

## TRAKEHNERS UK

## **SHOW REPORT 2016**

The 2016 Trakehner UK Annual Grading and Show, was held once again at The College Equestrian Centre at Keysoe on 3rd/4th September.

The sun shone for the presentation of 7 high quality mares for grading. All scored 50 points or higher and two Premiums were awarded. Reserve Champion of the Grading was Godington Pambula who is by <u>Godington Hannibal</u> who has been <u>awarded the prestigious UK Elite status</u> due to his outstanding contribution to the breed. This is only the 4<sup>th</sup> such award in the history of the UK Trakehner Stud Book. The Elite presentation was made by one of the Trakehner Verband Judges, Herr Matthias Werner on the Sunday. Godington Pambula had completed her NaSta Performance Test earlier in the week and this therefore confirmed her Premium Mare status. Champion of the Grading was Holme Grove Inger by our only other living Trakehner UK Elite Stallion, Holme Park Krug who was by UK Elite Holme Grove Solomon another out of the UK Elite stallions. Inger's dam is Holme Grove Ich Bin by German Elite Stallion EH Hohenstein, so she is from a very decorated pedigree! Holme Grove Inger went on to be Mare Performance Test Champion on the first day which confirmed her Premium status. Photographer Tanja Davis had donated one of her "Night Photos" to the Grading Champion.

Another offspring from UK Elite Holme Park Krug, Holme Grove Devinci gave an impressive display of jumping and took the "Ingrid Christodoulou Memorial" Award in the loose jumping.

Very strong riding horse classes saw the largest entries of the weekend. The "Walter Lorch Memorial Trophy" for Champion Riding Horse was awarded to Woodcroft Heinrich by Hochadel ridden by Clare Ackerman and they were also awarded the "Woodcroft Part Bred Championship" with Romarnic Ranger by Fairlyn Gemini ridden Felicity Wells taking Reserve of both the Riding horse and the Partbred Championships.

Another daughter of our new Elite Stallion Godington Hannibal, Godington Tsavo, owned by Ruth Burnard, was awarded the "David Clark Memorial" Veteran award

Moving on to the Pure Bred showing classes, the "Liberty Lodge" Foal Championship was awarded to Shamwari Maximum by Schwarzgold out of the lovely mare Magic Megane who was the 2014 Supreme Champion, when shown as a barren mare. He



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went on to take the Reserve Supreme Title at the end of the weekend. The Reserve Foal spot went to some new blood for Godington stud with a filly by Icare D'Olympe out of the Elite Mare Godington Upsalla.

The "Stonecross" Youngstock Champion was Holme Park High Five, a yearling colt from the first crop by Holme Park Kobalt, out of Holme Park Holy Night by EH Caprimond.

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The "Holme Park" broodmare champion was ParodieXV1 by Trocadero.

Overall Supreme Champion of the day to take the "Holme Grove" Trophy was the first day's Mare Grading Champion Holme Grove Inger who showed 3 strong Elastic paces and on the final Supreme ring had the best walk. She also received the "Hallagenna Plate" for the best British Bred Trakehner. She was laden with prizes from Show sponsors Top Spec and Bee Promoted.

Trakehners UK are very keen to encourage young riders with Trakehners as well as all Trakehner owners in competition and therefore offer an annual £500 training bursary with a Senior and Junior section. There were 14 strong entries for the 2016 bursaries and the judge had a very difficult job making a decision. In the end both junior and senior bursaries went to Para riders.

Amanda Shirtcliffe was awarded the senior bursary with her ride Romarnic Ranger by Fairlyn Gemini and Laura Gulliver the junior bursary with Woodcroft Nathalia by Garuda K

Our 2016 Young Rider Championship award went to Minnie Jackson with her Trakehner Godington Absinthe by UK Elite Godington Hannibal with the Reserve going to Alana Clarke with Singing Lantana III by Arentino.

The Dedication award went to Barbara Watkiss for the many years of dedication she has put into Trakehner breeding.

A great weekend was had by all and lots of goodies from our sponsors in all classes including the BD and Unaffiliated Dressage classes running concurrently.

All the results from the weekend including Bursary winners can be seen by visiting www.trakehners.uk.com