

ARABIAN HORSE 2020 WEEKEND

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Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Arabian Horse Weekend, the Netherlands' most famous outdoor Arabian horse show that originally was scheduled for 16 & 17 May, was held in the weekend of 22 & 23 August. Besides a new date, also the location was new. It was for the first time at the Dutch Equestrian Estate in Schaijk where the Stoop family organized this wonderful event again, with over 150 entries. A lot of enthusiastic Arabian horse lovers and other spectators gathered around the arena, being happy that the show did go on!

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The Arabian Horse Weekend this year consisted of an ECAHO National C Show, an ECAHO International C Show and a Straight Egyptian Cup. The setup for the National and International C Shows was the same as back in 2018. All horses, whether participating nationally, internationally or both, had to trot together only one time in their respective class. The judges would mark all the horses as usual, resulting in a ranking. From that ranking first the International C Show participants would be lined up in order of the results, after which the national participating



horses would remain or join, as the case may be, for the lineup of the National C Show results. The team of judges for this weekend consisted of Mr. Aragno from Italy, Mr. Gear from France, Mr. Reisel from the Netherlands, Mr. Rota from Italy, Mr. Tarczynski from Poland and Mrs. Weidner from Germany, varied judging of four out of six per class. For this article, I limit myself to the top 5 of horses in case a class consisted out of more than five horses. For further results I refer to the website of Arabian Essence (www.arabianessence.tv).

The first class for the C Shows started at 8.30 am and it was

the class of yearling fillies group A. Seven out of nine entries entered the arena, all participating for the International show only. The first place, with two times 20 on type and one 20 on head and neck, went to the beautiful bay filly RDS Exquisite (Excalibur EA x Angelica KS), bred by Eiad and Amira Safady from the Netherlands and owned by Al Orasia Stud from Bahrain. A real eyecatcher with lots of size and attitude. I was also very impressed by the second place Luzia N (Calypso OS x Fer Lisaline), bred and owned by Hanaya Arabian Stud from Switerland. She is a very refined grey filly, which is really showy and has a great tail carriage. That she can also move appears from the fact that

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she won the award for best movement of the class. ROE Caramella TRF (Falah Al Shaqab x ROE Ameera), bred and owned by E. Whitlow from the United Kingdom, is a stretchy mover and it was because of her marks on movement that she won the ex aequo ranking from the classical, showy beauty Daliria J (Excalibur EA x Dalia J), bred and owned by Jadem Arabians from Belgium. It was Olympia O (Magic Magnifique x GM Marwan Al Shakira), bred and owned by Sweden Arabian Stud from Sweden that closed the top 5.

The second class of the day was the class of yearling fillies group B. Eight entries in this class of which six competed only International, one both National and International and one National only. Bourhani Bellavera (RFI Farid x Bourhani Fadissima), bred and owned by Bourhani Arabians from Germany, rightly so took the first place in the International ranking and won the award for best movement of the class. A very handsome, feminine filly a deep dark

chestnut color. Almarie EA (Emerald J x BTS Lily May), bred by Esperanza Arabians from the USA and owned by Nesma Stud from Saudi Arabia, ended as second, a very appealing bay filly. Mouna DA is a very expressive bay daughter of Naseem Al Rashediah out of Mystica Maghi, who trotted to the third place for her breeder and owner Danubius Arabians from Romania. BA Noya (Magic Magnifique x Magic Nadima), bred and owned by Bembom Arabians from the Netherlands, also moved really nicely and was placed fourth. The grey Ab'shrouk (ES Sarab x Mahriah), bred by Mrs. J. Kennedy & Ms. E. Maxwell from the United Kingdom and owned by Abdulla Al Sulaiti from Qatar made the top five of the International ranking of the class complete. For the National show the first place went to another expressive moving Naseem Al Rashediah daughter, the grey Forelock's Yvy Rose (out of Forelock's Ynicon), bred and owned by Forelock's Arabians from the Netherlands, who clearly enjoyed the showing off. The



International fourth placed BA Noya was placed second in the National show.

Six out of seven entries showed up in the class of two year old fillies group A, of which five participated for the International show and two for the National show only. Here it was the very refined chestnut Inayah RC (RFI Farid x Inspired Princess Natalia), bred the Royal Cavalry of Oman and owned by the combination Falcon Arabians and Ulrichsdal Arabians from Denmark, that took the first place with a score of 91.44 and the award for best movement of the class. Another pretty chestnut, the very show D June (FA El Rasheem x Maryse OS), bred by Dubai Stud and owned by Afifi Arabians from Israel placed second, followed by Kithara KA (WH Justice x Kinshasa JA) bred and owned by Knocke Arabians from Belgium. Sedonaa (Santorini x Petraa), bred and owned by A.P. Cozens from the United Kingdom closed the ranking for the International show. In

the National show the first place went to the beautiful Silver Starlight BJ (Master Design GA x Silver Martina BJ), bred by Mr. & Mrs. Jones of Bychan Arabians from the United Kingdom and owned by Forelock's Arabians. An already quite matured grey filly in size, with strong movements and a good stand up. She was followed by Missoula J (RFI Farid x Maja J), bred by Jadem Arabians and owned by W. Hermans from the Netherlands.

