

The exciting 35th **BRAZILIAN** *Nationals*



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On its 35th edition, the Arabian Horse Nationals brought more than 500 Arabian Horses to the Helvetia Riding Center's ring in Indaiatuba, a city in the countryside of São Paulo. The horses competed in Jumping, Barrels, Team Penning, Ranch Sorting, Performance, and mainly Halter. Also as part of the National, there was an endurance competition in Rach Stud and two races in the Jockey Club of São Paulo, which were sponsored by the Heritage Arabian Racing Club (HARC) and organized by the Brazilian Arabian Horse Race (BAHR). It was a truly exciting show that will definitely remain in the heart of the Brazilian breeders, enclosed in typical Brazilian style: lots of samba, music and joy in the middle of show ring.

The Halter judging competition, the most anticipated of these Nationals, was judged based on the comparative scoring system, featuring Ferdinand Huemer (AUT), Mark Wharton (AUS), Eduardo Caio (BRA), Richard Petty (USA) and Van Jacobsen (USA) as judges. They chose Matisse FM, imported from the USA by Carlos Menezes from Haras Stigmatas, the Gold Stallion Champion with 4 first places and a second to Richard Petty. The Silver Champion was Bandit SRA by DA Valentino, also American and imported by Paquito Carrasco from Haras Carandá. The Bronze title was awarded to the Brazilian stallion Tales HVP, bred by Jaime Pinheiro from Haras Vila dos Pinheiros, son of FA El Shawan by Marwan Al Shaqab. With this title, Matisse is now a two-time National Stallion, an unprecedented feat in Brazilian National Stallions Championships. He is the son of Marwan Al Shaqab out of Selket Promise Kept, daughter to Furno Khamaal, Kilimandscharo's grandson. In fact, Marwan Al Shaqab's presence in these Nationals was very significant, whether as a father or grandfather, attesting to his strong influence within the current Brazilian breeding scene.

Marwan Al Shaqab is present in the pedigree of the three National Champion Mares of these Nationals. The Gold Mare Queen Ayda FWM, bred by Paulo Marques' Haras Lone Star, is the granddaughter of Marwan through FA El Shawan, his most important breeding son in Brazil, responsible for more than a dozen National Champions over the last six years. The Silver Champion AJ Kharena is a daughter of Marwan Al Shaqab himself. She is American imported by Jaime Pinheiro's Haras Vila dos Pinheiros, and the Bronze Champion Rywanna is Marwan's maternal granddaughter. Rywanna is by Ryad El Jamaal out of Marwan Cristalra and owned by Ana Carolina Tinoco from Haras Dharamsala.

The Brazilian Breeders Association (ABCCA), responsible for the organization of the Nationals, reintroduced the Youngs Championships this year: a more youthful variation of the Adult and the Colts and Fillies Championships. In the Young Stallion Championship, all the glory went unanimously to TS Khidam El Shawan, grandson of Marwan Al Shaqab, bred by Tony Salloum from Haras Arco Azul. In addition to winning one of the show's most prestigious titles before the age of four, one of his first sons, TS Prince El Khidam was also unanimously voted a Champion of these Nationals, showing that this extraordinary horse is more than qualified to carry on the legacy established by Marwan. The Silver Young Stallion Champion was FT Pietro from Flávia Torres' Haras Quatro Estações. He is the son of LCC Fasario by Aria Impresario, one of the most successful sons of Marwan Al Shaqab in the United States. The Bronze Champion was Armani El Keav by HK Keav Power, which is another great sire of Brazilian Champions. Armani is owned by Haras HPJ belonging to Pedro Teixeira.

In the disputed Young Mare Championship, Baviera HVP from Haras Vila dos Pinheiros belonging to Jaime Pinheiro, won Gold. She is the daughter of Marwan Al Shaqab out of the amazing HB Bessolea by Besson Carol, mother of Baanderos, Baahir El Marwan and Bretta UB, the Silver Champion of these Nationals, daughter of OFW Magic Wan, also a son of Marwan Al Shaqab. The Bronze Champion was Only Serondella, a daughter of AAS Elishabb bred by Fabio Amorosino from Haras Serondella.

