

Racing at The Gezira Sporting Club

Horse Racing was introduced in Egypt by the British at the beginning of this century.

There are four racing courses in Egypt, two in Cairo namely at Gezira Sporting Club G.S.C and El Shams club in Heliopolis, and two in Alexandria at A.S.C and Smouha. The races run in Cairo during the winter season (beginning of October till the end of May), and run in Alexandria from mid June till the end of September.

The Egyptian Jockey club which is the authority responsible for racing in Egypt, receives the racing programs from the four clubs, and after approving them they become operative.



During the winter season, the races run one weekend (Saturday and Sunday) at the G.S.C and the other week-end at El Shams Club. It is very enjoyable to spend a racing day at the G.S.C. The atmosphere is friendly and the tea garden where various snacks are offered allows you to follow the races of the day in a most enjoyable way. There are races which are restricted to Arab horses only and other races which are opened to country bred horses.

The G.S.C racing committee has introduced a challenging program for the winter season which will start at the G.S.C on the 10th of October 1998. The manager, of the club backed by the board and its chairman are fully aware of the importance of horse racing at the club and are giving serious effort to improve the services connected to this activity. The racing card includes in average six races on every racing day, and there are approximately six horses participating in each race. Prizes range between three thousand and fifty thousands Egyptian pounds per race depending on the conditions of the race.

The G.S.C is looking forward to welcome new horse racing fans, and any other information about horse racing at the Gezira club can be obtained at the management.

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