

# Forelocks

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**M**r. & Mrs. Kuijf are the founders and owners of Forelocks Arabians, The Netherlands since 1972. Started with their foundation mares Nesmejana (Arax x Nevidimka) and Nezabudka (Arax x Napersmitsa) – Forelocks Arabians nowadays is one of the biggest and most successful Arabian horse farm in The Netherlands. Located in Nieuwkoop, The Netherlands, the farm has over 10ha of grass land, a large indoor arena, a walking machine and around 50 stables. Forelocks Arabians is the farm that once hosted the

famous stallions Abakan and Menes, of whom offspring are still living at the farm today.

On the 21st of April, people from all over Europe gathered at the stables of Forelocks Arabians for their annual open day, to see the latest results of their breeding program as well as their new top class stallion – Bashir al Shaqab – leased from Al Shaqab, Qatar.

The presentation started with horses from their L-family line, tracing back to Lanizjka by Nizjni (Mir by Aswan out of Nezabudka by Arax). A mare Mr. & Mrs. Kuijf

Vekaisa F  
(Kais x Veronia F By Abakan)



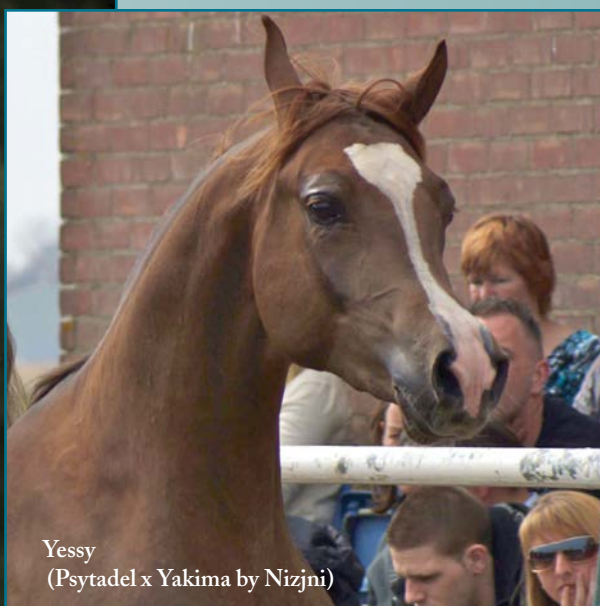
# Arabians

*Open barn*

Bashir



Yessy  
(Psyttadel x Yakima by Nizjni)







Lunette  
(Kais x La Belle by Abakan)



Yzabeau  
(Makisa Adaggio x Yzy F by Psytadel)

*purchased from a Dutch breeder in 1993. Representing her mother was former Dutch National champion La Brunette (by Almonito), La Belle (by Abakan) and her daughter Forelocks Lunette (by Kais) who has been very successfully shown as a filly. All three seem to be very consistent in their type and movement! The latest representative of this L-line is the flashy colt Forelock's Lacoste, by Psytadel and out of La Belle, who looks to be a great addition to the Forelocks breeding program!*

*Another important family line of the Forelocks breeding program, was shown next, the Y-line, coming from the mare Yakouta II (Podsnejnik x Nepokornaja) who was purchased by Mr. Kuijf in the late '70s and had a great impact on his breeding program. Representing her today were her granddaughters Yubilea F (SA Movin Star x Yafit), Yody F (Kubinec x Yosshima) and the impressive Forelocks Yoly (Kais x Yody F) who was named Dutch National champion last year.*

*Next to be presented was another successful family line of the Forelocks breeding program, the V-line, originally tracing back to Tersk bred Veranda by Naftalin. The Kuijf family has successfully crossed this line to Psytadel, creating the beautiful Valentyne F (Psytadel x Veronia) – who received a first place during the Las Vegas world cup in the United States and who is now currently owned by Hawajer Stud in the UAE. Nowadays this V-line is represented in the forelocks breeding program by Valeria F (by Valerio ibn Eternity VI x Veranda), Valeta F (Almonito x Veronia), the spectacular last year's unbeatable Forelocks Vantastica (Psytadel x Valeta F), Virginia F*

*(Elton x Veronia), Verkaisa F (Kais x Veronia) and her 2013 filly Forelocks Veronique (Psytadel x Verkaisa). All horses of this line have incredible type and flying movement and are doing very well in the international showing!*

*Last but not least was the presentation of the Yakima family. Yakima is coming from the Yakouta II – Y-line of Forelocks Arabians and achieved the special WAHO trophy for her outstanding offspring in 2010. Yakima is a daughter of Nizjni and the here before mentioned Yakouta II. Also this line has proved to cross very well with Psytadel, bringing the successfully shown Forelock's Yessy, Yta Donna F and Yzy F – who in her turn gave Forelocks Yzabeau (by Makisa Adaggio) and the typy filly Yusty F (by WH Justice) who has had a great success in the showing for her new owner Ajman Stud of the UAE.*

*In the past 41 years, the breeding program of the Kuijf family's Forelocks Arabians has proven to be successful. With the vision of Mr. and Mrs. Kuijf senior and his son Aad Kuijf and his partner Wendy and their continuous enthusiasm for the breed, Forelocks Arabians knows just how to combine the strong old lines of the past with the modern lines of the future, creating more masterpieces over the years. With their recent leasing of the Al Shaqab owned Bashir al Shaqab (Marwan al Shaqab x SWF Valencia by Psytanium) they are opening a new chapter of Forelocks Arabians breeding. We are looking forward to see the next generation in 2014! □*

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Valeta F  
(Almonito x Veronia by Abakan)



Virginia F  
(Elton x Veronia by Abakan)



Yody F  
(Kubinec x Yosshima by Almonito)



Yzy F  
(Psytadel x Yakima by Nizjni)