



FEROSIA CLUB HOSTS

A SUCCESS

The very bright sun and the excruciating heat did not stop riders from various clubs in Cairo to attend in the competition hosted by the Ferosia Club at Gezira on July the 3rd and to turn it into a memorable day for all spectators and competing. As usual, the Ferosia Club never ceases to amaze us. For the show was very well organized, the arena green and well cut, the fences colorful, the horses graceful as ever, and the riders well dressed and looking smart.

Eng. Samir Abdel Fattah designed the course which was a tricky one with various broken lines and combinations. It brought out the technical eye and skills in the rider. There was no room for reluctance. Each fence needed to be approached from a good angle in order to land prepared for the next fence. Eng. Samir Abdel Fattah gets thumbs up for challenging the very best in a rider and in a horse.

The show began with riders and trainers going over their do's and don'ts. The launching came about with the 60cm course, which introduced young promising riders.



Karim Habashi riding Celin
Winner of the 110 class

The 80cm course began after the Friday prayers. It was intriguing to watch young riders endure the mid afternoon heat and maintain their strength throughout the course. Then came the 100cm course, that had riders not very young display more skills and capabilities. The show was wrapped up with the 110cm course, which brought together the prominent riders of Cairo into a breath taking performance.

The riders virtuously shared encouragement, well done's, and hard lucks. Side conversations of the different performances were very objective and educational, considering one never ceases to learn. Self-betterment pointers were also shared amongst experienced and not so very experienced riders, which is something that added a certain flavor to the seriousness of this distinguished sport.

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Finally, the day came to a closing success, even Egypt's Channel 1, who shared their camera with the rest of us, thought so. The organizing committee lead by General Elwi Ghazy and General Gamil Haress who worked hard to put it all together deserves a big thank you. One went home, with one theme line in mind, "I love this game!" However, this is just the beginning, because the Ferosia Club has a lot of fascinating competitions stored away for this summer.

Top Three Positions in All Levels:

60 cm

- 1-Ahmed M.Saber from Ferosia
- 2-Ahmed Salem S. from Army
- 3-Mohanad El Dafray from Police

80cm

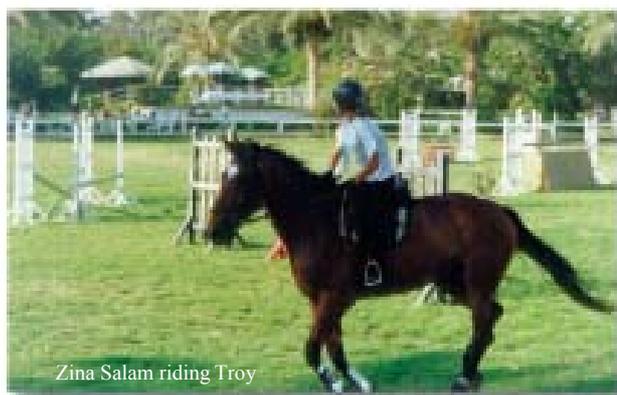
- 1-Ali El Gaiar from Gezira
- 2-Ahmed ElSalamony from Ferosia
- 3- Ahmed Talaat from Police

100cm

- 1-Morad Assem from Smoha
- 2-Ahmed Hussein from Ferosia
- 3-Yasser Kamal from Army
- 3-Mostafa Selim from Ferosia

110cm

- 1-Karim Habashy from Ferosia
- 2-Mohamed ElZohairy from Ferosia
- 3-Gamal Amer from Army



Zina Salam riding Troy

Sakkara Country Club COOLS The Summer Heat

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Summer in Cairo can be hot and cruel. What better way is there to cool off the heat and have some fun than to spend a day by the pool? Close but not quite. To those who lead average lives fail to see the possibilities! Spend a day at the pool, great - and then what? Well, Sakkara Country Club found it fit to add a bit of spice to the typical day. Sakkara hosted a training course on the 20th and 27th June, as well as the 11th and the 18th of July. Riders and horses came from many Cairo clubs to take part in the summer event.

The fruitful day began with the truckload of horses arriving at the club. Later, arrived the riders and the action started. The actual launch of the course was not until 3 o'clock; therefore, everyone was by the pool enjoying themselves. There were the tanned, the not so tanned, the sun burnt, the hungry, the thirsty, and of course the watermelon juice fans; all socializing and relaxing in a conscious attempt to endure the heat. The atmosphere was friendly and full of smiles. The spirits were up and the morale high.

Looking over to the north of the pool was the grass green arena, which was decorated by colored obstacles - the fences! Mr. Ibrahim Sami designed the course, which included a variety of combinations, related distance fences, and tricky angle approached fences. The levels began with the height of 80cm and ended with 120cm.

Between fences, the riders had enough ground to recollect their thoughts and their horses in order to approach the upcoming obstacle effectively.

The winners received generous prizes like a day use and overnight package at the Sakkara Country Club presented by Mr. Ibrahim Sami. In addition, Mr. Khaled Assem presented a large size bottle of "Red Cell" supplements and Alfa Market presented tastful prizes like water floaters and caps with fans.

In closing, Sakkara Country Club made this summer a joyful and memorable one, because it brought together aqua and equi sports in harmony. Keeping riders in close contact to one another and constantly involved with equestrian events solidifies the esprit de corps - an asset to the world of Equestrian.