

Arabians in Motion

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Our mission: to promote the interests of members and their horses who compete against a cow, a clock, or a course

Next Aim Meeting: PRIZE LIST PEEL &

STICK PARTY! It's that time of year again – time to get the prize lists for the AiM Sport Horse Classic ready for mailing. This will also be the regular business meeting. All members are invited – nay, encouraged! – to attend this annual stapling, taping, labeling (and fabulous gabfest) event. We'll be gathering at Kathy Cegla's house on Monday, January 16 (Martin Luther King Day) at 1:00 p.m. Come into Salem; cross the Marion Street Bridge into West Salem; stay on Wallace Road; turn left on Glen Creek Road (second lights after crossing the bridge); turn left onto Kingwood Drive; about two blocks to 978 Kingwood Drive NW. Have questions or need more directions? Contact Kathy at 503-364-9617 or kcegla1@comcast.net.

Important Show Information

It's time to sell advertising! Who do you know who might want to advertise to our pool of potential customers? Let them know about this opportunity. This revenue is important to our show, so get creative! Ad sales forms for the show prize list and the show program are enclosed with this newsletter (and can be provided in an e-mailable format, too). Sizes are the same as last year, but prices have increased. Note that we have a new, streamlined sponsorship program which should make the work of the awards committee much easier, while also improving the show's bottom line.

Deadlines

Prize list ads - January 9
Program ads - March 10
Sponsorships - the sooner they sign on, the more promotion we can give them! Deadline is March 10 if they wish to be acknowledged in the show program.

Upcoming Activities

Hania Curjel Price will be giving a clinic at Crosby Creek Stables in Woodburn on January 13, 14 & 15, 2006. Hania is a Certified USDF Instructor through 4th Level. She is a very knowledgeable, fun and easy clinician to ride with. The fee for the clinic is \$65 per ride. This includes the use of a day stall. I will be asking for a \$2 donation towards food and snacks. Auditing is free. We are planning 5 rides Friday afternoon, 10 rides on Saturday, and 5 rides Sunday morning.

Contact **Kathy Darneille** at 503-982-1044 or crosbycreek@canby.com to sign up to ride or to audit.

In-Hand Sport Horse Clinic with Alastair (Ali) Buchanan at Unlimited Classics near Molalla, Sunday, February 12. Ali is a breeder of warmblood sport horses and an R dressage judge. He was our clinician at the fall 2003 clinic and is back by popular demand. Participants and their horse will have a half hour with Ali. Ali will evaluate the conformation of the horse, and you will learn how to present your horse in an in-hand sport horse class, with tips to help you improve your horse's score. This clinic will teach you how an in-hand sport horse class is different from the traditional Arabian halter class and what the judges look for.

Auditors are welcome, and there will be a question and answer session mid-day for auditors. If you do not want to bring your horse but would like to try your hand at handling a horse for a sport horse in-hand class, a loaner horse will be available.

Cost: \$55 with horse, \$20 for auditors. Group discounts available for auditors. For more information or for a registration form, contact Sarah Asby at 503-887-2535 or sdasby@comcast.net.

President's Report

Submitted by Kaye Phaneuf, President

Best wishes for a happy and successful New Year! from Kaye and all the critters at Fir Grove Farm

Minutes of the Meeting of Arabians in Motion

11-1-05 6:24 p.m. Introduction of Speaker – Karen Bragg, Painted Valley Farms, "The History of the Arabian Horse." Karen gave a wonderful presentation with great photos of the old foundation horses. If you were at this meeting I'm sure you will agree it was very interesting. Thank you for sharing it with us, Karen!

The business meeting was called to order by President, Kaye Phaneuf at 8:50 PM. Kathy Cegla moved to defer the business meeting until the Holiday Party on December 4, 2005. Kathy Darnielle seconded. Marcia Donnelly moved to adjourn. Kathy Cegla seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 PM.

<u>12-4-</u>05 3:15 p.m. The meeting was called to order by President, Kaye Phaneuf.

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Election of Officers</u>. The nominating committee had no new nominations for the slate of officers but did report that all the current position holders had agreed to run for another term. It was pointed out that the office of Treasure/Membership no longer is required to be held by the same person.

PRESIDENT – Kaye Phaneuf (incumbent), no other nominations. Janelle Wilde moved that we elect Kaye as President; Kathy Darneille seconded, no one opposed.

VICE PRESIDENT – Sarah Asby (incumbent), no other nominations. Marcia Donnelly moved that we elect Sarah as Vice President; Kathy Cegla seconded, no one opposed.

SECRETARY – Karen Miller (incumbent), Natalie Williamson offered to do the job, Karen Miller stepped down. Kathy Cegla moved that we elect Natalie; Kathy Darnielle seconded, no one opposed.

TREASURER – Kathy Darnielle (incumbent), no other nominations. Natalie Williamson moved that we elect Kathy; Janelle Wilde seconded, no one opposed.

