

#### REPORT FROM THE ROAD

# Keuring Honey Brook, PA

#### August 29-30, 2023

Host: Rocky Ridge Stables, Aaron Fischer Jury: Viggon van Beest and Bauke de Boer Editors: Viggon van Beest / KWPN-NA office/ Tracy Geller

The first KWPN-NA Keuring of 2023 was organized Tuesday and Wednesday at Rocky Ridge Stables in Honey Brook, Pennsylvania. The well-organized and hospitable two-day judging was held in a beautiful location under sunny and warm conditions. The quantity was not very large, with an average quality across the board with some stand outs.

### YOUNG HORSE CLASSES

#### Foals/ Weanlings – Harness

A total of eleven foals competed for the championship title. The quality varied from sufficient to very good, with all foals receiving a first premium. Five foals were eventually invited to the final.

The filly **Tiffy** (Waldemar x Dionne by Wodka HBC, **OWNER/BREEDER**: Reuben Moses Zook) became the foal champion. Tiffy is more than sufficiently developed, has a very good harness horse type and has a lot of refinement and charisma. Her neck is good and she has a strong topline and a solid foundation. In her actionpacked movement she shows a lot of front, balance and technique, whereby her switching ability also stands out.



Tiffy ©Stacy Lynne Photography

Second place was for filly **Talonda** (Atleet keur x Alonda ster pref by Talos) **, BREEDER/ OWNER:** Raymond Stoltzfus) Talonda is well developed, harness type and refined. Her topline is well connected and she has a lot of withers. Her legs are solid with her hind leg slightly bent. In her expressive trot she shows a good front and very good use of the foreleg, though her hind leg could be a bit stronger.

The colt **Toleet** (Atleet keur x Idalburga keur IBOP by Manno pref **BREEDER/OWNER:** Reuben Moses Zook) came third. Toleet is a well-developed, harness-type foal with a good rectangular model. He has a nice neck and a good topline. In movement he presents himself with a typical harness with technique and balance but could put his front leg a little further away from his body.

### STUDBOOK CLASSES

#### Stb/Ster — Harness

9 Register A and Foalbook mares were presented for studbook registration and/or Ster certification.

Five three-year-olds could be declared Ster, with the leading position going to **Patricia** (Globetrotter sport x Wonder Lady ster by Roy M), **BREEDER/OWNER:** Ammon P. Stoltzfus) This harness-type mare, with strong connections, has a good neck, well-developed withers and shoulders and hard legs with remarkably good feet. She could be a little more youthful. In movement she shows a lot of power, impulsion and balance and because of her strong hind leg she is well able to rise in her body. Her use of the foreleg could be a bit more generous.

**Pelline AKS** (Waldemar x Elline A keur by Makari Jetsetter, **BREEDER/OWNER:** Abner K. Stoltzfus) was second. She is sufficiently developed and has strong connections. She has a nice head and a nice croup but her neck could be a bit more upright. In the trot she shows a lot of body carriage and a lot of action in the foreleg, but could be a bit wider and have a bit more suspension.

The five-year-old **Nandrini** (Hermanus x F Kaydrini by Uitlander), **BREEDER/OWNER:** Marion Bontrager) could also be declared Ster and this harness type mare with a very good right angle model has a lot of front. Her withers and shoulders are according to the book, but she could be a bit more muscular in her topline. In the trot she gives a very harness-type image that is characterized by a lot of front and a good body posture. Her hind legs are well bent but she could have a little more action in the front leg.



Nandrini, Photo by Luciel van der Kooi

Eight-year-old studbook IBOP mare **Karydientje** (Globetrotter sport x Bernadientje ster by Saffraan, **BREEDER:**Ivan Fisher, **OWNER:** Marvin Lee Fisher) has now met the minimum height of 160 cm and could be declared Keur. She could be a little longer lined, but is a typical harness mare and appreciated herself in the trot, combining a lot of front with generous use of the foreleg and good balance.

