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SHEIKH AMMAR BIN HUMAID AL NUAIMI, CROWN PRINCE OF AJMAN H.H. SHEIKH MOHAMMED BIN RASHID AL MAKTOUM (VICE-PRESIDENT AND PRIME MINISTER OF THE UAE AND RULER OF DUBAI) & H.H. SHEIKH HAMDAN BIN RASHID AL MAKTOUM

### INTERNATIONAL ARABIAN HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP ECAHO A SHOW 2010

he ECAHO class A show was held in Dubai from March 18th to 20th, with its load of expectations, apprehension, confirmations and the enticing rich

prizes, which have reached a total of \$4,000,000. In just a few years, this show has truly grabbed the attention of all the sector professionals. This year, the show obtained





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further recognition, as ECAHO decided to reward the sterling work done by the organizers by naming it title show, the highest honor ECAHO can give to an event. However, this name meant that the futurity could not be held, a category that thrills breeders who are keen to show off their foals. It is worth highlighting the remarkable results obtained by breeding in the Arab countries: as we will shortly see, as many as 5 Arab-bred horses won important medals out of the total 12 up for grabs. This alone can give you an idea of the atmosphere that pervaded the entire event, a combination of euphoria and tension that reached the climax on the day of the final, when the top spots were not yet a foregone conclusion. The imposing Dubai World Trade Center hosted once again this event, which was outstanding both with regards to numbers and quality. This year, the zealous and innovative organization created a special price dedicated to the "Media of the Year", which was heavily promoted from the first moment on. There were many journalists, photographers and sector professionals from all over the world, who tried to do their best. Supported by H.H. Sh. Hamdan Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Deputy Ruler of Dubai and Emirati Finance and Industry Minister, the show was organized by a group of competent, careful and experienced people, starting with the President of the event and of the High Organizing Commission Mr. Ziad Abdulla Galadari, assisted by Helal S. K. Al Marri, Ahmed Bin Hareb Al Falahi, Sultan Mohammed Khalifa, Abdullah Tayeb Qassem, Hussein Mohammed Hussein, Mr. Abdulrahman Obaid Belshawareb and Essam Abdulla, President of the Arabian Horse Association in the Emirates.

Their job was outstanding, and so was the role carried out by Mr. Qusay Obaidalla, the omnipresent and very friendly General Manager of the show, Mr. Adel Saeed Al Falasi, the coordinator, Mrs. Jenny Malton, the Secretary who managed to deal with a considerable workload and Mr. Sanjeewa Deegahawatura as her assistant. Event

consultants were Mrs. Christiane Chazel and Dominik Briot.

Seven judges alternated in the scoring of the numerous categories. They did an excellent job and their scores were almost always unanimous. They were, in alphabetical order: Mr. Gianmarco Aragno (Italy), Mr. Scott Benjamin (Canada), Jerzy Bialobok (Poland), Mrs. Silvia Garde-Ehlert (Germany), Mrs. Ann Norden (Sweden), Mr. Mohammed Machmoud (Morocco) and Jaroslaw Lacina (Czechoslovakia). According to the scoring method adopted, which had already been applied last year, the lowest and the highest scores awarded during the categories by the six judges on the ring were removed from the total. Once again we thought it was an excellent method, which satisfied professionals, spectators and breeders.

Those who love the Arabian horse can no longer abstain from taking part in this event, which every year attracts an impressive number of conformation horses of very high quality, a feast for the eyes and a spectacle for the heart. So much grace, beauty and charm on the same ring is hard to find anywhere else. But Dubai is not just about this. Ridden competitions, endurance, races, everything revolves around our beloved Arabian, which is rewarding us with increasingly better results and higher quality, which results in a growing passion at every show. In addition, this year all the judges and the aficionados had the opportunity to see the latest construction project in this country, Burji Kalifa, an enormous skyscraper almost a mile tall. Inside you can find anything that you could ever want, while outside there are water features and fountains every hour.

As already mentioned, there were an incredible number of entries – not to mention the quality – so many of the categories had to be split into section A and B.

