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The UK's end of season A Show was held as usual at Towerlands on August 28th-29th. Although there were not as many competitors from abroad as have attended in the recent past there were still 10 countries represented and many top quality Arabians on show. As well as the colts, fillies, mares and stallion classes there were also 2 classes of geldings in-hand and 3 classes of ridden Arabians.

The judges for the fillies, colts, mares and stallions were Scott Benjamin (Canada); Koenraad Detailleur (Belgium); Basil Jadaan (Syria); Walter Koch (Germany); Dr Francesco Santoro (Italy) and Christina Wale (Sweden).

The standard for the show was set very early on with a strong class of yearling fillies which was headed by the very first entrant Mystica Indiah. Bred in Australia by Jeff and Robyn McGlinn by the prolific sire of champions Marwan Al Shaqah out of Miss Yahsminah Elamal this beautifully balanced bay filly scored 91.8 to win the class and the following day became the Gold Junior Female Champion. Second in the class by a whisker – scoring 91.5 – for the same breeders was Aja Electra (Eden C/Elandra), now owned by UK breeders, the Hickfords.

In the next class for 2 year old fillies Kapayas Design with her fabulous movement scored 92.7 and a success for the UK. This Master Design GA grey filly is owned and bred by Mr and Mrs John Howell who were delighted to receive an award for achieving the highest points for a British owner/breeder.

The 3 year old filly class also went to an outstanding mover in the Polish bred El Saghira (Galba/Emira) who now belongs to the Athbah Stud of Saudi Arabia. She later took the Silver with the second in her class, AV Dohassai (Massai Ibn Marengo/AV Dolimah) the Bronze. This latter filly was bred in Germany and is now owned by Great White Arabians in the UK. This was an extremely high scoring class with the first eight all scoring more than the 90 points needed to be awarded a gold medal.

To the delight of the home crowd UK breeders headed all three of the colt classes. The flamboyant chestnut yearling son of Vervaldee, Makisa Adaggio took the yearling class with a score of 92.6 and became Silver Champion. He is out of an Ekstern daughter, Maradisha and has enjoyed a good season for his owner Rebecca McEvoy. Another chestnut powerful mover, Revolution (Padrons Psyche/Queen Victoria GA), bred by R Jones, S Roberts and A Bethell and now owned by Mr Mohammed Al Subaie of Saudi Arabia was awarded 93.4 which were the highest points of the show for a British bred to win the 2 year old class and later became the Bronze Champion. The Gold Champion was the extremely successful 3 year old Aja Justified (WH Justice/Aja Beneja) owned and bred by Malcolm and Jane Hickford. He won his class by the narrowest of margins from Macho Des Alpes (Padrons Psyche/EAMT Mariihuana).

Champion & Reserve



Marwan Al Shaqab x Miss Yahsminah Elamal B&O: Mystica A S Champion Fillies

EL SAGHIRA Galba x Emira O: HRH Prince Abdul Aziz bin Ahmed bin Abdul al Saud B: Michalow AS Reserve Fillies

The classes for mares featured several top class exhibits and resulted in many gold medals being awarded. Last year's Middle East Champion Marylla (Gazal Al Shaqab/ Margotka) won the junior mare class with 93.6 which included 20's for movement from all five judges. Maraysia (Marwan Al Shaqab/Aysia) scoring 93.4 was hot on her heels. In winning the following intermediate class Jamilla Al Zobair (Ashhal Al Rayyan/My Silk Stocking) just bettered that with 94 points. These three mares from Saudi Arabia then dominated the Championships with

Fillies & Colts



AJA JUSTIFIED WH Justice x AJA Beneja B&O: Mr/Mrs Hickford Champion Colts

MAKISA ADAGGIO Vervaldee x Maradisha

O: Miss McEvoy - B: Mr/Mrs Walsh Reserve Colts



Al Khalediah's mares Jamilla Al Zobair taking the Gold title for the second year in succession and Maraysia the Bronze with Marylla for the Shgair Stud in Silver. wan Al Shaqab/Rohara Magnifica) a former Junior Male Champion here returning to take the Senior title. With 94 points he won his class comfortably from Aja Sanchez (Aja Sanagor/Bint Cesarza). Athbah Stud's Girlan Bey (Pesal/Gracja-Bis) exploded into the ring to claim the inter-

Al Khalediah enjoyed further success with Marquis (Mar-

Champion & Reserve



JAMILLA AL ZOBAIR Ashhal Al Rayyan x My Silk Stocking O: HRH Prince Khaled bin Sultan bin Abdul Aziz al Saud B: Sheikh Abdulla bin Mohaammid Ali Althani

Champion Mares

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MARYLLA Gazal Al Shaqab x Margotka O&B: Abdul Mohsen Bin Abdulmalik

Reserve Mares

mediate stallion class with 93.6 – and was another with straight 20's for movement. The senior stallion class was, as it usually is, an "all British" affair. All six entries were present and since all six are well-known for their movement it was an exiting treat for the packed audience. Premier (Monogramm/Premiera) has not been seen in a UK ring for some time and he and his handler (and former owner) Emma Maxwell thoroughly enjoyed their return to the limelight scoring all 20's for movement and demonstrating their rather unique rapport by the stallion posing with his

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Mares & Stallions



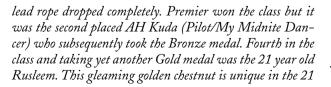
MARQUIS

Marwan Al Shaqab x Rohara Magnifica O: HRH Prince Khaled bin Sultan bin Abdul Aziz al Saud B: Fam Powell

Champion Stallions

GIRLAN BEY

Pesal x Gracja-Bis O: HRH Prince Abdul Aziz bin Ahmed bin Abdul al Saud B: M Bogajewwicz Reserve Stallions



years of this particular show since he is the only horse to be Junior and Senior In-hand Champion and Ridden Champion – a feat highly unlikely to be repeated. So it was very fitting that he was re-called into the ring to be presented during the cutting of the 21st Anniversary cake by the present



The Judges



REVOLUTION O: Mr A L Subair British Bred High Points Winner

> MARQUIS O: HRH Prince Khaled bin Sultan bin Abdul Aziz al Saud High Points Winner

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and past show directors, Janet Court and Angela Angold and this year's AHS President, Susan George. The venue will shortly be undergoing some major refurbishments and we look forward to the UKIAHS returning there for the 22nd show at the end of August 2011!. □