#### **STER & KEUR – MARES**

In this section, three mares were presented, including the twelve-year-old Keur mare **Genderose** (Aron HBC x Venderose keur by Roy M, **BREEDER:** A.P. van Doorn from Soest, NL **OWNER:** Rocky Ridge Stables as well as the seven-year-old Ster mare **Lamone** (Globetrotter sport x Zesty Rose by Larix), **BREEDER/ OWNER:** Rocky Ridge Stables were evenly matched. After an extra round on the long side, Genderose's slightly better overall image was the deciding factor and she was lined up first.

### **OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP**

The aforementioned three-year-old Ster mare **Patricia**, the five-year-old Ster mare **Nandrini**, the seven-year-old Ster mare **Lamone** and the twelve-year-old Keur mare **Genderose** competed against each other in this section. **Patricia** left the most typical impression with her strong movements and was honored as General Champion.



Patricia ©Stacy Lynne Photography

Driving Classes — IBOP, Young Drivers & Fine Harness classes:

### **IBOP — HARNESS**

Since April, the IBOP in the Netherlands has been held in accordance with a new pilot test and this pilot has also been adopted in America.

On the first inspection day, five mares were registered for the IBOP, which unfortunately could not pass. On the second day, three of them took part again, with two mares succeeding this time.

The brand new three-year-old Ster mare **Pinalya** (Globetrotter sport x Dinalya ster by Manno pref, **BREEDER:** Ivan Fisher **OWNER:** Leroy K. Fisher) passed with 75 points with her front giving an 8 and her suspension an 8.5. The four-year-old Ster mare **Onda** (Waldemar x Alonda ster pref by Talos) **BREEDER/OWNER:** Raymond Stoltzfus) also passed with 75 points, with the use of the foreleg yielding an 8 and her walk an 8.5. Both mares must pass their IBOP one more time in order to be declared Keur.

### YOUNG DRIVERS CLASS

The Young Drivers Class had a nice number of five participants, with the drivers being accompanied by an adult rider.

Inside and outside the track, the energy and enthusiasm radiate from it and despite the young ages of the participants, ranging from 8 to 16 years, the horses were presented neatly.

The victory went to the 12-year-old approved KWPN stallion **Globetrotter** Sport (Cizandro pref x Lilonka ster pref by Harald, **BREEDER:** Brother van Dolder from Stolwijk, NL, **OWNER:** Rocky Ridge Stables).



Globetrotter

### FINE HARNESS CLASS — Mares

For several years now, points for the Sport predicate have been awarded in the driving classes, just like in the IBOP, which provides an extra incentive for participation. Fine Harness Cups for mares and stallions were held on both inspection days.

The atmosphere and enthusiasm during these sections is really great!

Five mares participated on the first day, and it was the very temperamental **Kiralonda** Keur (Globetrotter Sport x Alonda Ster Pref. van Talos, **BREEDER/OWNER:** Raymond Stoltzfus ) who has a great desire to run and who couldn't miss the win. Time and time again, her performance stands out. She has a lot of front, a lot of action and a lot of power where she goes all the way and doesn't know how to stop.

The sharp Keur and Sport mare **Jemarina** (Ditisem x Ballerina keur pref sport by Vaandrager HBC, **BREEDER:** J.T. Signals from Punthorst, NL and **OWNER:** Rocky Ridge Stables) was honorably second ahead of **Genderose** (Rocky Ridge Stables) , **Karydientje** (Marvin Lee Fisher) and **Pidane** (Globetrotter Sport x Didane ster by Manno pref, **BREEDER/OWNER**: Jesse Ray Miller).



Kiralonda ©Stacy Lynne Photography

On the second day, five mares again competed and **Kiralonda** was again declared the winner. This time she was even more convincing and earned the Sport predicate with her performance. Second was the well-performing three-year-old Ster mare **Pumpkinburga** (Globetrotter sport x Idalburga keur by Manno pref), **BREEDER:** Ivan Fisher, **OWNER:** Reuben Mozes Zook.) Third place went to **Karydientje**, followed by **Jemarina** and **Pidane**.

### **FINE HARNESS CLASS** — Stallions

The first Fine Harness Cup for stallions was a wonderful reunion with a number of approved KWPN stallions exported to America.

