New prestigious event on Poland's stage



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Towever Poland since 200 years is amongst world's leading breeders of Arabian horses its capital city—Warsaw has been waiting for long time to hold the high level Arabian horse event. This year the dream came truth and the crowds of spectators from horse and non-horse industry have seen the first, hopefully not the last edition of

Polska-Arabia Arabian Horse Festival – the new prestigious show in ECAHO calendar under the patronage of Saudi Arabian Embassy in Poland. The place and the organizers may seem familiar to the international Arabian horse community. The event was located in the Royal Baths Park—the biggest park of Warsaw which history reaches XIIth century. It was being rebuilt and developed by several kings and queens of Poland through the years. Beautifully and

Polska-Arabia Arabian Horse Festival in Warsaw



comfortably located in the heart of Warsaw it is one of its main touristic places in Poland with Royal Palace, museums, theater on the water, restaurants, cafes and even own equestrian club. It's also a venue of many cultural events and some of the 2004 WAHO Conference program points were also hosted by Royal Baths Park. It's also just around the corner to the high level hotels, restaurants and other attractions of Warsaw with comfortable places for stabling

horses — what else is needed to organize a perfect Arabian horse show? - Good organizer for sure. The name of Polish Prestige and its leader Marek Grzybowski is familiar to all those who used to attend Janów Podlaski Arabian Horse Days before the year 2000 when Polish Prestige was the organizer of the event called Polish Prestige Sale that days. In cooperation with Hippica Varsovia Marek Grzybowski comes back to gather some of Polish best horses into the

Best in Show



Gold CATAKA (Ekstern x Gwarka)

Bełżyce Arabians





best place in Warsaw. With the support of Mr Waleed Taher Radwan – the Ambassador of Saudi Arabia in Poland and several other sponsors with Tutto Arabi as well they managed to introduce the event that gathered over 70 entries. The number is even more impressive to mention that Polish State Studs did not enter any of their horses. But if one may expect that it was a reason for lower level of competition it was certainly not true. The panel of judges:

Irina Stigler (Russia), Cedes Bakker (Netherlands), Richard Philstrom (France) and Anna Stojanowska (Poland) faced a really hard task especially in the female classes, as all most important Polish private farms entered their horses with some of internationally awarded stars in the catalog.

Junior colts championships were attended by the winners of two classes. Amongst them we could have seen some



Silver

EL PIATZOLLA

(WH Justice (US) x Enya) Podlesie Arabians

Bronze ECHO AURORA

(Eternity Ibn Navaronne -D (BE) x Echo Afrodyta) SK Chrcynno Pałac



Fillies

interesting crosses as Bir Ali ES (Porto-Bircza/Aslan) bred and owned by Bartlomiej Jankowski and Daniel Kwiatkowski in front of Simon Bey (Psytadel – Sarahbi Bey/Kubinec) from Nazaret Arabians – Top Five from 2011 Białka Show. But it was the elegant Bir Ali ES, debuting at the show competition, who leaded the class of yearlings and got the Bronze Junior Champion Stallion medal. Silver and Gold were grabbed by the elders – Maran (FS Bengali – Missouri/Wachlarz) from Kielnarowa who has the 3 bronze medals in his career so far (2 from Białka and one from Tulip Cup) won Gold this time being presented by Gerald Kurtz who is debuting with his new training center in Poland this season. Silver was interesting QR Marc son — grey Emarc (out of Eksterna) from Falborek Arabians. This colt was successfully shown in the past with 2nd place at Prague Intercup and 5th at Polish Nationals.



Gold MARAN (FS Bengali (DE) x

(FS Bengali (DE) x Missouri) SK Kielnarowa

Junior Female Championships as well as the classes qualifying to this category were the biggest pleasure for the spectators and the toughest task for judges. It also brought a lot of emotions. In the yearling class the unquestionable winner was a cute bay very dry and great moving filly Gataka (Ekstern – Gwarka/Monogramm) from Belżyce Arabians, strongly inbred to epochal sire Monogramm. She totally won the hearts of the judges beating not only her

extremely typey and royally bred class mate Echo Aurora (Eternity Ibn Navarrone-D — Echo Afrodyta/Piaff) from Chrcynno Palac but in the championships also such multiple champions as El Piatzolla (WH Justice-Enya/Ekstern) from Podlesie Arabians, that is not only several national and international shows champion title holder but also one of 2011 Pride of Poland stars. Finally Gataka was awarded with Gold Medal Junior Champion Mare, Echo Aurora was



Silver

EMARC
(QR Marc (US) x Eksterna)
Falborek Arabians

Bronze BIR ALI ES

(Porto x Bircza) Daniel Kwiatkowski i Bartłomiej Jankowski





given Bronze and El Piatzolla – Silver, making her breeders and trainer, Gerald Kurtz surely bit disappointed. But the quality and unquestionable decision of the judges in the matter of Gataka was confirmed at the end of the show once again...