In the class of two year old fillies group B there were six out of seven entries, with four horses participating for the International show and two horses participating for the National Show. It was the stunning grey mare Amaltea Regalis (Vivaldi Regalis x Grisabeel Chandra), bred by Regalis Arabians from Italy and owned by Hanaya Arabian Stud, that won the class with a wonderful two times 20 for type. She really honors her name, she is a regal mare! Alexandra RC (FA El Rasheem x Amabelle), bred and

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GOLD NATIONAL COLT & NATIONAL BEST IN SHOW BEST DUTCH ARABIAN HORSE



VIDAR AL SAHIDI

(Ali Khan x Valeta F)

owner: A.C.J.M Oomen

owned by the Royal Cavalry of Oman, however followed closely, also with two times 20 on type. To me she was a real eyecatcher, a bay mare of an outstanding beauty and quality that almost took the win. Maliha RC (RFI Farid x Marwanat Alapeyat), bred by the Royal Cavalry of Oman and owned by the combination Falcon Arabians and Ulrichsdal Arabians, was placed third and this pretty bay also won the award for best movement of the class. The ranking for the International show was completed with Juliana MR (Shanghai EA x HA Justivah), bred and owned by M. Reuschel from Germany, on the fourth place. The first place in the National show went to MT Morning Rose T (Elle Narcisse x Rohara Morning Glory NA), bred by Tingshagen & Tara Arabians from Sweden and owned by Ms. F. Cornet from the Netherlands. A petite bay filly with a great neck and beautiful stand up. Second placed was the refined and high legged KA Emina (Wadee Al Shaqab x Ema), bred and owned by Koo Arabians from the Netherlands. When

gaining more self-confidence, this young filly, with a good front, will undoubtedly do better next time.

Five out of six entries in the class of three year old fillies group A, in which three horses participated in the International show and two horses in both the International and National show. It was a class with five shades of grey. The first place, as well as the award for best movement of the class, went to Duchess Amayyaa DMC (Aja Angelo x Amaliaa), bred and owned by Arabians Imperial from the United Kingdom. A grey mare of outstanding beauty, that was here to defend her title that she won last year at the Arabian Horse Weekend 2019. Shanmark GK (Shanghai EA x H Embark H), bred by Kesseem Boaron from Israel and owned by Al Thumama Stud from Qatar, is a very feminine filly who made it a worthy competition against the number one. IEA Yemaya (LB Genesis x Yusriyyah), bred and owned by Idol's Eye Arabians from the Netherlands, had won the

GOLD JUNIOR FILLY

MT MORNING ROSE

(Elle Narcisse x Rohara Morning Glory NA)
owner: Ms. F. Cornet



GOLD JUNIOR STALLION

KA KHALUA

(Luigi x Khabala)
owner: Koo Arabians

Bronze Medal Junior Fillies at the Elran Cup earlier this season. This pretty filly was a bit impressed by the surroundings but nevertheless took a well-deserved third place. The bright white Zgold Jadore (Frisbee Settimocielo x GS Lloret de Mar), bred by F. Zingales from Italy and owned by Brugman Arabians from Belgium, had the fourth place right in front of Kizbe Bernadette (Excalibur EA x Helena), bred and owned by Karin Zeevenhoven from the Netherlands who completed the International ranking as fifth. An impressive filly with good stand up, who's movement was a bit lacking unfortunately. In the National show the ranking was IEA Yemaya on the first place with Kizbe Bernadette on the second.

The five fillies that entered the arena for the class of three year old fillies were all competing only for the International show. The Elran Cup 2020 winner AJ Tiran (AJ Mardan x Amyra bint Khidar), bred by Ajman Stud and owned by

Hanaya Arabian Stud is a white beauty, with size and an impressive front. She was placed first with a 20 for type and also the award for best movement of the class. The second placed bay mare Waleyah (Emerald J x Walena), bred and owned by Husted Arabians from Denmark, moved a bit flat but really made up in her beautiful stand up. The in my eyes really striking mare Hypatia ZB (Santorini x Helena), bred by Mr. B. & Mrs. Z Bermingham from the United Kingdom and owned by Mrs. E. Clare & Mrs. A. Harris from the United Kingdom, was placed third which in my opinion could have been higher. Safiah RC (SMA Magic One x EKS Shakira) bred by the Royal Cavalry of Oman and owned by the combination Falcon Arabians and Ulrichsdal Arabians was placed fourth and the ranking was closed by Saharaa Nicefora (Sabea Al Sahraa x VS Nefertari), bred by G. Vetro from Italy and owned by Al Jazzar Stud from Israel.

