

THE 2023

Brazilian National

Arabian Horse Show

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A tribute to Paulo Saliba

This year's Brazilian National Arabian Horse Show was held between July 5th and 10th at the ever beautiful show grounds of Helvetia Riding Center in the city of Indaiatuba, São Paulo.

For its 42nd edition the presentation of the horses was once again brought outdoors (after some years of being held indoors) and a magnificent structure was built around the ring to host a truly diverse and happy audience, gathering people from all the regions in Brazil and from all over the world.

It was also the time and place for all breeders and friends to get together to pay a tribute to Paulo Saliba, who passed away early this year after a long and courageous battle against cancer. A much necessary and deserved homage indeed, beautifully designed by the board of ABCCA (The Brazilian Arabian Horse Breeders Association) alongside with the Saliba family, led by Ricardo Saliba, Paulo's brother. So important was his lifetime contribution to the breed that the National Show this year was officially dedicated to him. It was the first time in history that a National Show was named after a breeder.

For the President of ABCCA, Rodrigo Forte, the huge success of the event is the crowning of four years of hard work for him and his entire team:

"It takes an entire year to organize a National Show. We finish one edition and start working on the next one right away. Due to the pandemics and its financial challenges, the last three editions of our National Show had to be done in the indoor format. For the year 2023 it was our big challenge as well as a great surprise to the public to make the show once again in the outdoor format. That required even more significant investments, especially in terms of building the stands where the public stood. It is worth remembering that this was the fourth National Show done under our administration, and it will be the last since our term ends this year. I feel compelled to say that for all of us working for ABCCA the feeling is that we accomplished our mission, not to mention our joy to see the great success achieved by the show this year, measured by the overwhelmingly positive feedback we received from the exhibitors, the breeders and the public

in general during and after the show. This year we registered a record number of foreign visitors at the show and they were positively impressed not only by the quality of the horses but also with the overall organization, comfort and especially the friendly and joyful atmosphere everywhere. It is also important to emphasize that a horse show is a collective effort and therefore I take this opportunity to once again thank all the exhibitors, sponsors, partners, directors and staff of ABCCA that contributed to the success of this 42nd edition of the Brazilian National Show. With no arrogance whatsoever, it is fair to affirm that we have here in Brazil one of the most important shows in the Arabian Horse World and I am positive that it will get even better as we go due to the commitment of the Brazilian breeders and the excellent relations that we developed with people from all over the world that recognize and cherish our work. You are all hereby officially invited to join us in 2024!"



In line with this perception one of our international guests of honor, Bart Van Buggenhout commented:

“This was my first ever time at the Brazilian Nationals and I was very pleasantly surprised. The set up was just stunning, loved the stands how comfortable and spacious it was nonetheless all still within easy reach for socializing with everyone around. Service was well organized. The arena ... always the one thing many shows lack, was perfect with beautiful footing. The ring was small enough to be close to the horses and give you the feeling that you are amongst them. On the other side large enough to give the horses a chance to perform. See you next year for another fun gathering.”

Once again the event started with the contenders of the Brazil Cup entering the ring on Wednesday alongside with the Performance classes.

The panel in charge of judging the Brazil Cup was formed by three Brazilian judges:

- Andre Roberto M Caio
- Enrico Franchini Carlone
- Francisco Jose Ferreira do Rego

For the Brazilian National Show the judges were:

- Antonia Bautista – Spain
- Iran Floresani Jorge – Brazil
- Jason Daniels – USA
- Koenraad Detailleur – Belgium
- Robert Boggs - USA
- Santiago Fornieles – Argentina

And working alongside them:

- Ring Master: Juan Stuckey – USA
- Steward: Kathleen Smith - USA
- Vet-Check: Guilherme Santos - Brazil

We take pride in trying to provide the best possible experience for all of our international guests when visiting Brazil. We do have a secret “weapon” to ensure they have a great time here; a trio formed by ABCCA’s Maria Helena Vidal, Claudio Santos and Clea Santiago. Those who have the chance to meet them have only amazing things to say.



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The National Arabian Horse show halter classes started officially on Thursday, after the final Performance classes in Western and English Pleasure in the morning, namely: Junior Junior Filly, Junior Colt, Young Filly, Colt and finalizing the day with Liberty class. Right after the end of the classes back to the barns, a special presentation was hosted by a group of Brazilian handlers that joined forces and gave the audience a parade of some of their show contenders as well as sale horses. The event was called Arabian Sunset.

On Friday the halter classes continued. The morning was filled with the age categories that included Junior Junior Colt, Junior Filly, Young Colt and Filly. During the lunch break yet another special event was held for all the present. This time it was a presentation of former multi Brazilian National Champion Stallion Vivaldi al Shawan and some of his winning get. During the presentation it was announced that he is going to stand in the U.S next year and will go back to the ring under the guidance of Rodolfo Guzzo and Royal Arabians. Several breedings



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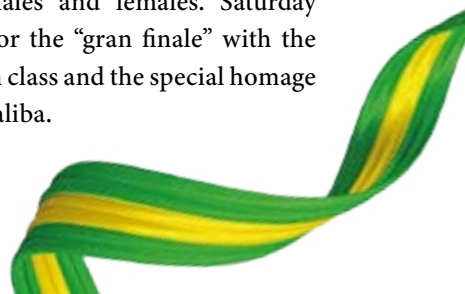
were sold and then it was time for the evening classes and the much-awaited Young Mare and Young Stallion finals, with a very special tribute in between them.

