

The Jubilee, The Open Day and Hassan Ashiraf Welcome at Nana Arabians in Poland



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I will never forget the view of Hassan Ashiraf, coming out from the barns of Allevamento Il Paradiso, showing his true Arabian temperament. He caught me with his beauty, excellent shape, type and also something untouchable that one may call the beauty of completed art. I knew that this is what I was looking for my mares of Nana Arabians” – says Alicja Najmowicz, owner of the stud farm located in Southern Poland, with the house and barns designed in traditional old Polish cottage style. The name of the farm comes from the first mare brought to the stud from the former Kurozweki State Stud – Nana (Fawor x Nejtyczanka by Banat). She developed into the elegant kuhailan type mare and as 2 years old she brought home the rose ribbon for Polish National Junior Champion Filly Private Bred at 2000 Bialka Junior Spring Show. It

was not only the prevision of the future show successes nationally and internationally, but also the unquestionable consequence of the owners of the farm to reach the goal – Polish type Arabian horse.

„Our passion for Arabian horses is strong enough to force the breeding problems and so touching to be taken by the charm and charisma of an Arab horse” – Alicja Najmowicz said soon after establishing her stud. The breeding program first based on Polish mares bred to best Polish state studs bred stallions. After reaching the goal of the broodmares base, 12 years after starting the breeding Nana Arabians proudly informed about the lease of Hassan Ashiraf (by Amir Ashiraf) for 2011 season. Hassan is the son of one of the best stallions sired by multichampion and champion sire – WH Justice. Hassan himself has also several show titles on his account – including the important The Most Beautiful Head and Neck trophy in Italy. Leasing of foreign stallions by the private

farms is quite new for Polish market so it excites the breeders and local Arabian horse media. Alicja Najmowicz, in her interview for the popular polskiearaby.com website explained her decision: „Hassan Ashiraf is first of all very correct stallion with good Polish bloodlines in pedigree. As a descendant of WH Justice he has the typey, short, dishy face. This is why I think it's very interesting to have a closer look on him and his first progeny (about 40 foals) that will be born soon starting from January 2011. We are also looking forward that he will add some modern look to the mares in Poland – in our stud and not only. Additionally I had an opportunity to see the offspring of his sire – Amir Ashiraf in Italy and I have

noticed that he stamps the foals with the Arabian type, excellent heads and movement that were also an important reason for his successful lease to Brazil. I hope that all the stallions from his line, also Hassan, will be passing these features to their offspring. I already used Polish stallions widely in my breeding program and I think it's worth to introduce some new blood. What I can also say is that I simply like Hassan Ashiraf very much. When you lease a stallion you need to have a kind of breeding intuition and if I have it, we would see in one year”.

Carefully planned and widely promoted presentation of Hassan Ashiraf in Poland was organized



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with great style and a lot of additional attractions, soon before Christmas. The proof how big is an interest in Hassan Ashiraf, was the number of guests – that seemed to be more than the biggest expectations of the hosts! There were over 100 people at Nana Arabians during the Open Day and the group included not only the breeders and owners of Hassan – Rosanna and Giacomo Boscarino but also three other Italian studs were present - Victor Arabians, D'ell Arabite Arabians and Allevamento il Roncaccio, as well as the guests from Denmark - Barakah

Arabians and Knarreborg Arabians and of course a lot of breeders from Poland, Polish and international media – with Tutto Arabi itself! There were also some local government representatives interested in the event at Nana Arabians, all the show was pictured by several photographers and the horse presentation was accompanied by the painting exhibitions of the local artists. The presentation of selected broodmares, offsprings and the star of the day – Hassan Ashiraf was runned, thanks to Michalów State Stud, by their chief trainer and

handler, famous Mariusz Liškiewicz together with the staff of Michalów that was very kind to the idea of leasing of Hassan Ashiraf by neighboring Nana Arabians stud. Despite the strong freezing, a lot of snow and hard ground that was not easy to present the horses in movements the guests were impressed by the elegance and appearance of Hassan. His beautiful head with swan neck and correct body and legs were admired. Many of the visitors were also taken by his amazing, huge dark eye. After the traditional meal and aperitifs the event ended up with the individual

visits in the horse boxes and long talks by the fireplace. Those who decided to stay overnight had an opportunity to stay at the palace of the former Kurozwęki State Stud nearby and take part in the gala dinner. The Open Day was very fruitful for Nana Arabians. There was a very big interest in Hassan Ashiraf of the visitors and many other breeders that couldn't come but send a lot of emails inquiring for breeding – from both Poland and abroad. And it was not the only success of the day! Mrs Giovanna Agostoni of Allevamento Il Roncaccio was so impressed by



Over 100 guests from Poland, Italy and Denmark visited Hassan Ashiraf Welcome Party!



The leaser - Alicja Najmowicz & owner - Giacomo Boscarino with Hassan Ashiraf

Rosanna & Giacomo Boscarino and Urszula Leczycka & Simone Leo presenting Tutto Arabi Poland edition





Foundation mare - Nana (Favor x Nejtyczanka by Banat)



Nasira (Al Maraam x Nana) for 2011 on lease to Allevamento Il Roncaccio, Italy

one of the best mares of Nana Arabians – Nasira (Al Maraam x Nana), Top Five Polish Nationals and 2nd at Prague Intercup Internationals that she decided to lease the mare for 2011 to be bred to Fluke (WH Justice x Guendalina) full brother to Amir Ashiraf, sire of Hassan Ashiraf. Leasing the mares in Poland is also quite new in this country but Alicja Najmowicz has already proven her braveness in the breeding decisions – together with Hassan

Ashiraf she decided to lease also the very special mare from Italy - Tihanj, the daughter of first Triplecrowned stallion Esteem, sire of Triplecrowned Esteema. Tihanj is also known as a dam of super exotic filly Soraya Ashiraf (by Amir Ashiraf) sold to Iran as a weanling. Alicja Najmowicz explains the idea of leasing Tihanj this way: „Leasing of the mare is for us and the Polish market a very new way of having a foal by the stallion and mare of your



2009 filly Hayah (Poganin x Hedone)

choice without the costs of purchasing the mare. In Italy I saw the mare as well as her promising offspring by Amir Ashiraf – sire of Hassan and now the mare is already in foal to Hassan for us. It went so quickly because of the excellent quality of Hassans semen so the mare conceived to be in foal already before Hassans arrival in Poland. I would like to compare the produce of Hassan with Polish mares to the future produce of Tihanj. She is very elegant, excellent moving representative of Polish damline of Selma d.b., passing the refinement and good movements to her foals. I hope her foal by Hassan will have a very exotic face and his offsprings out of Polish mares should be for sure very correct with more modern look. If I was right we would also see in several months”. Following the brave and successful decisions soon after Hassan Ashiraf and Tihanj to the group of Nana Arabians horses joined very refined new born Amir Ashiraf filly, 3/4 sister to Hassan Ashiraf – named Harda (Amir Ashiraf x Lady Dueba el Zaid). Her perfectly exotic face spreads already a lot of emotions amongst those who saw her photos at Nana Arabians website or at her temporary home at Allevamento il Paradiso in Italy. What we can wish more to Nana Arabians? For sure many more breeding and show success in the coming future!

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