

10,000 m Race for Amateurs

15 March 2003

The Jockey Club of Egypt organized the fourth race in a series of long distance races funded by Sheikh Zayed President of the United Arab Emirates (U.A.E). The race was held in Gezira Sporting Club; the total distance of the race was 10,000 m. This race was opened for amateurs riding local, unregistered horses.

Eleven contestants entered this race competing for the U.A.E's long distance race for amateur's cup. Asking Mr. Rafeek Mohsen, general manager of the Jockey Club of Egypt, about who he expects to win the race, he said that he expects that Mr. Hisham El-Gawahrgy, Mr. Mohamed Rashad, and Mr. Hamdy Amin, to win this race.

Mr. Hisham El-Gawahrgy, president of the Jockey Club of Egypt, won first place finishing the race in 14 minutes 52.555 seconds. Mr. Hisham was riding his horse, King Kong; it was a very powerful and fast horse bred by an Anglo Arab mare, Saadat, and a French Sir, Deegor. Asking Mr. Gawahrgy on his opinion of the race in general, he commented that the race was "very successful, it was the first race of this kind to be held in Gezira Sporting Club, so the number of audience was more than the number in the other three races". Mr. Gawahrgy also mentioned that the track curves in this race were tougher than the other three races held before in the Sports Association Club in Heliopolis. According to Mr. Gawahrgy a rider could start riding his horse, when the horse is two years old. Then when the horse is three years old, it can be allowed to enter professional races. However, for amateur races a horse should be at least four years old so as to be able to enter the race. Mr. Gawahrgy also mentioned that what horse races lack in Egypt are more fans and more publicity.

Furthermore, the second place winner was Mr. Sherif Wagih, he was riding a horse called, Al-Sareea, owned by Khaled Ibn-Laden. Mr. Sherif thinks that "for a Rider to win the race he has to control the horse at the beginning of the race, and then leave it by the end of the race". Moreover, Mr. John Bamford, C.E.O of Egypt Cyber Center, won the third place riding his horse, Zeina. This race was the first race for Mr. Bamford to join in Egypt; "it's amazing, it was just the same as if you are watching a movie where they fix a small camera over a horse's head", he said excitedly after the race.

Horse races in Egypt could be traced back to the time of the English invasion. There are two types of horse races in Egypt. The first kind is an open race, where locally bredhorses could enter. The second kind of races is where only pure Egyptian Arabian horses could compete.



Mr. Hisham El-Gawahrgy, on the right side, receiving his cup, after winning first place.



Right to left: Mr. John Bamford, third place winner, Mr. Sherif Wagih, second place winner, and Mr. Rafeek Mohsen, general manager of the J.C.E, during a TV interview.

Free Style Dressage

11 April 2003

A one-day friendly free style dressage competition held at the Sports Association Club. The competition consisted of three levels A, B, and C, with no restrictions or minimum qualifications for joining any of the classes.

All setup rules were attached together, with an empty course that the participants fill and choose the music they will perform to, with which they have to notify the judges before they start.

The participation fee was ten pounds for each horse and each rider is allowed to participate with a maximum of two horses.

The competition was under the supervision of Dr. Mohamed El-Sherbini, member of the board of directors of the EEF. The judges were, Eng. Emad Zaghlool, Mrs. Anneta Maamoun, and Mrs. Salwa Sherbini. Trophies were presented by Trade Time, Mrs Manal Wahid, and Mr. Tarek Akad.

Results

Level A:

1. Yasser Asser (Army Club), on Ezak - 746 points

Level B:

1. Manal Wahid (Sporting Association Club), on Elite - 605 points
2. Selim Abd El-Alle (Sporting Association Club), on Todar - 503 points

Level C:

1. Areige Emad (Maadi Club), on Nour - 173.5 points
2. Maha Ibrahim (Sporting Club), on Race - 160 points
3. Dr. Ali Elsaid (Gezira Club), on Elina - 157 points
4. Dr. Mohamed Roshdy (Gezirah Club), on Funy - 156.79 points
5. Mano Medhat (Sporting Association Club), on Bascoutta - 156 points
6. Yousef Risk (Sporting Association Club), on Keevan - 154.3 points
7. Maha Ibrahim (Sporting Club), on Kaleebo - 141 points
8. Tarek Akad (Sporting Association Club), on Malaga - 134 points
9. Ahmed Mohsen (Army Club), on High Line - 122.3 points



The winners, judges, and organizers of the competition



Mrs. Manal Wahid, on Elite, first place winner (levelB)



Medhat Rageb and his daughter, Mano Medhat, seven years old, the youngest participant in the competition. Won fifth place (level C)

First Emirates Horse's Festival in Egypt

12 April 2003

Continuing on the mutual co-operation plans, especially in sports, between Egypt and the United Arab Emirates (U.A.E), his Highness Sheikh Zaid Bn-Sultan, President of U.A.E, organized a two-day horse race festival. On Saturday May 12th, first day of the festival, five different races took place in Gezirah Club. The first race was 10,000m race for amateur riders. The other four were shorter races with distances equivalent to 1200, 1900, 1400, and 1600 meters, respectively. The results of the races were as follows:



Participants of the first and longest race with Mr. Hisham Al-Gawahrgy.



