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Syb 552

Studbook name:	Sikke fan ‘t Sarabos
Life number:	202101920
Breeder:	P.H. Sijtsma, Gerkesklooster
Date of birth:	30 April 2021
Height at withers:	1.66 metres
Lineage:	Tiede 501 x Star Haitse 425 x Star Pref*5 Leffert 306 x Star Pref*6 Pike 316 x Stb Gerlof 294 x Star Wessel 237
Pedigree:	214
Kinship:	18.41 % (average 17.9%)

Photo: Sandra Nieuwendijk

Exterior:

Breeding type: A stallion with ample breeding type and a noble head with a friendly expression. The stallion has a long, vertical neck and flaunts ample feathers. He presents a strong front and an elegant outline.

Conformation: a stallion with good proportions, an uphill build and very good length in the foreleg. The shoulder is a little steep and short. The topline is correct and well-muscled. The croup is long with the desired, slightly horizontal build.

Legwork: The legwork is not overly fine but dry quality is satisfactory. He has long pasterns and generous feet. The angle in the hind leg is correct. The stallion's foreleg is a little toeing-in.

Estimated breeding value exterior:

Reliability	Breeding type	Conformation	Legwork	Walk	Trot	Canter
36 - 44%	110	112	108	105	106	101

DNA and veterinary:

The stallion has met the regulatory requirements with regard to X-ray testing, semen quality and roaring.

Dwarfism:	non-carrier status
Hydrocephaly:	non-carrier status
Chestnut factor:	non-carrier status
Veterinary:	no observations
Roaring:	no remarks / good

During the Central Examination Syb 552 was found to be affected with Distichiasis in both eyes (for explanation see below). After consultation with the owner the stallion was relocated to the veterinary clinic in Emmeloord for treatment. During his stay in Emmeloord Syb 552 was kept in condition by a KFPS stable assistant. In Emmeloord a gene test was taken to establish if the stallion is a carrier of both unfavourable gene variants. At the time of drawing up the final report the outcome of this gene test had not yet come through.

Regulations do not include a clause that Distichiasis is a "no go" for approval. It is a hereditary disorder which is passed on via single recessive trait. This disorder can be diagnosed via a gene test. Since stallions participating in the Central Examination as well as mares used for breeding are not tested for this condition within the KFPS, the disorder presently represents no restriction for approval on regulatory grounds.

https://kfps.nl/nieuws/gentest-voor-oogafwijking-distichiasis-gevonden/

Character/personality:

Characteristics	description	a	b	c	d	e	description	
Stable manners	*difficult*					X	*pleasant*	
	energetic					X	*calm*	
	frightened				X		*inquisitive*	
	submissive				X		*dominant*	
	hesitant						*cheeky*	
	anxious					X	*relaxed*	(during tacking/hitching up, taking temperature etc.)
Reliability	*unreliable*				X		*reliable*	
Sensitivity	*little*				X		*much*	
Anxiety	*quickly*			X			*slowly*	
Trainability	*difficult*				X		*easy*	
Responsiveness to aids	*little*				X		*much*	
Willingness to work	*little*			X			*much*	
Work ethics	*disagreeable*			X			*happy*	
Perseverance	*little*				X		*much*	(mental)
Stamina	*little*				X		*much*	(physical)
	freezes			X			*flighty*	
Concentration	*distracted*				X		*focused*	
Learning capacity	*little*				X		*much*	

Observations stable manager, riders and drivers:

Syb 552 is a friendly and uncomplicated stallion. He remains stable and reliable, smoothly adjusts to changes and is easy to guide, even when displaying stallion behaviour.

Central Examination:

Syb 552 completed the Central Examination at the age of four. During the examination he displayed good aptitude both under saddle and in the harness, with posture, balance and rhythm positively catching the eye. The stallion enjoys the work, is very eager to work and always shows commitment.

He keeps a light contact on the rein, both in ridden and driven work. According to riders as well as drivers the stallion's reflexes should become a little faster.

Training report:

Walk: The stallion has a very rhythmic walk and steps widely over, but he needs to develop a bit more use of the body. He shows ample rhythm in the transitions from trot to walk.

Trot: The trot shows self-carriage, is roomy and very regular, but occasionally the rhythm is a little high. The stallion presents a beautiful forehand, makes lots of front and moves with good balance. Extensions in trot are satisfactory, maintaining rhythm and regularity, but suppleness and use of the back need to improve a little.

Canter: The canter has considerably improved in the course of the test and displays satisfactory uphill strides with ample balance.

Riding horse aptitude:

The stallion has a natural aptitude for balance, rhythm and self-carriage. He likes his work and turns out to be an all-round horse with a very good uphill canter showing lots of balance. The stallion works in a light contact and responds well to training, but his reaction to the aids needs to improve a bit.

Driving horse aptitude:

The stallion is an all-round horse with a fine posture and lots of front. In trot he moves with good bend in the hock, satisfactory engagement and very good rhythm. As a showdriving horse he needs to develop a bit more capacity for transitions and more forward reach in the foreleg. The walk is roomy and regular. In the harness the stallion shows good trainability and zest for work.

Test results riding test:

Walk	Trot	Canter	Balance & posture	Suppleness	Transitions	Impulsion	Total
8.0	7.0	7.0	7.5	6.5	7.5	7.5	80.5

Test results driving test:

Walk	Trot	Balance & posture	Suppleness	Transitions	Impulsion	Total
7.5	7.5	7.5	7.0	7.0	7.5	81.0

Test results showdriving test:

Use foreleg	Use hind leg	Suspension	Posture	Front	Suppleness	Impulsion	Total	
7.5	7.0	7.0	7.5	7.5	7.0	7.5	80.5	

Conclusions Central Examination:

The stallion has successfully completed the Central Examination in all three disciplines. During the training sessions he demonstrated lots of drive and forward go. The canter has clearly improved in the course of the test. The trot is characterised by lots of posture, use of the body and tact. The stallion has a good walk.

Dam report

Sjoerdje fan 't Sarabos is a durable 12-year-old Star mare with heaps of breed expression, and an aristocratic head with large eyes. She has abundant feathers. Her neck is long and vertical with a light head-neck connection. The topline is correct with a wide, well-connected loin section. Croup conformation is slightly sloping but with satisfactory length. The mare slightly lacks length in the foreleg, foreleg is also a bit standing-under. Legwork shows good quality with generous feet. Her walk is regular and active. The trot is regular with satisfactory bend in the hind leg. She is a calm, alert mare who loves attention. The mare is fully used for breeding with a foal by her side every year.

Final conclusion

Syb 552 is an all-round stallion with three correct basic gaits. He demonstrates ample tact in walk and trot. He is a stallion with a beautiful posture in trot and canter. He shows good trainability and zest for work and moves in a fine contact.

Advice for use:

The stallion can be widely used for breeding and is expected to improve breeding type and a proportional build. This stallion can also improve tact in the walk.

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