

19th International Class A Show Wels

A - rank show season opening in Europe 2009 Pferd Wels

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Though the 2009 show season in Europe has officially started in March, every year the eyes of Arabian horse lovers are focused on the show taking place in late May at Austrian beautiful old town of Wels. Pferd Wels, besides the equine trade fairs is a place of Austrian National Show and the first International ECAHO prestigious A rank show of the season in Europe. About 90 participants came to Austria for both nationals and internationals to compete in the 2009 event beginning the whole year exciting game that will finish in December with World Championships – a good number regarding the fact of so many shows disappearing from the calendar being cancelled this year.

Thanks to the big enthusiasm and great job done by Ferdinand and Gerlinde Huemer and their team the show took place and started punctually on time being impressively opened with the "Ecstasy of Gold" theme for a good start of each days of the event starting on Friday morning of 22 May with youth classes of Austrian Nationals. The small but wonderful to watch group of foals was taken by the daughter of Polish-bred Lissar – TM Ligya by Gabriele Hamerer. Elegant and harmonious, very proud of herself and one of the youngest participants in the ring. Also in the classes of yearlings there were some horses definitely outstanding from their groups – as Al Princess Aliha – royally bred by Al Hambra Arabians grey daughter of WH Justice and out of excellent and entitled producer Al Aliha. Breathtaking with her harmonious conformation and beautiful head she got some highest scores for type and head with neck (2 x 10 for each) as well as 3 times 9 for movements. She was also the highest scored female of

Austrian Nationals, the Junior Champion Filly and the Best Austrian bred mare of the show. In the championships held on Saturday morning she won to the winner of the 2-3 years old class winner – Aaliyana Psy sired by Psytadel and bred by Selimah Arabians.

In the classes of yearling colts the undefeated winner was Gazal Al Shaqab son – Lawrence el Gazal bred and owned by La Movida Arabians. He also won in the Junior Championships beating his class mate – El Trocadero by Psyrasic – winning the second Reserve trophy of the Nationals for Selimah Arabians.

High quality senior mare groups were led by Michalów State Stud bred Faustyna by Emigrant – purchased by Lutetia Arabians. With the high total score of 41,33 she won the class beating Al Dafina by Mahadin from Al Hambra Arabians – and this was their final order also in senior championships as well.

Senior male championships gave a lot of excitement to the young breeder Mario Matt whose 3 years old well known from international show rings MM Samuel by Lorenzo el Bri won his class and just while after this victory the sire himself – Lorenzo El Bri (by CH El Brillo) also owned by Mario was awarded the class winner of the oldest stallions. Lorenzo El Bri with his great type and conformation has been scored with six highest points of 10s (including all three for head and neck) had won the judges hearts and score cards getting the highest score of the show (43,00). Achieving the title of Senior Champion Stallion and Best Austrian bred stallion of the event was a kind of formality for him. Maha-

din son – Al Fakhir from Al Hambra Arabians was Lorenzo's class competitor also scored high (42,33) and he got the title of Reserve.

Lorenzo El Bri was not only the most successful Austrian but also international horse of 2009 Wels show. Competing the day after in the A-class show he has got one of the highest scores and Senior Champion title also at internationals. Lorenzo won in the championships being placed in front of the oldest stallions class winner GR Amaretto sired by valuable Classic Shadwan – the breeding star of Annette and Erwin Eschers farm, that passed away just few months before this show. What a great cheer up for Anette and Erwin after this sad loss. The senior stallion championships held on Sunday afternoon were completed by Top Five winners – Taymar by Kyro K from Sax Arabians in Germany and Polish bred Emrod by Emigrant proudly owned by Turban Stud currently.

At the young male championships there were no surprises – two strong favorites of yearling and 2-3 years old group divided the titles between each other. The younger one – Kahil al Shaqab, the typey Marwan Al Shaqab son bred and owned by Al Shaqab Stud got the amazingly high total as for this low scored show – 91,33 won not only the class (in front of well known Marajj son – Marjan al Bidayer) but also the Junior Champion title. The Reserve went to Australian (Mystica Arabians) import bred in Argentina – flaxen chestnut typical Magnum Psyche progeny representative – LC Prince Magnum who has beaten Polish bred and owned (Nazaret Arabians) chestnut entitled colt Elmaran (by Al Maraam) and the experienced show contender Jumanci OS

by Ajman Moniscione. Elmaran together with Marjan Al-bidayer and Jaffar by Ashiraf (by Amir Ashiraf) completed the Top Five of Junior Stallion Championships.

The junior mare classes that were opening the international event on Saturday morning included some very beautiful fillies that for sure will exist at 2009 show arena as well as some stars well known from the shows already. The champion title went to the leader of 2 years old class fillies Sara al Mohammadia by Marwan Al Shaqab owned by Prince Abdullah Bin Fahd Abdullah al Saud, with Michael Byatt on the lead (who beaten in the class the Austrian Junior Reserve Champion – Aliyana Psy) . In the championship competition Sara met and beaten for the champion title the winner of 3 years old impressive Elart daughter – Kankan MAF bred by Ingail Martensson. In the Junior female Top Five the places went to Al Princess Aliha – the 2009 Austrian National Champion, beautiful Khidar daughter Amrya Bint Khidar (the "cover face" the widely spread Sax Arabians advertisements last year) and Maharani by Psytadel – Cafra Arabians representative.

