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## INTERNATIONAL HORSE SHOW

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Straight Egyptian

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The next day it was time for the Straight Egyptian International horse show, under the patronage of H.H. Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa al Thani, the Emir of the state of Qatar. Also this show was organized on the grounds of the Racing and Equestrian club of Doha.

Judges of the show where Dr. Nasr Marei from Egypt, Dr. Francesco Santoro from Italy, Dr. Ton Hulshof from The Netherlands, Mr. Manfred Neaubacher from Germany, Ms. Renata Schibler from Switzerland, Ms. Anna Stojanowska from Sweden and Mr. Mohamed Machmoun from Morocco. DC was Dr. Laura Mascagna from Italy and Dr. Malak Benamar from Morocco.

The show started with a group of high quality fillies. Al Waab stud and al Rayyan farm brought a big and noisy fanclub that although well meant, sometimes caused some irritation from both the visitors and the horses. They did bring in the first winner of the show. Amaal al Waab (El Thay Kamil x Ameera Saqr). With 91 points this filly took the lead by far and was later crowned with the Top 5 titles of the Junior fillies.

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Second in this class with 89.50 points was Nawal al Nasser (Ashhal al Nasser x Noora al Nasser) – bred and owned by Al Nasser stud from Qatar.

Next class was nice big group of 2 years old fillies, divided in two sections. The first section won by Deema al Waab (Ansata Nile Echo x Nadeema) – bred and owned by Al Waab farm, scoring 90.50 points. Also this filly made it to the final top five of the junior female championships. 2nd in class with 90 points was Dhrema al Shaqab (Al adeed al Shaqab x Ibtsam al Shaqab) – bred and owned by Al Shaqab Stud from Qatar.

The second section of 2 years old fillies was won by Nabila al Rayyan (Sinan al Rayyan x Ansata Nefer Isis) with 93.50 points – bred by Al Rayyan Stud and owned by Sh. Saoud bin Abdul Aziz al Thani from Qatar. Later this filly was named unanimous champion in the final junior female championships. Second in this class with 90.75 points was Maisa al Nasser (Sinan al Rayyan x Zenubia al Nasser) bred and owned by Al Nasser Stud from Qatar. This filly later took the bronze medal.

The 3 years old fillies was again a big class with 9 competitors. Won by the beautiful Yakoutah al Shaqab (Al Adeed al Shaqab x Badawieh al Shaqab) – scoring a 92.25 points for breeder and owner Al Shaqab Stud, Qatar. This filly later took the silver medal in the final junior female championships.

2nd in class was Sobah al Rayyan (Ashhal al Rayyan x Selma el Rayyan) – bred and owned by Al Rayyan Stud from Qatar. Scoring the exact same points of 92.25 points but lost on movement.

After lunch time the show continued with the colt classes. Here again the loud support was with the best intentions though totally misplaced in this junior colt class as one colt felt down and flipped over and another colt broke loose. And even while trying to catch him, the people kept continuing with the noise which was totally unappreciated. Luckily both handlers of the colts stayed calm and managed to calm down the horses to continue the presentation.

Winner of this class was Fareed al Waab (Ansata Hejazi x Ajmal Farasha) – bred and owned by Al Waab Farm from Qatar. This colt later received the silver ribbon in the final junior colt championships. Second in this class was my personal favorite Shahrayar al Waab (Ansata Sokar x Shahira al Nasser) – bred and owned by Al Waab farm and ending up in the Top Five in the final junior male championships.

The next class counted only 2 horses. First placed was Daghsh al Shaqab (Sinan al Rayyan x Dima al Shaqab) – bred by Al Shaqab stud and in ownership of Mr. Abdul Aziz Mubarak Ibrahim al Moadadi from Qatar, taking the top five in the final championship. 2nd in this class was Shihab el Din (Sinan al Rayyan x Naama) – bred and owned by Mr. Abdul Aziz Kalifa Saleh al Kuwari from Qatar.

Last class of the day was the 3 yrs old colt class. All big moving youngsters at the beginning of their carreer! First in class was Shaheen al Waab (Sinan al Rayyan x Sharuby HP) – bred and owned by Al Waab Farm from Qatar. Later in the junior colt championships, he received the golden medal unanimously! Second in class was Saif al Mohamadia (Farres x LF Star Zafire) – bred by P. Abdullah bin Fahad bin Abdulla bin Mohammed al Saud and owned by MP Abdullah bin Fahad bin Al Haqbani from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. He later got awarded with the silver medal.

The next morning, some devastating news arrived. The speaker that did a terrific job during these two shows, Mr. Hosam Akawi, sadly and unexpectedly passed away the night before. Leaving behind his family. Our sincere condolences go to all who where close to him.

The mares of 4-6 yrs old continued the show. All looking beautifully and at the beginning of their lives as broodmares. Winner of the class with 90.25 points and later bronze champion mare was Bahriah al Waab (Ashhal al Rayyan x NK Ashmahan) – bred and owned by Al Waab Farm from Qatar. 2nd in class with the same points, but loosing on type was DHS Aisha (Mahadin x Amira Madheen) – bred in England by Mr Schwestermann and owned by Mr. Hamad Jassim Salem Mohammed al Bahr from Qatar. Later this mare made it in the final top five.

