



## ***A Police International Experience***

Last March "Bassel el Assad International Showjumping Competition" was held in Damascus. The Egyptian police participated in this competition with a team headed by General Ahmed El Sawaf, along with Alaa Maisara, Mostafa Selim, and Nahla El Sawaf.

Several Arab countries participated in this competition with their best riders. There were 2 levels; A 130/140 cm and B 120/130 cm. The countries participating were: the home country Syria, Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, Kuwait, Bahrain, Sudan, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia, Bulgaria.

The competition was very well organized and gave a good chance for the police team to meet with other riders from different Arab countries. The Egyptian team did very well and achieved good results; the first day, General Sawaf was placed 2nd in the A class and Alaa was placed 5th. In the second day, Nahla did an excellent show finishing first in the B class, while Mostafa Selim was placed 4th in the same class. Coming to the third and last day, the B class was a team relay so Nahla and Mostafa formed a team by which every body expected the lead for them. Nahla started, but unfortunately the martingale got stuck in the mare's leg over the 2nd fence landing on one leg and both of them falling. But fortunately, General Sawaf compensated this sad incidence finishing 2nd in the Grand Prix. Everybody praised his riding skills and his horse. Then came our talented junior Alaa finishing 5th also in the Grand Prix.

Not only the results that matters, but the way of riding and the good show the Egyptian Police riders did. So keep it up guys!



General Ahmed El Sawaf riding Meshmesh Z



Alaa Maisara, Nahla El Sawaf, Gen Ahmed El Sawaf & Mostafa Selim



Nahla El Sawaf riding Loncome



Alaa Maisara riding Fun Fair