

STAR OF EUROPE SHOW 4th May 2008 Results

The United Saddlebred Association's annual European Championship Show and Open Breed Show was held on Sunday 4th May, at Moreton Morrell in Warwickshire, which is roughly in the middle of the country making it ideal for everyone.

Presiding over the event was Martin Pienaar from South Africa. Martin has judged numerous events around the world and has been to UK previously to judge shows and give training and equitation clinics.

Sponsors for the events were KC Saddlebreds, Excel Training, the Paso Fino Association, the British Skewbald & Piebald Association, Diane Whiting and the American Pleasure Star of London Show – a big thank you to them all for helping to make the show a success.

The events was well attended by Saddlebreds, Morgans and Paso Fino's with a compliment of pinto's and palomino's coming to enjoy what is fast becoming one of the most talked about shows in the country. As with all the USA-UK events, our ribbons are exclusive of Hodges Badge (Rhode Island) and everyone adores them. The opportunity to take part in their photo competition to win \$2,500 was also a bonus – to encourage everyone to take part an entry form was included in the show programme.

In the Saddlebred ranks, Even Worse, a pinto stallion from Germany, owned by Lynn Herd battled with Comanche Deuce, a National Show Horse (50% Saddlebred), owned by David Whittard in the championships at the end of a long day. Both horses had done exceptionally well in all their classes and both had been shown in more than one division. Comanche Deuce had to take the title for the most versatile Saddlebred at the show as he showed in hand where he took the partbred Saddlebred Championship, under hunter tack, under western tack where he took the western championship and under saddle seat tack, where he took the saddle seat reserve championship. Even Worse wasn't far behind – the only division he didn't show in was western and during the course of the day he took the purebred Saddlebred Championship and the Supreme Mature In Hand Reserve. In 2007 Even Worse stood Reserve in the Saddlebred of Europe Performance Championships, but this year he managed to go one better and took the Supreme Championship.

In the Morgan ranks, it was the exquisite mare FCF Bellesprit, owned by Dawn Sharif and shown by Sarah Nicol, who returned to successfully defend her Champion Saddle Seat title.

The western classes were dominated by David Whittard with his National Show Horse Comanche Deuce. He hunter classes saw a fair number of Saddlebreds and Iberians forward, with the Hunter Championship going to the Lusitano stallion, Odim, owned and shown by Caroline Lockhart.

The show was well supported by the Paso Fino's who even brought their own "Fino Strip" – this is a number of wooden boards that are laid out in the ring. During the class each horse proceeds down the Fino Strip – the cadence of their corto gait

being magnified and clarified as they passed over the boards, which they were judged on in each of the Paso classes. The Paso Fino Championships was eventually won by Lucy Crookenden aboard Sinfonia.

In all the show was a great success and plans are already underfoot for the 2009 event, which will again be held at Moreton Morrell. Readers can check out some of the show photo's and view the results online at the United Saddlebred Association's website (www.american-saddlebred.co.uk) as well as looking for the 2009 schedule which will be online later in the year.

RESULTS

Open Youngstock, any breed

- 1st Taylor Made – Louise Mellor
- 2nd Even Better Than Worse – Lynn Herd

Palomino's In Hand, Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Roundhills Vision of Gold – Dawn Coldicutt

Coloured Youngstock In Hand, 3 years & under Royal London Show Qualifier & BSPA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OF COLOUR QUALIFIER

- 1st Even Better Than Worse - Lynn Herd

Coloured Horse/Pony Royal London Show Qualifier & BSPA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OF COLOUR QUALIFIER

- 1st Even Worse - David Herd
- 2nd Sassy Lass Royale - Paula Thomas
- 3rd Meridian X-Tra Pizzazz - Dorothy Hasty
- 4th Walks Far Woman - Sarah Nicol

Purebred Saddlebred – 3 years & under Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Even Better Than Worse - Lynn Herd
- 2nd Kumala Champagne – Lynn Jarvis

Purebred Saddlebred – 4 years & over Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Even Worse - David Herd

PUREBRED SADDLEBRED IN HAND CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion – Even Worse
Reserve – Even Better Than Worse

Iberian Breeds – 4 years & over Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Odim – Caroline Lockhart
- 2nd Sandokon – Annette Naylay
- 3rd Xaile – Kim Ellis

Partbred Iberian Breeds, any age

- 1st Hermano – Annette Naylay
- 2nd Capricho del Alfoliz – Sarah Whittaker

Partbred Saddlebred – 4 years & over

- 1st Spellbound Romanza – Lynn Jarvis for Dorothy Hasty
- 2nd Appledore Fandango – Kim Bonny
- 3rd Sassy Lass Royale – Paula Thomas
- 4th Meridian X-Tra Pizzazz – Dorothy Hasty

National Show Horses Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Comanche Deuce – David Whittard
- 2nd Sassy Lass Royale – Paula Thomas
- 3rd Perryfields Color Of Majic – Dorothy Hasty for Rosemary Jinks

PARTBRED SADDLEBRED IN HAND CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion – Comanche Deuce
Reserve – Spellbound Romanza

Appaloosa – 4 years & over Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Hemvalley Koko - R Radford-Collumbell

SUPREME IN HAND YOUNGSTOCK CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion – Kumala Champagne
Reserve – Taylor Made

SUPREME IN HAND MATURE CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion – Odim
Reserve – Even Worse

Baby Green

- 1st Monnington Charisma – Jan Rogers
- 2nd Appledore Fandango – Kim Bonny
- 3rd Sassy Lass Royale – Paula Thomas
- 4th Capricho Del Alfoliz – Sarah Whittaker
- 5th Spellbound Romanza – Dorothy Hasty
- 6th Taylor Made – Louise Mellor