The halter classes

An array of exceptional quality horses filled both the male and female categories and all of the age groups this year. The competition was heated from the get go and the judges definitely had a lot of work to do. At certain times

the classes were so strong that any horse showing in the ring could come out with the first prize.

Saturday morning brought the final championships with the winners from every age division during the day along with classes for Get of Sire, Produce of Dam as well as Most Classic Head for males and females. Saturday evening was the moment for the “gran finale” with the Senior Mare, Senior Stallion class and the special homage to heritage breeder Paulo Saliba.





Gold Jr Jr Filly - Aysha EV



Gold Jr Jr Colt - Azzam Serondella

In the Junior Junior Filly division the Gold went to the beautiful bay Aysha EV a daughter of the upcoming great sire Jyvar Meia Lua (a son of El Jahez) out of a Nuzyr HCF daughter. The Silver Championship went to the beautiful grey RD Nyanna, a full sister of the Scottsdale Champion HDF Fontonella being a daughter of Quasim CRH out of the HDF Lugano daughter HDF Baronesa. Almaah Serondella, by the imported WH Justice son *GT Shardh out of Ultraah Serondella, won the Bronze.

The winner of the Gold Junior Junior Colt title was Azzam Serondella, a beautiful bay son of Quasim CRH and out of HDF Varsóvia yet another daughter of HDF Lugano. The Silver Champion Domenico FWM paved the way for his brother and sisters who later won classes and championships on behalf of their sire Dominic M. His mother Nahla el Madan is by El Tino and also produced the twice-National Junior Champion Filly My Best Surprise FWM, by Bandit SRA. Evoke, a son of National Champion Stallion Vivaldi Al Shawan, took home the Bronze.



Silver Jr Jr Filly - RD Nyanna



Bronze Jr Jr Filly - Almaah Serondella



Silver Jr Jr Colt - Domenico FWM



Bronze Jr Jr Colt - Evoke

The Junior Filly Champion has created quite a fan base for her. Considered one of the all time favorites born at Haras Serondella, Acqua Serondella dazzled the audience with her beauty, graceful movement and structure. Her father Abbas al Ventur became the Silver National Champion Stallion of the show. Her mother Samoah Serondella, a Brazilian Top Ten mare, is a daughter of the iconic Only Serondella and HP Ali. The Silver Jr Filly Champion Himpehrya Terjoi JM is by the Argentinean Stallion HCE Terjoi, who spent two years on lease in Brazil, and out of Alyssa Crystal RLC by Vulcano HVP. The Bronze prize went to Haras das Faias and their homebred HDF Fantastica by the DA Valentino son of Bandit SRA out of Thora Serondella.



Gold Jr Filly - Acqua Serondella



Silver Jr Filly - Himpehrya Terjoi JM



Bronze Jr Filly - HDF Fantastica

The Gold Junior Colt Champion Thovar HVP was bred by Haras Vila dos Pinheiros. He is by El Tino out of the Magnum Chall daughter Rebecca HVP. He repeated his win at the previous Interstate Show in March. Another son of Only Serondella, through her daughter Simply Serondella and by Santorini won the Silver title. His name was Amir Serondella and he is bred and owned by Haras Serondella. The very typey EFC Chaheer W (Vivaldi al Shawan out of Cherrie Yparadise JM) bred by Enrico Franchini Carlone and Dulce Rosas conquered the Bronze title.



Gold Junior Colt - Thovar HVP



Silver Junior Colt - Amir Serondella



Bronze Junior Colt - EFC Chaheer W



Gold Young Filly - FT Simphonia

A competition of beauties took the ring during the Young Filly Championship. The emerging victorious filly, though silver in color took home the Gold. FT Simphonia is third generation of Flavia Torres breeding, having National Champion Mare Sophia el Bogart as her paternal grandmother and FT Saeed as her father. Following her came the very feminine Karmela LA, a daughter of EKS Farouk and Gazala LA, bred and owned by Haras Cruzeiro. The black beauty Verdadeira Rach, from Rach Stud, who is by Bandit SRA out of the iconic black beauty Vaidosa Rach ended up with the Bronze.



Silver Young Filly - Karmela LA



Bronze Young Filly - Verdadeira Rach



Gold Young Colt - Keanu LA



Gold Filly - HT Lunatica



Silver Young Colt - Destiny HEC



Silver Filly - My Best Surprise FWM

Moments





Bronze Young Colt - Gazani JSZ

The Young Colt division was won by the typey Keanu LA, bred and owned by Haras Cruzeiro. He is also by EKS Farouk and out of Brasilia LA. In 2022 he was named Brazilian National Champion Junior Colt. Destiny HEC, bred and owned by Haras HEC took the Silver this year. He is by Jytan Meia Lua out of Mars Princess HEC. Gazani JSZ by the illustrious Gazal al Shaqab and National Champion Sahara Gallina, bred and owned by Haras Santa Marta, was the winner of the Bronze.

The Filly Championship was arguably one of the strongest in a long time. not only the Championship itself but also the age groups. For us in the audience it was a parade of beauty before our eyes. Many previous champions showed up and gave their best, nevertheless it was a bay filly bred in Argentina and owned by Haras Lonco in Chile that stole everyone's heart (including the judges who gave her the Gold unanimously). I'm talking about the breathtaking HT Lunatica, a statuesque daughter of Dominic M who was not known in Brazil until her entrance and took the show by storm. The Silver Champion is another great beauty that has won the Gold two years in a row before. My Best Surprise FWM is a daughter of Bandit SRA and Nahla el Madan, bred and owned by Haras Lone Star.



Bronze Filly - Monah HVP

The Hariry al Shaqab daughter bred and owned by HVP Arabians (also a multi show winner), Monah HVP was the winner of the Bronze.

