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Limonit: Champion Adult Led Performance-bred Sport Horse at the Horse of the Year Show 2009, displays his prize winner's sash and rug at home at Ad Astra Stud.

Horse of the Year Show *Performance-bred led sport horse classes*

This year, the led classes for performance-bred sport horses at the Kelt Capital Horse of the year show were held in the Horse & Pony International arena for the second time. The judges, both of whom were from Germany, were Dr. Jochen Wilkens, retired Director and Breeding Manager of the German Hanoverian breeding organization and Ms. Sibille Seck.

Hanoverian horses were well represented in the entries, especially by animals from the Parkridge and Henton Lodge stables.

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We extend a warm welcome to the following new members:
 Liz Sanders – Associate - Fielding
 Robyn Warren – Full, Featherston
 Vicki Fursdon Full, Rangiora
 Andrea Bank – Associate, Albany
 Keryn McFetridge – Associate, Napier
 Rachael Hughes – Full, Wellington
 Rainer Hagspihl – Associate, Auckland
 Sharon Irwin, Full, Albany

Editorial

There were so many highlights for Hanoverian breeders and riders over the past three months that it was difficult to decide what to put on the front page. So many of our lovely horses are coming to the fore in their respective disciplines; so much time and energy has been donated by committee members to organise events such as the Grand Parade and the details of the classification tour.

I decided to give the front cover space over to the performance-bred led sporthorse classes at the Kelt Capital Horse of the Year Show, because these classes, although still in their infancy, present an opportunity for Hanoverian breeders to showcase their horses on a large stage and to lead the way by example, in presentation before the judges, handling and trotting out to show the horse at its best.

Our country is so small and our horse breeding numbers so few that we cannot sustain classes that are restricted to only Hanoverians. Our horses have to stand up alongside all others, and so they did. Congratulations to the breeders and owners of all prize winners - your horses represented our society well.

The effort and expense required to take one's horses to the show are considerable, especially if you come from far afield; therefore it is important to commend and thank all those who entered. Without the entrants, there would be no classes. Special thanks to the Parkridge and Henton Lodge contingents whose presence really put Hanoverians in the spotlight.

No other event in New Zealand will offer such a marvellous opportunity to put our horses in the public eye. Horse of the Year Show organisers have given us the floor. It is up to us to show our style.

Sue French

Contact details for officers, committee members and classifiers are now all listed on the back page.

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Announcements

AGM and Awards Dinner

Bookmark in your calendars the weekend of August 1st and 2nd .

This will almost certainly be when this year's AGM and Awards dinner will be held (but as we go to print, not yet quite set in stone!)

The venue also has yet to be confirmed, but the location will be Auckland's North Shore.

Robin Potter is organising a speaker and some wonderful entertainment to spice up the business of the day. Then, there is the Awards Dinner at night - think of good food, great wine and the opportunity to catch up with other members and swap Horse Tales.

A weekend away is the perfect escape from the discomforts of winter. Watch for more details coming to your letterbox

Editor's contact details

I am moving to Pukekohe at the end of May. My email address will be unchanged, but as yet I do not know what my new phone number will be.
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Sue French

Hanoverian sash winners

The distinctive, black and gold sash is presented to the rider of the highest scoring Hanoverian horse on the day, at events around the country.

At the North Island Dressage Championships Charlott Bayliss and **All Black II** (Anamour/Tipsy Kay xx by Little Brown Jug xx, bred by Mary Wilson), were awarded the Hanoverian sash when they won the GP Championship.

At the Young Rider Championships, Rebecca Goldsbury and **Avante Garde** (Anamour/Devon by Dynamit, bred by Debbie Smith), were awarded a sash after winning the level 4 Championship

At the South Island Championships, a sash was awarded to **Rosari Guest Star**, with Anya Durling. **Guest Star** (Gymnastic Star/Donna, by De Niro, bred by Fiona McCrostie of Rosari Hanoverians), won the level one Championship and the four year old Young Dressage Horse title.

Sue Hobson and **Aristoc** (Anamour/Cinnamon, by Witzbold, bred by Gary and Wendy Freeman of Bilbar Lodge), were sash winners at the Bates NZ Dressage Championships.

At the Horse of the Year Show, the sash went to **Henton Attorney General** (Anamour/Distelfink, bred at Henton Lodge by Dave and Bridget Sutton), for his second placing in the CCI**

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Horse of the Year Show: Performance-bred led sport horse

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The Adult Sport Horse Championship went to Ad Astra Stud's German imported Hanoverian breeding stallion, **Limonit** (Lancier/Weltadel), who also won the class for horses four years and over bred for dressage/riding, and the class for best stallion for breeding dressage/riding horses. Reserve Champion Adult Sport Horse was **Henton Exclusive** (Escudo I/Distelfink), bred by Dave and Bridget Sutton of Henton Lodge, following her win in the four years and over class for performance bred jumping horses, in which she was ridden by Young Rider of the Year, Rachel McGregor. In the same class, **Henton Encore** (El Bundy/Distelfink), also ridden by Rachel McGregor, was placed third.

Champion Junior Performance-Bred Horse was **Westamour** (Westminster xx/Anamour) and the Reserve was **Dream Girl MH** (Dream Boy/Wel Kantje, by Weltmeyer, bred by Matthews Hanoverians).

Results:

Stallion for breeding Performance-bred horses

- 1.Limonit
- 2.Doringcourt (Imported Hanoverian riding stallion) by Dressage Royal/Glueckspilz
- 3.Don Quattro(Oldenburger)
- 4.Lindberg des Hayettes (Selle Francais)

Performance-bred horse for jumping, four years and over:

- 1.Henton Exclusive, ridden by Rachel McGregor
- 2.Don Quattro ridden by John Twomey
- 3.Henton Encore, ridden by Rachel McGregor

- 4.Lindberg des Hayettes ridden by Samantha McIntosh

Performance-bred horse for dressage/riding, four years and over:

- 1.Limonit
- 2.Doringcourt
- 3.Parkridge Aje (Anamour/Young Gert XX by Kings Guard xx, bred by Carol Eivers)
- 4.Don Quattro
- 5.Geldof MH (Gymnastic Star/Allermund, from the Matthews Hanoverian stables)

Mare four years and over, for breeding performance horses:

- 1.Parkridge Welcome (Wolkentanz/PR Anagain by Anamour)
- 2.Parkridge Aje
- 3.Parkridge Anagain (Anamour/Young Gert xx by Kings Guard xx) - full sister to Parkridge Aje
- 4.Henton Exclusive
- 5.Parkridge Grosvenor Belle xx (Thoroughbred by Grosvenor xx/Amyntor xx)
- 6.Parkridge Avita (Anamour/Argentina by Winnebago).

