

# HIGHLIGHTS IN HORSE HISTORY

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## 45 years ago in 1956...

Mohamed Selim Zaki won the Irish Cup 1956. This competition is held every two years at Lucerne, Switzerland. To win the trophy the rider has to either win first place for three consecutive years or to win first place title five times during a rider's lifetime. Selim Zaki won first place in 1954 and 1956 successively, but lost the title by 1/5 of a second in 1958. Nevertheless, his name was engraved on the trophy awarded to the winner, making himself the only rider ever to win the Irish cup two times.

## 8 years ago in 1993...

Adham Hammad won the grand prix in Vichy riding his great "Last Chance". It was not a surprise because Adham was riding superbly after a four week training period in the French national shows under the management of the general secretary of the EEF general Elwi Ghazy. Also the same year the federation bought "Vision" for Adham.

## 12 years ago in 1989...

US Olympic rider Michael Matz receives international attention when he survives a plane crash in Iowa. He rescues two children and is named ABC-TV's Man of the Week. He was later selected to carry the American flag at the closing ceremony of the 1996 Atlanta Summer Olympic Games.

## 41 years ago in 1960...

The Egyptian Showjumping team did a great job finishing 4th place at Rome Olympic Games. The team consisted of: Gen. Conforti Team Coach, Omar El Hadary Team Manager, Gamal Hares, Mohamed Selim Zaki and Elwi Ghazy as riders.



## 1 year ago in 2000...

Rodrigo Pessoa and his Baloubet du Rouet jump to their straight World Cup Championship, a feat no other rider or horse has accomplished.

## 22 years ago in 1979...

The most famous fictional horse in history, Walter Farley's Black Stallion, makes his screen debut in the movie bearing his name. The story's young hero who is shipwrecked on an island with a mysterious black horse, played by champion Arabian stallion Cass Ole. Once rescued, the pair set out to prove that The Black is the fastest horse in the land.

## 14 years ago in 1987...

The Egyptian Showjumping Team won the Teams Gold Medal at the Mediterranean Games held in Syria. The team consisted of Khaled Assem, Khaled Ali, Omar Ismail, Mohamed El Sherbiny and Hossam Ragab. Also Mohamed El Sherbiny was the Individual Silver Medallist riding Madison.

## 9 years ago in 1992...

"Milton" The greatest horse ever seen in the sport of showjumping, became the first competition horse to win over £1 million in prize money. Milton has become a legend in his lifetime. Over 7 years representing Great Britain in Nations cups, his record was truly outstanding. He jumped no less than 35 clear rounds and 12 double clear rounds.

## 15 years ago in 1986...

The first FEI World Vaulting Championship was held in Switzerland. The modern sport originated in Germany as a way to get children interested in horses. Vaulters perform compulsory and freestyle movements on the back of a horse that is longed on a circle.

## IN MEMORY OF:



### Machiavelli 1991 - 2001

Born in 1991, the bay Dutch gelding came to Egypt 6 years ago as Royal Beach Bentley. He competed at the Sakkara International Horse Shows 1997 with world champion Marckus Fucks. Later that year, he was crowned the C winner with his owner Mohamed Nadim. One year later, he finished 5th at the under 21 class. Finally he suffered from a colic that led to a twisted gut. Machiavelli passed away with his memory engraved at Egyptian

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### Admiral 1988 - 2001

The 13 year old Selle Francais gelding passed away last April. Admiral achievements were; winning the Movenpick International and Sharm El Sheik International Horse Shows with Karim El Zoghby, competed at the Pan Arab Games 1997, and was placed several times at the A level. He also won the first at the B class. Finally, Admiral was ridden by Diaa Beshir, competing at the B class the last season until he said goodbye to our world during a federation show in Alex.