Team ASIA

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Profile

Mir Ilya Manavi Kherad

Age: 18
Gender: Male
Country: IRAN
Team: Asia
Competing since: 2012
Questionnaire

What’s the best thing about riding horses?
Being with horses and being able to ride them help me to relax and calm my mind.

What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?
It is great opportunity to compete along riders from other countries and test myself.

Who is your favourite rider of all time?
Steve Guerdat

What music do you listen?
Pop

What’s your favourite movie or TV show?
Comedy and Action.

What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?
Running, CrossFit, swimming, cycling.

How would you define yourself as a horse rider?
Responsible and enthusiastic

What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?
Become one of the top riders in the world and participate in the Olympics Games.
Profile

Layan Almommani

Age: 17 years
Gender: Female
Country: Jordan
Team: Asia
Competing since: 2015
Questionnaire

What’s the best thing about riding horses?
The best thing in this sport are the horses, being able to connect and feel your horse, the process of trusting your horse and being a part of how your horse is feeling. Also, the feeling of winning with your horse is a feeling that is so special, it makes you so proud of your hard work. However, it does not always go your way, in this sport you also lose, which is possible, but the main thing is to enjoy and trust the process.

What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?
Ever since The Youth Olympic Games 2018, I have been dreaming about qualifying, my brother did not get the chance to qualify, so I wanted to work hard enough to be able to compete in such important event, and thankfully I did. It such an honour for me to qualify and get the chance to compete in CHIO Aachen. I was very disappointed to the cancellation of the Youth Olympic Games, I thought that the chance was going to be taken away from me. However, When I heard about the alternative opportunity that was provided to us, it made me work even harder and be more determined to try to qualify and hopefully raise the flag of my country. Also, I am very excited to compete with many young talented riders and create memories for life.

Who is your favourite rider of all time?
Jessica Springsteen

What music do you listen?
Pop music/ House music

What’s your favourite movie or TV show?
Prison Break

What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?
Basketball and Boxing

How would you define yourself as a horse rider?
I am a very competitive horse rider, winning is always at the top of my head, but what I really care about is that my horse stays consistent and in good shape. I try to learn new things every time I’m on a horse, because as a horse rider you are never good enough, you have to always keep training and stay focused to be able to accomplish your goals.

What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?
My dream to qualify to The Olympic Games, being selected to compete in The Youth Equestrian Games feels like the first step to my dream. I hope to become one of the most well-known riders in the world and continue my journey in this sport.
Profile

Fares Azouni

Age: 15
Gender: Male
Country: Palestine
Team: Asia
Competing since: 2021
Questionnaire

What’s the best thing about riding horses?
The best thing about riding horses is the partnership formed between horse and rider. This does not occur in any other sport which makes Show Jumping special. When we finish a competition with a good result the horse and rider both get a phenomenal feeling of happiness and joy.

What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?
The Youth Equestrian Games will be the first step in my incredible journey. I will not only have a one in a lifetime experience but learn more about the sport. This event will also help me inspire a younger generation of equestrians and show them that nothing is impossible.

Who is your favourite rider of all time?
My all-time favorite rider is David Will because he is an inspiration and is a true example of how hard work can get any rider to the top of the sport.

What music do you listen?
I usually listen to motivational music.

What’s your favourite movie or TV show?
My favorite movie is King Richard; A story about the first two African American girls to make professional tennis.

What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?
Besides Show Jumping, I enjoy Go Karting, Golf and Football with friends and family. I am very competitive in all the sports that I participate in.

How would you define yourself as a horse rider?
I would define myself as committed, dedicated, and a rider that never gives up.

What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?
My dream is to not only win all the major competitions around the world but become one of the best riders in the history of the sport.
Profile

Saad Ahmed Al Saad

Age: 18 years old
Gender: Male
Country: Qatar
Team: Asia
Competing since: 2010
Questionnaire

What’s the best thing about riding horses?
Challenging in competitions.

What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?
It’s a great honour.

Who is your favourite rider of all time?
Rashid Towaim Al Marri (Qatari Rider)

What music do you listen?
Arabic music.

What’s your favourite movie or TV show?
Arabic TV shows.

What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?
Football.

How would you define yourself as a horse rider?
I am passionate in this sport in regard to learning more and I love the challenges.

What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?
Representing my country Qatar in Olympic Games and in the FEI World Cup.
UZBEKISTAN

Profile

Abdurakhmon Abdullaev

Age: 18  
Gender: Male  
Country: Uzbekistan  
Team: Asia  
Competing since: 2015
Questionnaire

What’s the best thing about riding horses?
I like the fact that men and women have equal rights in our sport and everyone competes on equal terms. I also like the fact that at any age you can start riding horse, since there are no age restrictions

What does it mean for you to compete at the Youth Equestrian Games?
Participation in the Youth Equestrian Games is a very important achievement for me. These competitions are very important for young athletes and participation in these competitions will give unforgettable emotions and valuable experience. I am also glad to have the opportunity to meet new people from different countries.

Who is your favourite rider of all time?
My favorite rider is Scott Brash

What music do you listen?
I listen to different music, so I can't say exactly what kind of music I like the most.

What’s your favourite movie or TV show?
I spend all my free time with horses, so I have very little time for movies and TV shows

What other sports do you enjoy besides Equestrian?
If I have free time, I play tennis

How would you define yourself as a horse rider?
I take a very responsible attitude to training, and to the physical and emotional state of each of my horses.
In training, I try to pay attention to every little thing, because in working with a horse, every little thing is very important.
I always closely watch the performance of top athletes, and I think it is very important to pay attention to their work and performances
At the competitions I try to concentrate as much as possible and enjoy our performance with the horse.

What is your dream in Equestrian Sport?
My dream is to participate in the Olympic Games 2024 and I will try to do everything possible to achieve this goal.