

Dynamites, impressive winner of the H.H. Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan Listed Cup, St. Moritz 4th February 2018

4-year old stallion Dynamites was demonstrating his class winning the "Sheikh Zayed Listed Cup" under perfect racing conditions on the frozen lake of St. Moritz. Home bred Nil Aziz, winning the year before, was placed third and got his fourth black type performance.



Above: Dynamites after his win in the H.H. Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan Listed Cup. From left: IFAHR representative of Switzerland Urs Aeschbacher talking to Jockey Maxim Pecheur and at the right hand side Karin Van den Bos, trainer, breeder and owner of Dynamites. Foto: Ch. Mettler

It was a wonderful, sunny winter day with a temperature of around minus 6 degrees on the frozen lake of St. Moritz, when six pure bred arabians were running the "Sheikh Zayed Listed Cup", a Listed race over a mile with a prize money of CHF 38'500.-.

Everybody was curious to see running the rising new star Dynamites (Nashwan Al Khalidiah x Oleya Du Loup) bred and owned by trainer Karin Van den Bos from stable Landgoed Waterland in the Netherlands. In 2017 this young stallion was rated on the 9th position of the 3-year olds in the worldwide IFAHR ranking. Only 10 days before his start in St. Moritz he was running in Saudi Arabia in the Prince Sultan Arabian Horse Cup, a 1 million US dollar race. After his travel back from Riyadh he arrived in the cold winter of St. Moritz in Switzerland.

In a fresh and happy mood Dynamites showed a great performance on snow and was winning safely. 1,5 lengths behind followed Athlète del Sol (Dormane x A La Volée) on second place. Thirs placed was Nil Aziz (Dahess x Nil Abiat), 0,5 length behind Athlète del Sol.

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Running on the frozen lake of St. Moritz at an altitude of 1'800 meter above sea is a real challenge, photo horseracing.ch, Morgane Bürgin.



Nil Aziz, winner of the "HH Sheikh Zayed Listed Cup" the year before finished good third this time. Nil Aziz is bred by Nile Arabians and trained by Franziska Aeschbacher. Foto: horseracing.ch, Morgane Bürgin