

Arabesque International Festival

A New Highlight

In art as well as in music, an arabesque is an ornament. This is equally true of the Arabesque International Festival at the Iffezheim racetrack: an ornament for the Arabian scene, not only in Germany.

Arabian horse shows at the beautiful Iffezheimer racetrack near Baden-Baden have always been a success. After a hiatus of three years, purebred Arabians from many countries once again came before the judges in late July. "When there is a show at Baden-Baden, everybody comes!" declares Swiss breeder Verena Egli, who had brought her colt LA Nadeshnijj (by Marajj). „The level of quality is excellent, equal to Menton." German breeder Horst Blutbacher agrees: „Baden-Baden has a tradition as a venue for Arabian horse shows. Attending is practically a duty." Blutbacher exhibited his world champion mare Basara Saiyana outside the competitions. Other famous world champions on display included Essteem, Eternity Ibn Navarrone-D, and "local hero" Al Lahab. An international B show, a show for straight Egyptians, dancing horses, hawks, and an Arabian-themed evening gala with fire-eaters, fakirs and belly-



■ Excellent premiere for Hansjürgen (left) and Inge Friedmann (5. from left). The Arabesque International Festival at the Iffezheimer racetrack was a B show with high standard.



■ Yearling Maharaja HDM (Marajj x Miss Yashinah Elamal) was Juniorchampion in February at the famous Scottsdale Arabian horse show. He won the same title in Iffezheim.

dancing made for an eventful weekend. The Arabesque International Festival became a new summer highlight and, according to organizers Hansjürgen and Inge Friedmann, will take place again in 2009.

Strong young ladies

The quality in the filly classes was very high. For their Junior Female Champion, the judges chose Najdah

At Baden-Baden, the mare championship was awarded to the Italian-bred, straight Egyptian Frasera Mashara. This chestnut mare, who carried rather a lot of weight, is a daughter of Shahil (by Maysoun), bred by Karin Maiworm, and traces to Imperial Madheen through her dam MB Madora. The reserve championship also went to a straight Egyptian mare: Sidi Alija Moon (by Thee Cyclone x Sidi Bint Malika by Sahibi Gamaal El Arab).

(by Marwan Al Shaqab). The reserve champion Gazwan Al Nasser, out of the Egyptian-Polish Ftoon Al Shaqab, is by 2001 World Champion Gazal Al Shaqab – Marajj's grandsire. At only 13 years of age, this stallion has already founded a dynasty, especially through his son Marwan Al Shaqab (see AWW 3/08). The two yearlings beat both the winner of the three-year-old class, German-bred Safar Nahboy (by FS Eternal Flame), and the two-year-old winner Pree-



■ Junior champion filly *Bint Bessolea* (le.) and reserve *Najdah Al Zobair* (ri.) are both sired by Marwan Al Shaqab. For *Om El Extreem* (mi.) it was the second champion title after the Frankfurt show.

Alzobair, an unmistakable daughter of Marwan Al Shaqab. Her dam JFN Bint Ludhan (AB Magnum x ZT Ludhan) represents the highly successful combination of the blood of Padron, El Shaklan, and Ali Jamaal. The reserve title went to *Bint Bessolea*, another Marwan Al Shaqab daughter and a full sister to the many times junior champion *Baanderos*.

They both beat the winner of the biggest class, 2-year-old *Miss Marenga* (Psytadel x Marenga), as well as *Las Vegas und Ströhen Junior Female Champion Kharrea PGA* (by Khadraj NA), who had the highest point score of all junior horses with 93.

The senior mare classes were much smaller, but of great quality, including several previous champions such as the reigning Austrian National Champion mare *Prieta* (see p. 60), *Espanna Estopa* (Champion Ströhen 2007), and *Sidi Alija Moon*, who had been Reserve International Champion at Ströhen two weeks earlier.

Family Business

In the junior male championships, the titles went to the yearlings, both of them closely related. The unanimous champion was *Maharaja HDM*, sired by 2007 World Junior Champion *Marajj*

mium (by WH Justice); despite the fact that in his very strong class, *Preemium* had beaten such internationally successful colts as *Aja Sanstorm* and *Hypnotic Ibn Eternity*.