With all classes for junior fillies done, the Saturday morning

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GOLD FILLY FOAL

ALAMARA

(Ali Khan x Musica)

owner: Paula Böhmer



GOLD GELDING

MAGHROR AL SHAHANIA

(Monther Al Nasser x Hababa Al Shahania)

owner: Koo Arabians

ended with the championship for junior fillies of the National C Show. The National gold medal went to the bay beauty MT Morning Rose T, followed by IEA Yemaya with a silver medal and Silver Starlight BJ gaining the bronze. After this championship there was a break with a lavish lunch as we are used to from Ine Stoop and her team.

After the break it were five out of the six entries that were present in the class of filly foals including championship. Two foals were competing only in the International show, two foals both International and National and one only National. The outstanding mover CBA Mona Lisa (Excalibur EA x Maharani CF), bred and owned by Clause Bouche of Bouche Arabians from Germany, won the first place with four times (!) 20 for type and three times 20 for movement. This filly, that we also know as the Elran Cup 2020 winner, really is a stunner and with a first place in her class and the award for best movement of the class, she

again won the gold medal in the filly foal championship! Second placed with a silver medal was the chestnut Alamara (Ali Khan x Musica), bred and owned by Paula Böhmer from the Netherlands. A refined filly from rare classical Russian bloodlines, with a good Arabian type. As third another Ali Khan daughter was to line up, the chestnut Jayali Bahirah D (out of Julia di Mar), bred and owned by Dede Kpabitey from the Netherlands, who really showed the best of herself. Jamilah (Maher Al Shahania x Narnia), bred by J. van Nispen tot Pannerden from Belgium and owned by G. Vandendwije from Belgium closed the ranking for the International show. In the National show the filly foal class including championship was won by Alamara with the gold medal, followed by Jayali Bahirah D with the silver medal and the Straight Egyptian Kiwi Al Sham (Ezz Al Rashediah x Kinda Al Sham), bred and owned by Mahmoud Anzarouti of Sham Stables from the Netherlands, as third with the bronze medal.

GOLD SENIOR MARE

MAJEEDA KA

(Mikado KA x Magnums Tulip)

owner: Bombom Arabians



GOLD SENIOR STALLION

ALI KHAN

(Cavalli x Althea)

owner: Paula Böhmer

The following class was that of the colt foals including championship, in which not less than ten foals participated. Two foals participated only in the International show, five participated both International and National and three participated National only. I don't know if I can make an objective assessment of this class, as I was participating myself, but I'll do each horse honest as much as possible! The class was won by my own bred colt Vidar Al Sahidi (Ali Khan x Valeta F), with a score of 93.13, containing one 20 for type and four times 20 for movement. He therewith won the award for best movement of the class as well as the gold medal in the championship. I knew how he could show at home, but how he presented himself in the arena was beyond all expectations and I was really pleased with his attitude and performance. The second placed foal with the silver medal was the great Salvador d'Ali (Ali Khan x ASE Sayuri), bred and owned by Paula Böhmer. A grey colt that has a regal appearance

and arrogant look, also moving very well awarded with two times 20. CB Galaxy (Excalibur EA x Gypsy Love NA), bred and owned by Brugman Arabians, was already a mere matured colt with a very macho attitude. A great performer that we also saw before this season at the Elran Cup 2020, now gaining the bronze medal. A nice side note is that his breeder and owner, Claudia Brugman, is the registered breeder of Ali Khan, the sire of the gold and silver medal winner in this class! The well build Nafiesha Mazeed (Emerald J x Nafiesha Malika), bred and owned by Nafiesha Arabians from the Netherlands, took the fourth place in the International show, with Cy-Kanz DM (Kanz Albidayer x Cymenka), bred and owned by D. Meijerman from the Netherlands, closing the International ranking. In the National championship it was again my colt Vidar Al Sahidi that took the gold medal, followed by Salvador d'Ali with the silver medal and Nafiesha Mazeed taking the bronze. Cy-Kanz DM and the Straight Egyptian Mandoub

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STRAIGHT EGYPTIAN

GOLD SE JUNIOR FILLY

DANA AL RASHEDIAH

(Jamil Al Rayyan x Maleeha Al Rashediah)
Al Rashediah Stud



GOLD SE JUNIOR COLT

MOEZ EZZAMAN

(Theeb Al Rayyan x Majedah Al Sharbatly)
owner: Al Wakeel Stud

Al Sham (Ezz Al Rashediah x Mervat Al Sham), bred and owned by Sham Stables, completed the top five in the National show.

The foal classes were round up with the election of the Best Straight Egyptian Foal, which battle was between stable mates Kiwi Al Sham and Mandoub Al Sham. It was the colt foal Mandoub Al Sham that in the end got this honor on its name.

