



# PARIS

## WORLD ARABIAN HORSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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**W**orld Championships held in Paris under the patronage of HRH Mohammed VI King of Morocco is a part of world's biggest equine events – Salon du Cheval and for Arabian horses it's the final of the whole show season's trials at the most important events around the world. Usually the results of this strong Paris competition can be more or less foreseeable considering the winners of the previous most important competitions of the year. The difference comes when the past World Championships winners decide to enter the arena again...

This year we had a few spectacular come backs of the former World Champions, so the show, for the first time held in the new location of Parc des Expositions Paris Nord Villepinte brought the high quality event with not only great appearances but also great surroundings of big collecting ring, wide, bright arena with a good view for both spectators and VIPs. The excellent variety of music put all in a good moods from the very beginning so the visitors were having fun similar to the best football matches – especially if wearing the scarf of their favorite stud farm – the new Paris fashion amongst the gadgets at Arabian horse show tribunes!





# NAJDAH AL ZOBAIR

## Gold Medal Fillies

(Marwan Al Shaqab\*/JFN Bint Ludhan)  
Owner/Breeder: Al Zobair Stud (UAE)





## FM GLORIAA

### Silver Medal Fillies

(WH Justice\*\*\*/Psity of Angels)

Owner: James Sans (BEL)

Breeder: Mieke Sans (BEL)



*This year the highly respected and experienced jury with Sylvia Garde-Ehlert, Jaroslav Lacina, Doug Dahmen, Richard Philstrom, Holger Ismer, Francesco Santoro and Pierluigi Rota was given a hard task to choose from these of very best horses representing almost all the continents however the number of US-owned competitors was this year relatively small. The main trophies of 2009 world's main show were divided into the Middle East (all gold medals), Europe, Australia and Dubai – the silvers, and Saudi Arabia with Poland – bronze*

*champions. Especially in the junior sections it was clearly shown that Middle Eastern farms are not anymore just “the buyers” – they also become successful breeders. A perfect example of this tendency was Junior Female Championships with unanimous winner of the class and the gold medalist – Najdah Al Zobair bred and owned by Alzobair Stud, UAE. In the final competition the second place was given to the spectacular winner of All Nations Cup Junior Championships and the section B in Paris – FM Gloriaa of Belgium while the bronze*



## LAYAN AL KHALEDIAH Bronze Medal Fillies

(Dakharo\*/Padrons Amour)  
Owner/Breeder: Al Khalediah Stables (SAU)



medal of World Championships 2009 went again to the filly owned by her Middle Eastern breeder – Layan Al Khalediah, Saudi Arabia representative. Both FM Gloriaa and Najdah Al Zobair were also awarded with the nice trophy of Best Head – presented to the best head and neck scored horse of each section. In all female and senior champion stallion classes the best heads belonged to the class winning horses.

Al Khalediah Stables was also a successful breeder and owner of Junior Male Championships with their champion-made El Palacio VO, winner of Best Head in the junior section B, sired by the Paris former champion – Al Lahab and Polish-bred and owned mare El Dorada, 2004 World Reserve Champion mare. The competition of the direct rivals of El Palacio had a strong favorite from the very beginning. It was Abha Qatar – another





### TOP TEN FILLIES ALMA AL TIGLIO

(Ajman Moniscione\*\*/Amanda Al Tiglio)  
O: Giancarlo Buzzi (ITA) - B: Az. Agr. Il Tiglio (ITA)



### TOP TEN FILLIES PSYCHE KREUZA

(Ekstern\*\*/Pallas-Atena)  
O: Chreynno-Palace Stud (POL) - B: Krzysztof Poszepczynsky (POL)



### TOP TEN FILLIES JUMILLA

(Thee Apprentice/Artemis)  
O: Dubai Arabian Horse Stud (UAE) - B: Fam. Dolfe (SWE)



### TOP TEN FILLIES FEDORA RG

(WH Justice\*\*/Psyches Angel)  
O: Athbah Stud (SAU) - B: Reina Giuseppe (ITA)



### TOP TEN FILLIES BAILA DE DJOON OS

(Ajman Moniscione\*\*/Shak Shakira)  
O: Sheikh Mohammed Bin Saud Al Quasimi (FRA)  
B: Gestut Osterhof (GER)



The Judges



## ABHA QATAR Gold Medal Colts

(Marwan Al Shaqab\*/ZT Ludjkalba)

Owner: HRH Prince Abdullah Bin Fahd Al Saud (SAU) - Breeder: Marieta Salas (ESP)





## MAHARAJA HDM Silver Medal Colts

(Marajj/Miss Yashinah Elamal)  
Owner: Mystica Arabians (AUS)  
Breeder: Mertens (BEL)



successful Marwan Al Shaqab son bred by Marieta Salas and currently owned by HRH Prince Abdullah Bin Fahd Al Saud. Abha Qatar came to collect the third leg to his 2009 Triplecrowned achievements and he made the plan coming true winning the class of section B and the championships, however the result of judges votes was not unanimous giving one chance for the gold to his relative – Maharaja HDM (by Marajj) who finally found his place on a silver position. Good score in this group was also achieved by beautifully headed Shangay EA bred and

owned by Albert Sorocca in Spain, the Silver Medalist of 2009 European Championships that becomes a new star sired by his famous champion producing father – WH Justice. However placed as fourth in the final competition Shangay EA was awarded as the Best Head of his group and the winner of Trophee Espoirs (“The Hope”) – the prizes he deserved without a doubt.

