Trakehners UK 2015 Annual Grading & Show Report

Trakehner UK annual Grading and Show, was held at The College Equestrian Centre at Keysoe on 5th & 6th September 2015. Despite the ongoing works to improve and enlarge the venue, they made little impact on our show and the future of the venue looks good. It was a successful and relaxed weekend and the weather was exceptionally kind after the rain we had had the previous week.

No stallions graded this year but of 7 mares presented for grading we had two potential premiums with Keatinge Sienna Symphony by Oliver Twist and Godington Ophelia by Goddington Hannibal who then went on to be Champion and Reserve Champion of the grading

It was good to see more foals being shown this year's Champion foal was Godington Belenciaga by Herzensdieb out of Godington Barcelona. Reserve champion was vanhoe by Godington Parcifal out of Isola Irena by Biotop.

The David Clarke Memorial Trophy was awarded to the veteran PM Holme Park Kristie by Holm Grove Istanbul who looked amazing at 25 and still competing in the riding horse class with owner Christine Warwick.

The winner of the TBF Senior Bursary of £500 training fees was awarded for the second year running due to the amazing progress they made during 2014/2015 to Zoe Lewis with her horse Warden Park Jester by UK Elite Holme Grove Solomon. The junior bursary went to 16 year old Rio Russell-Hughes and her mare Keatinge Perdita by Arentio and who are showing great promise as a partnership.

Free Jumping champion was Holme Park Kimoni by Holm Park Prokofiev owned by Louisa Mattei.

Part bred in hand showing Champion was Darkwaters Dejavu by Romarnic Ranger, the Riding horse Champion was Lorraine Sattin's lovely balck gelding Truffle Royale by Hoffrat.

Alanna Clarke won the young handler award with her mare Singing Lantana. The Dedication award was won by Rio Russell-Hughes for the amazing job she is doing with her mare Keatinge Perdita.

A previous show Supreme Champion, Tabitha Perry's Holywood Dream was this year's mare champion and went on to be show Supreme Champion once again. Reserve Champion was the yearling Arensa by St Cyr owned by the Warrawee Stud.

Best British bred went to PP Keatinge Sienna Symphony by Olivr Twist, Best Independent Breeder to Jennifer Horne