## For Immediate Release

## **Knabstrupper Passes R.P.S.I. 30-Day Stallion Test with Flying Colors**

(*Ocala, FL, December 6, 2007---*) Sheik of Hallundbaek, a four-year-old purebred Knabstrupper stallion owned by Raven Walters of LaRen Stud, recently passed the Rheinland Pfalz-Saar International (R.P.S.I.) 30-day stallion test. Sheik is the only horse of his breed standing in North America who has completed the stringent testing, making his offspring eligible for full registration and branding.

During the 30-day testing held at Silver Creek Sport Horses in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, stallions age three to six that had already been accepted under conformation requirements were scored according to their performance under saddle and in free jumping. RPSI representatives from the German Verband judged the stallions on attitude, willingness, trainability and personality.

"Sheik was a kind stallion and a pleasure to be around. He was a gentleman with a capital G," noted JoAnn Cohn, a representative of the R.P.S.I., which is dedicated to preserving and expanding the quality of sport horses in all disciplines on the North American continent.

Sheik is a16-hand full spotted black leopard Knabstrupper, a Danish breed used for performance and general riding that is known for its intelligence and even disposition, in addition to its remarkable colorful appearance.

Frozen and fresh cooled semen is available to a limited number of select mares; fee available upon inquiry. Live Foal guarantee is offered. Embryo transfers from purebred Knabstrupper mares with semen from this stallion are also available.

In addition to purebred Knabstrupper mares, Sheik can outcross with a number of other breed registries, including those representing the Fredriksborger, Danish Oldenburg, Trakehner, Shagya Arab, Anglo-Arab, Danish Warmblood, Holsteiner, and approved Thoroughbreds for a Knab foal.

LaRen Stud is located in the heart of horse country in Ocala, Florida, and has a second location, Scaleby Estates, outside Middleburg. For more information, please contact Raven Walters at 352-245-2642, or by email at <a href="mailto:knabstruppers@larenstud.com">knabstruppers@larenstud.com</a>.

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