



PSAIAHF 2023

26-28 JANUARY

A NEW LEADERSHIP IN THE SIRES OF CHAMPIONS

by Urszula Łęczycka I photos by Ewa Imielska-Hebda

For another time King Abdulaziz Arabian Horse Center in Dirab nearby Riyadh has been hosting one of the most prestigious shows in the winter season - Prince Sultan Bin Abdulaziz International Arabian Horse Festival that includes the highest ECAHO rank title show together with KSA Desert Bred horses that is very much estimated and supported by the Royal Family of the Kingdom. estival 2023 version venue is temporary changed to King Abdulaziz Arabian Horse Center -Dirab due to ongoing maintenance in the permanent location at Alkhalediah Farm.

As usual HRH Prince Fahd Bin Khaled Bin Sultan, General Supervisor of the festival, is following his father HRH Prince Khaled steps in following all aspects and details.

Mr Salah Alali Festival Manager, and Mr. Jamal Abdallah festival Operations Manager were making all efforts as usual to make the event memorable like every version. The show has been on the spot of all international Arabian horse community as it usually gathers some of the best horses residing not only in Saudi Arabia but also from neighbouring countries. The panel of judges has also been truly international with such a 10 breed experts as: Mrs Irina Stigler (IT), Mrs Helen Hennekens Van Nes (NL), Mrs Pilar Cavero Pino (ES), Mrs Sylvie Eberhardt (GER), Mrs Christine Valette (FR), Mr Murillo Kammer (BR), Mr Nashaat Hegazy (EGY), Mr Graham Smith (AU), Mr Jerzy

Białobok (PL), Mr Ebrahim Elyas Faraj (QAT).

The show has collected an amazing quality of over 200 horses from which all the top five in the classes as well as in the championships have been winning the prize money certainly worth of this high level competition. The championship day started with the classes of Desert Bred horses that appeared in a good number and quality shown by well-known international handlers. Local bred Arabian horses are continued by many of Saudi breeders and this year's unquestionable winner was Athbah Stud that grabbed all 6 medals in fillies and colts section as well as gold medal in Senior Mares and two first medals in Senior Stallions! While Al Msn Stud took the silver in senior mares and Al Areedh Stud the bronze in this section as well as the bronze in senior stallions.

After the short break the day continued with Yearling Championships where we could see mostly the new generation of Saudi bred and owned horses being the descendants of both the big show stars as well as the good selection of various sires available in Saudi Arabia nowadays. And so all the medals in the yearling fillies went to the daughters of very popular new coming sire EKS Farajj - SF Noora by own by Al Qammra Arabian Horse Company in front of Loulwah Raghwan - bred and own by al Raghwan Stud and Katara B.K. - bronze champion bred and own by Al Khatib Stud. EKS Farajj was highly appreciated for his amazing show career and despite a relatively young age as for a sire

he has been widely used by Middle Eastern breeders so there is no surprise that also the gold and silver medalist in the yearling colts were his sons - Sari Ajmal bred and own by Ajmal Stud in front of Sahm Sarm silver medal yearling colt bred and own by Sarm Stud. What a great success of EKS Farajj and the breeders who decided to use this stallion, although it should be noted that most of the winners have been representing a various and different pedigrees on dam sides. But Saudi Arabian breeders have been lucky not only with their right choices for using EKS Farajj but also with their own homebred stallions that have been given a chance to prove themselves as successful sires. The only horse not sired by EKS Farajj to win the medal in the yearlings was Akmal Athbah bred and own by Athbah Stud and what is also important for the breeder - sired by their homebred Wajeeh Athbah, EKS Alihandro

son. Junior Fillies Championship was a great success for Al Khalediah Stables - with their gold and silver crowned fillies both sired by Hilal Al Khalediah, a son of unforgettable World Champion Banderoos - Neom Al Khalediah as gold, and Nourah Al Khalediah as silver. As bronze medal junior filly was chosen Kuwaiti bred and own Bint Rshediah Alkhashab from Al Khashab Stud - by no else stallion but EKS Farajj. Junior colts is always a promise of discovering the future sire from the group. Amongst the medal winners we saw a selection of 3 colts of very different bloodlines. The gold went to Hamed Sarm by Royal Asad bred and won by Sarm Stud in front of Thathaa Raghwan by Kanz Albidayer from Raghwan Stud and at the third podium went D Shajei - Dubai Stud bred colt by D Jernas sold to Alhadf Stud. Senior horses championships was a real delight to watch by all the breed enthusiasts. The group of several







