



DRACHTEN – Two days of Central Mare Inspection in Drachten, in the Dutch province of Friesland, where obviously the Friesian horse has its roots, led to the amazing result of 52 (provisional) Kroon mares, 11 Model mares and a variety of inspirational champions. Or, in the words of inspector Harrie Draaijer: “True champions of wealth, as we have seen so many wonderful horses here this weekend.”



Annichje fan Bokkum

Co-inspector Bauke de Boer had a weekend he won't easily forget, as his eleven-year-old mare **Annichje fan Bokkum Model Sport** (by Ulke 338 Sport), who he bred himself, became the new Overall Champion. Annichje was also the champion of the seven year old and older mares. Needless to say her owners were thrilled. Annichje embodies the Friesian breeding objective. She's a mare deluxe, successful in breeding as well as sport. With dressage rider Peter Spahn Annichje will soon compete at Grand Prix level.

Six-year-old Overall Vice Champion **Rixt fan Fjildsicht Kroon** (by Mintse 384 Sport) just missed out on the overall title at the Blauwhuis Breeding Day earlier this season, but set the record straight in Drachten. Besides Overall Vice Champion this wonderful mare also became the Champion with the Four till Six Years Olds. Rixt was bred by the Wijbenga family in Veenwouden en is owned by Gerrit de Vries from Skettens.



Rixt fan Fjildsicht



Beltsjeblom R.

YOUTH

Keizer út de Grachten (by Stendert 447) acquired the first ever Friesian Colt Championship. No wonder, as keizer is the Dutch word for emperor. Keizer is bred and owned by Mr Schothorst from Soest.

Josien K (by Tymon 456) is the new and first ever Friesian Filly Champion. This beautiful young horse is bred by Mr Kuiper from Oosterend and owned by Het Swarte Paert in Hemrik.

One-year-old **Hylkje fan de Tsjoender** (by Mewes 438) (breeder/owner L. Heida, Wezuperburg) acquired the title in her category and also got hold of the overall Youth Championship. No wonder. Her name translates to something like "the sorcerer's child". She sure did her magic in Drachten, that's for sure.

Ditske II D. (by Maurits 437) owned by W.H. Derksen from Oosterhout is the new Champion with the two year olds. The Damen family in Geldermalsen bred this Overall Vice Youth Champion.

Leading her category and also the Three-Year-Old Champion is **Beltsjeblom R.** provisional Kroon (Jerke 434 Sport), bred by DRYAS in Lunteren and owned by Galloper Stud in Berkel en Rodenrijs.



Josien K

Renske U.



SPORT

The Centrale Mare Inspection also hosted the 2011 talent test finales, dressage as well as in harness. 53 Horses were invited at the regional Breeding Days to compete in the Drachten dressage talent final.

Scoring a wonderful 81 points, trotting phenomenon **Renske U. Kroon** (by Beart 411 Sport) prolonged last year's Overall Title. The judges were simply thrilled with her movements and presentation.

In the category four-year-old stallions and geldings German-owned **Ytsen fan Galinga State** (by Tsjabring 429 Sport) took the lead, ridden by the Stefanie Wittman. **Pluto fan Ljocht en Skaed** (by Wierd 409 Sport) headed the five and six-year-old stallions and geldings ridden by Marrit Reusien. At the Dutch Outdoor Dressage Championships a week later the combination also acquired the Z1 titel. Marrit was also in the saddle of the winner in the four-year-old mares category:

Wilma fan 't Wyldpaed Ster (by Time 398). Obviously, Renske U. also headed her category of five and six-year-old mares, ridden by Ykje Baron. Fourteen horses competed in the harness final. In the capable hands of Arie van Dijk **Wopke van de Grote Overbrug** (by Haitse 425 Sport) marched to victory. The judges were thrilled to witness such an exemplary harness horse. It seems owners are a bit hesitant presenting their mares in harness. 'Waltzing Lady' **Walsdame Ster** (by Jasper 366P Sport) showed no hesitation and became most talented harness mare.

Walsdame



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