Limit Hunter Pleasure / Riding Horse

- 1st Sophie Saint – Emma French
- 2nd Even Worse - Lynn Herd
- 3rd Xaile – Kim Ellis
- 4th Capricho Del Alfoliz – Sarah Whittaker

Ridden Coloured Horse/Pony BSPA World Championship of Colour and Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Walks Far Woman – Sarah Nicol
- 2nd Comanche Deuce – David Whittard
- 3rd Meridian X-Tra Pizzazz – Dorothy Hasty

Ridden Iberian – Royal London Qualifier

- 1st Balastro – Caroline Clinard
- 2nd Odim – Caroline Lockhart
- 3rd Darcy – Sally Bell

- 4th Capricho Del Alfoliz – Sarah Whittaker
- 5th Xaile – Kim Ellis

Road Hack

- 1st Odim – Caroline Lockhart
- 2nd Even Worse – Lynn Herd
- 3rd Sophie Saint – Emma French
- 4th Comanche Deuce – David Whittard

AOTS Hunter Pleasure / Riding Horse

- 1st Sophie Saint – Emma French
- 2nd Xaile – Kim Ellis
- 3rd Chestfield Gemini – Sally Houston
- 4th Hemvalley Koko – Mrs M Radford-Collumbell

Saddlebred Hunter Pleasure – Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Even Worse – Lynn Herd
- 2nd Merdian X-Tra Pizzazz – Dorothy Hasty
- 3rd Sassy Lass Royale – Paula Thomas

Appaloosa Hunter Pleasure Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Hemvalley Koko – Mrs M Radford-Collumbell

Morgan Hunter Pleasure Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Chestfield Gemini – Sally Houston

Ridden Iberian – Traditional Spanish / Portugal Tack & Dress

- 1st Balastro – Caroline Clinkard
- 2nd El Oriente Del Eden – Rhianna Ennis
- 3rd Darcy – Sally Bell
- 4th Xaile – Kim Ellis

Open Hunter Pleasure / Riding Horse

- 1st Sophie Saint – Emma French
- 2nd Chestfield Gemini – Sally Houston

HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion – Odim
Reserve – Balastro

Saddlebred Western Pleasure Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Comanche Deuce – David Whitard
- 2nd CH Celtic Champagne – Lynn Jarvis

Western Horsemanship

- 1st Comanche Deuce – David Whitard

Open Western Pleasure Royal London Show Qualifier

- 1st Comanche Deuce – David Whitard
- 2nd CH Celtic Champagne – Lynn Jarvis

WESTERN PLEASURE CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion – Comanche Deuce

Reserve – CH Celtic Champagne

Paso Fino Youth Pleasure – Royal London Show Qualifier

1st El Oriente Del Eden – Rhianna Ennis

2nd Evita De La Louviere – Stef Roulet

3rd Napanga Dos De Jardines – Georgina Ennis for Lorraine Stanley

Paso Fino Amateur Pleasure

1st Sinfonia – Lucy Crookenden

2nd Napanga Dos De Jardines – Margaret Stanley for Lorraine Stanley

3rd El Oriente Del Eden – Julia Sayer

4th Evita De La Louviere – Pippa Ball

5th Darcy – Sally Bell

6th Carmelita De Pavo Real – Shona Lavey

Concour's D'Elegance

1st Balestro – Caroline Clinkard

2nd Comanche Deuce – David Whittard

3rd Sassy Lass Royale – Paula Thomas

4th El Oriente Del Eden – Rhianna Ennis

Paso Fino Open Pleasure – Royal London Show Qualifier

1st Sinfonia – Lucy Crookenden

2nd Evita De La Louviere – Stef Roulet

3rd El Oriente Del Eden – Julia Sayer

4th Isabella De Los Robles – Shona Lavey

5th Napanga Dos De Jardines – Margaret Stanley for Lorraine Stanley

6th Darcy – Sally Bell

7th Carmelita De Pavo Real – Pippa Ball

Paso Fino 3-Gaited Open – Royal London Show Qualifier

1st Evita De La Louviere – Stef Roulet

2nd Isabella De Los Robles – Shona Lavey

Morgan English Pleasure - Royal London Show Qualifier

1st FCF Bellesprit – ridden by Sarah Nicol for Dawn Sharif

3-Gaited Saddlebred Royal London Show Qualifier

1st Even Worse – Lynn Herd

2nd Meridian X-Tra Pizzazz – Dorothy Hasy

Paso Fino Amateur Performance – Royal London Show Qualifier

1st Isabella De Los Robles – Pippa Ball

2nd Sinfonia – Lucy Crookenden

3rd El Oriente Del Eden – Julia Sayer

AOTS Saddle Seat Pleasure Royal London Show Qualifier

1st Meridian X-Tra Pizzazz – Dorothy Hasy

Paso Fino Open Performance – Royal London Show Qualifier

1st Isabella De Los Robles – Stef Roulet

2nd El Oriente Del Eden – Julia Sayer

Open Saddle Seat Pleasure – Royal London Show Qualifier

1st Comanche Deuce – David Whittard

Classic Fino Open – Royal London Show Qualifier

1st Isabella De Los Robles – Lorraine Stanley

2nd Sinfonia – Lucy Crookenden

SADDLE SEAT CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion – FCF Bellesprit

Reserve – Comanche Deuce

PASO FINO CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion – Sinfonia

Reserve – Isabella De Los Robles

SADDLEBRED PERFORMANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion – Even Worse

Reserve – Comanche Deuce