

Mohammed Al Shafar rides Orman De Cardonne to win President's Cup Endurance

February 16, 2013, Abu Dhabi ~ One hundred and thirty-two riders started into the desert for the ultimate prize in the FEI 160km CEI*** President of the UAE Endurance Cup at Emirates International Endurance Village on Saturday morning (16 FEB).

In the end, it was the UAE's **Mohammed Al Shafar** and the 11 yr old, **Orman De Cardonne** that took the winning prize in a ride time of 6:06:24, clocking an average speed of 26kph for the day. Hot on his heels for a close second was Khalifa Ali Khalfan Al Jahouri riding Farak. The 13 yr old, Khalifa, has earned his riding talents at the heels of his father, multiple Champion and current European Endurance Champion, Ali Khalfan Al Jahouri. In for the third spot in the limelight was Saeed Saqer Mohammad Al Ameri riding Eclipse. The top three riders were awarded a car each, and shared a portion of the Dh1,500,000 prize fund with all of the riders who finished.

International riders from France, Germany, Italy, the USA, Spain, Norway, Estonia, Portugal, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Sweden, Belgium, and the Netherlands were invited to compete in the ride.

Argentina's Sabrian Magali Mendiz riding Ro Day Dream was the first International rider to finish in 21st place. The only USA rider to complete the grueling ride was Jessica DiCamillo, who brought in DJB Black Al Badi in spot 108.

Sheikh Hamdan Bin Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai riding Nikos, retired on loop three.

Top five finish:

1. Mohammad Ali Al Shafar (Orman de Cardonne) 6: 06: 24

2. Khalifa Ali Khalfan Al Jahouri (Farak) 6:07.08

3. Saeed Saqer Mohammad Al Ameri (Eclipse) 6:08.40

4. Fatima Jassem Saeed Al Marri (Ohio) 6:10.42

5. Rashid Mohammad Al Beloushi (Cairos) 6:13.57

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