After the preliminary categories, during which the incredible scores kept increasing day after day, there was great apprehension for the final championship. Nothing can be



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#### **PRIZE MONEY**

#### **TOTAL AMOUNT \$ 4,000,000**

-3% Prize Money will be deducted according to the ECAHO rules

| ECAHO Qualifying Class | \$ 50,000  | For each non ECAHO Class | \$ 31,000 |
|------------------------|------------|--------------------------|-----------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup>        | \$ 25,000  | 2 Ridden Classes         |           |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>        | \$ 10,000  | 2 Endurance Classes      |           |
| 3rd                    | \$ 6,000   | 2 Racing Classes         |           |
| 4th                    | \$ 5,000   |                          |           |
| 5th                    | \$ 4,000   | 1 <sup>st</sup>          | \$ 15,000 |
|                        |            | 2 <sup>nd</sup>          | \$ 7,000  |
| Championships          |            | 3rd                      | \$ 4,000  |
| Gold Champion Junior   | \$ 200,000 | 4th                      | \$ 3,000  |
| Silver Champion Junior | \$ 100,000 | 5 <sup>th</sup>          | \$ 2,000  |
| Bronze Champion Junior | \$ 50,000  |                          |           |
| Gold Champion Senior   | \$ 250,000 |                          |           |
| Silver Champion Senior | \$ 150,000 |                          |           |
| Bronze Champion Senior | \$ 50,000  |                          |           |

taken for granted until the end and the quality of horses as well as the many variables marking each performance could swing the judges one way or the other.

The first to enter the ring were the many fillies that were eligible to win the gold, silver and bronze medal. This line-up is a good idea, which brings the world of the Arabian horse closers to the Olympic Games. Given the quality of the candidates, even a bronze medal and the related trophies or prize money, as in this case, would be a great achievement.

The Silver Medal at this excellent Dubai Intenational Arabian Horse Championship 2010 went to the stunning FT Shaella (Shael Dream Desert x Soul Pretty Tgs), which won unanimously, well presented by Paolo Capecci and owned by the Dubai Arabian Stud (UAE). This filly grows at every show and this time she impressed with her

innate charisma. Another remarkable filly won the Silver Medal, Alma Al Tiglio (Ajman Moniscione x Amanda Al Tiglio), presented by Frank Spönle and owned by the Ajman Stud di H.H. Sh. Ammar Bin Humaid Al Nuaimi (UAE) and also by Buzzi, who has also bred it. Another success for this breeder, who epitomizes the best of Italian production around the world. The Bronze Medal went to Maryah Os (Marraj x Ab Nastrapy) bred by Heinze Stockle and temporarily owned by Sheikh Mohammed Saoud Sultan Sagar Al Qassimi (UAE). With fewer surprises, given the premises in the category, but equally mesmerizing was the championship that would assign the medals to the mares. The "lady" that made everyone's head spin, one of the two mares representing H.H. Prince Ammar Bin Humaid Al Nuaimi (UAE) in the final, was Kuestura (Monogramm x Kwesta), winner of yet



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another Gold Medal. She was presented by Frank Spönle. The Silver Medal was won by Lady Veronica (Versace x Nirs Natevka), which obtained another very important victory for the DubaiStud and the handler Paolo Capecci, who was able to highlight the traits of this wonderful mare. With regards to the gold and silver medal in the mare category, the result was a repeat of the Paris World Championship. Bronze Medal for the typey Badawieh AA (Laheeb x Bahiha), already a medal winner last year among fillies, presented by Frank Spönle and owned by the Ajman Stud.

The title of Champion Colt and the Gold Medal were awarded to the excellent Kanz Al Bidayer (Ajman Moniscione x Dl Marielle), presented by Scott Allmann and owned by Sheikh Mohammed Saoud Sultan Sagr Al Qassimi. Third success in sequence for this promising colt, after winning in Ajman and Abu Dhabi. Silver Medal for the wonderful D Maraksh (Royal Colours x Kar Ofelia) majestically presented by Paolo Capecci and owned by the Dubai Arabian Stud. This victory confirmed the excellence of the breeding program at the Dubai Stud, which deserves all our praise for the incredible results achieved. Bronze Medal for Aj Bintan (Wh Justice x Rga Kouress), also bred and owned by the Ajman Stud and presented by Frank Spönle.