Ramadan, on Barood Aknaton, and Fayez, on fayad Aknaton, ending the third race.

First Race:

- 1.Hazem Labeeb, on Hawanem Aknaton owned by Mostafa Omar
- 2.Nashaat Hegazy, on his horse Kamar
- 3.Shaheer Kalifa, on Fadlowned by Abd El-menam Barakat

Second Race:

- 1.Ramadan, on Helalyat Aknaton owned by Mostafa Omar
- 2.Mostafa, on Gareeb Hemdan owned by Ibrahim Al-hageelan
- 3.Mersal, on Fares Hemdan owned by Al-Baraka Stables

Third Race:

- 1.Ramadan, on Barood Aknaton owned by Mostafa Omar
- 2.Fayez, on Fayad Aknaton owned by Mostafa Omar

- 3.Mersal, on Fares owned by Adel Al-Sayed

Forth Race:

- 1.Fayez, on Moreeh Aknaton owned by Mostafa Omar
- 2.Ramadan, on Al-batal Aknaton owned by Mostafa Omar
- 3.Mohey, on Alia owned by Mostafa Omar and Mersal, on Fares Ahlmy owned by Mohamed Hamza

Fifth Race:

- 1.Kareem, on Mohga Saqr owned by Omar Saqr
- 2.Ramadan, on Negmt Aknaton owned by Mostafa Omar
- 3.Ibrahim, on Mabrook owned by Dr. Aly Abd El-Rehem

National Results

Dressage

Level A:

1. Yasser Mahdy Asr, Ferosia Club
2. Ayman Fahmy Moktar, Police Sports Federation
3. Ahmed Mohamed Al-Shaqanqiery, Presidential guards

Level B:

1. Manal Wahid, Sporting Association Club
2. Randa Barakat, Gezirah Club
3. Dina Hosni, Maadi Club

Level C:

1. Ayman Azab, Ferosia Club
2. Suzana Al-Hefny, Ferosia Club
3. Mohamed Roshdy, Gezirah Club
4. Ahmed Nabil, Ferosia Club
5. Astefania Grany, Ferosia Club
6. Tarek Al-akad, Sporting Association Club
7. Selim Abd Elaal, Sporting Association Club

Level D:

1. Ayman Moktar, Police Sports Federation
2. Areeg Zaghlool, Maadi Club
3. Aly Al-Saeed, Gezirah Club
4. Maha Mostafa, Sporting Club
5. Sherif Rady, Ferosia Club
6. Amira Al-abied, Sporting Association Club
7. Mona Al-Bakry, Maadi Club
8. Geniefer Kamel, Maadi Club
9. Amal Mostafa, Sporting Association Club
10. Ahmed Osman, Ferosia Club
11. Mahmoud Radwan, Maadi Club
12. Ahmed Osman, Ferosia Club

Cross Country:

1. Suzana Serag, Ferosia Club
2. Ayman Fahmy Moktar, Police Sports Federation
3. Ayman Fahmy Moktar, Police Sports Federation
4. Ahmed Nabil, Ferosia Club

Show Jumping

National A-Level:

1. Mohamed Sabry, on Petit Donna, Ferosia Club
2. Alaa Maysara, on Karta, Police Sporting Club
3. Gamal Amer, on Cavalier, Army Club
4. Amr Magdy, on legat, Ferosia Club
5. Mohamed Ragab, on Katya, Sporting Club

Under 21 (140 cm)

1. Mohamed Abd El-Fatah, on Milk Shake, Sporting Club
2. Islam Ragab, on Quick Silver, Sporting Club
3. Sameh Hatab, on Limited Edition, Sporting Club

Under 18 (130 cm)

1. Islam Eid, on Madonna, Ferosia Club
2. Shady Hasan, on Silver Domino, Army Club
3. Islam Eid, on Madonna, Ferosia Club

Under 14 (120 cm)

1. Zaizafon Hattab, on Matador, Sporting Club
2. Zaizafon Hattab, on Cappuccino, Sporting Club
3. Mohamed Affifi, on Kilala, Sporting Association Club

Level 1 (140 cm)