With the exception of Henton Exclusive, all placegetters in this class were bred by Carol Eivers of Parkridge stud.

Filly as a potential broodmare, and three year old performance- bred horse (any sex) were both won by the Matthews Hanoverian bred **Dream Girl MH** (Dream Boy/Weltmeyer).

Out and about: news and results from around the country *(for photos see page 5)*

Kelt Capital Horse of the Year Show 2009

Hanoverians in the dressage

Level 6/7 Horse of the Year 2009

With 48 points, Louisa Hill and **Bates Antonello** (Anamour/Flair, by Winnebago, bred by the Hills) had to be content with second place, 2 points behind Kallista Field's un-registered Weltmeyer mare, **Waikiwi**. Lisa Blackburn and her Dutch bred stallion, **Prestige VDL** (now approved for breeding with Hanoverian classified mares), gained third place with 44 points; Kate Klingender and the Anamour/Sovereign Dynasty xx gelding, **Adler**, bred by Mr J.C Holmes and Mrs K. Holmes Bowen came into fifth place with 37 points.

Level 5 Horse of the Year 2009

In this level, Andrea Bank and the approved, German-bred Hanoverian stallion, **Limonit** (Lancier/Weltadel) were second in the title points with 42.5; Australian bred **Gymstar One** (Gymnastic Star/Daktylus) with Penny Castle were fourth with 37, while only one point behind them, Catherine Scott and **Aspiration** (Anamour/Bletchencore xx, bred by Jenny Veitch), came sixth.

In the Level 5 Musical Freestyle, **Limonit** was second again, with **Aspiration** third and **Gymstar One** fifth.

Level 4 Horse of the Year 2009

Level 4 presented some close competition, but the title was taken by Sue Hobson's **Aristoc**, (Anamour/Cinnamon, by Witzbold, bred by Gary and Wendy Freeman of Bilbar Lodge) with 48 points. **Geldof MH** (Gymnastic Star/Allermund), bred by Judith and Peter Matthews of Matthews Hanoverians) was fourth with 41.5 points, and fifth was **Amador** (Anamour/Allermund, bred by Angela Tovey) with Fiona Craig on 37 points.

Level 3 Horse of the Year 2009

Second place went to the Matthews Hanoverian bred **Domino MH** (Dream Boy/Anamour/Weltmeyer), with Susan Tomlin; the pair had 45.5 points.

Level 2 Horse of the Year 2009

In Level 2, German imported riding stallion, **Awakino Banesto** (Bergamon/Matcho AA) and Vanessa Way with 48.5 points, were the title winners, a point and a half ahead of Susan Tomlin and her other Matthews Hanoverian bred mount, **Giusto MH** (Gymnastic Star/Graf Landau).

Weatherbeta International Derby Level 5 Musical Freestyle

Leo Dreams of Gold (Dream Boy/ Golden Legacy xx, by Leader of the Band xx, bred by Julia Fraser, owned by Alicia Collin), was the mount for German team member, Andrea Timpe. This pair were individual winners with 68.83%. The German team won with 135.111 points, ahead of New Zealand with 130.334.

We warmly congratulate Jody Hartstone of Raglan for her well-deserved success on her old Campaigner, the Holsteiner stallion, Landioso. As we all know by now, the pair won the title Grand Prix Horse of the Year 2009, as well as the CDI*** Musical Freestyle.

Charlott Bayliss and her Anamour/Little Brown Jug xx mount, **All Black II**, bred by Mary Wilson, achieved 4th place in the freestyle, and 5th placing in the title points.

Bates NZ Dressage Championships 2009

The 2009 Bates NZ Dressage Championships were held at McLean's Island March 6-9. Hanoverian horses were well represented in the placings.

Kentucky Trophy level 5 Championship points

1st Penny Castle **Gymstar One**

Doornbos Trophy level 4 Championship points

It was a battle over the three days, between Sue Hobson's **Aristoc** (Anamour/Cinnamon, by Witzbold, breeders Gary and Wendy Freeman of Bilbar Lodge) and The Matthews Hanoverian bred **Geldof MH** (Gymnastic Star/All Grace, by Allermund), ridden by Sarah Matheson-Reay. Finally, **Aristoc** prevailed to win the Doornbos trophy for the Level 4 Championship, with **Geldof MH** taking Reserve Champion.

Perhaps one to keep an eye on is **Autumn Gift**, (Anamour/Chandallah Gifted Girl by Genius, bred by Gary and Wendy Freeman), with rider James Duncan. This pair was there consistently in 5th or 6th place and prior to the Horse of the Year show, were leading the South Island Level 4 Zilco Musical Freestyle leaderboard.

Tuna Lodge Trophy level 3 Championship points

In this level, **Domino MH** (Dream Boy/Anamour/Weltmeyer, from the Matthews Hanoverians breeding programme), with Susan Tomlin, was Reserve Champion.

One to watch is Soo Wells with **KH Anastasia**, (Anamour/Witzbold, from John Magrath's breeding programme), consistently nipping at the leaders' heels in 4th or 5th place.

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Out and about photo gallery



*Top left: It's been a great season for Sue Hobson and Aristoc (Anamour/Cinnamon, by Witzbold, breeders Gary and Wendy Freeman of Bilbar Lodge). They won the level 4 title at the Kelt Capital Horse of the Year Show, level 4 championship at the Bates NZ Dressage Championships in Christchurch, level 4 Zilco Musical Freestyle Final at the North Island Championships at Woodhill Sands, where they also won the NRM Accumulator for level 4.
Photo: Brian Hobson.*



*Above: Domino MH (Dream Boy/Adelheid by Anamour/Weltmeyer, bred by Judith and Peter Matthews), owned and ridden by Susan Tomlin, was the Astec Stud Young Dressage Horse Champion of Champions at the Bates NZ Dressage Championships 2009.
Photo:*



Centre left: Leo Dreams of Gold and German rider Andrea Timpe took top individual score in the Weat-herbeeta International level 5 freestyle derby at the HOY show.



*Bottom left: At the North Island Dressage Championships Charlott Bayliss and All Black II (Anamour/Tipsy Kay xx by Little Brown Jug xx, bred by Mary Wilson), were awarded the Hanoverian sash when they won the GP Championship.
Photo: Lisa Potter*

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Killala Trophy level 2 Championship points

Susan Tomlin and the Matthews Hanoverian bred **Giusto MH** gave Julie Brougham and her Australian bred **Kinnordy Glogau** a good run for the money. However, in the final, Glogau won the Championship, with **Giusto** and Susan in reserve place. Both horses are by Gymnastic Star; Giusto MH is out of a mare by Graf Landau.

