

MOROCCO

SALON DU CHEVAL D'EL JADIDA INTERNATIONAL A-SHOW

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This year in Morocco the eighth edition of the Salon du Cheval d'El Jadida has been held from 13th thru 18th October. It has been dedicated to several equestrian events amongst which the A Ecabo Show (14th and 15th) and the National Arabian Horse Breeders Cup. The whole sport event have been made possible by the humanistic purpose of HRH Abdulaziz Ahmed Abdulaziz Al Saud and the King Mohammed VI who aim to arise the arabian horse breeding by establishing rich awards.

Only 12 months, the time passed since our last visit to El Jadida, have been enough to build, thanks to the generosity of the King Mohammed VI, the surprising and amazing fair that has host us this year: an enormous architectural structure composed by vast open-air areas and two pavilions, one used as exposition center and one as main arena for the arabian horse shows, the jumping and every sort of equestrian performance under the gaze of the King from the Royal Dais and of the crowd from the bleachers, built to host thousands of people.



The structure also offers a press office with dozens of workstations well managed by Mr. Malik Iraqi, four covered restaurants and several little stands preparing local food.

Such a great job has been made possible by the attitude of HRH Mohammed VI and his competent government. All the guests, me included, have appreciated the new location, well done, well organized and well managed.

TuttoArabi is proud to have been the magazine of the show for 5 years contributing to the development of the event, using the articles about the event on its pages as mean of spread of the culture and tradition from Morocco to the world and, viceversa, as a way to bring the world to this country.

El Jadida, previously known as Mazagan (Portuguese: Mazagão), has a story of battles fearlessly fought in the name of freedom. The city was seized in 1502 by the Portuguese and controlled until 1769, when the tribes and the families from the desert gathered and led by the Sultan Muhammad III they released the city and gave it back the independence. The city and some of the historical monuments such as the Fortress and the Cistern have been nominated World Heritage by UNESCO. The city is a port on the Atlantic Coast on Morocco and boasts a mild weather all the time. That's why an innovative open-air structure has been chosen as the best solution for the new location of the Salon du Cheval.

On 13th October we have admired the 91 horses entered (every year more and more!) to the fourth Arabian Horse Breeders Cup organized by the Organizing Committee of AHO and composed by Dr. Mohamed Machmoum and Mr. Ahmed Abderrazek. Together with them this year the managers of the Salon du Cheval Dr. Lahsen Fdail, the General Secretary of the Royal Moroccan who every year awards the moroccan saddles donated by the King Mohammed VI to the winners of the World Championship in Paris, Dr. El Habib Marzak, the General Director of the Salon du Cheval d'El Jadida and Mr. Omar Skalli, the General Director of the Equestrian Development of the Royal Society, have been present.

AHO, the Arabian Horse Organization is spreading worldwide the purebred arabian horses with the will to safeguard the beauty and the legacy coming from the desert.

The judges called for the event were: Mrs. Deirdre Hyde (UAE), Mr. Jaroslav Lacina (Czech), Mr. Khalifa Al Foorah (UAE) and Mr. Mustafa Yaaraf (Morocco).

The staff remained the same for both shows. The english and arabic speaker was Mrs. Cabila Al Ali (Kuwait), the music was perfectly mixed by Mr. Assan Valsan (France). The Ringmaster Mr. Mohammed Hamad (Egypt) was very competent. The Disciplinary Committee was composed by a number of pre-ring security managers in order to avoid incidents. They were: Dr. Malak Benamar (Morocco), Mr. Quelhazi Kaies (UAE), Dr. Mohamed Seghrouchni (Morocco), Dr. Ali Younès Abbassy (Morocco) and Dr. Abdrrahim Zejjari (Morocco).

During the following days the 123 horses coming from the most important farms of the Arabic Countries, from Morocco and from Europe have competed in the A ECAHO Show.

Amongst them, 18 horses have been entered by Mr. Giuseppe Fontanella (Fontanella Magic Arabian) who travelled from Italy to Morocco (7000 km) with some of his best horses to participate to the show here.

Personalities and Rulers from arabic countries have been present at the new fair's inauguration: HRH Abdulaziz Ahmad Abdulaziz Al Saud, Sheikh Ammar Bin Humaid Al Nuaimi, HRH Sheikh Sultan Bin Al Nahyan and others from Morocco.

Dr. Gianmarco Aragno (Italy), Mrs. Christine Jamar (Belgium), Mr. Tamás Rombauer (Hungary), Mr. Raouf Abbas (Egypt), Mr. Koenraad Detaillieur (Belgium), Dr. Abdelouahed Maagoul (Morocco) have judged the international classes.