1. Mohamed Al-Boraee, on Lethander, Army Club
2. Mohamed Abd El-Fattah, on Milk Shake, Sporting Club

3. Dr. Karim El-Sobky, on Kalando, Army Club

Level 1 (135 cm)

1. Dr. Karim El-Sobky, on Froling Haft, Army Club
2. Nahla Al-Sawaf, on Neferty, Police Sporting Club
3. Sameh Hattab, on Daryous, Sporting Club

Level 2 (130 cm)

1. Islam Eid, on Madonna, Ferosia Club
2. Karim Hamdy, on Four Pledger, Army Club
3. Shady Hassan, on Silver Domino, Army Club

Level 3 (120 cm)

1. Adham Elias, on Al Paccino, Gezirah Club
2. Karim Assal, on Fadl Allah, Army Club
3. Mohamed Abd El-Maqsood, on Abdwing, Army Club

Level 4 (110 cm)

1. Fady Selim, on Little Gambler, Sporting Association Club
2. Murad Hammouda, on Fasolia, Sporting Club
3. Yehia Wagih, on La Coronna, Gezirah Club

Level 5 (100 cm)

1. Islam Ragab, on Free Styler, Sporting Club
2. Wael Al-Gendy, on Sugar, Police Sports Federation
3. Aly Swelam, on K, Army Club

European Dressage Tickets go on SALE

Tickets are now on sale for the European Dressage Championships at Hickstead (13th - 17th August 2003). This is the first time that the Championships will be held in Britain since they were hosted at Goodwood in 1987 and the event presents a unique opportunity to see the World's best dressage riders and horses competing in the UK for this coveted title. Riders are likely to include reigning European Champion, Ulla Salzgeber, World Champion, Nadine Capellmann, and Olympic Champion, Anky van Grunsven, together with teams from the top dressage nations and the very best British riders aiming to gain Olympic qualification. As well as the individual competition, European nations will also compete for the team medals.

A Young Horse day will be held on Wednesday 13th August that will see the national finals of the Rhinegold British Young Horse Championships for 5 and 6 year olds. The British Pas de Deux Championship is an excit-

ing introduction with the winners of the national finals going forward to a contest against invited international pairs during a gala performance at the event. Other attractions will include dressage to music, Quadrille, arena displays, a Sport Horse Symposium and Shopping Village.

Spectators will need to book grandstand seats to watch the competition and, with only a limited number of seats available on each day, early booking is strongly recommended. Tickets include admission with parking and grandstand seat or Gold tickets, which offer admission, parking, grandstand seat and access to VIP hospitality facilities. Season tickets are available for the duration of the event. More information is available on the website www.edc2003.com. Tickets are available from Ticketmaster on 0870 0602328 (24 hours), at all Ticketmaster ticket centres including selected Virgin Megastores and Tower Records Stores nationwide. Book online at www.ticketmaster.co.uk.

World Ratings

Dressage

FEI BCM WORLD DRESSAGE RIDERS RANKINGS:

- 1.Ulla Salzgeber (GER), scoring 80.108
- 2.Nadine Capellmann (GER), scoring 78.750
- 3.Lisa Wilcox (USA), scoring 78.395.
- 4.Monica Theodorescu (GER), scoring

View complete rankings on:
http://www.horsesport.org/fei/consult/consult_02/con_02_0

Show Jumping

FEI GANDINI WORLD JUMPING RIDERS RANKINGS:

- 1.Ludger Beerbaum (GER)
- 2.Markus Fuchs (SUI),
- 3.Rodrigo Pessoa (BRA).
- 4.Marcus Ehning (GER)

The first lady rider, Leslie Howard (USA) went up one place and is now 11th. There are 27 riders with more than 1000 points in the rankings which include British riders Robert Smith in 19th and Michael Whitaker in 26th.

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http://www.horsesport.org/fei/consult/consult_02/con_02_01.html

World Records

Longest Horse-Drawn Journey

The Grant family of the UK traveled over 27,650 km (17,200 miles) during a round-the-world trip in a horse-drawn trailer (caravan). They began their journey at Vierhouten, Netherlands, on October 25, 1990, and returned to the UK early in 1998.

Most Horse Racing Wins In A Year - Trainers

The most wins in a year for a horse trainer is 496 in 1976, by Jack Charles Van Berg of the USA. (b. June 7, 1936).

Most Horse Racing Career Wins

The most racing wins in a horse racing owner's career is 4,775 by USA's Marion H. Van Berg (1895-1971) in North America. Marion's career spanned 35 years.