Aztec Trophy level 1 Championship points

Reserve Anya Durling **Rosari Guest Star** (Gymnastic Star/Donna, by De Niro, bred by Fiona McCrostie of Rosari Hanoverians).

The Glenvar Trophy for Breeder of Best Placed NZL bred Young Dressage Horse was won by Judith Matthews - Matthews Hanoverians.

Astec Stud Young Dressage Horse Champion of Champions was **Domino MH**, owned by Susan Tomlin, bred by Judith and Peter Matthews.

North Island and South Island Dressage Championships

The North Island Dressage Championships were held at Woodhill Sands February 13,14,15 2009. There were several successful Hanoverians in the winning lineups

Grand Prix Champion was **All Black II**, with rider Charlott Bayliss. By Anamour out of Topsy Kay xx, by Little Brown Jug xx, he was bred by Mary Wilson.

In level four, the Champion's title went to **Geldof MH** (Gymnastic Star/All Grace, by Allermund), with Sarah Matheson-Reay, breeder Matthews Hanoverians, while level four reserve was the Bilbar Lodge bred **Aristoc** (AnamourCinnamon, by Witzbold), with Sue Hobson.

Level three Champion was Britta Pedersen's **Adelphi** (AnamourIsla Park xx, by Crown Lease xx), bred by Kathy Scott.

In the South Island, the Championships also took place in mid February 2009.

The best performed Hanoverian was **Rosari Guest Star**, with Anya Durling. **Guest Star** (Gymnastic Star/Donna, by De Niro, bred by Fiona McCrostie of Rosari Hanoverians), won the level one Championship and the four year old Young Dressage Horse title.

The New Zealand Hanoverian Society congratulates the riders and breeders of all these successful horses.

Hanoverians showjumping

Young Horse Nationals and Breeders Championships at Taupo

Henton Lodge Hanoverians were prominent at the New Zealand Breeding Championships for Young Jumping Horses, held two weeks after the Horse of the Year Show at Taupo.

Henton Exclusive, by Escudo/Delphi/Distelfink was fifth in the Mitavite six-year-old showjumping championship with rider Rachel McGregor. She had three clear rounds to get into the final jump-off. The jumps were 1 metre 20 to 1 metre 30 in height.

Young rider of the year Rachel also rode **Henton Encore** by El Bundy/Distancia/Distelfink. He came third in the National Championship for four-year-old show hunters, second in the junior show hunter championship and he won the prize for style in his age group.

Rachel McGregor, who was a member of the New Zealand show jumping team that retained the trans-Tasman trophy at the show, rode throughout the competition with her leg heavily strapped, as she has snapped her cruciate ligament.

Our president, Bridget Sutton, and her husband Dave are the owners of Henton Lodge and they specialise in breeding Hanoverian jumping horses.

Judith Wear

Henton Attorney General and Lizzie Brown did not confine themselves to eventing at the Horse of the Year Show; in 1.25m showjumping class on the Thursday, they placed 3rd=.

Hanoverian mare from Australia wins top showjumping prize at the HOY show

We warmly congratulate Australian rider, Peter McMahon, whose lovely grey mare, the fourteen year old **KS Genoa**, carried him to a well deserved victory for the Bell Tea Olympic Cup for NZ Showjumper of the Year at the Kelt Capital Horse of the year Show 2009, held in March.

Incorrectly reported as a Holsteiner in some publications, the mare is in fact a Hanoverian, by Graf Landau out of a thoroughbred mare and bred in Australia at Kinnordy stud.

The course designed by Leopoldo Palacios was of truly international standard. KS Genoa handled it with apparent ease, displaying the tremendous scope and technique that made the Hanoverian G-line a legend back in the 70s and 80s. She was the only horse to have double clear rounds.

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**Above: Henton Attorney General with rider Lizzie Brown. This combination has been having a very successful season.
Photo: Take the Moment**

Lizzie Brown, riding Henton Attorney General, which she owns in partnership with breeders Dave and Bridget Sutton of Henton Lodge, took top individual honours, from 30 starters, in the 2* horse trial, the Young Rider Trans-Tasman eventing Championships at Camperdown, Victoria, Australia, in April.

Lizzie and "Frank" were members of the winning New Zealand team. They were lying third individually after the dressage, but came up to first after a stunning faultless cross country round over a course that asked some questions. The pair then went on to show jump clear and take the top honors.

Henton Attorney General is by Anamour, out of the Henton Lodge foundation mare, Delphi (Distelfink/Crown Lease).

Hanoverians in eventing

Henton Attorney General (bred by Dave and Bridget Sutton and owned in partnership by them and rider Lizzie Brown), continues to show his worth. He was placed second in the CIC** Intermediate at the Kelt capital HOY.

At the BOP Riverdale one day horse trial he came fourth in Advanced Intermediate level.

At the Springbush Hunua horse trial, Feb 21st, he gained second place in Advanced intermediate level.

Annie Oakley (Anamour/Worth the Whistle, by Witzbold) from Mary Wilson's stable and now with Megan Finlayson placed third at Intermediate level at the Northland horse trials, held on Feb. 28th/March 1st

Anamai (by Anamour, from the TB mare Sabertage xx, by Aberlou xx), and James Jackson gained third place in Open Novice at the Waitemata Redvale horse trials held on Feb. 8th.

Corrections:

My apologies to Angela and John Smith; in the article about Felicitation (January 2009) I mistakenly stated that she was buried on the Smith's farm at Tuakau. This is not so.

And to Haylie Martin, who now owns the Georgie Girl daughter, Anniversary. In the article about Georgie Girl, (October 2008), I stated that she had had a non-Hanoverian foal by frozen semen. This is incorrect. Haylie bred Anniversary (now re-named Aglow) to resident stallion Limonit, with fresh semen. The result was a colt foal, which is not branded.

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Classification Tour NZ 2009

in an open letter to members, Dr. Jochen Wilkens gives his impressions

In this year the Horse of the Year Show at the end of the two weeks has been the main point of the Classification Tour and because there were not so many mares presented for classifying, my wife Ulla and I had some time to see more of your wonderful country. Your president, Bridget Sutton had made a very eventful plan for us for the time between the horse inspections. All the hostesses where we stayed during this tour were very hospitable. We want to thank Judith Matthews, Pat Dalrymple and the Sutton family -we stayed half the days at their home- for their great hospitality. And special thanks to Bridget Sutton, who had a lot of work organizing the tour including the flights. I also wanted to thank Sue Nation, who, in the name of the HOY Show, invited me to judge the Breeding Led Classes at the HOY.

