



# ABU DHABI

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UAE  
LOCAL  
AND NATIONAL  
CHAMPIONSHIPS

*The National Championships of the United Arab Emirates were held in Abu Dhabi Equestrian Club from 21 – 26 January with the kind cooperation of the Club's Director General Mr Adnan Sultan Al Nuami. All the facilities on the ground were arranged by Mohammed Al Harbi of the Higher Organising Committee, including moving the many VIP tables under the shade of the ringside trees which gave excellent viewing.*

*A total of 634 horses had been entered making this once again one of the largest shows in the region. It must be hard for many show organisers around the world to believe there are still shows where classes need to be split not just into two sections but as in these Championships at least three, the mares required six sections and the stallions four with over twenty in each class! Judging started at 2pm and concluded at roughly 8.30pm each evening. This works well as it avoids a long break for the midday heat and allows the judges to maintain their concentration. Excellent work by the rotating ring stewards Dr Mohamed Hammad and Dr Sameh Bedair, and in the collecting ring Dr Mohamed Mohsen Hassanin ensured that the classes kept to time.*

*The judges panel consisted of Mr Mahmood Faraj from Bahrain, Mr Peter Gamlin from UK, Mr Sulaiman Hattali from Oman, Mr Terry Holmes from USA, Mr Mark Ismer from Germany, Mr Jassim Khaled Al Mesbah from Kuwait and Mr Francesco Santoro from Italy. They all commented not only on the good atmosphere amongst their group but also of the show in general. This happy atmosphere is something essential to maintain. Shows need to be enjoyable social occasions for the owners, breeders, trainers and their friends to come to see and appreciate the Arabian horse. It is also good to see owners cheering for one another's horses, of course everyone hopes to win but any horse of great beauty, performing well is supported.*

*As so often happens the scores crept higher along with the age of the horses and when it came to the mares the judges were very generous with their twenties. Nevertheless, it is surely correct that great moving horses receive recognition. One such highlight was the oldest mare class 4F, where the first three placed mares, together received no less than eleven twenties for movement. The spectators certainly appreciated seeing these glorious mares as they made the complete round of the arena, necks arched, tails like banners, all in cadence and balance, well done to the handlers for keeping up. The judges were strong in their views that circling in the ring should be officially limited and handlers should also note that several judges stated that they deducted marks where circling was excessive! As with several senior judges at earlier shows this season, they were also concerned about the effect and the risk of too much sharp circling of young horses, especially in the collecting ring, suggesting it was perhaps linked to the number of youngsters dismissed for lameness!*

*Mr Essam Abdulla, Director General of Emirates Arabian*

*Horse Society, has many years of experience in running successful shows. It has been his work, supported by various members of UAE ruling families and the Government of Abu Dhabi which has brought about the extraordinary growth and popularity of Arabian Horses in the country, in particular the support for UAE citizens through different awards and championships in the shows. In Abu Dhabi as well as the normal National Championships, we had the highly competitive UAE Local Championship in the six categories. The top two horses in each class owned by a citizen which had not qualified for the National Championships were eligible. In many of the classes there was less than two points between the first and fifth placed horses so this is valuable recognition for local breeders.*

*There was also The Sheikh Zayed Award, presented in grateful memory of the Late President of the UAE Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan, a lover and breeder of Arabian horse himself and whose great wish was to see the return of the Arabian horse to its homeland, something he promoted throughout his lifetime. This special award goes to the highest scored horse in all classes owned and bred by the exhibitor. It was won by the two-year-old filly AJ Barakah (AJ Marzian – Princess of Justice) owned and bred by Ajman Stud with a score of 93.33. Not only was the quality in her class exceptional, but also Ajman Stud fillies took the first three places! No mean feat. Meanwhile the Emirates Cup for the highest scored UAE bred horse in the Championships went to the stallion D Marj with 93.50, he was bred by Dubai Stud and is now owned by Hamed Mohsen Nasser Mubarak Al Harthi. He had received three twenties each for type and head and neck and one for movement. An outstanding result for this beautiful grey son of Reserve World Champion Col Cora and multi champion Maraji.*