Meanwhile the seniors competed with again breath taking quality in the females. We could have seen US-imported

Daisy FF (Da Vinci FM – AP Shaez Sassy/Bey Shah) from Grabów nad Pilicą Stud, class winner at Vilhelmsborg Ashow in the past, Wasa (WH Justice – Waresa/Empres) from Falborek, 2007 Białka Spring Show Reserve Champion, Egzyna (Eldon – Elganda/Monogramm) – beautiful Michałów-bred and owned by Janusz Ryżkowski or multichampion and one of the most interesting offers of 2011 Pride of Poland – Kashira (Magnum Psyche – Kahila IV)



Gold DAISY FF (Da Vinci FM (US) x AP)

(Da Vinci FM (US) x AP Sheez Sassy (US)) Tomasz Tarczyński

from Belżyce. They all deserved the medals but there are just three to be presented. This time Gold went to Daisy FF who developed well while in Poland after the race training and was in fantastic disposition winning her class sponsored by Tutto Arabi. Silver went to Egzyna and the Bronze to exotic Wasa. It was quite surprising the lack of such entitled Kashira within the awarded group, but the level of Senior Female Championships was so high that any of class

winners may have become a champion later on. As the representation of senior stallions was not so big they competed in one class and the results shown the medals winners already. The class sponsored by Mercedes was won by the interesting, show entitled in Poland and abroad, and surely one of most interesting Al Maraam sons — Elmaran (Al Maraam — Ekstera/Ekstern) bred and owned by Nazaret Arabians. He added another Gold medal to his career just



Silver

EGZYNA
(Eldon x Elganda)
Janusz Ryżkowski

Bronze WASA

(WH Justice (US) x Waresa)
Falborek Arabians



Mores

before being offered at Pride of Poland sale this year. Silver was the exotic Gazal Al Shaqab son imported from USA by Kielnarowa Stud – Ali Gazal LA (Gazal Al Shaqab – Yermeh Sangayla/Gayladdin). This brave and typey stallion after his show career in USA while at Andy Sellman, he continued his good starts in Poland being shown but also competing successfully in race and endurance! Bronze Medal went to the impressive and well

known from Polish and international show arenas as well as for his enormous breeding records in Polish program-Etnodrons Psyche (Padrons Psyche – Etnologia/Aloes). This fantastic show man and one of the rare Padrons Psyche sons in Europe was already placed second at Polish Nationals, now he reached Bronze Medal of 2011 Polska-Arabia Festival.



CGOID CELMADAN (Al Maaram (IL) x Ekst Nazaret Arabia (Al Maaram (IL) x Ekstera)

The show ended up with Best in Show awards that were a breath taking competition between the multiple champions and some cute yearling new comers on Polish stage. And the youth won! The Special Trophy with some extra awards were all presented by the large number of Saudi Arabia Embassy representatives to the yearling Gataka! The event was also accompanied by two riding competitions - Polish National Costume won by Echo Apollo (Piaff - Echo

Kallisto/Pamir) from Chrcynno Palace while Native Costume was won by his stable mate Galahad (Werbum -Granada/Monogramm).

The organizers of Polska-Arabia C national Show in Warsaw look forward to hold the international event in as nice atmosphere of fair competition, with such high level of organization and beautiful surroundings in the future as



during their first Warsaw event. We wish them well and hope to support the international event in Poland soon. And to encourage all those who may consider to come over and visit Poland for next year's edition of that show let's give the last word to one of the judges who had the opportunity to judge the first Polska-Arabia Festival, Cedes Bakker: "Nice atmosphere, very good place to organize a show and many private breeders were attending this show with very good horses. The quality of the junior fillies was excellent, junior colts good, mares excellent and the stallions also good. I was very impressed of the junior fillies at this show as they are the future. It's good to see that some people are taking the risk to organize a new show. I can everybody advise in Poland to send their horses to this show next year".