



# The Egyptian Event



Third Annual ~ 1983

In 1983 the Egyptian Event grew even larger, a prediction of the immediate years to come. The three days of the show, June 10-12, were packed with educational seminars, the Saluki dog show, and the art exhibit. The Egyptian Bazaar made its first appearance. Fifty-two straight Egyptian stallions graced the Hall of Stallions (with a waiting list of those hoping for last minute cancellations). The horse show was expanded to twelve classes and included straight Egyptian yearling halter classes for colts and fillies.

The show was still being held outdoors on the infield of the race track, but now there was a large tent for spectators, providing cover from the often strong Kentucky sunshine. Lee Cholak, Pyramid Society Executive Director, was ecstatic, noting that the Kentucky Horse Park had broken attendance records during the week of the Egyptian Event each year it was held. He mentioned in interviews that a new, indoor arena was "in the planning stages." There were seminars and lectures each morning and horses show classes every afternoon. A gourmet luncheon in the tent by the show ring provided meals that featured entrees like prime rib, and tables filled with salads, fruits, vegetables and a variety of desserts.

By 1983 the Hall of Stallions had become so glamorous that many very important straight Egyptian stallions considered it *the* place for presentations and promotion. Consequently, crowds thrilled to the appearance of stallions like double National Champion, [\\*Asadd](#), [Ansata El Nisr](#), [Ansata Abu Nazeer](#) and legendary show horse and sire, [Shaikh Al Badi](#).

The Ansata El Nisr daughter, Apple Hill Angel won the Two-Year-Old Futurity. [Focus Khemali \(Ruminaja Ali\)](#) won the colts. The blue in the Straight Egyptian Yearling Filly Class went to [Glorieta Saafrana](#) (Ansata Abu Nazeer) and to [MFA Mareekh Amir](#) (\*El Mareekh) in the straight yearling colts. Paj Mahal won the Western Pleasure for the third year in a row.

The Pyramid Society Breeders II was held June 11th. Eleven straight Egyptian Arabians grossed \$2,064.50 for a sale average of \$187,682. Topping the sale was Gleannloch Farms' three-in-one package, Rasheeka (Ibn Morafix x \*Dawlat), with an Amaal filly at side and bred back to Soufian. The final bid was \$277,500 and the new owner was Virginia Kathary of Beaver, PA. High selling individual was the Imperial Egyptian Stud consignment, [\\*Pharrah](#) (Farang x Tamria by [\\*Tuhotmos](#)), purchased by Vincent and Diane Fortuna for \$255,000.



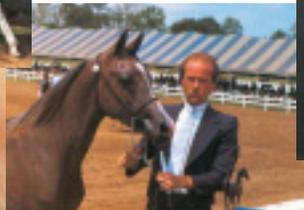
\*Asaad



From the Spectator's Tent



\*Pharrah



MFA Mareekh Amir and Stan Keeter



Shaikh Al Badi

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