The class was composed of the twelve-year-old strong and impressive **Globetrotter** Sport, the 18 year old tough as nails and still youthful **Atleet** Keur (Patijn pref. X Sintia ster by Waterman pref) **BREEDER:** R. Aalders from Nieuw-Roden, NL, **OWNER:** William Duffy III), the temperamental and masculine twenty-year-old **Waldemar** (Cizandro pref. x Ninkie keur by Jovial) **BREEDER:** A.J. van Beek from Eerbeek, NL, **OWNER:** Waldemar Partners) and the twenty-one-year-old large-framed and wellpreserved **Vaandrager HBC** (Manno pref. x Himone keur pref by Renovo pref, **BREEDER:** K. Polinder from Nunspeet, NL, **OWNER:** Ammon P. Stoltzfus) battled each other.

After an exciting match in which **Atleet** and **Globetrotter** dominated, **Atleet** could be drawn as the winner. His performance was as we know him in the Netherlands; Lots of front, good use of the front and hind legs and good posture. **Globetrotter** also performed very well, but had conceded to **Atleet**, especially in the use of the foreleg.



Atleet Keur @Stacy Lynne Photography

Vaandrager HBC and Waldemar followed honorably as third and fourth. On the second day, these 'older gentlemen', this time without Waldemar, competed again and this battle was also between Globetrotter and Atleet who were invited to the final. To loud cheers from the crowd for both title contenders, Atleet again decided the match in his favor. Globetrotter certainly didn't make it easy, but he was just a little less consistent this time.

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#### REPORT FROM THE ROAD Harness Keuring at Wim Cazemier Equine Center, IN

#### September 1-2, 2023

Spencerville, IN USA Host: Wim Cazemier KWPN Jury members: Viggon van Beest & Bauke de Boer Editors: Viggon van Beest, KWPN-NA office, Tracy Geller-Stearns

The second KWPN-NA harness keuring of 2023 was organized at the Wim Cazemier Equine Center in Spencerville, Indiana. This was the inaugural inspection for this site. The well-organized, hospitable, and pleasant twoday inspection was held under sunny and warm conditions in a beautiful location where the interest was great. Be sure to check out the photos from the day at the end of this report.

The quantity was good as was the quality, with several very high-quality horses!



Host Wim Cazemier, Penelope C, Jason Schmucker, Scot Tolman, Bauke de Boer & Viggon van Beest

#### FOALS/ WEANLINGS – Harness

A total of nine foals competed for the championship title. Three Foalbook and Register A and six Reg. B foals were judged in two separate classes, resulting in two foal championships. The average quality was good to very good but the winners were truly stand outs in comparison. All foals could have easily been rewarded with a first premium.- Congratulations! Two foals were selected for the Foalbook/Register A final. **Tana BHF** (Atleet keur x Lillian ster by Vaandrager, **OWNER:** Glen Yoder, **BREEDER:** Lavon R. Yoder) This lovely filly became the Champion. **Thimo** (Atleet Keur x Dorenda ster by Plain's Liberator, **BREEDER/OWNER:** Dutch Central Stables) was named as the Reserve champion.

**Tana BHF** is a well-developed filly, has good type and rectangular model, and has a lot of refinement. She has a beautiful neck, is long-legged and has a solid foundation. In movement, she makes herself stately, uses her neck well and has a very good use of the foreleg. Her hind leg use, and posture are also above average.



Tana BHF

**Thimo** is a very well-developed colt, he has a good harness type and has a lot of masculine expression. In the trot, he shows a nice front and good posture, but he had to give way to the winner, especially in the use of the foreleg. Incidentally, this foal also had a strikingly good walk.

Five Reg. B foals were invited for the final of their class. The colt **T Jay C** (Melody Acres My-Quest x Jay Rose keur IBOP (tp) by Plain's Liberator, **BREEDER/OWNER:** Wim Cazemier) once again left a crushing impression. **T Jay C** really needs no introduction; his conformation is very appealing and even with a magnifying glass, there would be no negative points to this colt. He simply approaches the ideal picture of a harness horse. In movement, you literally become even more quiet, and you only sit back, watch, and enjoy. He is so complete and really radiates that he has his eye on the prize!