The pulse started to rise when the wonderful stallions made their way into the ring. Tension was high and awarding the prizes was certainly not an easy for the judges. Apprehension rose even more as one of the most famous and important person in the world was about to arrive, while





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1 PL RIDDEN CLASSES MARES & GELDINGS

B&O: HH. SHEIKH SUITAN BIN ZAYED BIN SUITAN AL NAHAYYAN



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1 PL RIDDEN CLASSES STALLIONS
B: ANDRES HOLGADO DIANEZ - O: KBZ



the band stood by to play the national anthem of the Arab Emirates. After a thrilling performance, the title of Stallion Champion and the Gold Medal were awarded to the multi-award-winning Al Lahab (Laheeb x The Vision HG) presented by Frank Spönle and owned by the Friedmanns (Germany). Congratulations once again for this great victory. The Silver Medal went to another outstanding stallion, \*Baanderos (Marwan Al Shaqab x H B Bessolea), presented by Michael Byatt and owned by the Al Khalediah Stables of H.R.H. Prince Khaled Bin Sultan

Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud (KSA). Winner of the Bronze Medal was Mountaz Al Biwaibiya (Aja Sangali x Fs Premira), presented by Philip Osay and owned by the Al Khalediah Stables of H.R.H. Prince Khaled Bin Sultan Bin Abdul Aziz Al Saud (KSA).

Well-deserved and liberating celebrations brought this wonderful edition of the Dubai International Arabian

Horse Championship 2010 to an end. In our opinion, this event gave exactly what every Arabian horse lover would expect from a competition: flawless and professional organization, entertainment, emotions and the opportunity to admire the best-ever conformation Arabian horses. What every Arabian horse aficionado dreams of seeing at least once in their lifetime came true this year in Dubai. In Dubai, everything is truly possible. 🗖





AJ WED
VERVALDEE X WHISTLER BHA
2 PL FILLIES I YEAR OLD
B&O: AJMAN STUD/UAE



VALENTYNA F
PSYTADEL\*\* X VERONIA
2 PL. FILLIES 2 YEAR OLD SECTION A
B: KUIJF/NL - O: ALHAJRI/UAE



SARAH AL NASSER SHAGRAN AL NASSER X JAFLA AL NASSER I PL FILLIES 2 YEAR OLD SECTION B B&O: AL NASSER STUD/UAE



D CRYSTAL MOON
SW MAGNUM FAME X BHF DARK MOON
2 PL. FILLIES 2 YEAR OLD SECTION B
B. BARKER/USA - O: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD/UAE



YAMAMAT AL KHALIDIAH
PADRONS IMMAGE\*\*\* X FEBYOLLA
2. PL FILLIES 3 YEAR OLD
B. AL KHALIDIAH STUD/KSA - O. SH. KHALED AHMED BADEGO/KSA



#### GOLD MEDAL FILLIES Shaella



SHAEL DREAM DESERT X SOUL PRETTY TGS B: TORRES/IT - O: DUBAI ARABIAN STUD/UAE





## SILVER MEDAL FILLIES Alma Al Tiglio



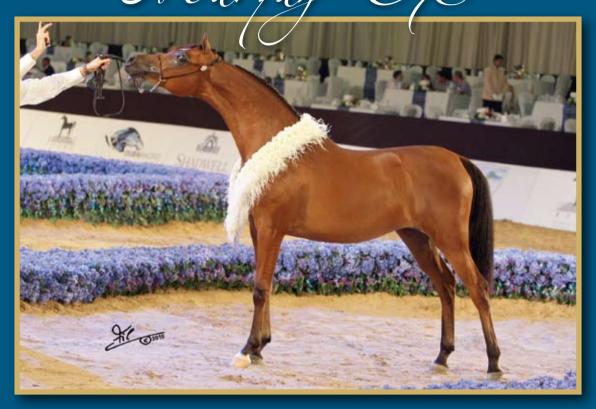
AJMAN MONISCIONE\*\* X AMANDA AL TIGLIO B: LODETTI/IT - O: AJMAN STUD & BUZZI FAMILY/IT



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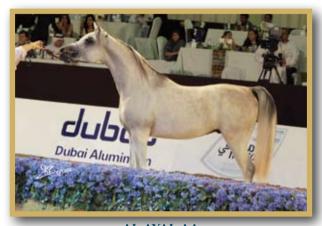
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2 PL COLTS 2 YEAR OLD
B: ARIELA ARABIANS/ISR - O: THE AL AYAL PARTNERSHIP/DE