All three of the colt champions had big wins under their belts before coming back to claim for this title. The Gold Championship went to HK Gran Valehoso, a son o



Gold Colt - HK Gran Valehoso



Dominic M out a daughter of National Champions HDF Lugano and HK La Fiesta Power. Cesar Schmidt of Haras Katu and Humberto Florezi of Haras Al Hosçan bred this ultra refined chestnut colt that has been syndicated by an impressive group of breeders who hopefully will support him into flying to even higher skies. The Silver Colt Champion Maximillion NA was imported by Thiago Pontes of TP Arabians from North Arabians. He is a beautiful bay son of Dominic M out of Makala NA, a daughter of Ever After NA. The Bronze Champion was Kamal Ali HEC, a previous Gold Junior Junior Champion Colt at Nationals he is by HP Ali and is bred and owned by Haras Estância California.

On both the mare championships, Young and Senior, most of the contenders were very accomplished show winners thus making the competition very deep.

The Gold Young Mare Champion went to the beautiful dark bay Emerald J daughter EFC Pillar, bred by Enrico Franchini Carlone and owned by Royal Arabians Brazil by the time of her win. Ultraah Serondella, another bay beauty bred and owned by Haras Serondella, followed her taking the Silver. She repeated her win from last year. Rhona Vul do Divino, a many times champion daughter of Vulcano HVP and Rhona Rach, bred by Ricardo Mesquita and owned by TP Arabians was the winner of the Bronze.



Silver Colt - Maximillion NA



Bronze Colt - Kamal Ali HEC



Gold Young Mare - EFC Pillar



Silver Young Mare - Ultraah Serondella



Bronze Young Mare - Rhona Vul do Divino

The bays continued to dominate the Young Stallion Championships. The Gold Championship went to Opus One Arabco II, a bay son of El Tino and Bretta UB who in turn is a daughter of U.S National Champion OFW Magic Wan and world aristocrat HB Bessolea. The Silver Champion was also a previous National winner. Royal Destiny is bred and owned by Royal Arabians and is by Dominic M and the Brazilian National Reserve Champion Mare RFI Sensation. The Bronze Champion was a previous Gold National Champion Colt. Gael W is by National Champion Stallion Vivaldi al Shawan and NV Georgia.

The Senior Mare Championship brought some strong show-winning veterans back to the ring. After a strong competition the refined grey RFI Sawari, a daughter of Excalibur EA and RFI Sophie Al Maktub, emerged victorious. Following her was the beautiful bay



Gold Young Stallion - Opus One Arabco II



Silver Young Stallion - Royal Destiny



Bronze Young Stallion - Gael W

Felma LA, a daughter of Mashoor Al Mohamadia and Bela LA, bred by Haras Cruzeiro and owned jointly by Haras Cruzeiro and Haras PIN. The Bronze Champion title went to the ethereal Special Dream HVP, a daughter of the Versace son Thee Apprentice out of the FA El Shawan daughter Tawani HVP, bred by Haras HVP and owned by Haras Cruzeiro.

In the Senior Stallion Finals a true battle royale took place between two impressive chestnut stallions. Imported from Italy the beautiful Ajmer Moniscione ended up taking

the Gold. He is a very refined son of AJ Mardan bred by Azienda Agricola Giancarlo Buzzi and imported by Haras 7 Flechas. Abbas Al Ventur, a son of Halyr Meia Lua and Emozione al Ventur and therefore a maternal grandson of the iconic Honey's Delight RB, claimed the Silver spot. He was bred by Haras Al Ventur and is owned jointly by Haras Al Ventur and Haras Serondella. He sired the beautiful Acqua Serondella, earlier named National Junior Filly Champion. The Bronze Champion LR Pipistar was a grey son of Dominic M, bred and owned by Estancia las Rosas and imported from Uruguai.

Some additional classes were also held at the last day of the show. Winning the Most Classic Head Males was Ragnary GV, bred by Haras Gran Via and owned by Viana Arabian Horse and the best head female going to Hanna LGM bred and owned by Luiz Gonzaga Malpici. The winner of the Get of Sire class was Cash del Tino JM and the Produce of Dam winner was Stig Justhine, both owned by Haras JM. Haras JM also bred and owns the Liberty Class Champion El Kaiser Ali JM.

Once again the Brazilian National Show was a big success, a true testimony to the hard work done by the entire ABCCA ensemble. We look forward to next year's edition and will cherish the memories of the magic days spent last July at the Helvetia Riding Center. May next year be as wonderful as this one. Though it will be a tough task to accomplish. See you all in July 2024 for yet a new edition of our beloved Brazilian National Show.



Gold Mare - RFI Sawari



Silver Mare - Felma LA



Bronze Mare - Special Dream HVP



Gold Stallion - Ajmer Moniscione



Silver Stallion - Abbas Al Ventur



Bronze Stallion - LR Pipistar

The Best Breeder and also Best Exhibitor of the show this year is about to be considered what the French call “Hors Concours” for it is the third time in a row that the Amorosino family achieves both of these wins, after three years without competing.

This year the show string brought many newcomers. As Fabio Amorosino states “except for two, all the horses we brought in this year were coming to the National Show for the first time, which reflects that our breeding program is going in the right direction. One of those who came back was Ultraah Serondella (Quasim CRH x Aria Shanteuse) to repeat her title of Brazilian National Champion Silver in the Young Mare class. The other one, Unno Serondella, was named Top Ten in the Young Stallion division.