white mares entering the arena for the finals could bring a goosebumps. The choice was not easy and results were not unanimous at all but the majority of votes went to the beautiful former World Champion Anood Al Nasser by Ashhal Al Rayyan owned by Akmal Stud in front of silver medal winner - Meshael Al Khalediah IV by El Palacio VO, representing Ajmal Stud now. Al Bakhet Stud was lucky to win in this prestigious company a bronze medal for their Teejan Al Muawd by another rising star amongst the sires - Alexxanderr. From the same sire line descended the warmly welcomed from the USA in Saudi Arabian soil - Pilatus PCF. This handsome young stallion bred by Sam Peacemaker and representing Amer Stud is sired by Exxalt a son of Excalibur, and was scored as high as 92,67 points in his class but in the championships he had to give a leadership to the show veteran bred by Knocke Arabians and owned by Dosar Stud - Sundown K.A. by QR Marc, who was the winner at the eldest stallions class with just a bit higher note of 92,92 total. The podium in senior stallions was completed by another show veteran Hatem Athbah by EKS Alihandro for Athbah Stud its breeder and owner. A very impressive closing of the show was presenting the Platinium medals in female and male categories to two famous multichampion horses residing in Saudi Arabia - Pepita bred by Janów Podlaski Stud and sold for incredible price of 1 250 000 euro at Pride of Poland auction to represent Akmal Stud now and Emerald J - bred by Christine Jamar and representing Al Rajhiat Stud. Both horses have been warmly welcomed with applause of all the breeders and spectators - it was great to watch them both appearing in the same arena at the end of another successful PSAIAHF show. See you next vear. □







Silver Medal Champion ZEENAH ATHBAH KHALEEL DIRAB X JOHARAH ATHBAH

KHALEEL DIRAB X JOHARAH ATHBAH B: ATHBAH STUD - O: HRHP AHMAD BIN ABDULAZIZ BIN ABDURAHMAN AL SAUD





Bronze Medal Champion ALIA ATHBAH

DREA II X FELWA ATHBAH

Gold Medal Champion ESHRAQ ATHBAH DREA II X FELWA ATHBAH







Silver Medal Champion DAMER ATHBAH

NAMAR X SHAHRA ATHBAH

B: ATHBAH STUD - O: EABDALLAH NASIR DAYF ALLAH ALBARQAWI/AL BURUQ STUD





Bronze Medal Champion MUHAJER ATHBAH

KHERAISAN ATHBAH X AFEESAH

B: ATHBAH STUD - O: HRHP ABDULAZIZ BIN AHMAD BIN ABDULAZIZ AL SAUD/ATHBAH STUD

Gold Medal Champion ABAN ATHBAH KHALEEL DIRAB X MANAYER







Silver Medal Champion SHAREAH EL SHAMLAN X SHAREEFAH III - B: PRINCE TURKI BIN FAHAD BIN MOHAMMED AL SUOD/NAJD STUD O: RAKAN ABDULLAH BARGAS ALQAHTANE/AL MSN STUD





Bronze Medal Champion THABLAT AL JANADRIYAH

FALAH II X MANAYER

B: CUSTODIAN OF TWO HOLY MOSQUES KING ABDULLA BIN ABDUL AZIZ AL SAUD-JANADRIYA FARM O: MAJID BIN HASSAN BIN NASSER AL GHASHYAN/AL AREEDH STUD

Gold Medal Champion MANARAH ATHBAH KHERAISAN ATHBAH X MANAYER







Silver Medal Champion FAHAD ATHBAH

NAMAR X MANDOUBA

B: ATHBAH STUD - O: HRHP AHMAD BIN ABDULAZIZ BIN ABDURAHMAN AL SAUD





Bronze Medal Champion LAITH DIRAB

REZAIQ X LAYAN DIRAB

B: KING ABDUL AZIZ ARABIAN HORSE CENTER AT DIRAB

O: MAJID BIN HASSAN BIN NASSER AL GHASHYAN/AL AREEDH STUD

Gold Medal Champion KHERAISAN ATHBAH

DREA II X MANDOUBA











Silver Medal Champion LOULWAH RAGHWAN EKS FARAJJ X DAINA ALMUAWD

B: MOTAB BIN MONEER AL QHTANE/RAGHWAN STUD - MOTAB BIN MONEER AL QHTANE/RAGHWAN STUD





Bronze Medal Champion KATARA B.K EKS FARAJJ X SHALFA AL MUAWD

B/O: BAHA' MAHMOUD SULEIMAN ALKHATIB/ALKHATIB STUD

Gold Medal Champion SF NORA EKS FARRAJJ X SF GHAZALAH B: MUSAB ABDULLAH N ALDAWWAY/ALSEFRAT STUD - O: AL QAMMRA ARABIAN HORSE COMPANY







