Sharpan Sharpan National Arabian Horse Festival

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fter a reputably successful series of equestrian festivals and events, which had been hosted and organized by the Sharjah Equestrian and Racing Club locally and internationally for the beauty contests of purebred Arabian horses since 2000; Many local studs and stables rushed in with their noble companions for the many events held in the emirate of Sharjah, to participate in its well prepared sport festivals, and it was the progressive role of the Sharjah Equestrian and Racing Club to enrich that noble sport, which considers an integral part of its heritage and identity.

In year 2006 the event of Straight Egyptian Bred saw the light, which came as a result of an insightful vision of His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan Bin Mohammad Al Qassimi – Member of the supreme council and Ruler of Sharjah, who managed to see through genuine intuition and proven legacy the need, to lay emphasis on that rare strain, and to encourage its breeding and raise interest in those who are concerned to own them to protect its safety, existence and originality. Under his patronage, His Highness gave perceptive directions on the necessity of preserving that breed, through the urging and encouragement of different companies, bodies and associations to sponsor in the festival.

Despite of the eccentricity of the show idea and the local scarcity of the Egyptian breed, nevertheless, the well organized, creative and exceptional approach adopted by the club's administration commission and the Higher Organizing Committee in conducting the event, had accomplished great success and resulted in confirming this event annually to be an integral part of the club's seasonal schedule of activities; this came as a testament to the great achievement that came about as a result of innovation and aspiration lead by the club's president H.E. Sheikh Abdullah Bin Majid Al Qassimi, and the pursuance of his brother Mr. Sultan Bin Mohammad Khalifa Al-Yahya'ie, along with proficient execution of the organizing committee.

Spirits of improvement and creativity pervaded among the administration and executive teams of this event, and the following year event came into sight with impressive improvements and inspiration that promoted new entrants, and was repeated successfully to the testament of the great achievements through the increased level of attendance and participation rising to 70 horses from local stables and studs on the fourth consecutive event that took place in December 2010.

The event organizers adopted a strategy in introducing diversified categorization for classes to break from monotony and stagnation, and had engaged an internationally recognized arbitration committee that contributed in comparable events for Arabian horse beauty shows around the globe, all to ensure an international trait is gained for the festival despite of it being local. Rules for conduct of shows were placed to govern for championship classes and ties for qualifying places along with prize money for champion winning participants, and many pleasant amusements for spectators. With that, the Sharjah Equestrian and Racing Club continues to work on providing every possible effort to refine and rise with its events and festivals to higher levels allowing it to be ranked amongst other first class Arabian horse shows around the world, to increase attendance and attract local participations, and hence build appreciation for the magnificent Arabian horse in its homeland!

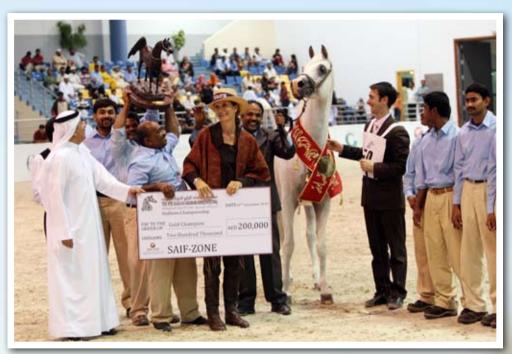
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18 December 2010



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Gold Champion Stallions MAYDAN-MADHEEN



Gold Champion Mares BADAWIEH AA

Gold Champion



Gold Champion Colts AL AYAL AA



Gold Champion Fillies HASINA AL ZOBAIR

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Silver Champion Stallions SIMEON SEBEDEE



Silver Champion Mares



Silver Champion Colts TALAL AL BIDAYER



Silver Champion Fillies LAHLOOBA AL BADEIA



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Silver & Bronze Champion



Bronze Champion Stallions MAIMON IBN SINAN



Bronze Champion Mares THORAYA AL ZOBAIR



Bronze Champion Colts MANSOOR AL ZOBAIR



Bronze Champion Fillies BINT HAMSA



The Judges

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