In the senior championships, *Om El Extreem* (by Sanadik El Shaklan) repea-



■ The Straight Egyptian bred Senior champion mare *Frasera Mashara* (by Shahil) was sold to Dubai Stud, UAE, for an enormous price.



■ Reserve champion for Jhulyuss Ibn Eternity (le.), who present himself very well. Senior champion of the Straight Egyptian Cup was F Shamaal (by Maysoun).



■ Reserve champion Gazwan Al Nasser is sired by World-Senior Champions Gazal Al Shaqab.

ted his win from Frankfurt. At Baden-Baden, Om El Extreem – who owes his name to his extreme head - was the only entry in his class and thus automatically qualified; but in the championships he faced strong competition, including Om El Bahreyn (winner of the seven- to nine-year-old class), who had previously beaten him at Ströhen. But this time there was no title for Om El Bahreyn. The reserve championship was awarded to Jhulyuss Ibn Eternity-D, son of World Champion Eternity Ibn Navarrone-D and winner of the four- and five-year-old stallion class. His dam is Focus Julianna, a mare leased by Dion Arabians, Belgium, especially to be bred to Eternity. He won his class over the German premium stallion Kaseem (by Kubinec) from Moränenhof Stud. It seems as if this predominantly Russian stallion with the powerful movements

has a subscription for second place this season.

Egyptian Arabesque

It is not a new idea to have two shows on one weekend. This concept can boost the numbers of both shows, because owners can show their horses twice. The Straight Egyptian Cup at Baden-Baden had a good number of entries; but in actual fact, only 35 horses were shown in eight classes. Dr. Nasr Marei judged all classes alone, using the comparative method. The owners' decision is easy to understand. If their horse had placed first or second in the B show the previous day, why bother to show it again in the Egyptian classes? In all probability, by the time the championships came around again the horse would have been tired and



■ The highly elegant Pyramid Kahileh K was only one of five successful horses bred by Uwe-Jürgen and Petra Wagner.

■ Two reserve titles within two weeks for Sidi Alija Moon, here with her owner Nayla Hayek from Switzerland.



Arabesque International Festival, International B-Show

Judges: Silvia Garde-Ehlert, DE, Christianne Chazel, FR, Peter Gamlin, GB

1-year-old fillies (A) (6)

1. **Nadjah Alzobair** (Marwan Al Shaqab x JFN Bint Ludhan) B/O. Sheikh Abdulla Bin Mohammed Ali Al Thani, UAE
2. **Juwanda OS** (WH Justice x Shak Lavanda) B. Gestüt Osterhof, DE, O. Dubai Arabian Stud, UAE
3. **ASH Donatella** (WH Justice x Dahma) B/O. I. Bentchikou, BE

1-year-old fillies (B) (9)

1. **Bint Bessolea** (Marwan Al Shaqab x HB Bessolea) B. Taylor Arabians, USA, O. Al Khalediyah Stables, KSA
2. **Pyramid Kahileh K** (Al Lahab x Bint Kahilah) B/O. U.-J. u. P. Wagner, DE
3. **Maharani CF** (Psyadel x Mara II) B/O. B. Schwarz, DE

2-year-old fillies (11)

1. **Miss Marenga** (Psyadel x Marenga) B/O. R. Sax, DE
2. **Om El Enigma** (Al Lahab x Om El Bint Shaina) B. Om El Arab Intl., US, O. Ajman Stud, UAE
3. **Magna Al Wazir** (Magnum Psyche x Faaiqa Al Wazir) B/O. Fam. Oldfield, ES

3-year-old fillies (5)

1. **Kharrea PGA** (Khadraj NA x Gai Portia) B. Petroglyph Arabians, USA, O. Ajman Stud, UAE
2. **Shownel** (Showkayce x WR Jullane) B. C, Steppe, USA, O. Duabi Arabian Stud, UAE
3. **Farida Bint Khidar** (Khidar x Farids Mandolin) B/O. R. Sax, DE

1-year-old colts (4)

