

Bahrain team arrive in Normandy

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The Bahrain Endurance Team led by its captain, Chairman of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sport (SCYS) and President of the Bahrain Olympic Committee HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa have arrived in Normandy, France to participate in Thursday's 160km five-stage Endurance Race in the Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games which started on Saturday and continues until 7 September.

The race features a record 49 nations involving 260 riders and 348 horses in all who will ride from Sartilly and the Bay of Mont St Michel coastal area which was a World War Two battleground.

Bahrain's team are managed by Dr Khalid Hassan who has already overseen the team in training and preparing with the veterinary scrutiny procedure of the horses set for today. Shaikh Nasser leads the team which also includes Shaikh Ebrahim bin Mohammed Al Khalifa, Raed Mahmood, Jaffar Hassan, Hood Bucheeri, Abdulrahman Al Zayed, Mansoor Al Khaldi, Isa Al Hazza and Mohammed Abdulsamad. Commenting ahead of the race, Shaikh Nasser said, "This is a very strong competition with many top riders from around the globe and my wish is for the team to do its best and get a podium position.

We hope to put in a good performance and follow on from our recent success at the Ironman Challenge in Hungary and further enhance Bahrain's sporting reputation." The Games were opened under the auspices of the FEI President HRH Princess Haya Al Hussein and features nearly 150 events over the 16 days of competition.

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