Federation Equestre Internationale - FEI

Major Modification to the FEI Rules for Jumping Events 21st Edition - 1 January 2003 - Information Provided by Gen. Samy Negm El-Din

Art. Definition of the adaptation / modification

- 200 Horses entered for Olympic Games and World Championships must be at least 8 years of age.
- 202-3 If the schooling (exercise) area(s) are inadequate or cannot be used, a practice obstacle which is not part of the course must be placed in the arena. In all other circumstances facultative or practice obstacles are not allowed in any competition.
- 202-4 After the sound of the bell, the competitor who has attempted only once, is allowed the second attempt but he must cross the starting line in the correct direction within the 45 seconds; failure to do so will start the time of the round.
- 203-1 The bells is used to communicate with the competitors. One of the members of Ground Jury is in charge of the bell and responsible for its use.
- 203-1.2 After the bell has been rung, the competitor must cross the starting line in the correct direction within 45 seconds; the automatic timing equipment must show a count down from 45 seconds on the scoreboard or other display beside the arena, clearly visible for the competitor. If the competitor has not crossed the starting line in the correct direction when the 45 seconds expire, the time of the round will start at that moment. Disobediences, falls etc. occurring between the signal to start and the moment the competitor crosses the starting line in the correct direction, are not penalized. Once the bell has been sounded for the competitor to start his round, the Ground Jury has the right to interrupt the 45 seconds count down as a result of unforeseen circumstances.
- 204-1 The Ground Jury must walk the course to inspect the obstacles before the start of the competition.
- 204-6 The starting and finishing lines may not be more than 15 m or less than 6 m from the first and last obstacle. These two lines must each be marked with an entirely red flag on the right and an entirely white flag on the left. The start line and finish line must also be marked with markers with the letters S (=Start) and F (= Finish)
- 206-1 Should force of circumstances make it necessary to alter the plan of the course after it has been posted up, the change may only be made after agreement of the Ground Jury. In this case the Chefs d'Equipe and all individual competitors must be advised in the alterations.
- 207-4 Knocking down a flag anywhere in the arena does not incur a penalty. If a flag marking the limits of an obstacle or compulsory turning point or the finishing line has been knocked down following a disobedience / resistance, (without passing these lines) or as a result of unforeseen circumstances, the flag will not be replaced immediately; the competitor must continue his round and the obstacle / compulsory turning point will be judged as if the flag was in its original place. The flag must be replaced before the next competitor will be given the signal to start.
- 207-5 However, if a flag defining the limits of the water jump or of a natural obstacle has been knocked down following a disobedience or as a result of unforeseen circumstances and in all cases where the nature of the obstacle is changed by knocking down the flag, the Ground Jury will interrupt the round of the competitor. The clock must be stopped while the flag is replaced and a time correction of 4 (four) seconds will be applied in accordance with the procedure provided for in article 232.
- 208-4 Poles and other parts of the obstacles are held up by supports (cups). The pole must be able to roll on its support; in this case the support must have a depth of 18 mm minimum and a depth of 30 mm maximum. For planks, balustrades, barriers, gates, etc. the diameter of the supports must be more open or even flat.
- 210 A spread obstacle is an obstacle which is built in such a manner that it requires an effort both in spread and in height. FEI-approved safety cups must be used as support for the back poles of spread obstacles and in case of a triple-bar to support the centre and back poles of the obstacle. Safety cups must also be used in the exercise area. It is the responsibility of the Foreign Judge or the Technical Delegate to establish though the Organizing Committee before the event commences whether the safety cups in use have been officially approved by the FEI. However the organizer will also be required to inform the Foreign Judge or the Technical Delegate before the event begins whether the safety cups in use have been supplied by an approved manufacturer. The name of the company which supplies the FEI approved safety cups, to be used at the event, will be mentioned in the schedule.
- 211-1/2 For an obstacle to be called a water jump it must have no obstacle in front, in the middle not behind the water. The water must have a minimum width of 2-50 metres.
A take-off element (brush, small wall), with a minimum height of 40 cm. and a maximum height of 50 cm., must be erected on the take-off side. The width of the front of the water jump, which may include (floral) decorations, must be at least 30 percent more than the length.
- 211-3 At Olympic and Regional Games, Championships, CSIOs and CSIs, and World Cup Finals the landing side of the water jump must be defined by a lath, at least 6 cm in width and not exceeding 8 cm, covered with a bed of white plasticine, or coloured plasticine painted white, about 1 cm thick. This plasticine must be replaced each time a horse touches it. Several spare laths must be provided together with extra plasticine so that a lath, which has been marked by a horse may be replaced at any time. The lath must be placed at the edge of the water, properly fixed to the ground.
- 211-5 It is a fault at the water jump:
when a horse puts one or several feet on the lath defining the limit of the water jump. It is a fault when the foot or the shoe or the fetlock joint or boot touches the lath and leaves an impression when a horse touches the water with one or several feet.
- 234-1.2 Puissance/ Power and Skill competitions: No minimum speed required.