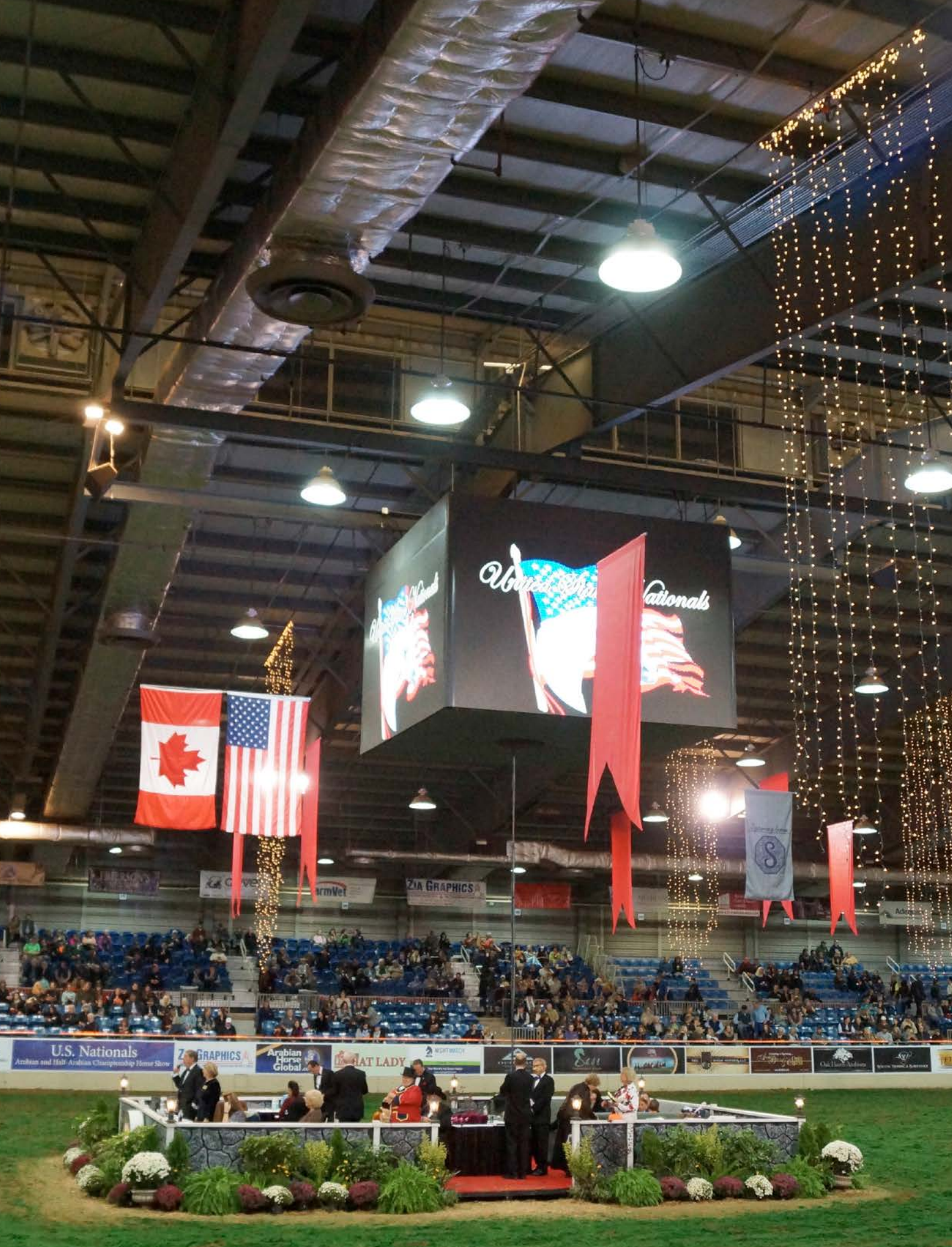


2015 U.S. NATIONALS

by ANNE STRATTON





To use an old cliché, the U.S. National Championship Arabian and Half-Arabian Show is Oscar night for Arabian horse people. No matter how much breeders, owners and exhibitors worry through the year about the economy, competition for the leisure dollar and other concerns common to horse breeds today, such cares are parked at the door for 10 days in the fall of each year. From October 23-31, 2015, at Expo Square in Tulsa, Okla., there was just one thought on everyone's mind: winning one of the most coveted titles in the world—a U.S. National Championship.





Statistics for this year's show indicate that attendance remains strong at the Nationals. A total of 1,780 horses were on hand, including 1,018 Arabians and 762 Half-Arabians. More than 3,300 stalls were used, reflecting the breed's liberal use of tack stalls and visitor areas, and the total of 3,259 entries confirms that many horses were entered in more than one pursuit.