After the foals the classes for senior mares commenced, starting with the class for mares of four to six years old. Twelve out of the thirteen entries entered the arena, of which six only competed in the International show, two participated both International and National and four participated only National. The first place went to the very elegant and good moving grey mare Caza Al Soor (AJ Fawaz x TCR Rain Dancer), bred and owned by Al Soor

Stud from Kuwait. This striking mare also won the award for best movement of the class with one time 20 for movement. With four time 20 on type, the white pearl Bianca AL (Halyr Meia Lua x Giuliana El Shawan), bred by Agropec Leopodina Ltda from Brazil and owned by Hanaya Arabian Stud, closely approached the first place of the class and with minimal difference in points placed second. The mare Diyannaa (ZT Marwteyn x Diya Forx), bred by Psynergy Enterprise Developments LLC from the USA and owned by Nesma Stud placed third, also with a score of over 91! Brazilian National Silver Champion mare RFI Sensation (Jazeer de Wiec x RFI Sophie Al Maktub), bred by Santo Antonio da Bela Vista and owned by Hanaya Arabian Stud, placed fourth in this though class, with the grey Maya AS (Marwan Al Shaqab x Majalina), bred by Arabian Soul Partners from the USA and owned by De Cartherey Arabians from France, closing the ranks of the International show and therewith also the scores over 90). The ranking for

GOLD SE SENIOR MARE

OEJ MONA MIRA

(Simeon Sharav x Monet KA)

owner: Eiad and Amira Safady



GOLD SE SENIOR STALLION SE BEST IN SHOW

SAFEER BY SIBILLA

(MG Magic Ghassan x Magic Sibilla)

owner: Hanaya Arabian Stud

the National show was led by the bay beauty Majeeda KA (Mikado KA x Magnums Tulip), bred by Knocke Arabians and owned by Bembom Arabians, winning with a score of 89.75. Maybelle CJ (Psytdel x SA Natsarah), bred by James Swaenepoel from Belgium and owned by H. Nooijen from the Netherlands, followed as second with a minimal difference of 0.19 points and the feminine Bent El Shahmaan (Om El Shahmaan x Euphoria), also bred by James Swaenepoel and owned by Koo Arabians, with her expressive big black eyes ended third in this National class. The top five was completed by DS Amsah Bint Marvel (GR Marvel x Amilah), bred and owned by K.F. Verkerk from the Netherlands, as fourth and Ellyna KA (QR Marc x Elisa d'Elzenwalle), bred by Knocke Arabians and owned by S. Ackerman from the Netherlands, as fifth.

There were seven entries in the class of seven to nine year old mares, in which two horses participated International

only, three participated both International and National and two horses competed in the National show only. The grey Malaysia Tatur (Solaz J x Al Ghalia), bred by Hajerat Nasser from Isarael and owned by Tatur Nasser from Israel, conquered the first place with a score of 92.19. The in my eyes star of the class was the bay moving machine Potentilla (Ekstern x Panonia), bred by Janow Podlaski Stud from Poland and owned by Hanaya Arabian Stud. If the odd 19 besides three times 20 for movement would have been different she definitely would have had an ex aequo ranking! Nevertheless she won the award for best movement of the class. Also with a 20 for movement, it was another Polish mover named Metallica KA (QR Marc x Margotka) bred by Knocke Arabians and owned by Bembom Arabians, that placed herself as third. She is a quality bay mare with lots of expression! The exotic grey Cadanz Delayla (Shanghai EA x Cadanz Djamilah) bred and owned by Cadanz Arabians from the Netherlands, was allowed to line up as fourth, with

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GOLD GELDING



DJAHILL DE CROISSART

(Luigi x Circé de Croissart)

owner: I. Piens

the classical Polish mare Biga (Pilot x Bigamia), bred by Janow Podlaski Stud and owned by C. Schilperpoort from the Netherlands, closing the ranks of this International class. The National ranking had Metallica KA as winner, with Cadanz Delayla being placed second. The third place was taken by Giulietta (Hassan Ashiraf x Indiana T), bred by J.G. Liefers-Vriendts from Germany and owned by Shakova Arabians from the Netherlands, a chestnut mare that moved smoothly. Polish bred Habibate Epilogia (Pilot x Eola), bred by S. Pattyn from Belgium and owned by H. Nooijen from the Netherlands, was allowed to line up fourth with the other Pilot daughter Biga completing the top five.

In the class of mares ten to fifteen years old, there were three competitors, two of which were International competitors and one participating both International and National. The beautiful Astrea Del Ninfeo (Ajman Moniscione x Moddell JM), bred by Magi Mario Arturo

from Italy and owned by the Royal Cavalry of Oman, won the class and also the award for best movement of the class. This mare has a great Arabian expression with beautiful big eyes and a good shaped jaw, which also appeared from two times 20 and two times 19.5 for type. ROE Lulwa (Marwan Al Shaqab x ZT Ludjbrosiaa), bred and owned by Round Oak Stud from the United Kingdom, had a real charming entrance during the presentation round, but lacked a bit of expression in her individual round, which resulted in a second place. The very feminine Floressah W (Bishr x Felesta W), bred by Mr. Blaak from the Netherlands and owned by Bembom Arabians, placed third, but was allowed to write the first place of the National show on her name.