T Jay C

Second in the Register B class was the very attractive weanling colt **Tippin' Point** (Jeffro ster x Navannah by Graaf Kelly, **BREEDER:** Enos E.R. Schwartz., **OWNER:** Navannah Partnership)

**Tippin' Point** is sufficiently developed and has a very good harness type; a lot of refinement and appearance and a beautiful head. He has a lot of quality in the foundation but could be a little more muscular in the topline. In the trot, he impressed a lot with his good front, his great use of the foreleg and his strong hind leg. He also has good posture, balance, and technique.

**Tobias C** (Nel-Mar Hummer x JO Roxanne RMA elite IBOP (tp) by Colonist, **BREEDER/OWNER:** Wim Cazemier) came third and this colt also appealed very much. He is very well developed and has a very good rectangular model. His long neck is well formed, and he has good connections, very good withers and a hard and correct foundation. His croup could be a bit more modern. In the trot, he showed a lot of front, good posture and good suspension. The use of the hind leg is more than sufficient, but he could show a little more action in the foreleg.

#### YEARLINGS — HARNESS:

The well-developed yearling mare **Skye Rose C**, (Melody Acres My-Quest x Jay Rose keur IBOP (tp) by Plain's Liberator, **BREEDER/OWNER:** Wim Cazemier) the full sister of T Jay C, also left a very good impression with her beautiful conformation, which is characterized by a lot of refinement and charisma, good connections, a very appealing front, and a remarkably well-developed withers. She has a lot of youth, and she was also convincing in movement. She presented herself beautifully and with a lot of balance. Her movement and posture are also good and in addition to action, she also has a very nice movement sequence in the use of her front leg.



Skye Rose C

### TWO-YEAR-OLDS — HARNESS:

The two-year-old **Rosie Jay C** PROK (Nel-Mar Hummer x Jay Rose keur IBOP (tp) by Plain's Liberator, **BREEDER/ OWNER:** Wim Cazemier) is a half-sister of T Jay C, and was another appealing mare. Very well developed, a very good harness type, an impressive withers and shoulder, strong connections, a neck that stands well on her front and sturdiness, are some of her characteristics. Her croup could be a bit more modern. She also convinces in the trot by her free and happy way of moving in which she shows a lot of power, action and front, which she does in a very easy way with a lot of rhythm and balance.



Rosie Jay C

#### THREE-YEAR-OLD AND OLDER MARES — HARNESS:

One foal book, two Reg. A ,3–7-year-old mares and an 8-year-old Register B mare were inspected. Most notable among the three-year-olds, who were all declared Ster, was the Reg. A mare **Penelope** PROK (Jaleet IBOP (tp) PROK x JO Roxanne RMA elite IBOP by Colonist, **BREEDER:** Lester A. Graber, **OWNER:** Scot Tolman) This very complete mare has a good harness type and a lot of charisma and hardiness. She has a good rectangular model, good connections with a striking wither and a well-placed neck. In her free and happy trot, she makes herself very dignified and puts her neck on very well, whereby she also comes back remarkably well in the front. She moves strongly from behind and well through her body. Partly due to her strong use of the hind leg, she can really climb upwards and shows a lot of power, strength, rhythm, and balance.



Penelope PROK

Second-placed was the three-year-old foal book mare **Princess Grace** (Hermanus x lota IBOP (tp) by Silver Oaks Cartier, **BREEDER/OWNER:** Martin M. Schmucker) **Princess Grace** was also an appealing mare, especially in movement. She has a good type, has a good neck, but could have a little more youthful enthusiasm and be a little more muscular. In the trot she has a good front, a good moment of suspension and good use of her front leg. Her slightly bent hind leg is well used in movement and more than sufficiently brought under.

