

Six of the top polo players in the world to play in Dubai at the first ever High Goal Exhibition match

At the invitation of Habtoor Polo, six of the most famous polo players in the world will be playing at the 26-handicap High Goal Exhibition polo match, which takes place for the first time ever in the Middle East at the Dubai Polo & Equestrian Club on April 22, 2011.

Julio Novillo Astrada, Miguel Novillo Astrada, Javier Novillo Astrada, Ignacio Novillo Astrada, Alejandro Novillo Astrada and Eduardo Novillo Astrada are all members of the famous Novillo Astrada dynasty which includes nine brothers, all of whom are renowned for their unequalled prowess at polo.

The Argentinean family is considered one of the top five polo teams in the world and has played in Argentina, the United Kingdom and the United States. This will be the first time they compete in Dubai.

All six are the sons of the acclaimed polo player Julio Novillo Astrada, who founded the La Aguada polo club, which holds the record as being only the fourth team in history to have ever won three titles in the same season. It also won the Argentine Republic Cup in 1990 and the First Open of Pilar that same year; as well as making it to the finals of the Chapaleufu in the Jockey Club Open.

The High Goal Exhibition will be the finale of the Dubai 2011 Polo season, organised by the Dubai Polo Gold Cup series, and will feature Habtoor Polo, of which Mohammed Al Habtoor is the patron, and the Dubai Falcons, headed by Saeed Bin Draï.

The event begins at 1600hrs on April 22, 2011 and promises to be a match to be remembered.