The senior competition was a battle of titans with several former World Champions appearing again into the



## EL PALACIO VO Bronze Medal Colts

(Al Lahab/El Dorada\*\*\*)

Owner: HRH Prince Khaled Bin Sultan  
Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud (SAU)

Breeder: Al Khalediah Stables (SAU)



*spotlights and without a doubt for the winner in the female section. The queen was announced – she came, made again her best performance and remained unanimous – Michałow State Stud bred Kwestura by Monogramm, 2007 World Senior Champion Mare, now representing her proud new owner – the Crowned Prince of Ajman, sh. Ammar bin Humaid al Nuaimi, was not only the winner of her section, the unanimous champion, the Best*

*Head of the section but also awarded as Best Mover, The Halsdon Trophy and the highest scored horse of the show. Being in her top condition, masterfully prepared and shown by Frank Spoenle she seemed to be quite surprised with her another World Champion trophies she knows so well from the past. She might have been feeling familiar while in the arena also because she has met another seven-mares (half of the section B entries) bred in Poland stan-*





**TOP TEN COLTS**  
**SHANGAY EA**

(WH Justice\*\*\*/Salymah)  
O&B: Albert Sorroca (ESP)



**TOP TEN COLTS**  
**FAHIM ISHANE OS**

(Ajman Moniscione\*\*/Praetoria)  
O: Gilles Morand (FRA) - B: Gestut Osterhof (GER)



**TOP TEN COLTS**  
**HABIBI**

(WH Justice\*\*\*/Feemi)  
O: Ann Nordéen (SWE) - B: Lönhult est Nodén (SWE)



**TOP TEN COLTS**  
**ORION OS**

(Om El Bahreyn/Vetla)  
O&B: Jane Fraser-Brown (GBR)



**TOP TEN COLTS**  
**STIVAL**

(Gazal Al Shaqab\*\*\*/Paloma De Jamaal)  
O: Wilson & Tilgman & Peri (USA)  
B: Peri Tilgman (USA)





## KWESTURA Gold Medal Mares

(Monogramm\*\*\*/Kwesta)

Owner: Sh. Ammar Bin Humaid Al Nuaimi (UAE) - Breeder: Stadoni Koni Michalow Stud (POL)





## LADI VERONIKA

### Silver Medal Mares

(Versace/Nisrs Natevka)

Owner: Dubai Arabian Horse Stud (UAE)

Breeder: Linda I Coger (USA)



ding next to her in the ring at the first six places of her class, as well as six of them took their places in the final Top Ten senior females – with 2005 World Junior Champion Mare – Emandoria bred and owned by Michałow Stud in Poland as Bronze Champion and four Kwestura's paternal half sisters and former stable mates at the further Top Ten places. This great success of Michałow Stud bred horses, mostly Monogramm daughters, brought the trophy of Best Breeder to Jerzy Białobok – the director of this Polish very successful state stud. Between

the Polish dominated group the Silver Champion elected from the first place of section A was floating mover and deservedly awarded with Best Head of the group, the grey Versace daughter – Ladi Veronica, purchased in the US by Dubai Stud, UAE. This amazing mare complete a successful year in fact she was also Silver Medal in Menton in June.

While the successes of juniors and senior female were likely surprising this year, the senior male competition was



## EMANDORIA

### Bronze Medal Mares

(Gazal Al Shaqab\*\*\*/Emanda\*\*\*)

Owner/Breeder: Stadina Koni  
Michalow Stud (POL)



*a really men's fight with a lot of emotions. There was rather no doubt that the final round will belong to the two former world champions coming back to the ring – Royal Colours (2006 World Champion Colt) placed in the section A and Al Lahab (2006 unanimous World Champion Stallion) – as the older one located as strong competitor of section B. And when it all was going following the expectations of their fans – the third favorite came into the arena! It was Marquis CAHR, 2007 World Ju-*

*nior Reserve Champion and one of the best Marwan Al Shaqab sons who spent the last two years mostly competing at his homeland of Middle East for Al Khalediah Stables. Entering the arena as the last entry of the class leaded unanimously by that time by Royal Colours, with Michael Byatt on the lead (after the fatal accident of his trainer Philip Hosay) Marquis made his best performance ever beating the class leader with 0,5 point and adding a lot of emotions to Saturday night and Sunday morning*





