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The Westphalian catwalk

Westfälisches-Pferdestammbuch e.V. honours the best mares

Münster: Yesterday the best Westphalian riding horse and heavy horse mares were honoured during the Westfalen-Woche. Among the dressage mares, the Fürstenball daughter, Feine Bella, took the lead in the field. The judges saw Sanna by Special Effect right at the front in the final ring of the jumping mares. Amalia by Adoro I convinced in the ring of heavy horse mares.

The Elite Mare Show of the Westfälisches Pferdestammbuch e.V. took place during the Westphalian Week in hot summer temperatures. A highlight in the calendar of every Westphalian breeder. Despite some restrictions, which had to be made due to the corona virus, the joy of all participants was great that this show could take place. After all, mares are the foundation of successful breeding and the pride of every breeder.

In four rings 25 dressage mares were presented to the commission consisting of Thomas Münch, Katrin Tosberg, Ralf Johanson, Dr. Wolfgang Kluge, Gerd Könemann and Wilhelm Weerda. Nine made it to the final ring. In the end, a daughter of Fürstenball stood out the most. Feine Bella was bred by the ZG Artmeier/Becker/Delling/Wibbecke from Witten out of St.Pr.St. Bella Vista by Bordeaux. This very noble bay, out of the important Bella Rose line, is already well developed for her young age. She convinced on this day in all aspects. Long legged she presented herself with a lot of cadence and impression. Also in the walk she showed herself loose and with good impulsion. The decision between the Champion Mare and the Reserve Champion was very thin, emphasized Breeding Manager Thomas Münch. In the end nuances were the deciding factor. Fiadora by Fürst Wilhelm was celebrated as Reserve Champion of the Westphalian Elite Show 2020. The ZG Fockenbergl from Dorsten had bred the brown from Verb.Pr.St. Skyline by Surprise. She was exhibited by the ZG Wierling from Senden. The noble and modern mare, who finished her mare performance test with a dressage final score of 9.0, convinced with a lot of impulsion and forward movement. She is a typey dressage horse with an energetic hind leg.

Ten mares bred for jumping were presented to the judges. Five were allowed to show themselves again in the final ring. In the end the Special Effect daughter Sanna was right at the front of the ring. Heinz Schütte has bred the chestnut mare from his Verb.Pr.St. Lausanne by Los Angeles. Already at her mare performance test in Münster-Handorf she convinced with a jumping final score of 9.05. In free jumping she showed herself with a lot of reflex and impression. With three extremely good basic gaits and her attitude she convinced the commission again today. Gretel Schulze-Buxloh and Ralf Schmidt from Hamm can be happy about their Reserve Champion Mare. They have bred the Diamant De Semilly daughter Donna Cella out of her Anna Bella by Aragorn W. For many years now, modern show jumpers have been bred at Schulze-Buxloh. This noble dark bay showed herself sporty with a

good line. In her mare performance test she convinced with a lot of overview and ability in free jumping.

The heavy horse mares also found their stage in this show. Eight Rheinisch-Deutsche heavy horse mares were presented to the commission consisting of Thomas Münch, Katrin Tosberg, Rudolf Brocks, Gerhard Hegemann and Ralf Johanson. With her correct foundation and solid movement Amalie by Adoro I took the lead. ZG Meyer zu Hücker from Detmold had bred the bay out of St.Pr.St. Hilda v. Higgins. With power and stride she always presented herself loose and in rhythm. The mare, whose dam was already Champion Mare in Münster-Handorf 2016, was exhibited by Oliver Heise-Immrich from Einbeck. The silver medal in this class went to Happy by Harald. The chestnut grey mare bred by Heinz Klussmann is a daughter of St.Pr.St. Anni by Astor. The mare presented herself with movements of best quality. In walk with rhythm, space and diligence. The trot with impulsion, power and rhythm.

From the hands of Felix Austermann the breeders of the honoured mares received the gold and silver medal of the Landwirtschaftskammer Westfalen. "My thanks go to the breeders who presented their mares to us also in this special year. I am very pleased that we were able to work together so well and trustfully in the commission and that we were able to present the best mares together today," summarized Breeding Manager Thomas Münch.

The attached pictures can be used free of charge in relation to this press release. Credits: Reckimedia.

BU 1: Winning mare dressage Feine Bella with her breeders

BU 2: Winning mare jumping Sanna with her owners