Regarding the new Serondella winners, one holds a special place in Fabio’s heart: the National Junior Champion Filly Acqua Serondella (Abbas al Ventur x Samoah Serondella). In his opinion she represents the future of Haras Serondella since not only she has a lot of type with a beautiful face and long neck, but she can also move,

carry her tail high and has incredible body and legs. Alongside with her Haras Serondella secured a Bronze in Junior Junior Fillies Almaah Serondella, a Gold in Junior Junior Colts with Azzam Serondella, a Silver in Junior Colts with Amir Serondella.



Best Breeder And Exhibitor Haras Serondella

Claudio Santos: *Our thanks to the man behind the curtains*

Many times when we go to a horse show, we tend to expect that everything should run smoothly almost like by magic. Wrong assumption! If all goes well it means that someone or a group of people is silently working hard in order to make sure that the rest of us can have the best possible experience with as less stress as possible.

In that department we Brazilians have been somewhat spoiled for more than thirty years for in 1989 we were blessed with the entrance of Claudio Santos in the Brazilian Arabian Horse Breeders Association. It was during the term of President Luciano Chuahy and since then Claudio has been in charge of all the shows that encompass the ABCCA show circuit.

From north to south of Brazil wherever there is an Arabian Horse Show there is also Claudio with a smile on his face. It doesn’t matter if it is a small local show or the Brazilian



Tribute to Claudio Santos

Nationals itself. He will be there to help and support! And you can rest assured that under his guidance everything will be all right.

His work ethic had led him to become the show manager for ABCCA so this long overdue tribute (that caught him totally by surprise!) symbolizes in a perfect way the deep gratitude that all of us members of ABCCA feel by having Claudio on our team. He deserves all of our praises and recognition even though he never claimed any attention to himself.

Cheers to show runner extraordinaire Claudio Santos and to many more wonderful shows that will carry his signature!

— *lifetime achievement award* —

Carlos and Marisa Forte



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Friday evening brought a special homage prepared by the Board of Directors of ABCCA to Carlos and Marisa Forte of RFI Arabians, the parents of the President of the Brazilian Arabian Horse Breeders Association Rodrigo Forte. Carlos, Marisa and Rodrigo, as most of us know, are the breeders of the worldwide famous RFI Maktub and his son RFI Farid.

What some may not know is that RFI Arabians has the distinction of winning the coveted Brazilian Breeders Cup four times, a feat that is yet to be surpassed by any breeder in Brazil. They are also the breeders of this year's Senior Champion Mare RFI Sawari as well as her mother, the iconic RFI Sophie al Maktub, who happens to be the maternal grandmother of the reigning Brazilian National Silver Champion Royal Destiny (by Dominic M).

In the words of Rodrigo Forte himself:

"Also due to my last year as President of the ABCCA I had one single request to my Board in exchange of my four years of work and that was to be able to honor my parents Marisa and Carlos for their continued support through our 32 years of breeding Arabians, for all they taught me and for allowing me to fulfill my dream of breeding Arabian Horses. Without them none of that would be possible. When we started our breeding Arabian horses my sister and me were just children. After so many years we have a new generation with my children Marina and Felipe now, all united around the horses,

proving the importance of family in perpetuating a breeding program. At the same time I can say that the passion for the Arabian horse always united us and we are very thankful for all that we had. The best part of this tribute was how surprised they were. They really didn't know or expected it! It was very emotional! "

On a personal note I can only imagine how much happiness this homage done by the ABCCA has given to the Forte family. Within our community we witness so many times the strengthening of the bond formed by father and son/daughter by sharing their passion for the Arabian Horse and participating in its universe. That was my case. The Arabian horse brought my father and I closer together and became a source of happiness for both of us since the beginning. But there are so many more examples out there, like Dr. Jairo Queiroz Jorge and his son Iran, Fabio Amoroso and his three sons Felipe, Fernando and Pedro, Antonio Jacovas and his daughter Raquel, Florivaldo and Marcelo Carvalho, João and Renato and Raquel Sorvilo, Marcos and Eduardo Quintella, Fernando and Joaquin de Santibañes and this list goes on and on...

I guess that, to a certain degree, we can all relate to the power in concept of family, rely on it and be thankful for it. For, I think, the Arabian Horse Community in Brazil has become an elected family for many of us.



Tribute to Paulo Saliba

This year the Brazilian and the World community of the Arabian Horse mourn the loss of Paulo Saliba. For a few moments the entire show was able to witness a beautiful movie prepared by his brother Ricardo Saliba about his brother's beautiful journey for almost forty years in the Arabian Horse industry.

Paulo and his brother Ricardo started their breeding program around 1986 after travelling to Ventura Farms in Thousand Oaks, California, where they met their longtime friend Johnny Downing, the farm manager at the time, who was the special guest for the tribute who touched and flattered all of the spectators by reading his lovely message in Portuguese, our native language.

For many years the Salibas' breeding program, Haras Ilha da Chapada was the reference for horses of Polish bloodlines in Brazil. They have imported several amazing mares and stallions since the foundation of the farm, including sons and daughters by Bask, Bandos, Aladdin, El Paso, Nabor, Deficyt, Eukaliptus and many others.

Their debut at Nationals was in 1987 and they won several of the major titles including Junior Champion Filly, Foal at Side and Champion Filly among many others.

Four of their imported stallions (Polonez, Almir, Sarmata and Eksport) and two mares (Aluia and Passion LTD, both purchased at Ventura Farms) throughout the years have become Brazilian National Champions. A vast number of their homebreds have also become National Champions, including their latest famous mares Preferida Rach and Vaidosa Rach.