### TOP TEN MARES JAMILLA AL ZOBAIR

(Ashhal Al Rayyan\*\*/My Silk Stocking)

O: HRH Prince Khaled Bin Sultan Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud (SAU)

B: Sheik Abdulla Bin Mohammed Al Thani (UAE)



### TOP TEN MARES KHALEIFA

(Kubinec\*\*\*\*/Farids Mandolin)

O: Sheikh Mohammed Bin Saud Al Qasimi (UAE)

B: Gestut Osterhof (GER)



### TOP TEN MARES PALMETA

(Ecaho\*/Pilica)

O&B: Stadmina Koni Janow Podlaski (POL)



### TOP TEN MARES EMONA

(Monogramm\*\*\*/Emilda\*)

O&B: Stadoni Koni Michalow Stud (POL)



### TOP TEN MARES FALLADA

(Monogramm\*\*\*/Fanaberia)

O: Paul Gheysens (BEL) - B: Stadoni Koni Michalow Stud (POL)





## ROYAL COLOURS Gold Medal Stallions

(True Colours/Xtreme Wonder)

Owner: Dubai Arabian Horse Stud (UAE) - Breeder: Sherry I. Mathew Zischau (USA)





## AL LAHAB Silver Medal Stallions

(Laheeb\*\*/The Vision)

Owner: Inge Friedmann (GER)

Breeder: Arriely Uri (ISR)



*before the final judgment of senior males. In the group of best top ten stallions it's really worth to mention that the non-medal places were respectively divided into the horses bred in the US and Poland – with great looking Eden C on lease to Atbah Stud Saudi Arabia, impressive Magnum Gold owned also in Saudi by Al Khaled Farm and the great showman Sandhiran with the very new ambitious owners at Selman Arabians in Morocco – all representing New World's breeding, and four Polish bred*

*and owned sires – Pegasus, Poganin, Salar and Esparto.*

*Coming back to the final senior males battle – this time the once in the lifetime disposition of Royal Colours flying above the arena with Paolo Capecci gave him the undoubted champion title as well as the Best Egyptian Horse trophy – and a great reason to the happy cheer and relief after the stressful Saturday for his fans. With two votes for a champion title and one for reserve – the silver me-*



## MARQUIS CAHR

### Bronze Medal Stallions

(Marwan Al Shaqab\*/Rohara Magnifica)  
Owner: HRH Prince Khaled Bin Sultan Bin  
Abdul Aziz (SAU)  
Breeder: Sandra C Powel (USA)



*dal went to Al Lahab and the bronze to Marquis CAHR whose sire – Marwan Al Shaqab for the second time in a row became the Best Sire Winner – with a great support of his successful 2009 World Championships get: Najdah Al Zobair, Abba Qatar, Marquis and Angelicah (Top Ten Junior Female for Dubai Stud). And despite once more the most of the favorites took their trophies they deserved fol-*

*lowing the expectations, it seems that such thrilling change of the positions between the big leaders (especially in stallions parts) is becoming a new tradition of Paris show for the last couple of years. However giving the owners some goose bumps during the romantic Paris weekend, it surely makes World Championships even more exceptional than any other Arabian horse meeting in the world. □*





**TOP TEN STALLIONS**  
**EDEN C**

(Enzo/Silken Sable)  
O: Athbah Stud (SAU) - B: Mr & Miss Coleal (USA)



**TOP TEN STALLIONS**  
**PEGASUS**

(Gazal Al Shaqab\*\*\*/Pepesza)  
O&B: Stadina Koni Podlaski (POL)



**TOP TEN STALLIONS**  
**ESPARTO**

(Ekstern\*\*/Ekspozycja)  
O&B: Stadina Koni Michalow Stud (POL)



**TOP TEN STALLIONS**  
**POGANIN**

(Laheeh\*\*/Pohulanka)  
O&B: Stadina Koni Podlaski (POL)



**TOP TEN STALLIONS**  
**MCA MAGNUM GOLD**

(Magnum Psyche\*/Litique)  
O: Al Khaled Farm (SAU)  
B: Gary R Buxton (USA)

# Special AWARDS

## NADIYK DES AUBUS

The Best French Junior

Sponsor:  
Association Française  
du Cheval Arabe



## SHANGAY EA

Espoirs Trophy

Sponsor:  
Al Khalediah Stables



## ROYAL COLOURS

The Best  
Egyptian Horse

Sponsor:  
El Farida Stud



## KWESTURA

The Best Movement

Sponsor:  
Brookville Arabians

Halsdon Trophy

Sponsor:  
Halsdon Arabians



# Special AWARDS

## MARWAN AL SHAQAB

The Best Reproductor

Sponsor:  
Athbah Stud



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The Best Breeder

Sponsor: Al Shaqab Stud



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