Mare Testing and Mare Classification at Matthews Hanoverians

Judith Matthews organised a special Hanoverian Day at her stud. It started with a Mare Performance Test (MPT) of three mares, then these and one other mare were presented for classification and afterwards Judith showed her foals and yearlings. For this presentation she had sent invitations to all the members of a Dressage/Riding Club. More than 30 people followed her invitation. They were very interested. At first Judith and I gave some information about the MPT, our breeding aim and why we do that. The following mares started: Bardot MH, four years old, by Brentano II/Wel Kantje by Weltmeyer; Roulette MH, three years old, by River Dance/ Balls Out xx and Divas Glory MH, five years old by Dream Boy/ Don Primero. Divas Glory, who has a nice type and showed good gaits with a top walk, became **Elite-Mare-Candidate (EMC)**. At the end I did my presentation about the history of the Hanoverians. Judith and Peter Matthews together with their staff did a wonderful job in promoting the breed.

NZHS Grand Parade at Abderry Farm

On Sunday 15th March at Abderry Farm at Patumahoe, Bridget Sutton and others organised the Grand Parade 2009. On that wonderful place the Stallion Licensing of the stallion Prestige, Mare Classification, demonstration of stallions and jumping horses was well organised and explained to the public. It was a great demonstration of the Hanoverians today.

Nine mares were classified for entering in the main studbook. Three of them became EMC. Henton Evita by El Bundy/Dis-telfink/Crown Lease xx; Granduer by Gymnastik Star/Abertage xx and Diva T by Dream Boy/Allermund. Because of her very nice type and tremendous good walk Diva T, bred and owned by Dr. Angela Tovey, became Best Hanoverian Mare of the show. Among three thoroughbred mares, Kilmama xx by Kilimanjaro xx on the basis of a very impressive type and a good walk, became Best Thoroughbred Mare. Among three foals, the five month old colt by For Edition/Anamour of Henton Lodge Hanoverians became Best Foal of the show.. The Dutch Stallion Prestige was licensed.

Then the Dutch Stallion Prestige by the Holstein stallion Silvano N / Goodtimes /Ahorn Z was presented for grading with the Hanoverians. He has done his performance through placements in dressage S-Level. He is successful in Grand Prix tournaments. Brett Parberry from Australia presented him in hand and under saddle. He showed good gaits and has his

highlights in canter and walk. So Prestige got licensed. He is a very impressive stallion. The Breeders must know how to use this stallion in their breed. In the breeding programme of the Hanoverians the stallion Prestige can only be used to cover Hanoverian Mares (which have a Hanoverian brand). One part must be a Hanoverian or must have at least 50 % Hanoverian blood. Foals by Prestige without Hanoverian blood cannot get the Hanoverian Brand.

In a Demonstration some well ridden Hanoverians were presented: the Stallions Limonit, (dressage and jumping) and Doringcourt *) (dressage). The eight year old gelding, Henton Attomey General by Anamour/Distelfink was shown in the gaits and in jumping, as an eventing competitor and did well with a nice manner. Presented as young jumpers were the six year old Henton Exclusive by Escudo I/ Distelfink and the four year old Henton Encore by El Bundy/Distelfink. They did very well.

Altogether at this Grand Parade about 50 interested people followed the programme. At noon I did my presentation about the history of the Hanoverian Breed. The visitors were very interested in the development of the Hanoverians in Germany and abroad.

We visited some other places, but all together we classified only 15 mares during the tour. In this year we have not been at Gary Freeman's place. I was disappointed about this because Anamour has covered a lot of mares. For many years he was the most important Hanoverian stallion in NZ. I would have liked to go there to see Anamour and to talk about breeding with his offspring and so on. Unfortunately this year there was no inspection in the whole region where Anamour stands.

Such Hanoverian Days as we had this year at Kaitaia and at Abderry Farm should be organized two more in the North Island and one in the South Island for preference. The question is who in those regions could organise it?

On Thursday afternoon the breeding classes were presented at the Horse of the Year Show. It was the second time to run the Performance Bred Led classes at the HOY Show in this way. That the horses were presented in the international Premier Arena pointed to the importance of this exhibition . Altogether it was quite well organised, except that the time between 3.40 and 7.00 pm for the judging of eight classes was very small. I had to do the judgement together with a German lady, Ms. Sibille Seck, whom I had not met before but she knew me. We had a good cooperation together.

When I talked with the chairman of this section, Mrs. Sue Nation, she agreed with me, that it would be good to give some comments about the placements. I would have liked to do this after each class, to explain our placements to the owners, handlers and visitors. Sorry, there was no time for this. So I suggested for the future, to make the normal judgement elsewhere and then present only the best horses in the international ring. There, one of the judges could give some comments. In the first five classes the horses were presented in hand.

In class # 501, 2y. old any sex, among eight horses no Hanoverian was presented. The first place went to the gelding Westamour.

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Classification tour - Dr. Jochen Wilkens

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In class # 502, 3y. old any sex, the Hanoverian mare Dream Girl MH (Dream Boy/Weltmeyer, bred by Judith Matthews and owned by Allie and Steve Harper), was first. She especially pleased us with a nice type and good walk. Dream Girl also won the 2 and 3y. old broodmare class.

In the class of the 2 and 3y. old colts no Hanoverian was presented.

In the mare class # 505 mares in the age of four to twelve years were presented. The age and the number of foals are very important information, one basic for the judgement. We asked for this and got the information. In Germany we split the classes of different age and about the foals we have the rule: the five to seven year old mares have to have at least one foal, eight years and older mares two foals. Among seven mares Carol Eivers presented five Hanoverian mares, four of which were placed in front. The first place went to the 5y. old Parkridge Welcome, by Wolkentanz/Anamour, a mare with significant type and two top gaits. Just behind her we placed Parkridge Aje by Anamour, 11 y. old with one foal.

The most horses started in class # 506, four year and older horses -any sex- as dressage prospects. They were first presented in hand and afterwards, the four best ones came again under a rider. Among 11 horses there started five Hanoverian, three NZW, two Oldenburg and one NZSH. The winner was the 9y. old licensed Hanoverian stallion Limonit, bred in Germany, by Lancier (Lauries Crusador xx/Wendekreis /Maikater) out of a Weltadel mare and owned by Ad Astra Hanoverians. On the second place came the 6y. old Hanoverian riding stallion Doringcourt*, by Dressage Royal, bred in Germany. We placed Limonit first because he is more impressive with a big frame and good gaits. Doringcourt* has a very nice looking head and type, in trot he could be more engaged from behind. On the third place in this class was Carol Eivers' Anamour daughter, Parkridge Aje.

