

National News

New Federations setup

The Egyptian Equestrian Federation

Members of the newly elected Egyptian Equestrian Federation:

Eng. Abdel Fattah Ragab, *President*
Eng. Hisham Hattab, *Vice President*
B.G. Mohamed Bakir, *Secretary General*
B.G. Tarek Khalifa, *Treasurer*
Gen. Samy Negm El Din, *Board Member*
B.G. Hany Zohair, *Board Member*
Dr. Mohamed El Sherbiny, *Board Member*
Eng. Abdel Hamid Al Sharif, *Board Member*
Eng. Yasser Abou El Azm, *Board Member*

The Egyptian Polo Federation

Eng. Ibrahim Labib, *President*
Mr. Taymour Sharaf, *Vice President*
Gen. Youssef El Saban, *Secretary General*
Gen. Refaat Donkol, *Treasurer*
Gen. Aly Gharib, *Board Member*
Gen. Galal Fouad, *Board Member*
Mr. Motaz El Attar, *Board Member*
Mr. Hossam Ragab, *Board Member*
Mr. Emad Madkour, *Board Member*

Heros Return Hammad and Vision

Vision Babiere, the genius mare is back in the picture with Mr. Adham Hammad who was spectacular in his last two shows. The mare performed brilliant after two



years of treatment. She looks young and vibrant, jumping big fences with ease and grace. Adham, on the other hand is still as sharp and as confident as ever. How easily everything happens to him in the ring is just amazing. It's true "you can't beat experience".

All riders are dismayed by the current attack by an uninformed reporter on Egypt's top rider Andre Sakkakini. The riders are asking the Egyptian Equestrian Federation to interfere urgently as these allegations on our national newspapers cannot do anyone any good!

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Bye-bye Jaguar ...

After 2 year of sponsorship in show jumping, Jaguar-Egypt abruptly decided to terminate its agreement with their rider, Khaled Mohamed Aly. The given reason for the divorce was the lack of funding from Jaguar's headquarters in the U.K but gossip was abundant amongst riders as they speculated the real reasons. As this was the first sponsor to appear on the scene for a very long time - if not the first ever - a lot of lessons have to be drawn from the story of this partnership. Did Khaled adequately protect his rights? Was there a clear & detailed contract? Did the sponsor get a good return on his investment? Did the Egyptian Equestrian Federation encourage the sponsor? Is Egypt ready for real sponsorship? When asked, Khaled told us that the team's short-lived success was only due to



the efforts of Jaguar-Egypt's Irish manager, Patrick O'Hallaran & that the latter's departure had to be the end for the team. Horse times wishes Khaled more luck in his future endeavours

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Iftar, Discussions & Promises

On November 30th, the most clubs were represented at an iftar hosted by Gen. Elwi Ghazi at the Ferossia Club. Members of the newly elected Equestrian Federation were also present. Eating & socialising were followed by a smaller meeting in which the Federation's policies & plans were discussed.

Club representatives expressed concern over the rising cost of show entries, changes in the competition system & for some the lack of proper training. These issues were addressed by Mr. Abdel Fatah Ragab, the President of the Federation to the attendees' apparent satisfaction.

It seemed that at this stage, everybody was willing to give the new board a chance. About four weeks have passed since that meeting & two official shows have taken place. Is it time for another meeting to evaluate what is new & what is not?

International News

Lando moving to Germany



Lando (by Lancier) the olympic silver medalist stallion ridden by the great Dutch stylist Albert Voorn was sold to Germany before the Olympic games for 1 million DM. The 13 year old Danish-bred stallion is sold to Paul Schockemohle and Otto Becker's owner Dobel's Horst Karcher.

"He came to me to be sold," said Voorn, "I am just glad he's going to a rider I admire."

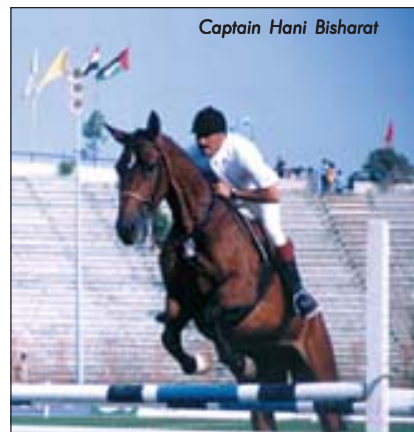
Jordan's Winter Season Kicks Off

On October 14, the new Jordanian show jumping season kicked off. The first show was a very special one. It was the first time Captain Hani Bisharat participated in after winning a battle against cancer. He was (and still is) still undergoing his chemotherapy, but that did not and would not stop him from doing what he does best, show jumping. It was exhilarating to see him back active, strong, and very much involved.