Senior mare championships at Wels internationals this year belonged to Janow Podlaski State Stud of Poland. With their two experienced show contenders the highly scored – Ekstern



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Judges National



Judges International

daughter Sefora and Gazal Al Shaqab daughter Etnologia they grabbed the first and second place in the mares 4-6 years old group. The third in this class was also bred in Poland – the 2009 Austrian National Champion Mare Faustyna bred by Michalow State Stud Poland and owned by Lutetia Arabians. The international Senior Champion Mare title went to Sefora in front of US bred and Al Naif (QAT) owned Ansata Mouna by Farres. The Top Five was joined by Etnologia, Nag Olla Bez and Mahity el Jamaal.

Despite many difficulties with gathering the number of entries big enough to run the shows this year by all show organizers and the prestige of Wels Internationals – being very tempting but also not so lucky as the A rank show at the beginning of the season (the winners can not compete at lower rank shows of during the season) Wels Nationals and Internationals were again big organizing success of Huemer family and their team – with perfect organization and definitely hot atmosphere – not only because of the sunny weather outside the hall but also because some exciting moments during the show.

The crème de la crème of the whole event as usually was the

open house presentation at Huemers La Movida Arabians that got really crowded with the spectators including the judges of both nationals and internationals, VIP guests of Pferd Wels and a lot of curious breeders willing to see the stars of La Movida and their last progeny. The group of the horses presented by Frank Spoenle and Mary Lang included the past show contenders as Porla El Bri and Reza El Bri (Junior Champion Mare at All Nations Cup) with probably the most beautiful foal of the presentation at side – the leggy and typey filly sired by Al Hadiyah AA on lease from Ariela Arabians that was also presented in the group of 2009 La Movida chief sires and the group of sons and daughters of valuable, 24 years old CH El Brillo who entered the arena in wonderful disposition closing up the event. Let's hope to meet him again in 2010 after the next edition of Pferd Wels and La Movida Open House. □



Wels 2009



Murillo Kamer with Lenita Perroy



Anne Heiloo with Bruce McCrea (Manager of Al Mohamadia Arabian Horse Stud)



Lenita Perroy with Ferdinand Huemer (Show Organizer)



Luiz Rocco with Lenita Perroy



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Wels

Austrian National Championships



AL PRINCESS ALIHA

Champion Fillies

Breeders: Huber/AT

Owner: Huber/AT



ALIIYANA PSY

Reserve Champion Fillies

Breeders: Rongits/AT

Owner: Rongits/AT



LAWRENCE EL GAZAL

Champion Colts

Breeders: Huemer/AT

Owner: Huemer/AT



EL TROCADERO

Reserve Champion Colts

Breeders: Rongits/AT

Owner: Rongits/AT

Austrian National Championships



FAUSTYNA

Champion Mares

Breeders: Michalow/PL

Owner: Gestüt Lutetia/AT



AL DAFINA

Reserve Champion Mares

Breeders: Huber/AT

Owner: Huber/AT



LORENZO EL BRI

Champion Stallions

Breeders: Huemer/AT

Owner: Matt/AT



AL FAKHIR

Reserve Champion Stallions

Breeders: Huber/AT

Owner: Huber/AT

Austrian International Championships



SARA AL MOHAMADIAH

Champion Fillies

Breeders: Orr & Byatt/USA
Owner: Prince Abdullah Bin Fahad
Bin Abdullah Al Saud/KSA



KANKAN MAF

Reserve Champion Fillies

Breeders: Martensson/ES
Owner: Martensson/ES



KAHIL AL SHAQAB

Champion Colts

Breeders: Al Shaqab/QAT

Owner: Al Shaqab/QAT



LC PRINCE MAGNUM

Reserve Champion Colts

Breeders: Cosufa Sa/ARG
Owner: Mystica Arabians/AUS

Austrian International Championships



SEFORA

Champion Mares

Breeders: Janow Podlaski/PL
Owner: Janow Podlaski/PL



ANSATA MOUNA

Reserve Champion Mares

Breeders: Montebello/USA
Owner: Sh. Abdulla Bin Nasser Al Ahmed Al Thani/QAT



LORENZO EL BRI

Champion Stallions

Breeders: Huemer/AT

Owner: Matt/AT



GR AMARETTO

Reserve Champion Stallions

Breeders: Escher/DE

Owner: Escher/DE

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AMYRA BINT KHDAR
Top Five Fillies



AL PRINCESS ALIHA
Top Five Fillies



MAHARANI CF
Top Five Fillies



MARJAN AL BIDAYER
Top Five Colts



JAFFAR BY ASHIRAF
Top Five Colts



EL MARAN
Top Five Colts



ETNOLOGIA

Top Five Mares



MAHITY EL JAMAAL*

Top Five Mares



NAG OLLA BEZ

Top Five Mares



TAYMAR

Top Five Stallions



EMROD*

Top Five Stallions