1. **Maharaja HDM** (Marajj x Miss Yashinah Elamal) B. D. Mertens, ES, O. Mystica Arabians, AUS
2. **Gazwan Al Nasser** (Gazal Al Shaqab x Ftoon Al Shaqab) B/O. Al Nasser Stud, QAT
3. **Justimagine Joy** (WH Justice x MVA Thee Love Affair) B/O. Joy Horses, BE

2-year-old colts (9)

1. **Preemium** (WH Justice x Priscilla DE) B. Somers, BE, O. Dubai Arabian Stud, UAE
2. **Aja Sanstorm** (Psyadel x Sanadina) B/O. Aja Arabians, UK
3. **Hypnotic Ibn Eternity-D** (Eternity

Ibn Navarrone x WH Marissa Rose) B/O. Dion Arabians, BE

3-year-old colts (3)

1. **Safar Nahboy** (FS Eternal Flame x Namybia) B/O. Hans Pfeiffer, DE
2. **Haroun** (El Amin x Hanina) B/O. I. Bentchikou, BE
3. **LV Lahab** (Al Lahab x Jamila I) B/O. L. Vetter, DE

4- and 5-year-old mares (5)

1. **Frasera Mashara** (Shahil x MB Madora) 2003, B. La Fradera, IT, O. Dubai Arabian Stud, UAE
2. **Pyramid Laneya** (Al Lahab x Pyramid Set El Nil) 2002, B/O. U.-J. & P. Wagner, DE
3. **Espanna Estopa** (Españo Estopa x Dezions Tifla) 2002, B. N. Ronge, DE, O. R. Sax, DE

6- to 9-year-old mares (3)

1. **Sidi Alija Moon** (Thee Cyclone x Sidi Bint Malika) 2001, B. A.W.A. Maritz, SA, O. Nayla Hayek, CH
2. **Hamras Musina** (Ali Valentino x Sonbolahs Music) 1999, B. G. Weixelbaum, O. Hamadi Arabians, DE
3. **Amira Faarisha** (Sandstorm JC x Lilla Faarisah) 2000, B/O. Fam. Blutbacher, DE

10-year-old and older mares (1)

1. **Prieta** (Thee Brigadier x LM Perla) 1998, B/O. Gestüt Kapsch, A

4- and 5-year-old stallions (7)

1. **Jhlyuss Ibn Eternity-D** (Eternity Ibn Navarron x Focus Julianna) 2004, B/O. Dion Arabians, DE
2. **Kaseem** (Kubinec x Kassia) 2003, B. Gestüt Moränenhof, DE, O. F. Schmid, DE
3. **Psadisho Ibn Esstashan** (Esstashan x Psayada Bint Psyche) 2003, B. R. Sax, DE, O. Cullinghurst Stud, UK

7- to 9-year-old stallions (2)

1. **Om El Bahreyn** (CG Balih El Jamaal x Om El Benedict) 2000, B. Om El Arab Intl., USA, O. Caroline Reeves, UK
2. **Pyramid Aalin** (Ali Valentino x Pyramid Set El Nil) 2000, B/O. U.-J. & P. Wagner, DE

10-year-old and older stallions (1)

1. **Om El Extreem** (Sanadik El Shaklan x Om El Bint Shaina) 1998, B. Om El

Arab Intl., USA, O. Complutum Arabians, ES

Champion Filly: Nadjah Al Zobair

Reserve: **Bint Bessolea**

Champion Colt: Maharaja HDM

Reserve: **Gazwan Al Nasser**

Champion Mare: Frasera Mashara

Reserve: **Sidi Alija Moon**

Champion Stallion: Om El Extreem

Reserve: **Jhlyuss Ibn Eternity-D**

Arabesque Straight Egyptian Cup

Judge: Dr. Nasr Marei

Fillies (A), 1 to 3 years old (8)

1. **Pyramid Kahileh K** (Al Lahab x Bint Kahilah) 2007, B/O. U.-J. & P. Wagner, DE
2. **Pyramid Sadiyya** (Authentic Dahman x Simeon Sarice) 2007, B/O. U.-J. & P. Wagner, DE
3. **Pyramid Lahleh** (Authentic Dahman x Pyramid Laneya) 2007, B/O. U.-J. & P. Wagner, DE