There also was one jumping class with horses four years and older. They had a very different age between four and nine years and all had to jump the same two jumps. You cannot compare them. On the first place came Henton Exclusive by Escudo I/Distelfink bred and owned by Henton Lodge Hanoverians. This six year old mare did the jumps very well, with power and has shown the best technique. Second became the five year old Oldenburg stallion, Don Quattro (Donnertraum/Quattro B) and third the Hanoverian colt Henton Encore by El Bundy/Distelfink. He did a good job, but for him, as a four year old colt it was quite hard in this group.

In class #.508, four stallions started. Champion stallion became Limonit, second Doringcourt* and third Don Quattro. After them a Friesian stallion was placed. In my opinion Friesians are not Performance bred horses, neither for dressage nor jumping.

Junior Champion, a Thoroughbred from an Anamour mare and Reserve Champion by Dream Boy from a Weltmeyer mare. Senior Champion became the stallion Limonit and the Reserve-Champion the Escudo I mare, Henton Exclusive, who won the jumping class. With this decision we wanted to set a sign for jumping horses. Of eight classes, six were won by Hanoverian horses, one by an Oldenburger and the one by a Thoroughbred-Warmblood cross.

The Horse of the Year Show is a large window to present the breeds of NZ riding horses.

In my opinion it is a great chance for all of them to promote their breeds. The Hanoverians should be a motor to develop this part of the show. Now it is the job of the NZ breeding societies to make suggestions how to develop the presenting of the Sporthorse Classes at the HOY in future. I would like to present some ideas:

- From the age of four to six years, the classes should be split into dressage and jumping prospects. These classes should not be open for older horses.

- If possible there should be differentiation for the ages. That means for both aims (dressage and jumping prospects) one each of four, five and six year old classes.

- Then in the jumping classes the jumps of the five and six year old horses can be made higher than the four year old. For the five and six year old horses at least four jumps should be built. (We had that at the show at Abderry Farm).

- Stallions should only be shown under a rider as a demonstration.

- In a broodmare class they should differentiate in the age: for example two and three year old, four to six year old and seven years and older mares. Because these are broodmare classes, the five to seven year old mares should have at least one foal, eight and older mares two foals.

- The quality in some classes was not good enough for such a large, national show. Some horses had a poor quality in conformation or in the gaits. For the future it should be an aim to raise the standard of the presented horses. One possibility to raise the quality would be a pre-selection. In Germany the breeding societies run pre-selections for the "Bundeschampionate." The NZ breeding societies could make this.

- The presentation of the horses in hand (in the trot) was sometimes poor. The judges can only register what they see. So the breeding societies should consider having some young, good runners at the show, who can present the horses in trot. The handlers sometimes use a riding whip to improve the trot. That does not help, it is wrong to do so! The only way to improve the trot of the horse is that during this presentation another person gives a little help from behind with a lunge whip. On the walking ring the normal handler could present the horses. The Verband has a video that shows the way of presentation.

For me it was very interesting that some Hanoverians did very well in jumping, dressage and eventing. For example: In jumping the Australian rider Peter McMahon. started with the Graf Landau daughter KS Genoa and became winner of the Bell Tea Olympic Cup Grand Prix jumping title. Laurie Lever from Australia on the Drosselklang son Ashleigh Drossel Dan came 7th in the Silver Fern Stakes.

In two star eventing class the eight year old gelding, Henton Attorney General by Anamour out of Delphi (Distelfink-/Crown lease xx) came second. We watched him in the cross country part outside Hastings, it was a great success for this relatively young eventing horse. In a special "breeders' booklet" there was a list of the sires with three or more progeny competing at the HOY-Show. There, Anamour was first with 39 offspring, followed by Voltaire II with 21.

During the HOY-Show the President Bridget Sutton held an informal board meeting on the showground at Hastings. There I presented some information from the Verband. We talked about some possible changes that could be done in the future about the work of the NZHS. We also talked about the classification tour.

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Hanoverian Grand Parade

by Judy Wear

It was a grand parade. An insight into the exciting world of high performance breeding with international judge Dr. Jochen Wilkens, from the German Hanoverian Society. So many beautiful horses to watch and a lot to learn listening to Dr. Wilkens' comments.

In the morning mares were presented for classification and entry into the New Zealand Hanoverian Studbook, by Dr. Wilkens and two of our New Zealand classifiers, Robin Potter and Angela Smith.

Ten mares were paraded individually. Six were Hanoverian branded mares and all passed, three with an average score of eight, which is a high mark. Three Thoroughbred mares were also classified and one mare was classified for the Pre Studbook. She is out of an unregistered Hanoverian mare.

A black Hanoverian sash was presented to Dr. Angela Tovey, the owner of **Diva T**, (Dream Boy / A'Dynasty), for the highest scoring Hanoverian mare. Robin Potter received a similar sash as owner of the highest scoring Thoroughbred mare, **Kilmarna xx**, (Kilimanjaro xx/She's Heroic xx, by Clay Hero xx).

The licensed Hanoverian stallion **Limonit** performed his dressage musical with rider Andrea Bank. He was calm and impressive and Dr. Wilkens commented on his development since his last visit two years ago.

The imported stallion **Prestige VDL**, owned by Doug and Lisa Blackbourne, was presented in hand and then ridden by Brett Parbery, from Australia. He is by Silvano out of Good Times/Ahorn. The Dutch recognise him as a licensed stallion with Holstein blood lines. He is a handsome bay horse with good movement and, because he has had several wins at Grand Prix level dressage, he was passed by Dr. Wilkens as suitable to put over Hanoverian classified mares with at least 50% Hanoverian blood and have their progeny branded Hanoverian.

Doringcourt, another imported Hanoverian from Germany, was ridden by his owner, Andrea Bank. He has not been licensed but will be eligible for licensing in the Hanoverian Stallion Studbook if he wins at Grand Prix dressage in the future.

Three foals were shown individually, running free in the fenced arena with their dams on the lead. The **top foal** was an impressive big frozen semen colt by For Edition out of Henton Ambience. Owned by his breeders Dave and Bridget Sutton, he won them a Hanoverian sash as best foal.

A jumping arena was set up for the horses bred for jumping. **Henton Encore** (El Bundy/Distancia) and **Henton Executive** (Escudo/Delphi) were jumped by Rachel McGregor, who owns Henton Encore.

Lizzie Brown rode the eventer **Henton Attorney General** (Anamour/Delphi). He is owned by Lizzie and his breeders, Dave and Bridget Sutton.