The largest division at the show was Hunter Pleasure, followed by Country English Pleasure, but the largest single class was Arabian Western Pleasure Select AATR, at 54. That was followed closely by Half-Arabian Hunter Pleasure (53) and Arabian Country English Pleasure (51). And while spectator numbers were difficult to visualize, given the spread-out nature of the fairgrounds, the show secretary estimated that more than 6,000 individuals were in attendance.



Each year, U.S. Nationals is the highlight of our show season. This is the show that we as trainers, our clients and the individuals working for us as caretakers, look forward to all year. We do a lot of pre-planning before the show—everyone is assigned their horses and responsibilities, and we execute on our plan when we get to the show with flexibility being #1 on the planning list! Believe me, we couldn't be so organized without dedicated employees that not only love what they are doing for the horses, but really go above and beyond for this show and all year long.

—James Stachowski



2015 U.S. NATIONAL

LEADING HALTER SIRES, BREEDERS & OWNERS

ONLY TOP FIVE RECEIVED POINTS (6th through 10th place not counted.) All halter classes included.

Halter results provided by MICHAEL STEURS.

LEADING PUREBRED SIRES

Overall Sire

1. Marwan Al Shaqab
2. Vitorio TO
3. Ever After NA
4. Tussardi
5. SF Veraz

Sire of Arabians

1. Marwan Al Shaqab
2. Ever After NA
3. Vitorio TO
4. Trussardi
5. SF Veraz

Sire of Half-Arabians

1. Vitorio TO
2. Majik of Marwan
3. Baske Afire
4. DA Valentino
5. AA Apollo Bey

LEADING BREEDERS

Overall

1. Al Shaqab
2. Oak Ridge Arabians
3. Al Shahania Stud
4. Sam Peacemaker
5. Pegasus Arabians

Arabian Breeder

1. Al Shaqab
2. Al Shahania Stud
3. Sam Peacemaker
4. L. Markley & L. Reels
5. Oak Ridge Arabians
5. Robert and Dixie North

Half-Arabian Breeder

1. Todd and Glena Weegens
2. Barbara Sink-Krusenstjerna
3. Sally Bedeker
4. Tshampagne Arabian LLC
5. Pegasus Arabians

LEADING OWNERS

Overall

1. Al Shahania Stud
2. Patricia M. Dempsey Trustee
3. Al Shaqab
4. Stuart Vesty
5. Truest Partners LLC

Arabian Owner

1. Al Shahania Stud
2. Patricia M. Dempsey Trustee
3. Al Shaqab
4. Stuart Vesty
5. Truest Partners LLC

Half-Arabian Owner

1. Tshampagne Arabian LLC
2. Walnut Ridge Arabians LLC
3. Rohara Arabians LLC
4. J. Perry and Suzanne Perkins
5. Texie Lowery

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- ARABIAN HALTER STALLIONS -



Champion Arabian Senior Stallion **OFW MAGIC WAN** (Marwan Al Shaqab x Magna Prelude), Ex: Michael Byatt, O: Jose Salim Mattar Jr



1st Place Arabian Stallion 9 & Over **ARIA IMPRESARIO** (Marwan Al Shaqab x GC Echlectica), Ex: David Boggs, O: Sloan Family Imp Hdgs & Carlos and Christiane Roizner



1st Place Arabian Stallion 6-8 Year-Old **OFW MAGIC WAN** (Marwan Al Shaqab x Magna Prelude), Ex: Michael Byatt, O: Jose Salim Mattar Jr



3065 1st Place Arabian Stallion 4-5 Year-Old **KAVALLE MI** (Gazal Al Shaqab x Karess), Ex: Andrew Sellman, O: Joanne Gunabalan



Champion Arabian Junior Stallion **TRUEST** (Trussardi x Marlene Dietrich), Ex: Gregory Gallun, O: Truest Partners LLC



1st Place Arabian 3-Year-Old Colt **TRUEST** (Trussardi x Marlene Dietrich), Ex: Gregory Gallun, O: Truest Partners LLC



1st Place Arabian Stallion 2-Year-Old **FALAH AL SHAQAB** (Fadi Al Shaqab x Joseph Just Emotion), Ex: David Boggs, O: Al Shaqab Member Qatar Foundation



Champion Arabian Yearling Colt **MAGIC MYSTERY Z** (OFW Magic Wan x Marys Diva), Ex: Michael Byatt, O: Zerlotti Equine Reproduction Ltd