The fierce Gold Colt Championship was also another unanimous vote among the judges. Gran Osiris, son of HK Keav Power, bred by Haras De Al Hoscan owned by Umberto Florezi, won the title. The Silver went to Ragnar Rach, a son of Vulcano HVP by Nuzir HCF of Rach Stud from brothers Ricardo e Paulo Saliba, and the Bronze was awarded to RFI Ramses Almakub by RFI Makub from Haras Santo Antonio da Bela Vista owned by Rodrigo Forte. Among the Fillies the highlight was another daughter of HK Keav Power. Khyki HEC bred by Florivaldo de Carvalho from Haras e Estância California was the Gold Champion, RFI Sensation by Jazeer De Wic owned by Rodrigo Forte was Silver, and Kissme El Madan by El Tino, owned by Pedro Amaral from Haras El Madan, won the Bronze.

The absolute predominance in the Young Colt Championship was of sire El Tino, a Brazilian National Champion, son of Valentino DA and one of the great surprises of the Brazilian breed. The three main titles of this Championship went to



three of his sons. Falak FK, bred by Haras FK owned by Fred Kunze was the Gold Champion. Zahir El Madan and Valentin El Madan, bred by Pedro Amaral's Haras El Madan were, respectively, the Silver and Bronze Champions. In the Young Filly Championship, the daughter of WH Justice, HDF Munique, bred by Haras das Faias owned by Rodrigo Faias was the Gold Champion, and two daughters of HK Keav Power took the other places on the podium. Juline Morab from Haras Morab, owned by Benedito Morab, took the Silver and Sweet Satisfaction from Haras De Al Hosçan, owned by Humberto Florezi, was the Bronze Champion.

The main Junior Colt Championship titles were split between the sires El Tino and HK Keav Power. El Tino's son, Royal Asad, bred by Michel Morelato and exhibited by the Royal Arabians was the Gold Champion, while the Silver was awarded to HK Keav Power's son, Gran Cohiba, from Haras De Al Hosçan owned by Humberto Florezi. Bronze was awarded to Dhakar HVP by DA Vinci FM from Jaime Pinheiro's Haras Vila dos Pinheiros. The sire Magnum Psyche was the Junior Filly Championship's name. His daughter Roxanne Johnny from João Henrique Neto's Haras Johnny was the Gold Champion, and his great-granddaughter Angelika Michael JM, daughter of Prince Michael MPE by WH Justice, bred by Haras JM owned by José e Máisa Alves was the Bronze Champion. The Silver Championship was awarded to Solara Keav HNP, daughter of HK Keav Power owned by Ricardo Távoras' Haras Novo Prado.

In the Jr. Jr. Colts and Fillies Championship most awards were won by the offspring of young sires. The only exception was the Gold Jr. Jr. Filly Champion La Belle Shawan HVP, daughter of FA El Shawan by Marwan Al Shaqab, bred by Haras Vila dos Pinheiros owned by Jaime Pinheiro. The Gold Jr. Jr. Colt Championship was unanimously awarded to TS Prince Khidam, son of the Gold Young Stallion Champion TS Khidam El Shawan, both bred by Toni Salloum's Haras Arco Azul. The Silver Jr. Jr. Filly Champion TS Kamila El Dominic, also bred by Haras Arco Azul is the daughter of Dominic M by DA Vinci FM, a Uruguayan sire who was a Colt Brazilian National Champion by Haras Las Rosas. The Silver Jr. Jr. Colt Champion Caranda Sharif is the son of Bandit SRA, Silver Stallion Champion of these Nationals, bred by Haras Carandá owned by Paquito Carrasco. The Bronze Jr. Jr. Filly Champion RFI Fabaara Almaktub, daughter of Quasim CRH by RFI Maktub owned by Rodrigo Forte and the Bronze Jr. Jr. Colt Champion Jyvar Meia Lua, son of El Jabez WH by Juliusz De Wiec from Lenita Perroy's Haras Meia Lua.

The thrill of the Tribute to Polé Levy

For the last three years the ABCCA has been honoring breeders who, by the distinction of their job in the breeding of the Arabian Horse in Brazil have developed the race leaving a legacy for future breeders. The first homage was paid to Aloysio Faria from Fazenda Fortaleza, who founded



the Association more than 50 years ago. Last year it was Jamil Saliba from Rach Stud who received the honor, after contributing to the breeding process with his extraordinary Polish horses, his devotion to Arabian sport horses, and his role on the recent revival of the Arabian horse races held at the São Paulo Jockey Club. This year the honor was conferred to Polé Levy from Haras Capim Fino, owner of the suffix HCF and 36 years of experience in breeding.