JAREER AL KHALIDIAH PADRONS IMMAGE\*\*\* X BARAH AL KHALIDIAH I PL. COLTS 3 YEAR OLD B&O: AL KHALIDIAH STUD/KSA



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MARWAN AL SHAQAB\* X DA SHAHNIA
2 PL. COLTS 3 YEAR OLD
B: THIRTEEN OAKS ARABIANS/USA - O: AJMAN STUD/UAE



## GOLD MEDAL COLTS Kanz Al Bidayer



AJMAN MONISCIONE\*\* X DL MARIELLE B&O: SH. MOHAMMED SAOUD SULTAN SAQAR AL QASSEMI/UAE









ROYAL COLOURS X KAR OFELIA B&O: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD/UAE



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### BRONZE MEDAL COLTS Aj Bintan



WH JUSTICE\*\*\* X RGA KOURESS
B: MARKELLE ARABIANS/USA - O: AJMAN STUD/UAE







MARABELLA KD

MARWAN AL SHAQAB\* X GANGES JEWEL

2 PL. MARES 4-6 YEAR OLD

B: KD ACRES/USA - O: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD/UAE



CHAMMUR

DON EL CHALL X SC MURYA
2 PL MARES 7-9 YEAR OLD
B: VISCARDI/BRZ - O: AJMAN STUD/UAE



LUMIAR AMADEUS\* X SOLDATESKA 2 PL. MARES 10 YEAR OLD & OVER B. GUINLE/BRZ - O: AJMAN STUD/UAE



#### GOLD MEDAL MARES

#### Kwestura



MONOGRAMM\*\*\* X KWESTA B: MICHALOW/PL - O: AJMAN STUD/UAE









VERSACE X NISRS NATEVKA B: COGER/USA - O: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD/UAE



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LAHEEB\*\* X BAHIHA B: MASLATI & ARIELA ARABIANS/ISR - O: AJMAN STUD/UAE



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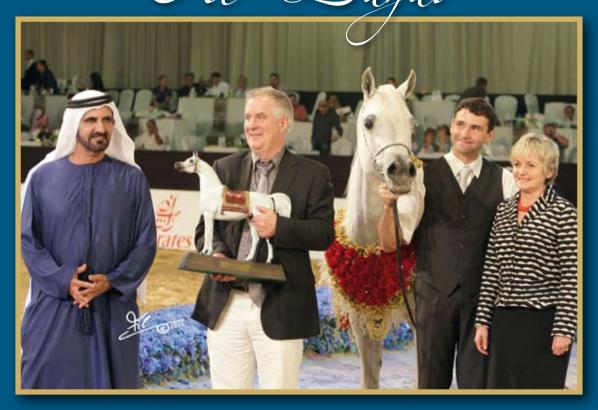
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2 PL STALLIONS 7-9 YEAR OLD
B: SAX/DE - O: AJMAN STUD/UAE



SANADIK EL SHAKLAN\*\* X OM EL BINT SHAINA 2 PL STALLIONS 10 YEAR OLD & OVER B: OM EL ARAB INT/USA - O: AJMAN STUD/UAE



#### GOLD MEDAL STALLIONS



LAHEEB\*\* X THE VISION
B: ARIELA ARABIANS/ISR - O: FRIEDMANN/DE



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## SILVER MEDAL STALLIONS Baanderos



MARWAN AL SHAQAB\* X HS BESSOLEA B: HICKMAN/USA - O: AL KHALIDIAH STUD/KSA



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# BRONZE MEDAL STALLIONS Noutaz Al Biwaibiya\*



AJA SANGALI\*\* X FS PREMIRRA B&O: AL KHALIDIAH STUD/KSA



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1 PL RACING MARES & GELDINGS

B&O: H.H. SHEIKH DR. SUILTAN BIN KHALIFA BIN ZAYED AL NAHAYYAN



EL MANSOUR DE BROU

DJOURAS TU X NAIMA
1 PL. RACING STALLIONS
B: JOSEPH BOUBE
O: HH. SHEIKH KHALIFA BIN ZAYED BIN SUITAN AL NAHAYYAN





KAIL ZAID
FAKO X ED SAIB
1 PL ENDURANCE MARES & GELDINGS
B: DIAZ COLL, LIA VERENA - O: STEFANO DANERI



LEA-MA PARK CHICAGO
DESPERADO X GAYEEDA
1 PL. ENDURANCE STALLIONS
B: MOIRA & NICHAEL MATTHEW - O: AL ARYAMM ARABIANS