAQA AA)

BRED BY ARIELA ARABIANS

AND OWNED BY MACHMID MUSAAB IBRAHIM

STALLION CHAMPION



GOLD MEDAL - MISHAL IBN LAHEEB

(LAHEEB X *SO TRUE)

BRED BY ARKAN HABISH AND OWNED BY ARKAN AND YASMIN HABISH



SILVER MEDAL - WAHILDAAR BKV

(LAHEEB X *BARAKIS WHISPER)

BRED BY YUVAL KELLER HORSE CENTER
AND OWNED BY SALAMAN BASHA



BRONZE MEDAL - SHADWAN IBN SETALA

(*HT EL KHURAF A X *SETALA)

BRED BY YAACOV MATALON AND OWNED BY ABD TAHA