



The 25th SHARJAH INTERNATIONAL

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Sharjah is the third largest emirate in the United Arab Emirates, and is the only one to have land on both the Persian Gulf and the Gulf of Oman. It is a unique place where the tradition blends perfectly with modernity. A prosperous and modern state that retains the traditions of its Islamic culture and is commonly considered the Cultural Capital of the United Arab Emirates.

The city of Sharjah is home to many museums with splendid collections of artifacts and art as well as exhibits on science and natural history. The Emirate of Sharjah also host many cultural festivals, educational conferences, fairs and economic expositions.

Sharjah is also a birth place of the first equestrian club in the United Arab Emirates - The Sharjah

Equestrian and Racing Club (SERC), which was established in 1982 under the patronage of H.H. Sheikh Dr. Sultan Bin Mohammed Al Qasimi, Member of the Supreme Council and Ruler of Sharjah. This comprehensive equine establishment covers an area of 2.8 km² and is home to the one of the largest indoor riding facilities in the Middle East. SERC has been at the forefront of encouraging equine sports in the United Arab Emirates and continuously it hosts numerous equestrian events. One of the main goals in establishing the SERC is to showcase the highborn and elevated progeny of Arabian horses and to encourage the breeding of this noble horse to increase its pedigree.

The year 2024 granted us an opportunity and privilege



ARABIAN HORSE *Festival*

to enjoy and to celebrate the 25th edition of the Sharjah International Arabian Horse Festival and it was a celebration indeed. The festival lasted four days. During the first three days we enjoyed the the beauty of arabian horses competing with each other and the fourth day rewarded us with the competition of senior stallions and with the championships where the best of the best horses of the show presented their beauty, quality and movement.

It all took place on the outdoor arena specially prepared for the event in the traditional and elegant arabian style. Just as in previous editions of the festival the organisers did their best to ensure that everyone felt welcome and that everything was perfectly prepared and going well. The weather was also very welcoming and sunny

and the atmosphere of the show was very enjoyable. The arena was very well prepared to handle the large amount of horses that entered the show ground and the horses did their best to show their unique qualities to the gathered audience. This ECAHO A Show was judged by the international panel of judges: Mrs. Claudia Darius (Germany), Mr. Eric Gear, Mr. Lucas Goździalski (Poland), Mr. Nashaat Hegazy (Egypt), Mr. Christian Moschini (Italy), Mr. Gideon Reisel (Netherlands), Mr. Tamas Rombauer (Hungary), Mrs. Martine Van Hee (Belgium) and Mrs. Michaela Weidner (Germany).

We really enjoyed this festival, the emotions and the atmosphere that it has to offer -you have to see it for yourself. □

Yearling Fillies



Gold Medal **D ROWA**

FA EL RASHEEM X D RAWYANAH

B/O: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD

Yearling Colts



Gold Medal **RASHEEQ ALBIDAYER**

RAOUD AL BIDAYER X WARD AL BIDAYER

B/O: SHEIKH MOHAMMED SAOUD
SULTAN S ALQASSIMI



Junior Fillies



Gold Medal **MALIKAH ALBIDAYER**

RAOUD AL BIDAYER X AJA ATHENA

B/O: SHEIKH MOHAMMED SAOUD
SULTAN S ALQASSIMI

Junior Colts



Gold Medal **RD RAJAN**

POLIDORO FC X RD QUIANNA

B: MURRAY OR SHIRLEY POPPLEWELL
O: NAYLA HAYEK



Senior Mares



Gold Medal D AZIZA

AJMAN MONISCIONE X MIDNIGHT KISS J

B: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD

O: NAYLA HAYEK

Senior Stallions



Gold Medal **E.S. SARAB**

MARAJJ X MAHJESTY

B/O: SHEIKH ABDULLA BIN MAJID
ALQASSEMI







Yearling Fillies



Silver Medal

MHS SORA

EKS FARAJJ X NOOF

B: SAUD ALHAJRI - O: MUBARK ALKHASHAB/ALKHASHAB STUD



Yearling Colts



Silver Medal **HA EXCELLENT**

EXAGON OS X MARYSE OS
B: BELUGA ARABIANS - O: NAYLA HAYEK



Junior Fillies



Silver Medal

D ASERAH

AJ NOFAN X D SHIHANAH
B/O: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD



Junior Colts



Silver Medal

E.S. WADI

AJ KAFU X E.S. WED

B/O: SHEIKH ABDULLA BIN MAJID ALQASSEMI



Senior Mares



Silver Medal

AJ SAJWA

SHANGAI EA X AJ SAWAHI
B: AJMAN STUD - O: NAYLA HAYEK



Senior Stallions



Silver Medal

D SAMED

FA EL RASHEEM X D FITOON

B: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD - O: MOHAMED HUSSAIN EISA YOUSIF ALDARMAKI







Yearling Fillies

Bronze Medal RANEEM ALBIDAYER

RAOUD AL BIDAYER X RANIA AL BIDAYER
B/O: SHEIKH MOHAMMED SAOUD SULTAN S ALQASSIMI



Yearling Colts

Bronze Medal SAMI AL ZOB AIR

LAHAB ALBIDAYER X STAR OF AL ZOB AIR
B/O: SHEIKH ABDULLA BIN MOHAMMED ALI ALTHANI

Junior Fillies

Bronze Medal E.S. SHARJAH

E.S. SARAB X E.S. RASHEEDAH
B/O: SHEIKH ABDULLA BIN MAJID ALQASSEMI



Junior Colts

Bronze Medal HA EXTRAH

EXCALIBUR EA X RAHAF AL HAWAJER
B: GANADERIA LAS PLANAS - O: NAYLA HAYEK

Seniore Mares

Bronze Medal D JUDI

AJ AZZAM X ELLE FLAMENCA
B/O: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD



Senior Stallions

Bronze Medal STAR FARID

RFI FARID X EKS STAR OF AFRICA
B: WOJCIECH PARCZEWSKI - O: AL JUWAHER ARABIAN HORSE STUD

Special Award



Highest Score **DAZIZA**

AJMAN MONISCIONE X MIDNIGHT KISS J

B: DUBAI ARABIAN HORSE STUD
O: NAYLA HAYEK