The class for veteran mares of fifteen years and older had only one of the two entries present, as a result of which the classic beauty Manilah (Radames II x Marischka), bred by Schmidt from Germany and owned by Arabian Stud Europe

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GOLD YEARLING FILLY & BEST IN SHOW



RDS EXQUISITE
(Excalibur EA x Angelica KS)
owner: Al Orasia Stud

from the Netherlands won both the International and National class. This mare has the Best of Show title of the Arabian Horse Weekend 2007 on her name, a title also gained by her two grandsons ASE Faraaj (AHW 2013) and ASE Farhan (AHW 2019). Very nice to see this old queen of Talitha Bakker gaining this victory at the Arabian Horse Weekend again.

These classes of senior mare were followed by the championship for senior mares of the National C Show, wherein Majeeda KA won the gold medal, Cadanz Delayla took the silver medal and the gold medal's stable mate Metallica KA won the bronze.

The Saturday had the Straight Egyptian Cup as a capstone, starting with the class for Straight Egyptian junior fillies, including championship. Three of four entries were present and here the two year old Dana Al Rashediah (Jamil Al

Rayyan x Maleeha Al Rashediah), bred and owned by Al Rashediah Stud from Bahrain, won the gold medal, with great points for her exotic Arabian type, head and neck and movements, which latter was also awarded with the award for best movement of the class. The yearling CB Zsa Zsa Gabor (Haleem Al Safi x Guidamis S Fayfaan), bred and owned by Brugman Arabians won the silver medal and three year old Adeebah (Ashhal Al Rayyan x Najiba Guasimo) bred and owned by Paula Böhmer, closing the class with the bronze medal.

Also three entries in the class of Straight Egyptian junior colts, where three year old Moez Ezzaman (Theeb Al Rayyan x Majedah Al Sharbatly), bred by Ezzaman Stud from Egypt and owned by Al Wakeel Stud from Iraq, won the gold medal and the award for best movement of the class. Yearling Mahrouss SS (Kamal Ibn Adeed x Maaysa), bred by H. Nielsen from Denmark and T. Saida from Israel won the

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GOLD JUNIOR FILLY



AJ TIRAN

(AJ Mardan x Amyra bint Khidar)

owner: Hanaya Arabian Stud

silver medal and two year old Sadik Halim (ZT Malhaah x Halina Saqr), bred and owned by M. Ponnath, Ponnath Arabians, took the bronze to Germany.

Again three participants from four entries in the class including championship for Straight Egyptian senior mares, where nine year old OEJ Mona Mira (Simeon Sharav x Monet KA), bred b Orly and Ceylon Joseph from Israel and owned by Eiad and Amira Safady from the Netherlands, won the gold medal. A very beautiful grey mare that with her exotic exterior is a real ambassador of the breed. She also won the award for best movement of the class. The five year old Hanayah Amirah (Kenz Al Baydaa x Ameerat Al Hejra), bred and owned by Hanaya Arabian Stud, won the silver medal and four year old Salma Al Rashediah (Suhail Al Nasser x Sallamah Ezzain), bred and owned by Al Rashediah Stud, was placed third with the bronze medal.

Only two senior stallions participating in the last Straight Egyptian class of the day and by far Safeer by Sibilla (MG Magic Ghassan x Magic Sibilla), bred by Abagnale Marinella from Italy and owned by Hanaya Arabian Stud, outshined in this class, therefore winning the gold medal and the award for best movement of the class. Dutch bred Mansour KS (Al Sa'eedi x OEJ Mona Amira), bred by Eiad and Amira Safady and owned by Valdes Arabian Stud from the Netherlands, saw his mother win in the previous class and was himself allowed to take the silver medal home.

From all the Straight Egyptian gold medal champions, the judges crowned Safeer by Sibilla as Best in Show Straight Egyptians and with this trophy the Saturday of the Arabian Horse Weekend came to an end. All officials, trainers, owners and spectators went home for dinner and drinks and a good night of sleep, to come back again the next day for the continuation of the Arabian Horse Weekend.

INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

GOLD YEARLING COLT



RDS ARMANI

(Excalibur EA x Stellaris BPA)

owner: Eiad and Amira Safady

SUNDAY AUGUST 23

The Sunday started early at 8.30 am with the International and National C show class of junior geldings. A good filled class with eight geldings, of which five participated International only, two participated both International and National and one participated National only. The first place went to the very showy, expressive Djahill de Croissart (Luigi x Circé de Croissart), bred by Hars de Croissart from Belgium and owned by I. Piens from Belgium. A beautiful chestnut with light-footed, good movements, he also won the award for best movement of the class. The second place went to bay tyrant Emerald Jones (Emerald J x V Exotic Enchantress) bred and owned by Mr. & Mrs. Jones of Bychan Arabians, a very impressive horse. The chestnut gelding Ezra (Bourhani Aldebaran x Haniyyah), half-brother to world champion Admiraal (by Emerald J), bred by Mr. & Mrs. Jones of Bychan Arabians and owned by Mrs. J. Givens