*H.E. Sheikh Zayed Bin Hamed Al Nahyan, Supervisor General of EAHS arrived to enjoy the final Championships and to present the judges and all the hard-working team with a token of thanks for their efforts. One person who deserves special mention for his work is the remarkable commentator Mr Abdallah Albarmaki, who provided a constant flow of information and results in both Arabic and English throughout the six days of the show, not only to those of us attending but to the television as well. Thank you Mr Abdallah, it can truly be said you had both the first and last word.*

*Arabian Essence provided full internet coverage and all the results are available on their website. □*



# YEARLING FILLIES

## **GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION**

**SQ DANNANER**

AJ DINAR X GHANAJ AL SHAQAB

B&O: ALSAQRAN ARABIAN HORSE STUD



## **SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION**

**GAYAHEP AL AALYA**

FA EL RASHEEM X GHAZALAH ALAALYA

B&O: AL AALYA ARABIAN HORSE STUD



## **BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION**

**RABOoba AL HAWAJER**

DOMINIC M X LLUCKYSTAR

B&O: DR. GHANEM MOHAMED OBAID ALHAJRI



# LOCAL CHAMPIONSHIP

## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

### HAYZOOM

FA EL RASHEEM X FT SHAELLA

B&O: ZIAD ABDULLA IBRAHIM GALADARI



# YEARLING COLTS



## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

### MUHAB BHM

S.M.A.MAGIC ONE X MADEMOISELLE

B&O: BIN HUMAILA ARABIAN HORSE STUD



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

### A. L. R. ASEEL

FA EL RASHEEM X D NOORAH

B&O: YOUSIF MOHAMED ALI MOHAMED ALRASHEED



## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

JA LAYALI AL JAZEERA

SHANGHAI EA X RS ALEXIA

B: AL JAZEERA ARABIAN HORSE STUD

O: SALEH OMAR BINHAIDER ARABIAN HORSE STUD



JUNIOR  
FILLIES



## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

ERALDINIA F

EMERALD J X ENEZJA

B: FALBOREK ARABIANS

O: BIN HUMAILA ARABIAN HORSE STUD



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

AJ MARMARA

SHANGHAI EA X HED AB MARIA

B: AJMAN STUD

O: RAS AL KHAIMAH ARABIAN HORSE STUD



# LOCAL CHAMPIONSHIP

## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

D MASHJI

SHANGHAI EA X D JOWAN

B: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD

O: RAS AL KHAIMAH ARABIAN HORSE STUD



JUNIOR  
COLTS



## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

ANED AL HAWAJER

E.S. HARIR X BESSON DREAMS

B&O: DR. GHANEM MOHAMED OBAID ALHAJRI



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

D SAMED

FA EL RASHEEM X D FITOON

B: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD

O: MOHAMED HUSSAIN EISA YOUSIF ALDARMAKI



## **GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION**

**D MARMARAH**

AJMAN MONISCIONE X D NOORAH

B: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD

O: MOHAMMED AL JAWAAN SALEM MUBARAK AL SHAMSI



**SENIOR  
MARES**



## **SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION**

**CERVINIA**

ENZO X CERELIA

B: SK JANOW PODLASKI

O: AHMED SAEED MOHAMED SAYAH ALHAMELI



## **BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION**

**D GHANEEEMAH**

KAHIL AL SHAQAB X D AZIZA

B: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD

O: AL NOOR ARABIAN HORSE STUD



# **LOCAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

### MOGEB ATHBAH

FADI AL SHAQAB X SADEEM ATHBAH

B: ATHBAH STUD

O: MOHAMED AHMED ABDULLATIF AHMED AL ALI



# SENIOR STALLIONS



## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

### KA ASEEL ALMAJD

NAJJAR X ZA MARINKA

B: NADINE KOO

O: AL SAFENAT ARABIAN HORSE STUD



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

### BARAG AL JOHARAH

DON GIOVANNI J X BEATRICE

B&O: JASIM MOHAMMED ABDULLA ALSHAER ALNAQBI









## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

D A'ASALEYYAH

FA EL RASHEEM X ELLE FLAMENCA

B&O: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD

YEARLING  
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## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