Fillies (B), 1 to 3 years old (8)

1. **Aqir Elminal** (Zandai Aquir x VA Elwera) 2005, B. P. Stoessel, ES, O. E. Stravagankia Arabians, ES
2. **Salomeh** (Ansata El Salaam x Alissah) 2005, B/O. A.M.T. Visinoni, IT
3. **Pyramid Nour El Nil K** (Al Lahab x Bint Kahilah) 2005, B/O. U.-J. & P. Wagner, DE

Colts (A), 1 to 3 years old (4)

1. **Monarch RH** (The Source CC x KA Baahira) 2997, B. Rose Hill Equine Center, USA, O. N. Hayek, CH
2. **Bourhani Montashar** (Simeon Sharav x De-Sharvarll Montanah) 2007, B/O. H. Bordeaux, DE
3. **El Thay Kareem El Sabah** (Ansata Selman x El Thay Kadija) 2007, B/O. C. Tauschke, K. Beste, DE

Colts (B), 1 to 3 years old (5)

1. **Nedschd Mansour** (Maydan-Madhehen x El Thay Maysouna) 2005, B/O. G. Schuster, DE

2. **TF Shamaal** (Botswana x Shaamis Amira) 2006, B. Talaria Farms, USA, O. M. Garret, EGY

3. **Serene Gassir** (Ansata Najdi x Zakeyat) 2005, B. Serene Egyptian Stud, IT, O. C. Peppoloni, IT

Mares (A), 4 years old and over (2)

1. **Pyramid Laneya** (Al Lahab x Pyramid Set El Nil) 2002, B/O. U.-J. & P. Wagner, DE
2. **Al Najma Olivia** (Al Najma Ovid x Ghania II) 2003, B/O. M. Knoch, DE

Mares (B), 4 years old and over (3)

1. **Arousat El Nil Rahim** (Imperial Madori x Nil Allure) 1998, B. Rahim Stud, EGY, O. Sharbatly Arabians, EGY
2. **Persia CC** (Shahir x Kohlan) 2002, B. Nayla Hayek, CH
3. **Hamras Musina** (Ali Valentino x Sonbolahs Music) 1999, B. G. Weixelbaum, O. Hamadi Arabians, DE

Stallions (A), 4 years old and over (3)

1. **DHS Mabrouk** (Al Lahab x Ma Ajmala) 2002, B. F. Schwestermann, IRL, O. Bebo Stud, EGY
2. **Hamra Alimaar** (Ali Valentino x Kaliya) 2002, B. G. Weixelbaum, DE, O. R. Laimgruber, DE
3. **Noir Khazar** (Madallan-Madheen x Khazarah) 2004, B/O. H. Zeiss, DE

Stallions (B), 4 years old and older (2)

1. **F Shamaal** (Maysoun x Sarameena) 2000, B. I. & H. Friedmann, DE, O. Al Khalediyah Stables, KSA
2. **Pyramid Aalin** (Ali Valentino x Pyramid Set El Nil) 2000, B/O. U.-J. & P. Wagner, DE

Champion Filly: Aqir Elminal

Reserve: **Pyramid Kahileh K**

Champion Colt: Monarch RH

Reserve: **Bourhani Montashar**

Champion Mare:

Arousat El Nil Rahim

Reserve: **Persia CC**

Champion Stallion: F Shamaal

Reserve: **DHS Mabrouk**

not shown to his best advantage. The most successful breeders in the Cup were Petra and Uwe-Jürgen Wagner from Germany. In the first section of the junior females, their fillies placed first, second, and third. Another winner from their breeding programme

was Pyramid Laneya, who won a senior mare class. Pyramid Kahileh (Al Lahab x Bint Kahilah) won the reserve junior female championship. Hansjürgen and Inge Friedmann also had reason to be happy: a stallion they bred, F Shamaal by Maysoun, owned by

Al Khalediah Stud, won the stallion championship. His dam is Sarameena, who also produced the international champion mare F Samirah (by Ali Valentino).

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