MEMBERSHIP – Mandi Andrews volunteered, no other nominations. Marcia Donnelly moved that we elect Mandi; Kathy Cegla seconded, no one opposed.

OTHER JOB HOLDERS:

Newsletter – Kathy Cegla Youth Director – Katie Stodick Futurity Chair – Marcia Donnelly Show Secretary – Kathy Cegla Show Manager – Don Homuth

SHOW REPORT:

Don Homuth reported that our judges are: **Lois Heyerdahl** "R" – Dressage & Sport Horse In Hand and Under Saddle **Anne Appleby** "r" – Dressage

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And other jobholders are:

EMT – Seth of NW Rock Medicine

Steward – Jodee Snyder

Hunter/Jumper Manager – Barbara Zellner

Course Designer – Ben Chisholm

Photographer – The person who did last year's show

(Tim Neal) has been contacted.

Volunteer Coordinator – Sarah Asby

The Oregon State Fairgrounds has been contracted. We have approval with USDF/USEF/ODS/AHA.

It was decided to again give a framed photo to our first place winners. Mandi Andrews and Kathy Darneille volunteered to make a photo backdrop. Janelle Wilde reported that we have about 20 frames left over from last year. She will purchase what we will need for this year. The cost is around \$2 per frame. Marcia Donnelly and Janelle Wilde volunteered to be in charge of awards this year.

In an effort to improve the show and participation for future shows, it was decided to conduct a survey to find out what competitors liked/didn't like and what they would like to see in the future. It will be in our prize list in hopes of finding out why people are not attending also.

CONVENTION REPORT:

The AHA Convention in Fort Worth was A LOT of fun!!! The format was a bit different this year as all the resolutions were highlighted in the Open Session, discussed and clarified, then amended or repealed as necessary. Some of the 23 resolutions never made the floor.

Some highlights are: The Sweepstakes Program has been totally revamped. Arabian judges want a Sport Horse Judges card. Look for a certification program in the future. Shoe requirements are no longer by weight, but by thickness. A gauge has been devised to check. The toe requirement has been amended to match the Canadian's at 5 inches.

They were VERY positive about Sport Horse Nationals. There were 100 more horses than they expected and they made a profit!

The Marketing Committee was a hit – providing "Evolution of the Horse" posters; Arabian Community Shows, and Donations of "The Black Stallion" to schools for their literacy programs to name a few.

NEW BUSINESS:

An annual Carol Lyons War Mare Memorial was discussed for the Champion Mare. The details are being worked on by Janelle Wilde.

The Pacific North West Endurance Rider (PNWER) Convention is in Portland the last weekend in January, 2006. There are booths available. Janelle Wilde will check on costs, etc. and forward to the club to see if we would like to set up a table.

Sarah has contacted Ali Buchanan about doing another Sport Horse in Hand Clinic some time in February, 2006. Joyce Thomas has agreed to do a Sport Horse Under Saddle Clinic as well. The possibility of holding them together was discussed.

Sarah suggested the possibility of mailing a postcard (instead of a prize list) advising people of the show and that entry forms are available on our web-site. One could call show management to get a prize list mailed. This would cut down on our postage expense. As we are running out of time for this year, it was decided to look at that idea for the next show.

The next meeting will be the assembly of the prize list for mailing. It will be some time in January.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Miller, Secretary

Financial Report

Submitted by Kathy Darneille, Treasurer/Membership

Current Checking Balance......\$1,652.00 Current Savings Balance.....\$12,226.97

Membership report

Submitted by Kathy Darneille, Treasurer/Membership

Current **Arabians in Motion** /AHA Members....89
1-year Adult members.....6
3-year Adult members......6
1-year youth members......9
1 AiM-only member

2006 Membership Renewals

There is a new membership and fee structure with AHA. Some of you will notice a price increase. Some of you will notice a price decrease. AiM's club dues are still the same \$14 per person, adult & youth.

Currently AHA is reworking the membership website. At this time, the club membership chairperson is not able to renew members on line. I'll have to do it the old-fashioned way, on paper forms. (WOW!)

However, individual members and new members can go to the AHA website (www.arabianhorses.org) and renew your membership or join for the first time. You will pay with your credit card and get instant conformation of your membership. The instructions are pretty simple. Go to the website, choose your club affiliation – Arabians in Motion – and follow the directions. AHA will send your club dues to AiM.

I was also told that you can join by calling AHA and paying with a credit card if you have trouble with the website. 1-303-696-4500.

All current AiM/AHA members will continue to have a December 31st renewal date. All new members to AiM/AHA will have a renewal date of the last day of the month that they signed up.

Competition cards are optional. If you are not showing, taking part in any AHA programs, and are not interested in the excess liability insurance policy, then you may not want to purchase the competition card.

If you have any questions please e-mail me at crosbycreek@canby.com or call me at 503-982-1044. Please leave a message and I will return your call.