Champion Arabian Futurity Colt **TRUEST** (Trussardi x Marlene Dietrich), Ex: Gregory Gallun, O: Truest Partners LLC



Champion Arabian Stallion **AAOTH BECKHAM UA** (Magnum Chall HVP x Stayin Alive), Ex: Paul Reece, O: Paul and Nikole Reece

I am often asked, what do you want the young people that come through your door to learn, and work to add to your legacy in the Arabian horse business? The answer is simple, I want them to be regarded as great horsemen. It is not enough for them to be viewed as showmen; that does not ensure that the horses under their care will be treated with dignity and honor. I hold myself to that standard so if people in this business view me as a horseman, then I have succeeded.

Showing Magic Mystery Z and Makayah to their National Championships was significant. In doing so, I have now showed them, their father, their grandfather, their great grandfather, and their great great grandfather to National titles. All of these wins were important and gratifying.

—Michael Byatt

- ARABIAN HALTER MARES -



Champion Arabian Senior Mare **RH TRIANA** (ROL Intencyt x Sylviah WLF), Ex: David Boggs, O: Triana Holding LLC



1st Place Arabian Mare 9 & Over **GEMELLIA** (Piber x Georgia), Ex: Ted Carson, O: G Marcella Haensch



1st Place Arabian Mare 6-8 Year Old **MD HIBAT ALLAH** (DA Valentino x Anastasiaa), Ex: Michael Wilson, O: Manuel Durini



1st Place Arabian Mare 4-5 Year Old **BADIAA AL SHAHANIA** (Marwan Al Shaqab x Majalis), Ex: Michael Byatt, O: Al Shahania Stud



Champion Arabian Junior Mare **PITONISA AS** (Ever After NA x Psyches Amber Dream), Ex: Sandro Pinha, O: Arabian Soul Partners Ltd



1st Place Arabian Mare 3-Year-Old **ARIA QATARS ANGEL** (Abha Qatar x BHF Dark Angel), Ex: David Boggs, O: Desert Horse Partners LLC



1st Place Arabian Mare 2-Year-Old **LEEN AL SHAQAB** (Marwan Al Shaqab x Lubna Al Shaqab), Ex: David Boggs, O: Al Shaqab Member Qatar Foundation



Champion Arabian Yearling Filly **ARIA QUINTESSA** (Trussardi x MC Sophiie), Ex: David Boggs, O: Quintessa Partners LLC



Champion Arabian Futurity Filly **MAKAYAH** (OFW Magic Wan x Maria El Besson), Ex: Michael Byatt, O: Michael Byatt and Psynergy Ent. Developments LLC



Champion Arabian Mare **AAOTH GODDESS OF DA VINCI** (Da Vinci FM x Goddess Of Marwan), Ex: Benjamin Bassichis, O: Stella Bella Arabians LLC

The 2015 United States National Arabian Horse Show was amazing. It brought out the best group of halter horses we have seen in attendance for a while; particularly the filly and mare divisions, which were loaded with previous Scottsdale and U.S. National winners—really beautiful classes. The upgraded Pavilion arena decorations and seating were appreciated and made all in attendance feel more special. I enjoyed being part of the fundraiser for the AHDF and riding with Jody Strand. And Midwest clients were awarded with 26 wonderful victories, thanks to the tireless efforts of our incredible team: Nate White, Alcides and Margaux Rodrigues, Dagmar Gordiano, Sean Murphy, Kyle Edsall and Colton Jacobs.

As the chill of fall sets in, Team Midwest has moved to the Arizona farm and is once again gearing up for an exciting 2016 beginning with the Arabhorse.com Farm Tours over the holidays.

—David Boggs

- ARABIAN HALTER GELDINGS -



Champion Arabian Senior Gelding **VINCENT PCF**
(PCF Vision x Que Psarah), Ex: Grant Krohn, O: Jeanne or Robert Black



Champion Arabian Junior Gelding **LLC FABRIZIO**
(Baahir El Marwan x RD Fabreanna), Ex: Andrew Sellman, O: Stuart Vesty



Champion Arabian Yearling Gelding **BOLSHOI ENB**
(El Nabila B x Om El Beladeena), Ex: Sandro Pinha, O: Psynergy Enterprise Developments LLC



Champion Arabian Futurity Gelding **NAZARETH CF**
(Eden C x MWF Najada), Ex: Ted Carson, O: Amy Caraway



Champion Arabian Gelding **AAOTH DC BENEDICT**
(Besson Carol x Jusst One Look), Ex: Renae Mendel, O: Renae Mendel