from the United Kingdom, is an attractive gelding that was placed third and really resembles his father, especially in front, head and neck. The slender Cadanz Ghazal (Shiraz de Lafon x Cadanz Djamilah), bred and owned by Cadanz Arabians, was very impressed by everything he saw, including his own shadow, as a result of which he did not express himself as we are used of him. He therefore ended fourth with nevertheless a decent score. The very big Videll PKA (Psyttadel x Villina NVF), bred and owned by Petra Mulder of PeKa Arabians from the Netherlands, is a very well build and balanced horse, that still was a bit nervous in the ring but already improved since last time and rightly so gained its place within the top 5 of this International show. The ranking for the National Show was a first place for Cadanz Ghazal, a second place for Videll PKA and a third place for Habib's Bellissimo (ByStival Kossack x GB Habibi), bred by Brigitte Morees of Habib's Arabians from the Netherlands and owned by R. Smit from the Netherlands.

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GOLD JUNIOR COLT



EKS SIRAJJ

(Ibn Farid x EKS Bint Helwah)

owner: Hanaya Arabian Stud

This class was followed by the class for senior geldings where five competitors entered the arena, of which two competed International only, two competed both International and National and one National only. The first place went to the chestnut moving machine Ero'S RoleXx (Excalibur EA x Raville P), bred and owned by the Van Duyvenbode family from the Netherlands. A tall, expressive horse with remarkable white markings. He also won the award for best movement of the class. A second place was there for Amjad Al Adeyat (Ajman Moniscione x Aba Psynnamon), bred and owned by the Royal Cavalry of Oman, followed by a striking grey called Maghror Al Shahania (Monther Al Nasser x Hababa Al Shahania), bred by Al Shahania Stud from Qatar and owned by Koo Arabians. This horse each show is moving with ore 'schwung' and always presents a great stand up. AF Bryco (AF Umoyo x AF Baya), bred by Arabian Fantasie from the Netherlands and owned by J. van Nispen tot Pannerden

closed the ranking for the International show. In the National show it was again Ero's RoleXx that won, with Maghror Al Shahania this time on the second place and a third place for the Straight Egyptian gelding Rawad Al Sham (Naseem Al Sham x Reem Al Biwaibiya), bred and owned by Sham Stables.

These two gelding classes were followed by the championship for geldings of the National C Show, where Maghror Al Shahania won the gold medal to the joy of his owners, with the magnificent Ero's RoleXx gaining the silver medal and Cadanz Ghazal owning the bronze.

The show then continued with the class of yearling colts group A, where four of the five entries showed up, of which two participated International only and two participated National only. For the International show the first price went to Murana's Nader (Emerald J x Murana's Nabila),

INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

GOLD SENIOR MARE



BIANCA AL

(Halayr Meia Lua x Giuliana El Shawan)

owner: Hanaya Arabian Stud

bred by Mrs. M. Weidner of Murana Stud from Germany and owned by Jadem Arabians. A grey colt with solid body, legs and movement, that revealed his Polish/Russian roots and with which he won the award for best movement of the class, combined with an elegant and refined head and neck, making him a very pretty colt. The second place was for HO Bahadur (Wadee Al Shaqab x ZT Fardiyyah), bred by Easton Park Arabians from the United Kingdom and owned by MH Arabians from the United Kingdom. Also a balanced moving, more matured colt with an impressive appearance. In the National show it was KA Khalua (Luigi x Khabala), bred and owned by Koo Arabians, that won the class, a bay colt with very nice type, high legged and expressive looks. The more classic IEA Gracio (El Nabila B x Bess-Ginger), bred by Idol's Eye Arabians and owned by M. van Heiningen from the Netherlands, had a great entrance and took the second place.

Four of the six entries were present in the class of yearling colts group B, of which three participated only International and one participated both International and National. The well build colt RDS Armani (Excalibur EA x Stellaris BPA), bred and owned by Eiad and Amira Safady, took the first place, with his bulging eyes and great Arabian expression. He also won the award for best movement of the class. Tuareg AA (Jyar Meia Lua x Turkiz AA), bred by Ariela Arabians from Israel and owned by Hanaya Arabian Stud, gained the second place, an appealing grey with good front. The juvenile looking Sinbad Al Bahar (Dahman Al Mahder x Bess Me Simona), bred by Paula Böhmer and owned by Dave de Jong from the Netherlands, gained the third place, with his curious look and good type, and Hermes Nur (SA Faez Simbad x Mikaha Nur), bred by Nur Arabians from Italy and owned by Nasser Almalek from Qatar, closed the ranking as fourth. In the National show Sinbad Al Bahar took the win.

