



DIAR add the USA to their growing international support of Arabian Racing

The committee of the Dubai International Arabian Races (DIAR) are delighted to announce that 4 races in the USA have been added to their international schedule for 2015.

DIAR shares a patron with Shadwell Estate Company Ltd in the UK in HH Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum which stands 3 Arabian stallions in the USA. It was thought appropriate to consolidate and compliment this support of Arabian breeding with sponsorship of Arabian racing in the region.

The Dubai International Arabian Races schedule has developed significantly in recent years and 2015 has seen the addition of The Netherlands and now the USA to the programme. The inaugural DIAR races will be held at Lone Star Park, Dallas, Texas on Friday 13th November 2015 and are run in conjunction with TABA (Texas Arabian Breeders' Association), AJC (Arabian Jockey Club) and ARC (Arabian Racing Cup).

Speaking on behalf of Shadwell Estate Company Ltd (UK) and DIAR, Shadwell Stud Director Richard Lancaster commented on the decision to take DIAR to the USA:

"Having stood 3 Arabian stallions in the USA for a number of years and with the development on the DIAR programme in a new phase, the committee of DIAR felt the time was right to offer our support to Arabian racing here. We are delighted to be able to bring a new dimension to the programme and are very much looking forward to the first ever Dubai International Arabian Races in North America."

In response, Dennie Gault of Race Street Management and Chief Steward of the Arabian Racing Cup said:

"On behalf of the Arabian racing organisations of America, I would like to thank HH Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum and the committee of the Dubai International Arabian Races for their decision to sponsor Arabian racing in this country. As the North America agent for Shadwell Arabian Stallions, I know what it means to have the support of the Shadwell operation behind you and this addition to the Arabian racing industry is a real boost. We have all worked hard to bring this project to fruition and I urge owners and trainers to make the most of this opportunity and run their horses on 13th November at Lone Star Park!"

The races will comprise 2 Futurity stakes races for 3 year olds over 6 furlongs: The DIAR 2015 Texas Lone Star Futurity for Colts and Geldings and the www.shadwellarabian.co.uk Texas Lone Star Futurity for Fillies. A further 2 races will be the: Dubai International Arabian Races 2015 Texas Open Stakes and the Shadwell Arabian Stallions Texas Distaff Stakes. Total prize money for the 4 races is a minimum of \$100,000 put up jointly between DIAR and TABA.

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NOTES FOR EDITORS:

1. Race Conditions

Dubai International Arabian Races 2015 Texas Open Stake

Conditions: 3 years old and up, distance of 11/16 mile

Purse: \$30,000

Shadwell Arabian Stallions Texas Distaff Stake

Conditions: 3 year old and up females, distance of 1 mile

Purse: \$30,000

DIAR 2015 Texas Lone Star Futurity for Colts and Geldings

Conditions: 3 year old colts and geldings, distance of 6 Furlongs

Purse: \$20,000 minimum*

www.shadwellarabian.co.uk Texas Lone Star Futurity for Fillies

Conditions: 3 year old fillies, distance of 6 Furlongs

Purse: \$20,000 minimum*

2. The DIAR stakes will be administered and managed by the Texas Arabian Breeders Association (TABA), in association with Arabian Jockey Club (AJC) and Arabian Racing Cup (ARC). Together these organizations will sanction, endorse, and promote the DIAR event nationally.
3. Shadwell Arabian Stallions stands 3 stallions in the USA at Mandolynn Hill Farm (www.mandolynn.com) which are marketed in the USA by Race Street Management (www.racestreet.com):

CHNDAKA (Dormane – Malika Fontenay)

KAOLINO (Dormane – Cary de Carrere)

NIVOUR DE CARDONNE (Manganate – Pistache du Cassou)

The Dubai International Arabian Races (www.diaraces.com) supports Arabian racing in the following countries during 2015: Australia, Brazil, Chile, France, Great Britain, Italy, The Netherlands, Uruguay, USA.

The feature race day of DIAR is held this year at Newbury Racecourse (UK) on 26th July 2015. The day features 3 Gr.1 PA races and 1 Gr.2 PA on an 8 race card.