In a commentary, Dr. Wilkens compared jumping and dressage movement. During the lunch break he gave a Powerpoint presentation on the history of the Hanoverian breed since its beginning in the eighteenth century. Recording of the breed was started by King George II and horses in the studbook can have their breeding line traced back to the original stallions of 1790.

A group of New Zealand Warmblood Breeders Society members flew into Auckland for the Grand Parade, to observe the classifying procedures.

The grand parade was a money raising event for the New Zealand Hanoverian Society and the general public were charged \$5 gate fee. About \$200 was raised.

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Mare Classification day at Ad Astra Stud

Gabana, one of New Zealand's well known dressage horses, is in foal to Limonit and was classified by Verband representative Dr Jochen Wilkens during his stay in Auckland.

Louisa Hill rode **Gabana** for New Zealand at the Athens Olympic Games. She was bred by the Hill family and is by Genius out of Woodfield Wytchwood, by Winnebago. She is now living at Ad Astra, the home of Limonit and the Wills family north of Auckland. Her foals will be shared by Louisa and the Wills family.

Dr Wilkens and his wife Ulla were taken to Ad Astra by president Bridget Sutton and classifier Angela Smith. It was a small gathering of breeders including Robin Potter, another of New Zealand's classifiers, and **Gabana** was presented looking very well and smartly turned out. She was given a mark of eight for her head and an overall average of seven. She is now in the New Zealand Hanoverian Studbook and her foal by Limonit will be eligible for the Hanoverian brand.

Four two year-olds were stood up for Dr. Wilkens to inspect. They were imported from Germany as yearlings and it was Dr. Wilkens who had helped the Wills Family choose suitable fillies for their breeding programme. He was interested to see how they had developed and was impressed, especially when they were run loose in the paddock to show off their movement. The offspring of these fillies will be of great interest in the future. They are by **Worldly, Don Bosco, San Remo and Sinatra Song**.

A Limonit two year old filly out of **Andiana** (Anamour/Dynamit) compared favourably with the German imports, as did the yearling full sister.

This broodmare **Andiana** was in a paddock with her **El Bundy** foal and a second foal, an orphan Thoroughbred. Both were feeding quite happily off Andiana.

The group had a delightful relaxed lunch with the Wills family and Dr. Wilkens answered questions and informally discussed his thoughts.

by Judy Wear

Photo gallery: Grand Parade and Northland inspection day



Above: Prestige VDL, KWPN registered stallion now approved for breeding with Hanoverian mares, showed his paces in a ridden display



Above: Diva T (Dream Boy/A'Dynasty by Allermund, bred by Angela Tovey), was the Hanoverian mare with the highest classification score. Pictured from left to right are Dr. Wilkens, Angela Smith, Fiona Craig and Diva T.



Above: Kilmarna xx (Kilimanjaro xx/Clay Hero xx, owned by Robin Potter), was the highest scoring classified thoroughbred mare.



Above: Champion foal at the Grand Parade – For Edition colt from Henton Ambiance.

Right: At the inspection day held at Matthews Hanoverians in Northland, the mare with the best overall performance test score was Diva's Glory MH, by Dream Boy out of the imported Don Primero mare, Diva Primero.
Photo: Judith Matthews



*All photos from the Grand Parade were kindly provided by Jane Codlin Photography
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A grand day in the north

***Hanoverian Mare Performance testing & Mare Classification with
Dr J. Wilkens (German Hanoverian inspector) & Robin Potter (NZ Hanoverian classifier)
Venue: Matthews Hanoverian Stud, Awanui, in Judith and Peter Matthews' beautiful indoor arena.
Photo: page 11***

In the mare performance test, the basic gaits, jumping talent in free jumping as well as the mare's rideability (assessed by a test rider) are judged and given scores out of 10. Jo Shepherd from Kaitaia, one of NZ's top event riders, was the test rider. About 35 spectators took the opportunity to watch, learn and enjoy. It was a pleasure to see such quality horses here in Northland, and to learn how the classification process works.

The day started with free jumping; the horses were turned out immaculately in show condition and plaited. They were put down a lane of three jumps, which started low and were raised according to the horse's capability. These horses had been taught to go through this grid and were more than happy to do so with a reward of a mouthful of feed at the end. It was interesting to watch each horse's natural style over a jump (without the influence of a rider); some made a correct bascule and were tight in front with their feet, some were careless and took rails, you could see easily which ones had the more potential as jumpers. It was interesting to hear Dr Wilkens say it was important that a dressage horse should be able to jump a small fence, as this showed their ability for canter work. A jump is just a big canter stride. Each was given a mark out of 10 for ability and for technique. The star of the jumping was **Divas Glory MH** by Dream Boy out of the imported Don Primero mare, **Diva Primero**.

After a very lovely lunch we were back into the arena to see mares with foals at foot, then some 2 year olds and yearlings.

Wow, if you are looking for a new horse Matthews Hanoverians have some super young stock to choose from. They specialise in dressage breeding, but have some lines with excellent jumping blood as well; these horses are outstanding.

Next was the studbook inspection, [of mares], where conformation and correctness of the movement was marked. The horses were led one at a time around a triangle so that the inspectors were able to see them from the back, then the side and front on. This was a good opportunity for the spectators to compare different horse's movement and form their own opinions about a horse. Dr Wilkens gave the scores for walk, trot and canter, and also conformation and rideability, so that the spectators could compare what he said with their own evaluation. It was very informative hearing his expert comments.

Casey Johnson (rider for Matthews Hanoverians) rode a test so that the inspectors could give marks for all paces. Immediately she finished each horse, Jo Shepherd mounted and rode for another five minutes to assess the rideability.

Dr Wilkens finished off the day by giving a lecture on the history of the Hanoverian studbook; amazing to learn it was started nearly 250 years ago. How the breed has changed from being war, carriage and farm horses to the modern day sport horse it has become.

This report was written by Julie Finlayson and first published in the Northland area dressage group newsletter. Our thanks to Julie for permission to re-print it.

Performance-bred led sporthorse

Sue Nation reports on these evolving HOY Show classes from an organiser 's perspective

Year two and part two of the planned evolution and development of these classes saw a big step up by the NZ Sporthorse Breeders. The more selective entry criteria contributed to a very high standard of presentation and quality of horses presented this year, [compared with last year]. It was certainly a year for the "Boys", some very impressive colts, geldings and stallions presented in both the young and the adult classes. They were all very well behaved, highly trained elegant workmen, a wonderful sight to see on the day and this was commented on by many who were watching. We were all fortunate to see the imported Celle Francais Grand Prix show jumping stallion, Lindberg des Hayettes presented in the jumping class.

