

Andre Sakkakini

Qualifies for the

Olympics



Andre Sakkakini is ready once more to represent Egypt as its "Cavalier Ambassador" in the 2004 Olympic Games. Back in the year 2000 Sakkakini was the only Egyptian rider competing in Sydney with his German gelding "Careful". At that time Sakkakini was quoted saying "I Have chosen this road, this life, this profession. Although things could have been better, I will still keep my only job and passion going".

Sakkakini has been, and still is, putting a lot of effort to fulfill his dreams. Last July he won 4th place with 'Careful' in Neuendorf Grand Prix, and two weeks later the same couple won 5th place in Hachenburg.

However, it seems that 'Careful' is not his Pegasus to the 2004 Olympics! In mid June Olympic selection trials were held in Aachen; 38 riders fought for the starting places of the Athens Olympics. Sakkakini with 'Casper', owned by the Egyptian Equestrian Federation, were the first of the five couples who jumped two clear rounds and they earned their tickets to Athens. Once again Sakkakini carries the Egyptian flag over the Olympics Arena. GOODLUCK ■

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