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GOLD SENIOR STALLION



ALI KHAN

(Cavalli x Althea)

owner: Paula Böhmer

In the class for two year old colts there were four participants of which three participated only International and one participated both International and National. It was EKS Sirajj (Ibn Farid x EKS Bint Helwah), bred by Elkasun Arabians from South Africa and owned by Hanaya Arabian Stud, who got the first place and the award for best movement of the class. This pretty grey colt is a full brother to world champion EKS Farajj. TFK Mansoor (Majd Al Rabi x SA Medea), bred and owned by TFK Stud from Bahrain, took a second place. Ex aequo with number two but just losing it on type, was Vigaz PKA (Gazal Al Shaqab x Villina NVF), bred and owned by Petra Mulder of PeKa Arabians, a well build horse with the real looks of Gazal Al Shaqab. JS Basheer (JS Badari x Helena), bred and owned by JS Najuba Arabians from Switzerland, completed the International ranking as fourth. Vigaz PKA furthermore claimed the first place in the class for the National show.

Again four participants in the class for three year old colts, where again three participants competed only International and one participated both International and National. Hamza Samjad (QR Marc x FS Thee Cinderella), bred and owned by Samjad Stud from Lebanon took the first place, a colt with good confirmation and type. Shareem RC (FA El Rasheem x EKS Shakira), bred and owned by the Royal Cavalry of Oman, took the second place but also the award for best movement of the class. Wakil Aljassimya (Al Ayal AA x WN Johara Aljassimya), bred by Aljassimya Farm from Qatar and owned by the Wakil Aljassimya Partnership from the United Kingdom, was allowed to line up as third. The compact bay Ace Ventura (SMA Magic One x BS Aisha), bred by Wenche Roefs from Belgium and owned by Chris van Schalkwijk from the Netherlands, was really showy with lots of gallantry and took the fourth place. In the National show Ace Venture did take the first place with his performance.

BEST DUTCH ARABIAN HORSE & GOLD COLT FOALS



VIDAR AL SAHIDI

(Ali Khan x Valeta F)

owner: A.C.J.M Oomen

The classes for junior colts were closed with the championship for junior colts of the National C Show and with a unanimous vote it was the beautiful KA Khalua that won the gold medal, followed by Sinbad Al Bahar with the silver medal and Ace Venture ending as third with the bronze medal. After this championship there was a lunchbreak, in which famous Dutch dressage rider Laurens van Lieren gave a clinic with his grand prix horse.

The afternoon continued with the classes for senior stallions and the class of four to six year old stallions was a nice, full class with 9 participants. Six horses participated only International, one participated both International and National and two participated National only. The first place in this class was for the wonderful Ali Khan (Cavalli x Althea), bred by Brugman Arabians and owned by Paula Böhmer. A chestnut with the greatest attitude, expressive looks, good type and tons of charisma. He really stole the

show and rightly so was placed first. Nice side note is that this stallion had four offspring competing at this show, who all four ended up with one or more medals. He was followed by Hagra Al Shaqab (Fadi Al Shaqab x Wind Kamelia), bred and owned by Al Shaqab Stud from Qatar, also a pretty chestnut that in type and head and neck just had to let Ali Khan go first. BS Karanji (AJ Mardan x Kadira), bred and owned by Brigitte Sprave from Germany, had an ex aequo ranking with Hagra Al Shaqab. This stallion looked magnificent: he was in great condition, really showed a good synergy with his handler and moved with strong passes, which was awarded with one 20 for movement and the award for the best mover of the class. CBA Matheus (Fadi Al Shaqab x Maharani CF), bred and owned by Claus Bouche of Bouche Arabians, is a very complete horse but could not match the performance of his half sister in the filly foals and had to agree on a fourth place. The bay VDB Kanz'anova (Kanz Albidayer x VDB Ma'ra Gold), bred and

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CBA MONA LISA

(Excalibur EA x Maharani CF)

owner: Clause Bouche of Bouche Arabians

owned by VDB Arabians from Belgium, took a win on type in the ex aequo ranking with number six and therefore was able to close the ranks as fifth. The ranking for the National show also had Ali Khan on the first place, with the second place being in the name of Rene's Dakharat (Amir Ashiraf x Bahiyaa), bred and owned by Natascha Bojawal from the Netherlands. This well developing grey shows great progress over the years with obviously the strong movements of his dam and the expressive attitude of his sire being present. Shadowfax (SMA Magic One x Chiara K), bred by Al Thani from Belgium and owned by Shakova Arabians from the Netherlands, made the line up in the National show complete as third.

For the next two classes of senior stallions, it is worth it to mention that in total sixteen times a score for movement was to be given by the judges and fifteen of the sixteen times this score was a 20! This shows that the stallions from earlier

days still can compete with the younger generations, even if their type may be more classic and their heads are less dished!