The homage paid to Polé was very touching. Next to his most favorite breeding friends, David Boggs and Fernando Santibañes, Polé and all those present watched a video telling his epic story through the best Brazilian breeding period, of which he was one of the greatest responsible. After the video was shown, a long line of breeders, show runners and lovers of the Arabian Horse was formed to pay their compliments to this extraordinary breeder for dedicating a great part of his life to the Arabian horse. □



The Judges (left to right) Eduardo Caio, Ferdinand Huemer, Richard Petty, Van Jacobsen and Mark Warton.





Gold National Champion Stallion **Matisse FM**
from Haras Stigmatas



Gold National Champion Mare **Queen Ayda FWM**
from Haras Lone Star



Gold National Champion Young Stallion TS Khidam El Shawan
from Haras Arco Azul



Gold National Champion Young Mare Baviera HVP
from Haras Vila dos Pinheiros



Gold National Champion Colt **Gran Osiris**

from Haras De Al Hosçan



Gold National Champion Filly **Khyki HEC**

from Haras e Estância California



Gold National Champion Young Colt **Falak FK**
from Haras FK



Gold National Champion Young Filly **Munique HDF**
from Haras das Faias



Gold National Champion Jr. Colt **Royal Asad**
from Royal Arabians



Gold National Champion Jr. Filly **Roxane Johnny**
from Haras Johnny



Gold National Champion Jr. Jr. Colt TS Prince Khidam
from Haras Arco Azul



Gold National Champion Jr. Jr. Filly La Belle Shawan
from Haras Vila dos Pinheiros

**Silver National
Champion Stallion**
Bandit SRA
from Haras Carandá



**Silver National
Champion Mare**
AJ Kharena
from Haras Vila
dos Pinheiros



**Silver National
Champion
Young Stallion**
FT Piero
from Haras
Quatro Estações





**Silver National
Champion
Young Mare
Brtta UB**

from Haras Vila
dos Pinheiros



**Silver National
Champion Colt
Ragnar Rach**

from Rach Stud



**Silver National
Champion Filly
RFI Sensation
Almakub**

from Haras Santo
Antonio da Bela Vista

**Silver National
Champion
Young Colt
Zahir El Madan**

from Haras El Madan



**Silver National
Champion
Young Filly
Juline Morab**

from Haras Morab



**Silver National
Champion Jr. Colt
Gran Cohiba**

from Haras De Al Hosçan





**Silver National
Champion
Jr. Filly
HK Solare Keav HNP**

from Haras Novo Prado



**Silver National
Champion
Jr. Jr. Colt
Carandá Sharif**

from Haras Carandá



**Silver National
Champion
Jr. Jr. Filly
TS Kamile Dominic**

from Haras Arco Azul

**Bronze National
Champion Stallion**
Tales HVP
from Haras Vila
dos Pinheiros



**Bronze National
Champion Mare**
Riwanna
from Haras Dharamsala



**Bronze National
Champion
Young Stallion**
Armani El Keav
from Haras HPJ





**Bronze National
Champion Young Mare
Only Serondella**
from Haras Serondella



**Bronze National
Champion Colt
RFI Ramses
Almaktub**
from Haras Santo
Antonio da Bela Vista



**Bronze National
Champion Filly
Kissme El Madan**
from Haras El Madan

**Bronze National
Champion
Young Colt**
Valentin El Madan

from Haras El Madan



**Bronze National
Champion
Young Filly**
Sweet Satisfaction

from Haras De Al Hosçan



**Bronze National
Champion Jr. Colt**
Dakhar HVP

from Haras Vila
dos Pinheiros





**Bronze National
Champion Jr. Filly**
Angelika Michael JM
from Haras JM



**Bronze National
Champion**
Jr. Jr. Colt
Jyvar Meia Lua
from Haras Meia Lua



**Bronze National
Champion Jr. Jr. Filly**
RFI Fahaara Almaktub
from Haras Santo Antônio
da Bela Vista