BARAQAH AL HAWAJER

DOMINIC M X JAMEELAH AL HAWAJER

B&O: DR. GHANEM MOHAMED OBAID ALHAJRI



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

JOREYYAT AL BUSTAN

FA EL RASHEEM X BS NARJES

B&O: AL BUSTAN STABLES



# NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

D MEZYAN

FA EL RASHEEM X D MAZAIA

B&O: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD



# YEARLING COLTS



## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

MUTABAHI AL HAWAJER

FA EL RASHEEM X ZT MAGRUMI

B&O: DR. GHANEM MOHAMED OBAID ALHAJRI



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

AL ARYAM SHKLAAN

EXCALIBUR E.A. X AL ARYAM SHAKEERA

B&O: AL ARYAM ARABIANS



## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

**RK SADEEM**

MAGID MONISCIONE X BV ESPECIALLY STIVANA

B: RASHED KHALED ALANSAN (SHAZIN STUD)

O: JAMAL MOHAMMAD SALEH AL BALOOSHI



**JUNIOR  
FILLIES**



## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

**AJ MASARI**

FA EL RASHEEM X AJ MARATEB

B&O: AJMAN STUD



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

**RAW'AH AL BUSTAN**

FA EL RASHEEM X FAJER AL BUSTAN

B&O: AL BUSTAN STABLES



# NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

MAHBOOB AL HAWAJER

FA EL RASHEEM X IILUMINATE

B&O: DR. GHANEM MOHAMED OBAID ALHAJRI



JUNIOR  
COLTS



## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

MAYAS AL MAYAS

DOMINIC M X KKOQUETTE TT

B&O: AL MAYAS ARABIAN HORSE STUD



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

SQ SHADDAD

FA EL RASHEEM X AJ LAILAC

B: ALSAQRAN ARABIAN HORSE STUD

O: ABDULLA MOHAMED KHALAF AHMED ALOTAIBA



## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

ELIXIR OF SHANGHAI E.A.

SHANGHAI EA X ESSENCE OF MARWAN EA

B: GANADERIA AGROPECUARIA DE MOIANES

O: SHEIKH MOHAMMED SAOUD SULTAN S ALQASSIMI



SENIOR  
MARES



## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

D KHATTAFAH

ROYAL COLOURS X D JOWAN

B: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD

O: AL JUWAHER ARABIAN HORSE STUD



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

FS VENEZUELA

VERVALDEE X FS MADELINE

B: FRANK SPOENLE

O: KHALED GHANEM MUBARAK ALOMAIRI



# NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

## GOLD MEDAL CHAMPION

### SQ BURKAN

SHANGHAI EA X LL ZAMIRA

B: ALSAQRAN ARABIAN HORSE STUD

O: AHMAD MOHAMED KHALAF AHMED ALOTAIBA



# SENIOR STALLIONS



## SILVER MEDAL CHAMPION

### GALL OF SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI EA X GALLIA

B: STANISLAW SLAWINSKI

O: BAKHEET SAEED BAKHEET NOUBI ALKETBI



## BRONZE MEDAL CHAMPION

### DANDI MPE

SHANGHAI EA X FALLUJA MPE

B: FARIMA SOC. AGRICOLA

O: JASIM MOHAMMED ABDULLA ALSHAER ALNAQBI





## SHEIKH ZAYED AWARD

AJ BARAKAH AJ MARZAN X DA PRINCESS OF JUSTICE  
AJMAN STUD



## EMIRATES CUP

D MARJ MARAJI X COL CORA  
HAMED MOHSEN NASSER MUBARAK AL HARTHI



**SPECIAL AWARDS**