In the class of seven to fifteen year old stallions there were three stallions competing, of which one was competing only International, one was competing both International and National and one was competing National only. BB Escondhio (Amalfi x FA Jada), bred by Double B Arabians from the Netherlands and owned by F&M Arabians from the Netherlands, had his comeback in the showing after a few years and what a comeback it was. Together with his handler Isa van der Sluis he rocked the ring, with a beautiful score of 92 containing four times 20 for movement. This made that he also won the award for best movement of the class. Bernhard (Rohara Bacara x Tosca), bred by L.A. Stranges from Sweden and owned by Abdullah Al Anizi from Kuwait, closely followed but this grey guy had to settle for

BEST STRAIGHT EGYPTIAN FOAL



MANDOUB AL SHAM

(Ezz Al Rashediah x Mervat Al Sham)

owner: Sham Stables

the second place. In the National show the ranking also had BB Escondhio on the first place, followed by moving miracle Yanour Hayati (JK Catalyst x Yentl), bred and owned by Yildiz Arabians from the Netherlands, a stallion that never disappoints when it comes to movement, also now putting a four times 20 on his name.

The last class of veteran stallions of sixteen years and older had only one participant, participating in the International show only. Rohara Bacara (Padrons Psyche x Sidia), a nineteen year old senior bred by Rohara Arabians from the USA and owned by Falcon Arabians from Denmark, showed his style, his beauty and his wonderful movements, by setting a score of 92.56 with also four times 20 for movement. What a joy it is to watch this stallion!

With all halter classes done, the championship for senior stallions of the National C Show happened, with Ali Khan

being a unanimous gold medal winner, followed by BB Escondhio with the silver medal and Rene's Dhakarar conquering the bronze.

This championship was followed by the award for Best Dutch Arabian Horse of the weekend, which award was won by my colt foal Vidar Al Sahidi, who with a score of 93.13 had the highest total points of the Dutch registered horses competing International and/or National. And beyond all my expectations, Vidar Al Sahidi was also crowned Best in Show of the National C Show by the judges, maybe also because of the fact that he again showed like a rock star and became the crowd's favorite during the lineup of all gold medal champions.

After rounding up the National C Show, the championships of the International C Show took place, starting with the championship for geldings. The unanimous gold champion

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was the expressive Djahill de Croissart, followed by the imposing Ero's RoleXx with the silver medal for the Netherlands and the bronze Amjad Al Adeyat. The following championship of yearling fillies was rightly so won by the extreme beauty RDS Exquisite, with the elegant Luzia N gaining the silver medal and Almarie EA winning the bronze medal for Nesma Stud. In the junior fillies championship AJ Tiran put the gold medal on her name for Switzerland, with Alexandra RC taking the silver medal to the Sultanate of Oman. 2019's Gold medal winner Duchess Amaiyaa DMC had to settle for the bronze medal this year.

In the championship for junior colts it was a battle between horses, handlers and supporters, when under loud applause RDS Armani eventually took the gold medal, with the refined Murana's Nader taking the silver medal to Jadem Arabians and Tuareg AA winning the bronze medal for Hanaya Arabian Stud. Hanaya Arabian Stud then won the gold

medal in the championship for junior colts, when EKS Sirajj was unanimously crowned gold champion, followed by TFK Mansoor as silver medal champion and Hamza Samjad winning the bronze medal for Lebanon.

The last two championships were the senior mares and senior stallions, with Bianca AL winning the gold medal in the championship for senior mares, Astrea Del Ninfeo taking the silver and – the in my eyes favorite – Caza Al Soor settling for bronze. In the championship for senior stallions it was again Ali Khan who, to the joy of his owner Paula Böhmer was crowned gold medal champion, with Hagra Al Shaqab taking the silver medal home to Qatar and BB Escondido bringing tears of joy to his handler when winning the bronze medal.

There were still three special trophies to be awarded and the first was the Best Movement Trophy for the horse with the



highest points for movement during both days and, in case of a tie, with highest points on legs as a decisive result. This prestigious trophy was won by BB Escondhio, after which one really can speak of a proper come back to the show ring of this senior stallion, winning so many trophies in one day.

The trophy for Best Head was awarded to the pretty CBA Mona Lisa, being the horse with the highest points for head over the days and her breeder and owner Claus Bouche of Bouche Arabians was also awarded the Best Breeder/Owner award, since his filly foal had the highest points over the days while still being owned by her breeder.

As showstopper, the judges had to crown the Best in Show of the International C Show from all the gold medal champions, and this greatest honor went to the beautiful RDS Exquisite, a glorious filly that I have seen as a newborn foal and by then was already awed by her looks. This was

also the fifth Best in Show title at the Arabian Horse Weekend for handler Philippe Hosay, who therefore will be again on the Wall of Fame with a horse next year.

An exciting Arabian horse event came to an end. A show to which so many looked forward, a show of which we all feared it would not go on in these bizarre days of the COVID-19 pandemic, but which show was again perfectly organized and put together by the Stoop family! I think I speak on behalf of everyone who was present this weekend, being all sponsors, owners, trainers, handlers and spectators, as well as the 45.000 viewers worldwide that watched the livestream of Arabian Essence, when I say THANK YOU to Annelieke, Ine, Pieter and Ralf, for taking all your time and efforts to organize this show! I hope to see you all back at the Arabian Horse Weekend 2021, hopefully in a different, less stressful world! Until then, stay safe and healthy and enjoy the Arabian horse!