Silver Medal Champion SAHM SARM EKS FARAJJ X BANDAHLEEZA ZB

B/O: SULTAN HAMED MASTOR ALHARTHI/SARM STUD





Bronze Medal Champion AKMAL ATHBAH WAJEEH ATHBAH X MAWEE ATHBA

B: ATHBAH STUD - O: HRHP ABDULAZIZ BIN AHMAD BIN ABDULAZIZ AL SAUD/ATHBAH STUD

Gold Medal Champion SARI AJMAL EKS FARAJJ X BINT BESSOLEA

B/O: TURKI MOHAMMED ABDULRAHMAN ALOTHMAN/AJMAL STUD







Silver Medal Champion NOURAH AL KHALEDIAH

HILAL AL KHALEDIAH X ĜHAZALAT AL KHALEDIAH B: HRHP/KHALID BIN SULTAN BIN ABDUL AZIZ AL SAUD/AL KHALEDIAH STABLES O: HRH PRINCE ABDULMAJEED BIN SULTAN BIN ABDULAZIZ AL SAUD/AKMAL STUD





Bronze Medal Champion BINT RSHEDIAH ALKHASHAB

EKS FARAJJ X RSHEDIAH ALKHASHAB

B/O: ALKHASHAB STUD

Gold Medal Champion NEOM AL KHALEDIAH HILALAL KHALEDIAH X YARA AL KHALEDIAH

HILAL AL KHALEDIAH X YARA AL KHALEDIAH B: HRHP/KHALID BIN SULTAN BIN ABDUL AZIZ AL SAUD/AL KHALEDIAH STABLES O: TURKI MOHAMMED ABDULRAHMAN ALOTHMAN/AJMAL STUD







Silver Medal Champion THATHAA RAGHWAN KANZ AL BADAYER X RYAANH AL MUAWD

B/O: MOTAB BIN MONEER AL QHTANE/RAGHWAN STUD





Bronze Medal Champion D SHAJEI

D JERNAS X D SHIREEN

B: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD - O: HAJAS HAJLAN AL HAJLAN/ALHADF STUD

Gold Medal Champion HAMED SARM

ROYAL ASAD X TREASURE AS B/O: SULTAN HAMED MASTOR ALHARTHI/SARM STUD







Silver Medal Champion MESHAEL AL KHALEDIAH IV EL PALACIO VO X GHALA AL KHALEDIAH

B: HRHP/ KHALID BIN SULTAN BIN ABDUL AZIZ AL SAUD - AL KHALEDIAH STABLES

O: TURKI MOHAMMED ABDULRAHMAN ALOTHMAN/AJMAL STUD





Bronze Medal Champion TEEJAN AL MUAWD

ALEXXANDERR X ADH JUST DIVINE

B: MUHAMMED ABDULLAH BIN MUHAMMED AL SUBAIEE - O: SALEH MANEE BAKHT ALMUTRAFI/AL BAKHET STUD

Gold Medal Champion ANOOD AL NASSER ASHHALALRAYYAN X ALEYSHA AL NASSER

B: AL NASSER STUD - O: HRH PRINCE ABDULMAJEED BIN SULTAN BIN ABDULAZIZ AL SAUD/AKMAL STUD





Silver Medal Champion PILATUS PCF

EXXALT X ALEXANDRIA PCF

B: SAM PEACEMAKER - O: MOHAMMED IBRAHIM MOHAMMED AMER/AMER STUD





Bronze Medal Champion HATEM ATHBAH

EKS ALIHANDRO X ESPERANZZA AL VENTUR

B: PUR SANG ARABE - O: HRHP ABDULAZIZ BIN AHMAD BIN ABDULAZIZ AL SAUD/ATHBAH STUD

Gold Medal Champion SUNDOWN K.A QR MARC X L SERENELLA B: MR.PAUL GHEYSENS - O: SULTAN MOHAMMED JALIMID ALKHARFANI ALDOSARI/DOSAR STUD





PSAIAHF PLATINUM PRIZES





 $\begin{array}{c} \textbf{EMERALD} \ \textbf{J} \ \text{QR MARC X EMANDORIA} \\ \textbf{B: CHRISTINE JAMAR BV - O: ABDULAZIZ BIN SALEH BIN ABDULAZIZ AL-RAJHI/AL RAJHIYAT STUD} \end{array}$





PEPITA EKSTERN X PEPESZA $B: SK\ JANOW\ PODLASKI-O: HRH\ PRINCE\ ABDULMAJEED\ BIN\ SULTAN\ BIN\ ABDULAZIZ\ AL\ SAUD/AKMAL\ STUD$