Classwinner of the 7-10 years old and later Gold medal winner was Amwaj al Shaqab (Safir x Johara al Shaqab) – bred and owned by Al Shaqab stud from Qatar with 92.50 points. 2nd in class and Silver medal winner was Abha al Rayyan (Al Adeed al Shaqab x Ansata Majesta) – bred by Al Rayyan Stud and owned by Asayel Elalya Stud from Qatar.

The last class, the one of the 11 yrs and older mares, counted only 2 competitors. Winner of this class and later in the Top Five, was Nimat (Salaa el Dine x Sheira) – bred by Helen Garland from the UK and owned by Mr Hassan Ali al Matwi from Qatar. 2nd in class was Ansata Nile Cameo (Ansata Iemhotep x Ansata Prime Nile) – bred by Ansata and owned by Mr. Rashid Ali Saleh al Kuwari from Qatar. After lunch it was time for the 4–6 years old stallions and what a class! Wow! They came all in snorting and blowing and moving! The big eyecatcher and really stealing the show with his extreme movement was Shagran al Nasser (Ansata Selman x Dana el Nasser) – bred and owned by Al Nasser Stud. Scoring 20's in type and movement and earning a total of 93.50 points, this stallion later received the well deserved golden medal in the final senior championships. 2nd in class was the also big moving black stallion Sokar (DP Saud el Halima x Bint Moniettaa) – bred by Sh. Saoud bin Mohammed bin Ali al Thani and in ownership of Sh. Hamed bin Saoud bin Mohammed al Thani from Qatar. This stallion was later named top five. The next class was the one of the 7-10 yrs old stallions. Taking a big lead with 91 points and scoring the bronze medal in the following senior male championships was Amaar al Rayyan (Ashhal al Rayyan x Al Wajba al Rayyan) – bred by al Rayyan Stud and in ownership of Sh. Abdulla bin Khalid al Thani from Qatar. 2nd with 86.75 points was Karam al Shaqab (Ashhal al Rayyan x Ansata Mahala) – bred by Al Shaqab Stud and in ownership of Mr. Hassan Ali al Matwi from Qatar.

The last class of the day was the one of the 11 yrs and older stallions. Won with 91 points by the legendary Ansata Selman (Ansata Hejazi x G Shafaria) – bred by Ansata and in ownership of Sh. Abdulla bin Khalid al Thani from Qatar. The stallion later took the silver medal. On the second place with 89 points was Badr el Khaleej (Alidaar x Hilaliat al Badeia) – bred and owned by Mr. Ghanim bin Ali al Mohannedi from Qatar. Later this stallion was awarded with the Top Five placing.

With this the show part of the Qatar Festival came to an end. Both show where perfectly organized and Qatar is an amazing place to visit! We will sure be back for the next year!



















#### GOLD MEDAL FILLIES - NABILA AL RAYYAN owner: Sh. Saoud bin Abdul Aziz al Thani, Qatar



GOLD MEDAL COLTS - SHAHEEN AL WAAB owner: Sh. Abdulla bin khalid, al thani, qatar

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# GOLD MEDAL



GOLD MEDAL MARES - AMWAJ AL SHAQAB OWNER: AL SHAQAB, QATAR



GOLD MEDAL STALLIONS - SHAGRAN AL NASSER owner: al nasser stud, qatar



SILVER MEDAL FILLIES - YAKOUTAH AL SHAQAB owner: al shaqab, qatar



SILVER MEDAL COLTS - SAIF AL MOHAMADIA owner: abdullah fahad al haqbani, ksa

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## SILVER MEDAL



SILVER MEDAL MARES - ABHA AL RAYYAN owner: Asayel elalya stud, qatar



SILVER MEDAL STALLIONS - ANSATA SELMAN owner: Sh. Abdulla bin khalid al thani, qatar



BRONZE MEDAL FILLIES - MAISA AL NASSER owner: al nasser stud, qatar



BRONZE MEDAL COLTS - FAREED AL WAAB OWNER: AL WAAB FARM, QATAR

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### **BRONZE MEDAL**



BRONZE MEDAL MARES - BAHRIAH AL WAAB owner: Sh. Abdulla bin khalid al thani, qatar



BRONZE MEDAL STALLIONS - AMAAR AL RAYYAN owner: Sh. Abdulla bin khalid al thani, qatar

#### **TOP FIVE**



AMAAL AL WAAB - TOP FIVE FILLIES OWNER: AL WAAB FARM, QATAR



SHAHRAYAR AL WAAB - TOP FIVE COLTS OWNER: AL WAAB FARM, QATAR



DHS AISHA - TOP FIVE MARES OWNER: HAMAD JASSIM SALEM AL BAHR, QATAR



SOKER - TOP FIVE STALLIONS OWNER: SH. HAMED BIN SAUD BIN MOHAMMED AL THANI, QATAR



DEEMA AL WAAB - TOP FIVE FILLIES Owner: Sh. Abdulla bin khalid al thani, qatar



DAGHSH AL SHAQAB - TOP FIVE COLTS OWNER: ABDUL AZIZ MUBARAK IBRAHIM AL MOADADI, QATAR



NIMAT - TOP FIVE MARES OWNER: HASSAN ALI AL MATWI, QATAR



BADR EL KHALEEJ - TOP FIVE STALLIONS owner: ghanem bin ali al mohannadi, qatar

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