The suffix RACH is in homage to their grandfather Rachid, who was also an Arabian horse admirer and taught them the love for these horses.

The RACH horses became a synonymous of versatility, excelling at the highest level in many different disciplines, including halter, endurance and racing, the last being a great passion of Paulo Saliba who undertook an incredible work to develop the Arabian Horse races in Brazil.

Ricardo Saliba graced us with some words about this beautiful tribute:



"We would like to thank ABCCA, Directors and Breeders for connecting the name of our lovely brother to probably one of the best Brazilian Nationals ever. Also, it is the first time that a National was dedicated to one person. We should have done this before with other great breeders who had passed away, but Paulo received the honor of being the first one.

The tribute was wonderful, and we would like to thank Johnny Downing for coming from USA to say those beautiful words about Paulo.

It was very hard for me to try to summarize his story in the world of Arabian Horse in only 20 minutes. I think that he left us in an early form but during this searching for pictures, looking through videos and his realizations in the Arabian industry, it looks like he lived for a century and I believe that he will live forever as a legend in the Arabian Horse history."



THE BRAZIL CUP

Traditionally the Brazil Cup opens the show preceded by the most part of the Performance classes. This year was no different. This is a special circuit that has been designed in order to allow smaller breeders, who usually would not be able to bring a horse to compete at the open show, to participate and be included in the event. Here they can compete in equal terms with the bigger breeding farms that in turn have a chance to test part of their show string in a different circuit. Most importantly, only amateur handlers can present the horses.

A good example is the Gold Junior Filly Champion Saryanna HVP (AJ Radman x *Royal Sariyana) bred by Haras Vila dos Pinheiros, who was recently bought at auction by a newcomer to the Arabian horse scene, Marcos Andre Moscon. Following her with the Silver title was Festeira Rach (Perlan Rach x Festyvah HVP) bred and owned by Haras Ilha da Chapada and Hylhandra Sirajj JM (*Sirajj UB x Ylihandra Pscore JM), bred and owned by Haras JM taking the Bronze.



Best Breeder and Exhibitor Haras JM

Since its inception the quality of the animals has been increasing significantly and several of the horses shown here at the Brazil Cup can also be competitive at the open show. Some of them have actually done the circuit transition and placed well on both the Cup and the Nationals.

With the end of the COVID pandemic the Brazilian show circuit has been gradually going back to normal, that is to say that more and more shows are being held again. That allows more horses to compete and more breeders and exhibitors to participate. This year 13 of them came to the competition, after three previous qualifying shows.

In the Junior Colt division the Gold went to Sir Lucius FWM (Wandan el Madan x Lady Alice FWM) bred and owned by Haras Lone Star. The Silver Champion Hexxalt di Terjoi JM, bred and owned by Haras JM, is by the Argentinean sire HCE Terjoy who was on lease in Brazil for only two years and out of the great Stig Justhine, one of the farm's most important mares. Haras JM also won the Bronze with Hyann di Vaalente JM (*Vaalente x Tzarinna D'Pscore JM).



Gold Junior Filly Brazil Cup - Saryanna HVP



Gold Junior Colt Brazil Cup - Sir Lucius FWM



Gold Filly Brazil Cup - Pimpinara Rach



Gold Colt Brazil Cup - Garddian Del Tino JM

A filly from the prominent P line from Haras Ilha da Chapada started in 1987 with the Nabor daughter Peridot was the show's Gold Champion Filly. Pimpinara Rach (Ragnar Rach x Pimpinella Rach) is a three quarter sister to Persephone Rach, the mother of the Saliba's popular National Champion Preferida Rach (by Bandit SRA). In terms of pedigree the Silver Champion Robin STC has what some might call a dream pedigree. Bred by Haras Aratinga and owned by Schoukens Training Center she is by Talaal Serondella, a grandson of the world aristocrat Elle Dorada and out of Liz Carol, a granddaughter of World Champion Mare Robin K from whom she was probably named after. The Bronze Champion Filly was Ilaya FHM by the WH Justice son Psyjay and out of the El Jahez daughter Nilaya Meia Lua, bred and owned by Evelyn Schweizer of Haras Marimbondo.

The Colt Championship was won back to back by Haras JM that bred and owns the Gold Champion Garddian del Tino JM (*El Tino x Xaklinna d'Pscore JM), the Silver Champion Fattaly d'Ali JM (HP Ali x *Psynfull IA) and the Bronze Champion Ghartenn Arwan JM (Arwan Meia Lua x Balarinna di Keav JM).

Interestingly the three top three winning mares of the Brazilian Cup are from the Mirage Sire Line through the Versace branch. The Gold Champion Mare VV Yasmin is by *Preludio OSB hence a granddaughter of the Versace son Da Vinci FM. Her mother Karenina el Madan by *El Tino is a multi champion mare herself. Yasmin is bred and owned by Viana Arabian Horse. The Silver Champion Mare was the beautiful dark bay Nigraa REC, a daughter of the Brazilian National Champion Stallion Bandit SRA who in



Gold Mare Brazil Cup – VV Yasmin

turn is by the Versace son DA Valentino out of Alaya REC. She was bred by Haras Brown River and is owned by Miluna Arabian Horse. And finally the Bronze Champion Mare Ezzoticka JM is by the Versace son *Thee Aprentice and out of Ydivine di Fames JM who in turn is out of Divine NVC a mare that the represents one of the most successful mare families of Haras JM, who bred and owns Ezzoticka, being also the mother of the Brazilian National Champion Mare Pietra di Style JM.