The third placed **Posieni** (Intign ster IBOP (tp) PROK x I M-A Daisy by Wouter 2e-Bez, **BREEDER/CO-OWNER:** Amos R.S. Schwartz, **CO-OWNER:** Wim Cazemier) characterized herself by having more than sufficient harness type, a lot of refinement and charisma, a good neck and a remarkably light head-neck connection. In the trot she showed a lot of allure and a lot of front with good leg action. A little more power all over would benefit her.

Eight-year-old Reg. B mare **Kemma** (Nel-Mar Hummer x Hikemma by Manno, **BREEDER:** Slabaugh Equine **OWNER**: Dutch Central Stables from Grabill, was the most notable among the four-year-old and older mares. As such, she was moved to Register A and deemed Ster Quality. She is an impressive harness type mare with an enormous front and solid legs. Her topline could be a little stronger. Her enormous front was also her strongest point in the trot, where she also showed good front leg action. She should have a little more power and suppleness in her hindquarters. The five-year-old foal book mare **Navannah** (Graaf Kelly x Havanna ster by Delviro HBC, **BREEDER:** Daniel **OWNER:** Navannah Partnership) was declared Ster. She is more than sufficient in harness horse type, has very strong connections, correct legs and has a lot of allure. She could be a little more expressive and more refined in her front. In movement she shows a lot of front and a lot of impulsion and action. She could move her front leg further away, whereby the moment of suspension could be a bit more generous, but she does have good technique. Five-year-old Reg. B mare **Nashville** (Exalted Effect x Janextra by Jonker, **OWNER/BREEDER:** Justin Bontrager) was also able to move up to Register A and was deemed studbook quality.

Driving Classes- IBOP, Young Drivers & Fine Harness classes:

#### **IBOP – HARNESS:**

Since April, the IBOP in the Netherlands has been held in accordance with a new pilot test and this pilot has also been adopted in America. On the first inspection day, four mares were registered for the IBOP, which unfortunately could not pass. No more IBOPs were driven on the second inspection day.

#### **STER & KEUR MARES:**

Seven Ster, Keur and Elite mares of average to good quality appeared in the ring for this class, where a mother and her daughter were evenly matched. It was the sixyear-old mare **Mijona** keur IBOP (tp) (Hermanus x Dijona ster by Patijn pref, **BREEDER/OWNER:** Martin Smucker & John Graber) who claimed the win. This very expressive harness type mare came to the ring with a lot of front, switching power and a lot of action in the legs.

Her mother, the Ster mare **Dijona** (Patijn pref x Jidono keur pref by Renovo pref, **BREEDER:** K. van Til from Oostwold, NL, **OWNER:** Enos E.R. Schwartz) At the age of 15, she certainly stood her ground and showed a lot of front, use of the front leg and good technique.

#### **OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP:**

At the Overall Championship for Reg. B mares, the beautiful half-sisters **Sky Rose C** and **Rosie Jay C** participated. The differences were very small and, in the end, the youngest, the yearling **Sky Rose C**, came out on top because she has a little more refinement. The second General Championship was an easy victory for the very strong performing brand new threeyear-old Ster mare **Penelope C**. Mother **Dijona** and daughter **Mijona** also showed themselves well again, but **Penelope** could not miss the victory.

#### **STALLIONS for LICENSING:**

Two stallions were offered for licensing this year, but after the linear scoring on hard surface and the assessment of the movement in hand, both stallions could unfortunately not be invited for the second round, namely the IBOP.

#### FINE HARNESS CLASS — MARES:

For several years now, points for the Sport predicate have been awarded in the fine harness classes, just like in the IBOP, which provides an extra incentive for participation. Fine Harness Cups for mares and stallions were held on both inspection days and just like on the first inspection in Honey Brook, these classes generated enormous enthusiasm and encouragement. Appealing horses took part in each section and various horses were able to add points in the hunt for their Sport predicate.



Dijona ster

Seven mares were entered on the first day, so this class was ridden in two groups. The first two places were allowed to participate in the grand finale the next day and the others in the small final. The victory in the first group, which consisted of four mares, went to the very convincing, action-packed, eager and unstoppable **Mijona** who beat the nine-year-old mare **JO Roxanne RMA** elite IBOP (Colonist x Fabulous A.G. Starlight by Wouter 2e-Bez, **BREEDER:** David S. Zehr **OWNER:** Wim Cazemier and Lester Graber).

