

ERYKS (GAZAL AL SHAQAB x EMMONA)





## WHAT'S NEW AT GRABÓW NAD PILICA STUD

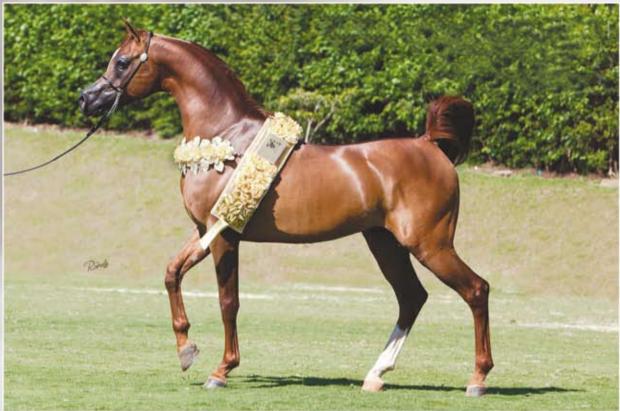
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rabów nad Pilica Stud, a private not big farm in Poland close by its capital city of Warsaw has been the first one who used the further 2011 Brazilian National Champion — HDB Sihr Ibn Massai on international scale having his big first foal crop on the ground already. This farm, owned by Tomasz Tarczyński — a breeder, judge and passionate of Arabian horse, was also one of the first who imported US-bred mares into Polish breeding, bringing them to international show levels successfully. Now the stud is following the use of both international famous sires and some new breeding appearances in its program having a new, very interesting results. Let's have a look what's inside this Polish private farm?

Tutto Arabi: Two years ago it was quite widely spoken about your farm, Grabów nad Pilicą who, as first foreign farm decided to lease HDB Sihr in Massai who recently became 2011 Brazilian National Champion. It seems like you are lucky long term prevising breeder. Can you explain how and why you made a decision to lease this stallion, what did you expect from him, how many foals has been born by him in Poland and how they are in your opinion? Did he fullfill your expectations as a sire?

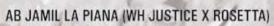
Tomasz Tarczyński: Yes. He did extremely good job in Poland. I'm very happy with all the foals I've got last year.





HDB SHIR IBN MASSAI (MASSAI IBN MARENGA X MAYANA)

















RFI FARID (RFI MAKTUB × RFI FAYARA EL SHIRAZ)

And not only me - but also the others breeders. He left around 25 offsprings in Poland although he covered successfully 35 mares. Some of the mares ware exported in foal. Its difficult to tell about the quality but as far as I know five of them will be presented during the Junior Spring Show in Bialka/Poland and so the owners will receive a feedback of their quality from the judges. In my barns I have three extraordinary fillies and one high quality colt by Sihr, the rest is also nice I haven't seen even one ugly foal by Sihr so far, that's for sure,

TA: Besides foals by Sihr you owe a breedings of several different famous sires – can you tell us about the production on your herd of good Polish mares, what were your most successful crosses and how they develop in time?

TT: I really like to relay on Monogramm daughters plus the mares by his sons - Ekstern and Ganges as chief sires of dams. As very first external stallions used in Poland I respect Padrons Psyche and Magnum Psyche progeny born in 2003-2004. For sure this two famous stallions cross very well with Monogramm blood. Next one would be Gazal al Shaqab, he gave a lot of type and nice curve of neck to Polish horses. Sometimes I observed a bit of long ears on some of his progeny but they are typey enough and also quite succesfull on the racetrack. Eryks by Gazal al Shaqab is certainly the stallion with very good pedigree. His mother, Emmona by Monogram, is still winning the highest scores in Aachen, Paris, or Polish National Shows. Eryks himself is producing very wide quality of offsprings but some of them are really good. Amongst quite a small number of foals he produced so far were: Chimeryk - Polish National Champion Colt and Diara - Polish Reserve Champion Filly. He also crossed very well with my best mare Primadonna by Padrons Psyche. Her filly Primadiva seems to be a very promising show prospect.

TA: For last 2011 breeding season you decided to give opportunity to another young and not so widely used sire – AB Jamil La Piana also from Italy. Do you think he will happen to be so successful as Sihr before?

TT: I'm sure he will repeat the success of Sihr. Jamil is for me the stallion with the shortest head I've ever seen. First crop of babies is presenting the same style of very modern shape of head, especially the upper part. Jamil himself is the stallion heaving three important characteristics: excellent movement, short, strong body and typey head. With his pedigree by Justice out of the Egyptian mother he can involve into Polish blood an expression of very famous bloodlines in the world.

TA: So the next question now should be - what are your breeding plans for the current season...?





AMIR ASHIRAF (WH JUSTICE X GUENDALINA)



DORIS DAY (BY GANGES)



FERRGIE (HDB SIHR IBN MASSAI X FUMA)



DORIS SKY (HDB SIHR IBN MASSAI X DORIS DAY)



PRECJOZA (HDB SIHR IBN MASSAI X PERSPEKTYWA)



PRIMADIVA (ERYKS X PRIMADONNA)

FOAL BY AB JAMIL LA PIANA



PRIMADONNA (PADRONS PSYCHE × PELARGONIA)

DAISY FF (DA VINCI FM × AP SHEEZ SASSY)



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TT: I would like to concentrate this year on using internationally famous stallions like: Amir Ashiraf, Ajman Moniscione again, a new star - Shangay EA, and very promising sire presenting new bloodlines in Poland - RFI Farid. I was really impressed by him during 2010 show season watching him in Aachen and Paris. I remember him from his first show in Citta di Castello National Italian championship where he went just after the import from Brazil and having short period of training he easily won the class.

TA: In the past you also made some spectacular purchase decisions buying Primadonna, a mare who became one of most entitled mares in Polish private hands with some very high level shows trophies, then you decided to make a shopping in USA, at that time it was not very common for Polish breeders to import mares from overseas so your Da Vinci fillies – Daisy FF and Catherina FM were kind of pioneers. Can you tell us what successes they got while coming to Europe and, due to the latest news – they already went abroad with even some Middle Eastern trophies on account?

TT: I'm very impressed with the quality of horses purchased last years: Zamira by Enzo out of the mother by Versace became one of the most important broodmares in my barn, her last colt by Sihr is very impressive. I'm waiting if he would be ready for this Spring to present him at Bialka Show.

My another US purchases - half sisters by DA Vinci – Daisy FF and Caterina FM were really the stars of Grabow stud. After their quite successful stay in Europe where Daisy won the class at A level show in Vilhelmsborg and became Senior Champion Mare at Polska-Arabia Arabian Horse Festival national level show in Warsaw. Both mares further sold – Daisy confirmed her quality winning National Championship and Best in Show in Teheran, Iran. Caterina became in the meantime International Reserve Champion Mare in UAE.

TA: And what are your nearest showing plans – which of your own horses we will see in the coming season?

TT: Eryks daughter - Primadiva will go to the show for sure together with two Sihr fillies - Doris Sky out of Doris Day by Ganges and Ferrgie out of Fuma by Monogramm. Im considering also to show 2 years old Ammona by Ekstern out of Assamoa by Gazal al Shaqab and I'm still waiting for the development of show attitudes of Zamarro - the colt out of Zamira by Enzo.

TA: So we are looking forward to see them on the showrings and wish you the best luck in your show and breeding program.