Despite the rain, the growing number of spectators sat through the entire show enduring the thunderstorm. This added to the competition and made the show, no matter what the result each rider earned, worthwhile. The results were very promising to what is expected to be a very enticing and tough season. The Jordanian show jumping scene has been silence for some time now as we all waited and observed the Captain's struggle, but that silence was broken with this return. It brought tears to one's eyes to see old and new riders come together to bring to the arena competitive spirits and a heck of a show.

That's not all, but The Arabian Horse Club is going online. With the help of Arabia Online Ltd. The Club is launching their online portal. Details will come your way soon. Finally, the agenda for the next coming year is full of great events to hit the Jordanian show jumping scene. We are working on spreading the word of this sport, so sit tight to find out what Jordan has in store.

From all of us here in Jordan, wish you all a Happy New Year and Happy Holidays.



Captain Hani Bisharat



FEI/BCM WORLD JUMPING RANKINGS

Pessoa finishes 2000 as World Number One

New Olympic Champion is now World Number Two

Rodrigo Pessoa, the current World and World Cup champion, finished the year 2000 as the Number One in the FEI/BCM World Jumping Rankings. It is the 14th months in a row that the young Brazilian is leading the rankings. 2000 Olympic Champion Jeroen Dubbeldam and 1992 Olympic Champion Ludger Beerbaum exchanged places, with Dubbeldam again in the runner-up spot. Helena Weinberg, in 20th place, is the new leading Lady rider. Her predecessor, Alexandra Ledermann, dropped from 18th to 26th place.

Egypt's Andre Sakakini is now placed 133rd place with total points of 377.

RANK - RIDER (NATION) POINTS

1	PESSOA, Rodrigo (BRA)	3508.5
2	DUBBELDAM, Jeroen (NED)	3396.6
3	BEERBAUM, Ludger (GER)	3341.5
4	NIEBERG, Lars (GER)	3046.2
5	FUCHS, Markus (SUI)	2945.0
6	BECKER, Otto (GER)	2841.5
7	MELLIGER, Willi (SUI)	2726.0
8	M?NDLI, Beat (SUI)	2681.0
9	HNING, Marcus (GER)	2676.0
10	PHILIPPAERTS, Ludo (BEL)	2583.5
11	SIMON, Hugo (AUT)	2325.0
12	SLOOTHAAK, Franke (GER)	2156.0
13	LANSINK, Jos (NED)	2136.1
14	WHITAKER, Michael (GBR)	2053.3
15	WHITAKER, John (GBR)	1898.9
16	CHARLES, Peter (IRL)	1859.8
17	VELIN, Thomas (DEN)	1755.2
18	VOORN, Albert (NED)	1540.0
19	GOVONI, Gianni (ITA)	1495.7
20	WEINBERG, Helena (GER)	1460.5
21	SMIT, Jilly (ITA)	1431.4
22	BENGSSON, Rolf-Göran (SWE)	1424.5
23	GRETZER, Maria (SWE)	1423.0
24	BEERBAUM, Markus (GER)	1422.0
25	TEBBEL, René (GER)	1413.2
26	LEDERMANN, Alexandra (FRA)	1391.0
27	ALEID, Khalid (SAU)	1309.7
28	NAVET, Eric (FRA)	1202.5
29	VAN DIJCK, Marc (BEL)	1199.7
30	BILLINGTON, Geoff (GBR)	1178.6
31	ARIOLDI, Roberto (ITA)	1178.0
32	KURTEN CHESNEY, Jessica (IRL)	1168.5
33	HENDRIX, Emile (NED)	1162.8
34	ASHE, Molly (USA)	1156.7
35	MCINTOSH, Samantha (BUL)	1114.9
36	WULSCHNER, Holger (GER)	1079.3
37	SMITH, Robert (GBR)	1003.6
38	MCNAUGHT, Lesley (SUI)	1000.0
39	TOPS, Jan (NED)	964.6
40	ROZIER, Philippe (FRA)	953.6
41	POMEL, Thierry (FRA)	935.0
	133 SAKAKINI, André Saleh (EG)	377.0



André Saleh SAKAKINI

Date of birth: May 23, 1957

Horse: Careful 23

Current FEI/BCM ranking: 133 with 377.0 points.

Results in events relevant for FEI/BCM Rankings:

DATE EVENT RANK POINTS

July 30, 2000

Donaueschingen- Golden UPS-Trophy, **1st place**, 140.0

July 23, 2000

Spangenberg-Grosser Preis von Spangenberg, **2nd**, 102.0

July 9, 2000

Falsterbo-Nordfinanz Bank Zurich Prix, **3rd**, 75.0

July 2, 2000

Deauville - Grand Prix de Deauville, **7th**, 28.0

May 28, 2000

La Courneuve-GP Conseil General Seine St.Denis, **9th**.