In the second group, three mares entered the arena, and the victory went to **Dijona**, who went around the track with a lot of front and action in her technically very good trot. The seven-year-old Ster mare **Lillian ster** (Vaandrager HBC x Gentana keur IBOP (tp) by Cizandro, **BREEDER:** John Beachy **OWNER**: Glen Yoder) was placed second.

The next day, in the small final, it was thirteen-year-old Reg. A mare **Fleur** (Zimon VSH x Nikita J keur by Renovo pref, **BREEDER:** Clarke and Karen Vesty **OWNER:** Martin Schmucker) who was presented expertly and claimed the win with great conviction, especially in her forehand.

In the grand final, mother **Dijona** and her daughter **Mijona** met again, and this became a real battle. Once again, the very expressive and actionpacked **Mijona** couldn't be stopped, and she was selected for first place.



Mijona Keur Ibop Harness

Her mother **Dijona** was a very good match and went to the extreme, but in the end had to settle for second place. **Lillian** and **Jo Roxanne R.M.A.** placed honorably third and fourth.

### **FINE HARNESS CLASS – STALLIONS:**

The Fine Harness Cup for stallions on the first day, in which three horses participated, was a great battle with the final result after the first round looking completely undecided. All three stallions were asked to drive over again and eventually the nine-year-old Licensed stallion Jaleet IBOP (tp) PROK (Atleet keur x Dorenda ster by Plain's Liberator, BREEDER: Wim Cazemier, OWNER: Shooting Star Farm ) was the firstplace winner. Jaleet has a beautiful frame with actionpacked movement and showed more and more looseness. The second place was for contemporary and beautiful ster stallion Jeffro (Barno x Cealarda W by Ganges, BREEDER: Breeder Daniel J. Miller, **OWNER**: New Horizon Equine Center) and third place went to the four-year-old Reg. B stallion **O Empire LDM** (Dondersteen W x Hallucinate by Whiskei aang, BREEDER: Leroy D. Miller, Clear Creek Stables **OWNER:** New Horizon Equine Center LLC).

On the second day, the same trio took part again and **Jaleet** was able to convincingly maintain his victory from the day before and **O Empire LDM** and **Jeffro** switched places as the latter now had more trouble with his balance.

## Proud Marry Wins Queen's Section

After several sports classes, it was the turn of the threeyear-old mares to prove themselves in the final. Where the mares previously selected themselves through the regions, they were allowed to show themselves in the preselection this morning. Seven mares competed against each other in the age section final. As the jury said earlier today, "this is the top of the three-year-old mares."

Today's ultimate topper was Proud Marry (f. Cizandro), who got the champion ribbon in the beautiful class in Lunteren. Fokker van Proud Marry is J. Dijk from Nietap, registered is Bea Dijk. The jury spoke of a very harness type mare with a lot of quality and allure.

Second was Perle Vie (f. Cizandro), breeding / ger. Stal Aris van Manen from Nijkerk. The top three was closed by Pirose (f. Icellie), breeding / ger. Fam. Van Vemde ter Epe.

## Macho Best Approved Stallion for the Manno Trophy

In total, three approved stallions came to present themselves in the Manno Trophy in Lunteren. Winner became Macho (f. Indiana), breeding. J. Arends, ger. W. Duffy driven by Robbie van Dijk.

The jury appointed this group as three horses, all of which are "terribly good": "It was deliberation, it was close to each other. But the natural gait has been the deciding factor." Macho, who became champion of his year as a four- and five-year-old, can add a new victory to his record. There was a double profit for Robbie van Dijk, who also took home the style prize within this section.







## Beautiful Final Piece During the Finale der Nationale Around the Greet Bergstra Bokaal

After a day full of sports and inspection classes, it was enjoyable during the last section today. After a class full of reserve champions and champions, five mares were allowed to re-present and compete for the top sport mare of the year.