The Mirage sire line once again prevailed in the Stallion Championship with two grandsons of RFI Maktub and one of DA Valentino in the ribbons. The winner of the Gold Championship was Fuego Royal JM (Royal Treasure JQ x Shea di Pscore JM) bred by



Judges Brazil Cup - André Caio , Chiquinho Rego e Enrico Carlone



Gold Stallion Brazil Cup - Fuego Royal JM

Haras JM and owned by Haras el Sevillano. The Silver spot went to Jafar FWM (Prince Valentino FWM x Victoria FWM) bred and owned by Haras Lone Star. The Bronze winner title went to RFI Antares (RFI Farouk al Maktub x AF Leneta) bred by RFI Arabians and owned by Haras Marbelle.

The additional classes that followed included Most Classic Head Male and Female; Get of Sire and Produce of Dam. The winners of each of those classes were respectively:

Most Classic Head Males

1st. Fuego Royal JM (Royal Treasure JQ x Shea di Pscore JM) - Breeder: Haras JM - Owner: Haras El Sevillano

Most Classic Head Females

1st. Jackie Rach (*Elferus x Jessamine RACH) - Bred and owned by: RACH Stud – Haras Ilha da Chapada

Get of Sire

1st. *Vaalente (DA Valentino x Amelia B) - Bred by: Bervely Halquist - Owned by: Haras JM

Produce of Dam

1st. Xaklinna d'Pscore JM (*Pscore x Shaklina el Jahl HEC) - Bred and owned by: Haras JM

PERFORMANCE CLASSES

Opening the show on Wednesday morning, the Performance classes this year presented horses in four disciplines. Besides the traditional Western Pleasure, English Pleasure and Native Costume, the Hunter Pleasure class has been growing and assuring its place as a very sought after class in Brazil, as it has happened in the U.S.A for a long time.

The English classes were divided into: Amateur, Maiden Horses, Exhibitor, Young Horses and Open Classes. In an amazing display of quality and as proof that almost 40 years of careful selection pays off, the horses bred by Rach Stud won all of the English Classes. Rhondo Rach took the

Maiden class; Jemma Rach won the Young Horse class; Timon Rach prevailed on both the Exhibitor and the Amateur classes and Prometeu Rach won the Open English. Rach Stud is a reference in Brazil for promoting all ridden disciplines including racing, endurance and performance in a quest to show the versatility of the Arabian horse. And versatility was proven when Prometeu Rach won the Open Native Costume class after winning the Open English too.

The traditional Western Pleasure classes are usually the most popular of all the performance classes in Brazil. This year they were divided in: Maiden, Young Horses, Senior Horses, Exhibitor class and Open class.



Western Lead Line



Champion Open Hunter - 3rd Open English - 3rd Open Native - Zdyor JM



Western Lead Line



Champion Open English and Open Native Costume - Prometeu Rach

FARM TOURS AND AUCTIONS



On the following Monday after the show was over, the first day of the called Brazilian Farm Tours was held at the beautiful Haras Vila dos Pinheiros, which once again opened their amazing farm to the guests greeting them with an amazing lunch while gathering a truly unprecedented group of mares at auction in the afternoon. Among these outstanding lots were Scottsdale and U.S. National Champion Mare Dulcinea BHF, Breta UB (dam of the just crowned Brazilian National Gold Champion Opus One Arabco II and Brazilian Gold Champion Filly Lady Dominica JSZ), daughters of the iconic RD Fabreanna, FA El Shawan, WH Justice, Da Vinci FM, Ajman Moniscione among others.



On Tuesday another impressive auction took place. Haras Cruzeiro brought the best from their production and graced the public with daughters of their National Champion Stallions HDB Sihr Ibn Massai and EKS Farouk as well as a variety of proven mares breeding and show mares by other greats such as Mashoor al Mohamadia, RFI Maktub and WH Justice who was represented by one of his most beautiful daughters in the world, GHS Marys Rose.

Both venues were an incredible success in terms of prices and also in numbers of international buyers.

JUDGE'S TESTIMONIALS

This year's judges of the National Show were kind enough to share with us their personal experiences:

Antonia Bautista – Spain

“Brazil is a paradise for all kind of things... including its horses. Rich in quality and variety of lines, the Brazilian Nationals are the place to be. I must say if my first time here was memorable, this one will be unforgettable. Such a great group of judges, good people around us, spotless organization, a showground done with such a taste! And not to forget to mention the fantastic ABCCA board, president Mr. Rodrigo Forte, Maria Helena and Clea that made me feel like at home. Horses in quantity and quality did not disappoint and the excitement of the expectations, owners and enthusiasts gave us goose bumps! I have never been in a place with people more passionate about horses than here.

Thank you so much for the invitation and for entrusting with me this task! Muito obrigada Brazil!”



Bob Boggs – USA

“I am proud and honored to have judged your 2023 Brazilian National Championships. I most enjoy seeing the horses from different programs. The Brazilian breeders are to be commended for their determination and dedication to their breeding programs, creating some incredible quality... every crop. Thank you for inviting me, and thank you for taking such good care of Janene and me, and the entire group of judges. We sincerely enjoyed our trip to Brazil. Maria Helena and Clea, you are simply the best.”

Iran Jorge – Brazil

“It was a pleasure to judge the Brazilian National Show for the second time, a show that in my opinion is one of the best in the world in terms of high level horse quality and organization. The energy from the cheerers coming from the stands was unique. The horses that were presented were of the highest level, their quality ranking among the best in the world. Everything was extremely well organized by our board of directors, including two very special people to me: Claudio Santos who is the person that makes everything come together and happen; and Maria Helena who is always besides us and takes care of us judges. Congratulations to Rodrigo Forte, our President, for making everything he in his power to make this show come back to being outdoors. Once again thank you for inviting me. This show will live forever in our memories.”