As worthy ending of the event, a lavish gala dinner in the best hotel in El Jadida, the Mazagan, has been offered, thanks to kindness of HRH Mohammed VI, awarding all who have contributed to the success of the event.

And as worthy ending of this reportage, I would like to say thanks to the organizers, the breeders, the owners and to the sponsors who every year give us the opportunity to be here and, through our magazine Tutto Arabi, to spread the love and the passion for arabian horses.

Here below the results of the shows and the pictures of the people who were with us at the Salon du Cheval d'El Jadida 2015 in Morocco, a marvellous place to see.

Enjoy! □

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BREEDERS CUP CHAMPIONSHIP

Yearling Fillies

Gold Medal

Firdaous L Azri

(Imperial Batal x Yasmine Al Boraq) - B: Azri Youssef

Silver Medal

Fayhae Bouznika

(Badie Bouznika x Desert Wegdan) - B: Haras Royal De Bouznika

Bronze Medal

Perfinka Mams

(Zahran Albidayer x Siszi) - B: Mamoun Tarik

Yearling Colts

Gold Medal

Fahd Bouznika

(TS Apolo x Mystic Rose-D) - B: Haras Royal De Bouznika

Silver Medal

Majestic

(ES Jawad x Mashahir) - B: Benlafkih Mostafa

Bronze Medal

Ascot Mams

(Zahran Albidayer x Rihanna CP) - B: Mamoun Tarik

Fillies

Gold Medal

Dirwate Bouznika

(Kanz Bouznika x AG Afrika) - B: Haras Royal De Bouznika

Silver Medal

Princess Mams

(Nahar Al Bidayer x Shalima W) - B: Mamoun Tarik

Bronze Medal

Hakima L Azri

(Maghribi x Almass Gam) - B: Azri Youssef

Colts

Gold Medal

El Ariss Bouznika

(JRW Aziim x Jamila Bouznika) - B: Haras Royal De Bouznika

Silver Medal

Ellas

(Kanz Bouznika x Mystic Rose-D) - B: Haras Royal De Bouznika

Bronze Medal

Sahm Adarouch

(Kacim x Amiri Athena) - B: Ranch Adarouch

INTERNATIONAL A-SHOW CHAMPIONSHIP

Yearling Fillies

Gold Medal

D Yamamah

(SG Labib x Aria Marquesa)

O: Dubai Arabian Horse Stud

Silver Medal

D Maleekah

(SG Labib x Angelicah)

O: Dubai Arabian Horse Stud

Bronze Medal

Madheena Selman

(Sandhiran x Mashahir)

O/B: Mr. Bennani Smires Abdesslam

Yearling Colts

Gold Medal

D Sari

(Kahil Al Shaqab x Magic Mon Amour)

O/B: Dubai Arabian Horse Stud

Silver Medal

D Qaswarah

(RFI Farid x D Muwadah)

O/B: Dubai Arabian Horse Stud

Bronze Medal

Jawen Aslali

(ZT Marwteyn x Just Adore)

O/B: Myriam & Alain Chatton

Junior Fillies

Gold Medal

Meshael Al Khalediah

El Palacio VO x Ghala Al Khalediah

O: Al Khalediah Stables

Silver Medal

AJ Reeda

(Aj Portofino x AJ Raheda)

O: Ajman Stud

Bronze Medal

Latifa Athbah

(Aja Justified x Ermina)

O: HRH Prince Abdul Aziz Bin Ahmed Al Saud

B: Athbah Stud

Junior Colts

Gold Medal

AJ Marzam

(AJ Portofino x Hed AB Maria)

O/B: Ajman Stud

Silver Medal

Lammah Athbah

(Aja Justified x Parmana)

O: Haras Royal De Bouznika

Bronze Medal

Shadi Al Khalediah

(F Shamaal x Layan Al Khalidiyah)

O/B: Al Khalediah Stables

Senior Mares

Gold Medal

Ghazalat Al Khalediah

(P.A. Gaszi x Argentinna SS)

O: Al Khalediah Stables

B: Mr. Pannonia & Divina Arabians

Silver Medal

Clarissima

(Esparto x Calineczka)

O: Al Jazeera Arabian Horse Stud

B: Mr. Marek Kondraisuk

Bronze Medal

TF Magic Kamilah

(FS Bengali x Kar Zafrani)

O: Fontanella Magic Arabians

B: Mr. Nelio Taboga

Senior Stallions

Gold Medal

Memphis 27

(El Amin x SA Misha Apal)

O: Ajman Stud

Silver Medal

Peace From The Desert

(Marwan Al Shaqab x FS Penelope)

O: Al Khalediah Stables

Bronze Medal

Wazeer Al Shaqab

(Marwan Al Shaqab x Hanouf AL Shaqab)

O: Mr Manaa Al Hajri Abdul Hadi