The Young performance-bred Champion "Westamore" was an exceptional individual. He was by the thoroughbred sire "Westminster xx" renowned for leaving very good confirmation

and sound athletic individuals. (this horse was recommended to the NZHS as a thoroughbred sire to be included in their studbook some years ago!)

Overall the classes were received well by the public and competitors, a number of areas will be further fine tuned for year three, stage three of their development; time, judging, presentations are just a few of the areas to be addressed for the next stage.

These changes can only go as fast as our breeders and competitors will embrace them and enter more of these beautifully bred horses. A big thank you to breeders Carol Eivers and Bridget Sutton for all their entries, particularly in the adult classes, the Hanoverian presence was definitely seen and

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From the Studbook Keeper

Robin Potter

Mare performance testing was held for three mares at Matthews Hanoverians. Judges were Dr. Jochen Wilkens and Robin Potter. The test rider was Jo Shepherd. All the mares were bred and owned by Judith and Peter Matthews. Their scores are tabled below

mare	sire	dam	damsire	year born	
Diva's Glory MH	Dream Boy	Diva Primero (imp.)	Don Primero	2003	
gaits	walk 8.0	trot 7.5	canter 8.0	total 23.5	average 7.13
rideability	judges 8.0	test rider 8.5		total 16.5	average 8.25
free jumping	technique 8.0	scope 8.0		total 16.0	average 8.0
Total final score for Diva's Glory MH: 24.08					

mare	sire	dam	damsire	year born	
Bardot MH	Brentano II	Welkantje (imp.)	Weltmeyer	2004	
gaits	walk 9.0	trot 7.5	canter 8.0	total 24.5	average 8.17
rideability	judges 8.0	test rider 7.0		total 15.0	average 7.5
free jumping	technique 5.0	scope 5.0		total 10.0	average 5.0
Total final score for Bardot MH: 20.67					

mare	sire	dam	damsire	year born	
Roulette MH	Riverside	Greenside xx	Balls Out xx	2005	
gaits	walk 8.0	trot 7.5	canter 7.5	total 23.0	average 7.66
rideability	judges 6.0	test rider 6.0		total 12.0	average 6.0
free jumping	technique 7.0	scope 7.0		total 14.0	average 7.0
Total final score for Roulette MH: 20.66					

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****In order for foals by these stallions to be eligible for registration and branding, their dams must be of at least 50% Hanoverian blood.***

From the Studbook keeper

Mare classification scores 2009

mare	breeding	owner	Age	scores**								
				A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	
Dr. Jochen Wilkens, Dr. Angela Smith BVSc., Robin Potter MPS.												
Diamond xx	Zerpour xx/Zabeel xx	Philippa Kite	7	7.167	7	9	7	8	6	6	7	
Barbee xx	Kashani xx/Kinjite xx	Hayley Pickmere	5	7.167	7	8	7	7	7	6	8	
Gabana	Genius/Winnebago	Louisa Hill	15	6.833	7	7	7	7	6	7	7	
Diva T	Dream Boy/Allermund	Dr. Angela Tovey	4	7.833	8	8	8	8	7	8	8	
Henton Anastasia	Anamour/Distelfink	Henton Lodge Hanoverians	5	7.167	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	
Henton Evita	El Bundy/Distelfink	Sharleen Workman	3	7.5	8	8	7	7	7	8	8	
Grandeur	Gymnastik Star/Aberlou xx	Prue Jackson	4	7.333	8	8	7	6	7	8	8	
Greta Garbo II	Gymnastik Star/Aberlou xx	Prue Jackson	3	7.167	7	8	7	7	7	7	7	
Brilliance	Brentano II/Allermund	Janet Elwood	5	6.667	7	7	6	6	7	7	7	
Eric Ropiha OHMS												
Blossum xx	Chem xx/Light Spirits xx	Robyn Warren	11	7.000	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	
Dr. Angela Smith BVSc.												
Freda Stark xx	Stark South xx/Imperial Seal xx	Jane Ewen	6	7.166	7	7	7	7	7	8	7	
Mrs Tiny White OBE												
Giorgio	Genius/Butty xx	Janene White	17	8.167	8	9	8	8	7	9	8	
Gaddadream	Dream Boy/Genius	Michelle Dicken	6	7.167	7	7	7	7	7	8	7	
Robin Potter MPS												
Miss Phillips xx	Kilimanjaro xx/Heroicity	Willbrook Farm Woolley	8	6.833	7	7	7	6	7	7	7	
Dr. Jochen Wilkens and Robin Potter MPS												
Bardot MH	Brentano II/Weltmeyer	Matthews Hanoverians	4	7.000	7	7	7	6	7	8	7	
Roulette MH	Riverdance/Balls Out xx	Matthews Hanoverians	3	7.000	7	7	7	6	7	8	7	
Elodie	Earl/Weltmeyer	Matthews Hanoverians	5	6.333	6	7	6	5	7	7	6	
Diva's Glory MH	Dream Boy/Don Primero	Matthews Hanoverians	5	7.833	8	8	8	7	7	9	8	
Dr. Jochen Wilkens and Dr. Angela Smith BVSc.												
Kilmarna xx	Kilimanjaro xx/Clay Hero xx	Robin Potter	6	7.333	7	8	7	7	6	8	8	
for the Pre-Studbook												
Another Shower	Anamour/Allermund	Robin Potter	12	6.667	7	7	7	7	6	6	7	

****Legend: A= Overall; B= Average; C= Type; D= Conformation; E= Correctness of gaits; F= Elasticity; G= Walk; H= Impression**

Performance-bred led classes

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heard, the Hanoverian name being said some 2000 times over the course of the classes...that is a lot of advertising dollars for the Hanoverian brand!

The co judge along with Dr. Wilkens was Sibille Seck, a 42 year banker from Dortmund in Germany. She rode show jumping to 1.30m and elementary tests in dressage and eventing, along with training young horses. She has been a German qualified

judge for 10 years and judges between 12 and 15 shows a year. She was a very competent judge with a quick eye for good conformation and movement, a real stock person.

The numbers of entries were down but the quality was way up...little by little we will get these classes established.

Barbara Thomson was taking photos of the winners. Judith Matthews kindly put all the ribbons on for all the classes.

Whatever happened to...?

Judy Wear catches up with a horse she bred years ago



Winter Ginkgo in action with rider Neil Sharpe

Remember Winter Ginkgo? Under rider Neil Sharpe, this big, striking, black horse gained 40 points eventing and was competing at intermediate level. He won the Richfield's inaugural event in 1998 and was 4th at Taupo 3DE. He was competing at medium level in dressage and jumping 1metre 30 in showjumping competition, before Neil sold him to America. Breeder Judy Wear tells how, after many years, (thanks to the miracle of the internet), she finally caught up with her lost baby.