Santiago Fornieles – Argentina

“During my childhood I used to read the Cavalo Árabe magazine back and forward for hours. I remember the cover of Ninjah el Jamaal winning the Nationals or RSC Carhif, the gold champion colt. Brazilian Nationals were my dream as a kid and because dreams do come true, mine just did. I will forever be grateful to the ABCCA for the invitation and to the directory, Clea and Maria Helena. To my fellow judges you guys were THE BEST. I don't think I will ever have so much fun at a show.”

Konraad Detailleur – Belgium

“As usual I spent a wonderful time here at the Nationals. I'm judging all over the world, but the passion and atmosphere in Brazil is fantastic. Again super organized from the staff, my congratulations from that an extreme setting. It is also a pleasure to do the farm tour. Thanks to all involved

making that possible. My best regards!”

Jason Daniels – USA

“Judging the Brazilian Nationals was one of the best experiences I have had in the Arabian Industry. The passion, energy and sincere love of the Arabian horse that was shown by the owners and the breeders gave me goose bumps in the center ring. Thank you to the staff for this opportunity. Thank you the judging panel for making this experience truly special. And thank you Maria Helena (Vidal) for truly being the core of the passion, energy and sincerity. Obrigado!”



JR JR FILLY CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion:: Aysha EV (Jyvar Meia Lua X Pietrah EV)Breeder & Exhibitor: Estância Do Vale	Silver Champion: RD Nyanna (Quasim CRH X HDF Baronesa) - Breeder: Shirley Popplewell - Exhibitor: Mr. Faisal Al Kubaisi	Bronze Champion: Almaah Serondella (*Gt Shardh X Ultraah Serondella) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Serondella
JR JR COLT CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion:: Azzam Serondella (Quasim CRH X HDF Varsóvia) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Serondella	Silver Champion: Domenico FWM (*Dominic M X Nahla El Madan) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Lone Star	Bronze Champion: Evoke (Vivaldi Al Shawan X Emi El Shaawan) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Eugenio Rigonato De Oliveira - Stud: Rancho Oliveira Arabians
JR FILLY CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion:: Acqua Serondella (Abbas Al Ventur x Samoah Serondella) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Serondella	Silver Champion: Himpehrya Terjoi JM (HCE Terjoi X Alyssa Crystal RLC) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras JM	Bronze Champion: HDF Fantastica (*Bandit SRA x Thora Serondella) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Rodrigo Da Silva Faias
JR COLT CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion:: Thovar HVP (*El Tino X Rebecca HVP) - Breeder & Exhibitor: HVP Arabian	Silver Champion: Amir Serondella (Santorini x Simply Serondella) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Serondella	Bronze Champion: EFC Chaheer W (Vivaldi Al Shawan x Cherrie Yparadise JM) - Breeder & Exhibitor: EFC Arabians
YOUNG FILLY CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion:: FT Simphonia (FT Saeed x FT Sephora) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras FT	Silver Champion: Karmela LA (*EKS Farouk x Gazala LA) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Cruzeiro	Bronze Champion: Verdadeira RACH (*Bandit SRA x Vaidosa RACH) - Breeder & Exhibitor: RACH Stud
YOUNG COLT CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion:: Keanu LA (*EKS Farouk x Brasilia LA) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Cruzeiro	Silver Champion: Destiny HEC (Jytan Meia Lua x Mars Princess HEC) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Estância Califórnia	Bronze Champion: Gazani JSZ (Gazal Al Shaqab x Sahara Gallina) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Santa Marta

FILLY CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion: *HT Lunatica (*Dominic M x BM Venecia) - Breeder: Haras Torue - Exhibitor: Haras Lonco	Silver Champion: My Best Surprise FWM (*Bandit SRA x Nahla El Madan) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Lone Star	Bronze Champion: Monah HVP (Hariry Al Shaqab x *Monalisa HVP (AHA) - Breeder & Exhibitor: HVP Arabian
COLT CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion: HK Gran Valehoso (*Dominic M x HK Sweet Música) - Breeder: Haras Katu and Haras Al Hosçan - Exhibitor: The HK Gran Valehoso Syndicate	Silver Champion: *Maximillion NA (*Dominic M x Makala NA) - Breeder: North Arabians - Exhibitor: TP Arabians	Bronze Champion: Kamal Ali HEC (HP Ali x Khyki HEC) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Estância Califórnia
YOUNG MARE CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion: EFC Pillar (Emerald J x FT Premia) - Breeder: EFC Arabians - Exhibitor: Royal Arabians	Silver Champion: Ultraah Serondella (Quasim CRH x *Aria Shanteuse) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras Serondella	Bronze Champion: Rhona Vul Do Divino (Vulcano HVP x Rhona RACH) - Breeder: Ricardo Conrado Mesquita - Exhibitor: TP Arabians
MARE CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion: RFI Sawari (Excalibur EA x RFI Sophie Almaktab) - Breeder & Exhibitor: RFI Arabians	Silver Champion: Felma LA (Mashoor Al Mohamadia x Bela LA) - Breeder: Haras Cruzeiro - Exhibitor: Haras Pin and Haras Cruzeiro	Bronze Champion: Special Dream HVP (*Thee Apprentice x Tawany HVP) - Breeder: HVP Arabian - Exhibitor: Haras Cruzeiro
YOUNG STALLION CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion: Opus One Arabco li (*El Tino x *Bretta UB) - Breeder: Rancho Arabco - Exhibitor: Rancho Arabco & Estancia California	Silver Champion: Royal Destiny (*Dominic M x RFI Sensation) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Royal Arabians Brasil	Bronze Champion: Gael W (Vivaldi Al Shawan x NV Georgia) - Breeder: Wolf Arabians - Exhibitor: Haras FK
STALLION CHAMPIONSHIP		
Gold Champion: *Ajmer Moniscione (A) Mardan x Agianna Moniscione)- Breeder: Azienda Agricola Giancarlo Buzzi - Exhibitor: Haras 7 Flechas	Silver Champion: Abbas Al Ventur (Halyr Meia Lua x Emozione Al Ventur) - Breeder: Haras Al Ventur - Exhibitor: Haras Al Ventur and Haras Serondella	Bronze Champion: LR Pipistar (Dominic M x HB Radiance) - Breeder/ Exhibitor: Estância Las Rosas
MOST CLASSICAL HEAD - FEMALE		
1st Place: HANNA LGM (El Shaawan x Lorena AMW) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Estancia Agro Dog		
MOST CLASSICAL HEAD - MALE		
1st Place: Ragnary Gv (Ragnar Rach x Af Hanolina) - Breeder: Haras Gran Via - Exhibitor: Viana Arabian Horse		