The title in the final goes to Mendrini (f. Cizandro), breeding. W.M. Veneklas Slots, ger. H. Dekker. "We worked towards this. This morning she was still sharp, now it worked, "said Harry van Middelaar.

Second was Emaire (f. Manno), breeding / ger. J. Kramer and N. Calis and third became Mareda (f. Idol), breeding. J de Lange, ger. E. Kruiswijk.

## From Low Point to Ultimate Peak for Nalanita

Patience is rewarded in Lunteren today: after a break of more than two hours, the rain gave way to sunshine. The mares shone in the ring during the section of the four- to seven-year-old Keur-en Elitemerries, which according to the jury chairman Bauke de Boer were a group of capital mares with only good horses. But only one could be the best today.

And that was Nalanita (f. Eebert), who was bred by the visibly emotional J.W. van Wessel from Zwartebroek. According to Joop, Nalanita is much more than a champion: "This mare was seriously ill not long ago and the vet advised us on euthanasia.". But Joop stood firm and that earned him the champion ribbon today. The jury, consisting of Bauke de Boer, Henk Prins and Berend Huisman, praised the mare: "Nalanita is just a fantastic horse when she starts moving!"

Second place during this section went to Oreda (f. Atleet), breeding / ger. E Daniels and S Daniels. This mare also goes home with beautiful compliments. The jury called her: "a very beautiful mare with a very strong build". The top three was closed by Oderose (f. Cizandro). breeding / ger: M Uineken.





## Convincing, Dancing Toline S (by Macho) Foal Champion



In August 11, the Friday preceding the National Harness Horse Day, the National Harness Horse Foal inspection was found in Ermelo. The Virbac-Veulenbokaal went to the ever-extra-presenting filly Toline S, who was already the foal champion in Tolbert at the CK.

In Ermelo, fourteen colts and nine fillies appeared in the inspection ring, which were assessed by inspector Viggon van Beest, Thomas van der Weiden and Bauke de Boer. Viggon explains the inspection and the foals. "It was striking that the quality of the filly foals was higher than that of the colts. This also emerged in the final, with relatively more filly placed.

Of the fourteen colts, five were allowed to go to the final and six of the nine fillies. If you ask what we noticed in terms of points for improvement, we have sometimes observed a longer hind leg. A middle section that could be a bit stronger was sometimes noticeable with a foal. But we certainly had a nice group of foals in the final with a pronounced leading song. We had a nice inspection ring, just right in size. The weather was beautiful and we worked together pleasantly.Eight Macho foals were invited to the final and one of Icellie, Idol and Magnafiek. The finalists were placed from back to front again and when two more were walking, a filly and a colt, Viggon announced the result with the words: The girls beat the boys! If we look at the roots of the three best, all have a very strong base behind them, in which a lot of performance is achieved both in terms of performance and in terms of inspection performance. But many foals came from renowned damlines.

#### **Strong champion**

So Toline S, breeder Johan Smink from Steenbergen, was the winner, but Klaas Buist was the registered one for CH Tolbert. Johan Smink bred her from Joy (elite van Eebert x Zeoline ster from Patijn). Joy was a very beautiful, strong, convincing National Champion at the age of two and at the age of three. And now she again presented herself with a lot of allure and a lot of harness type with her beautiful foal at the side. It is the damline of Tabe de Jong from Hollum ((Ameland) who became Breeder of the Year in 2012. The strain brought many well-known keuring horses including Wendoline (f. Patijn) who became champion at the National Mare Inspection in 2006 as a three-year-old.

The former breeding stallion Kordaat also comes from this line. The three groups of foals were alternately explained by the jury members, with Van Beest explaining the final. The filly Toline S is a very harness type foal with a lot of refinement, a lot of appearance and a lot of allure. It is built up and has strong connections, a great withers and shoulders and a rock-hard foundation.

And yes, when you see her move she is so complete! You get goosebumps and become silent! Everything is there and then the word "excellent" literally lies on your lips. Toline S also won the foal championship in Noord.

Read more about the NVK Harness Horse in the upcoming issue of the KWPN Magazine.

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