

The Arabian Breeders World Cup ...

The Most Glamorous Horse Show In The Country

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"A little bit of this town goes a very long way." —Hunter S. Thompson



Worthy of its newly coined tagline, 'the most glamorous horse show in the country', the Arabian Breeders World Cup show never fails to deliver glitz, glamour and quality Arabian show horses.

The twelfth consecutive year marked another blowout celebration of the Arabian breed and the lifestyle associated with owning Arabian show horses. Located near the glitzy Las Vegas Strip and touted as one of the world's premier Arabian horse shows, this international competition garners global entries of outstanding quality representing over 26 countries annually.



Judges, l-r: Raouf Abbas (Egypt), Renata Schibler (Switzerland), Bruce McCrea (USA), Doug Dahmen (USA), Phill Ryan (Australia), Marianne Tengstedt (Denmark), Ron Palelek (USA) and Fabio Amoroso (Brazil).



Wayne Newton

Handler of Excellence Awards were also presented to Andrew Sellman (Professional) and Tristen Wikel (Amateur). Mr. Las Vegas himself, Wayne Newton, made a surprise singing appearance on horseback immediately following the Opening Ceremonies on championship day bringing the crowd to its feet in celebration.

The Arabian Breeder Cup is awarded annually to the breeder who achieves the greatest success with horses competing at the show. It is a title that many breeders strive for and hold as one of the highest honors they can achieve in the Arabian community. Aljassimya Farm achieved this top honor for the second consecutive year.

To be certain, The Arabian Breeders World Cup is not the ordinary horse show experience. The celebration of "world class" Arabian horses, breeders, and living heroes and legends we have lost is second to none. From the elegant arena design to the emotional Flag of Nations ceremonies, the Arabian Breeders World Cup Show is an event like no other. ■

The goal of the AHBA (Arabian Horse Breeders Alliance) is to showcase the natural beauty, nobility, excitement and unique characteristics of the Arabian horse breed while providing a lively and entertaining experience. Organizers and spectators alike described this year's competition as 'one of the finest displays of exceptional Arabian horses to date.' The level of quality was above the bar in most classes, but the yearling and 2-year-old filly competitions specifically left all in attendance in awe.

Highlights of the show included a special video in memory of breeder, judge and passionate Arabian horse enthusiast, Dr. Nasr Marei; and the late Lenita Perroy was remembered in a beautiful presentation of the AHBA Lifetime Achievement award to her family.



Lifetime Achievement awarded to the late Lenita Perroy.



Above: l-r, Andrew Sellman, Professional Handler of Excellence Award winner; Tristen Wikel, Amateur Handler of Excellence Award winner; and Breeders Cup awarded to Aljassimya Farm.

GOLD SUPREME CHAMPIONS...



Senior Stallion
FALAH AL SHAQAB
(Fadi Al Shaqab x Joseph Just Emotion), shown by Michael Byatt for owner/breeder Al Shaqab.



Senior Mare
BAVIERA HVP
(Marwan Al Shaqab x HB Bessolea), shown by Andrew Sellman for owner Aria Prestige Holdings LLC. Bred by Nelson De Oliveira Pinto Moreira.



Junior Stallion
DELACROIXX
(RD Dynamo x HED Caramba), shown by Andrew Sellman for owner Delacroixx Holdings. Bred by Laura Koch and Bert Sanders.



Junior Mare
OM EL ERODITE
(EKS Alihandro x Om El Excella), shown by Ted Carson for owner Patricia Dempsey Trustee. Bred by Om El Arab.



Yearling Colt
ANTARES RCF
(Barzan Al Shahania x Forever Mi Dream), shown by Sandro Pinha owners/breeders Jack and Elizabeth Milam.



Yearling Filly
MB VIVYANNA
(Lawrence El Gazal x Victorya FHP), shown by Michael Byatt for owner Al Shahania Stud. Bred by Michael Byatt and Tangle Ridge Farm.



Stallion/Colt ATH
DEKKADENCE
(Art Dekko TT x Magneeka IA), shown by Anthony Marino Jr. for owner Justin Cowden. Bred by The Aria Partners LLC.



Mare/Filly ATH
CHRYSAL EA
(Alkeynos EA x BST Lily May), shown by Jordon Simons for owner/breeder Walter and Jeanette Lane.



Liberty
SUPREME JUSTICE ORA
(WH Justice x LL Albufera), shown by Margeaux Rodrigues for owner Oak Ridge Arabians. Bred by Stoneridge Arabians and Oak Ridge Arabians.



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2018 Arabian Breeders World Cup Leaders

Gold/Champion = 10 pts.; Silver/Reserve = 8 pts.; Bronze/Championship Top Five: 5 pts.; 1st Place = 7 pts.;
2nd Place = 6 pts.; 3rd-5th Place = 4 pts. | Only Top Five considered

Sires

by points	by # of winners
1. WH Justice.....68	1. WH Justice.....8
2. Marwan Al Shaqab64	2. Marwan Al Shaqab7
3. Cadance PA.....34	3. S.M.A.Magic One.....4
4. EKS Alihandro32	Titan AS4
5. JJ Bellagio29	

Trainers

by points	by # of winners
1. Sandro Pinha.....99	1. Sandro Pinha11
2. Andrew Sellman80	2. Andrew Sellman.....8
3. Michael Byatt.....70	3. Ted Carson7
4. Rodolfo Guzzo51	4. Giacomo Capacci6
5. Ted Carson49	Michael Byatt6
	Rodolfo Guzzo6

Owners

by points	by # of winners
1. Aljassimya Farm97	1. Aljassimya Farm10
2. Cindy McGown/Mark Davis70	2. Pegasus Arabians.....9
Pegasus Arabians70	3. Cindy McGown/Mark Davis8
3. Stella Bella Arabians LLC43	4. Stella Bella Arabians LLC.....7
4. Al Shahania Stud29	5. Murray & Shirley Popplewell5

Breeders

by points	by # of winners
1. Aljassimya Farm83	1. Aljassimya Farm11
2. Pegasus Arabians70	2. Pegasus Arabians9
3. Om El Arab46	3. Stella Bella Arabians LLC.....7
4. Cindy McGown/Mark Davis43	4. Cindy McGown/Mark Davis.5
Stella Bella Arabians LLC.....43	