Arab Racing Preview : **by Paul Simmons**

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The Abu Dhabi International Stakes (Group 2) over 1 Mile:
A fascinating renewal of this race with some of the worlds finest Arabian racehorses lining up for the the £30,000 prize fund. The selection is the Julian Smart trained **Jaafer** who is in the form of his life at present culminating in an emphatic victory in the Group 1 Kahayala Classic at Meydan where he defeated No Risk Al Maury and Nashwan Al Khalidiah. Prior to that he met defeat at the hands of Al Dahma but he looks capable of landing this race today. Dangers come from Dennis Batteate's smart entire **Tidarbret** who has improved significantly since winning the Breeders Cup last year. He stormed home on his seasonal debut at Huntingdon over this trip and then followed up at Wolverhampton in a competitive conditions event over 8 furlongs where he beat the classy Thimaar by a head; he looks progressive and has a fighting chance here. However **Nashwan Al Khalidiah** is a class act, he won at Pau in February over 9 furlongs before a good run in the Kahayala and again in the Damas Group 3 at Dax in May over 7 furlongs. He also previously won the Group 1 UK Derby over this course and distance back in 2008.