Gold Most Classical Head Female - Hanna LGM



Gold Most Classical Head Male - Ragnary GV



Gold Liberty Class - El Kaiser Ali JM

GET OF SIRE

1st Place: Cash Del Tino JM (*El Tino X Stig Justhine) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras JM

PRODUCE OF DAM

1st Place: STIG JUSTHINE (Wh Justice x Mag Shall Londrina) - Breeder: Haras Stigmatas - Exhibitor: Haras JM

LIBERTY CLASS

1st Place: EL KAIZER ALI JM (HP ALI x VENITTIA D ´ PSCORE JM) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras JM

NATIONAL PERFORMANCE SHOW RESULTS

ENGLISH PLEASURE MAIDEN HORSES

1st Place: Rhondo RACH (Vailant RACH X Rhondda RACH) - Breeder & Exhibitor: RACH Stud - Rider: Fernando Cesar Pinha

ENGLISH PLEASURE YOUNG HORSES

1st Place: Jemma RACH (Voltaire RACH X Jasmin FWM) - Breeder & Exhibitor: RACH Stud - Rider: Fernando Cesar Pinha

ENGLISH PLEASURE OPEN CLASS

1st Place: Prometeu Rach (Pavel RACH X Promessa RACH) - Breeder And Exhibitor: RACH Stud - Rider: Douglas Ricardo Gomes

ENGLISH PLEASURE / EXHIBITOR CLASS

1st Place: Timon RACH (Pavel RACH X *BF Tiffany Bey) - Breeder and Exhibitor: RACH Stud - Rider: Ricardo Saliba

ENGLISH PLEASURE / AMATEUR CLASS

1st Place: Timon RACH (Pavel RACH X *BF Tiffany Bey) - Breeder and Exhibitor: RACH Stud - Rider: Ricardo Saliba



Champion Western Open - Royal Kabanga



Hunter Pleasure

NATIVE COSTUME OPEN CLASS	
1st Place: Prometeu RACH (Pavel RACH X Promessa RACH) - Breeders and Exhibitor: RACH Stud - Rider: Douglas Ricardo Gomes	
WESTERN PLEASURE MAIDEN HORSES	
1st Place: *Elferus (WH Justice X Elfera) - Breeder: Lech Blaszczyk - Exhibitor: RACH Stud - Rider: Douglas Ricardo Gomes	
WESTERN PLEASURE YOUNG HORSES	
1st Place: Emagnifico Bandit JM (*Bandit SRA X Shannaya D´Magnum JM) - Breeder: Haras JM - Exhibitor: Paulo Murilo Laurenti Junior - Rider: Jose Alcides Rodrigues - ZR Training Center	
WESTERN PLEASURE /SENIOR HORSES	
1st Place: Prince Aladin Fwm (*El Tino X Jasmin Fwm) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Casa Branca Agro-Pastoril Ltda - Rider: Jose Alcides Rodrigues – ZR Training Center	
WESTERN PLEASURE OPEN CLASS	
1st Place: Royal Kabanga (Kahil Al Shaqab X Johara Morab) - Breeder & Exhibitor: Cindy Mc Gown & Mark Davis - Royal Arabians Brasil - Rider: Zetão Rodrigues	
WESTERN PLEASURE EXHIBITOR CLASS	
1st Place: *Elferus (Wh Justice X Elfera) - Breeder: Lech Blaszczyk - Exhibitor: RACH Stud - Rider: Ricardo Saliba	
WESTERN PLEASURE AMAUTER	
1st Place: Strong Osiris Gv (Gran Osiris X Evora Gv)- Breeder: Raphael Cavalheiro Casquel – Haras Gran Via - Exhibitor: Simone Vellasco Moises - Amazonas: Stephanie Rodrigues -ZR Training Center - Hunter Pleasure Plan - Open Class (Aberta)	
HUNTER PLEASURE PLAN - OPEN CLASS (ABERTA)	
1st Place: Zdyor JM (RFI Maktub X *Echo Moniela) Breeder & Exhibitor: Haras JM Rider: Adilson Faleiro Dos Santos	
HUNTER PLEASURE PLAN AMATEUR CLASS	
1st Place: RFI Faustina (RFI Ramses Almaktub X RFI Fiona) Breeder & Exhibitor: RFI Arabians - Rider: Anderson Diniz	