The subject line on the unexpected email from United States said "Winter Ginkgo" (writes Judy Wear). It was like a bright star in a dark sky. We had tried to find this great horse, which I bred and owned when he was young, but always met with a brick wall on the computer. Now after nine years his name popped up!

"I have owned an imported Hanoverian from New Zealand, Winter Ginkgo, for several years," the email from Robin Fritsche said. "I googled his name and found some information that you may have bred him..."

"Ginkgo is in Little Rock, Arkansas, and I have owned him for about three years. He was previously owned by a local event trainer, who sold him to a beginner event rider. He was a little too much horse for the new owner so she just put him out to pasture.

"My trainer had previously seen him and thought he was a grand, noble guy, so I bought him just to give him a good home. I have done a little bit of lower level dressage (he won every class) and had a grand time with him. He now lives with my husband and me at our five acre farm with my retired Thoroughbred eventer and they have a wonderful, good life. We adore him."

I quickly emailed back to Robin Fritsche, with a few details, and she replied: "I had read about your wonderful mare, Arctic Oak, and those articles allowed me to discover that you had bred Winter Ginkgo. I also found that you were involved with the New Zealand Hanoverian Society and found your email address in one of their newsletters.

"I felt sure you would want to know what had happened to Winter Ginkgo and that he had a good home, so you will never know how thrilled I was to hear from you.

"My husband is allowing me to live my childhood dream and we live in an apartment above our barn on five acres. We bought the acreage from my best friend and next door neighbour, who breeds Hanoverians. We have two other horses, Woody, a five-year-old Dutch WB/Thoroughbred and Sterling Survivor (Spike), who is a 15-year-old Thoroughbred and Ginkgo's pasture mate. Ginkgo also has three canine siblings.

"When I purchased Ginkgo he had been turned out to pasture with 20 other horses. I moved him to my trainer's barn and rode and showed him for a little over a year. I had only had him for a few weeks when we had a Grand Prix dressage trainer from Houston, Texas, come up to Little Rock to give a clinic. The clinician's name is Pam Fowler Grace, and she may be best known because Paul McCartney flew her and her Appaloosa horse to New York to walk down the aisle at Linda

McCartney's funeral. Anyway about half way through my ride, Pam asked if she could get on Ginkgo and even though he had been out of training for a year, it was just amazing the things he was able to do. She said he was an incredibly well trained and educated horse and I should consider myself blessed to have the opportunity to ride such a wonderful horse. And I did and do."

As a young horse, Winter Ginkgo was ridden by a well-known Auckland event rider, Neil Sharpe, who later bought him from me as a young horse. They made a good partnership, winning some big prizes mainly in eventing but also in dressage. In 2000, however, Neil needed money to set up a new business and Winter Ginkgo was sold to America through an agent.

How small the world has become with the help of computers, and how good it is to know that the Hanoverian breeders belong to a recognised family that is world-embracing. I am really happy to know that Ginkgo is loved in a good home and will never be sold.

Classification tour - Dr. Wilkens

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Dear Hanoverian breeders, all together this was a very interesting tour. The Hanoverians in New Zealand are on a good course. There are quite a number of top Hanoverians, quality horses to promote the breed. The board of your NZHS will endeavour to gather ideas to promote the Hanoverian breed more than before. Then it is your turn, the turn of all the Hanoverian breeders in NZ, to take the chance to do what you can to work for the success and the promotion of the Hanoverians in your country. I wish you all good success in your Hanoverian breed and the NZHS a good future.

Jochen Wilkens

***The stallion Doringcourt was imported from Germany; he is not licensed with the Hanoverian Society.**

Yearbook of Hanoverian stallions

by Angela Smith



The Hannoveraner Jahrbuch Hengst or, in English, the Yearbook of Hanoverian stallions, was first brought out in 1999 as an indispensable tool to help breeders in finding the best stallions for their mares. It has been published annually since then.

When first published it was a completely new concept in the German breeding industry. The idea of the book was conceived by members of the Hanoverian Verband, as a means of summarizing all the information available on each stallion's own performance and that of his offspring, in a clear form.

Why do you need this book?

In the world of artificial breeding there is a need for objective information about individual stallions, especially if you live on the other side of the world as New Zealand breeders do, and when the only information is a video or Dvd.

How are the listed stallions selected?

In order to gain inclusion in the yearbook the stallion must have produced enough offspring to evaluate breeding values from the results in studbook inspection and the mare performance test (i.e. at least ten offspring that have successfully completed the mare performance test or been pre-selected for a Verden auction) and he must have stood at stud in the last four years. Collated data from offspring in competition is also listed.

Evaluation of daughters in studbook inspections and mare performance tests gives the verband precious information on the evaluation of the sires and information in the estimation of breeding values.

How can this book help you?

The yearbook provides valuable information on the suitability for the various disciplines of dressage and jumping the sires pass on to their offspring. However, the disposition for either jumping or dressage is only one part of the equation; passing on good type is at least as important, in particular when marketing the foals for sale. Also to be considered is attention to definition and the conformation of the limbs, This information is collated from the studbook inspections of daughters.

All available information from the verband computers is edited and the positive and weak traits of inheritance of each stallion are disclosed. Each year new stallions are added as information becomes available.

The yearbook includes tables that list the highest rating stallions according to their value for dressage, jumping and conformation. This is priceless information for breeders outside of Europe, who cannot visit studs and mare shows in person to see the quality or otherwise of a stallion's progeny.

But breeders should take care not to breed by figures alone. The aim is to enhance the positive characteristics of your mare and try to improve the weaker points so you make progress in your breeding programme. You need to define your aim for a particular mare. What do you want to achieve with a mating? Ask yourself "What are her weaknesses I need to improve? Which features do I want to consolidate? Do I choose a refining stallion? Which combinations of bloodlines have proved to work? Which combinations have been positive? Should I repeat the breeding?" All these questions a breeder should ask before selecting a stallion.

The breeders "eye", experience, intuition and some luck also come in to the equation of breeding.

Frozen semen

If you want information about ordering frozen semen for your mare, or have any questions about it, contact Angela Smith now.

Angela will soon be ordering semen from Celle State Stud stallions and from PSI.

For semen to use this year, your order must be with Angela by the end of July

Phone: 09 235 3996

Editor's note: although the yearbook is published in the German language, there is an explanatory insert in English, which makes it easy to follow. The yearbook can be ordered online by visiting <http://www.hannoveraner-shop.de/>

Horses - if God made anything more beautiful, he kept it for himself. ~ Author Unknown

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