Member News

It's been pretty quiet out there, so I'll share my own bit of good news to start off the new year. **Tiger Lily KLJ**, who was advertised for sale in this newsletter several times, has found an excellent new home. I recently received word that the love fest at her new home continues – with the affection flowing both ways between Tiger Lily and Alexis – and her new owner's riding is improving under Tiger Lily's able tutelage.

Now everyone remember to send me *your* news! Hearing what other people are doing with their horses is a great part of being the newsletter editor.

USDF Makes Recognition More Costly for Breed Shows by Kaye Phaneuf, AiM President

The U.S. Dressage Federation (USDF) traditionally has waived their requirement that show managers be members of USDF in order for shows to receive USDF recognition for their dressage classes. Their Board of Directors has decided to no longer waive this requirement.

The impact

To the best of my knowledge, there are six breed shows in our region offering dressage: our AiM Classic, the AHACO and AHBAO club's shows, the Region 4 Championships, and two Morgan shows. These six shows have a total of five different managers, none of whom are USDF members. They have no interest in dressage, and no other reason for joining USDF; instead, all of them have made it a point to recruit a dressage coordinator to be the "resident expert" on their show committees, named on their USDF recognition applications. This is no longer sufficient; each of these five managers must now pay the \$62 annual fee to join USDF.

Why obtain recognition?

Shows pay to be recognized by various organizations so that their exhibitors' results will count toward those organizations' championships and year-end awards. The AiM Classic, like most of the breed shows in our region, is recognized by the US Equestrian Federation (USEF), AHA, USDF, and the Oregon Dressage Society (ODS).

It is important to note that a USEF license is required before applying for AHA, USDF or ODS recognition (except for the new AHA Community Shows and ODS League Shows); USDF recognition is required before applying for ODS recognition (except ODS League Shows).

The costs

\$175..USEF license (this fee would be even higher if we offered prize money)

\$40... USEF membership for show manager, required for recognition

\$75...AHA recognition fee (plus 75 cents per horse, paid with results)

\$65...USDF recognition fee

\$62...USDF membership fee for show manager, required for recognition

\$70...ODS recognition and processing fees

...for a total of \$487 before we even talk about hiring judges or renting a facility! For the 2005 AiM Classic, recognition fees represented a cost of nearly \$6 per horse.

Is it worth it?

Especially in light of USDF's decision, many of the breed shows are questioning whether all of these recognitions are worth the expense. Looking specifically at our own show, in 2005 we had 35 dressage riders. 15 of them were USDF Participating members, 12 were ODS-only members, and 8 had no dressage membership at all. I don't think the other breed shows, except, perhaps, the championships, attract such a high percentage of dressage members. And those 35 dressage riders still were only half of the total number of

riders/handlers in our show, a *much* higher percentage than they represent at the other breed shows.

Management of some or all of these breed shows, including our own, may decide that they can't continue to obtain all of the recognitions that they have in the past.

What are our options?

- **1. AHA and USEF recognition are required,** unless we choose to restructure the AiM Classic as an AHA Community Show. That's \$290 of the \$487 fee total.
- **2.** We could continue to buy recogition from all four organizations. The AiM Classic is already committed to doing so for 2006.
- **3.** We could drop USDF recognition and become an ODS League Show. In 2005, our USDF recognition directly benefited 15 USDF Participating members, who were able to use their scores toward selected USDF awards. Scores from breed-restricted classes can't qualify for USDF Regional Championships, nor be used for most of their award programs.

Without USDF recognition, we would not be eligible for ODS "recognized show" recognition. However, ODS has added a second tier of competition, the ODS League show. It has its own separate-but-equal awards program, and – new in 2006 – its own Championship show.

- **4.** We could choose to drop ODS recognition. Our ODS recognition benefited only 12 riders last year, at a cost of \$70; nearly \$6 per rider. The fee for both tiers of ODS recognition is the same.
- **5.** We could drop both ODS and USDF recognition. After all, our riders would still be able to qualify for AHA championships and awards, and that really is our primary purpose. But remember that dressage and hunter/jumper are different from the traditional divisions English, Western, et al in that the former can qualify for AHA championships and awards by competing in open shows. And those open shows are USDF/ODS recognized. Without those recognitions, I suspect that breed shows will lose riders to the open shows; after all, the exhibitors are looking for the most bang for their buck, too.

Now what?

Every breed-restricted show is going to have to weigh the costs and benefits of these various recognitions as they affect that particular competition. In my opinion, our show and the breed championship shows probably have enough dressage riders to justify the expense of all four recognitions. My heart says that, if we dropped any, it should be the USDF recognition, but the statistics seem to indicate that the ODS recognition benefits the fewest riders.

As the AHA Region 4 Dressage Chair (and secretary of one of the Morgan shows), I have sent e-mails protesting USDF's decision to no longer waive the manager membership to the USDF Competitions Coordinator, USDF Competition Council Chair, and two members of the USDF Board. I will attend the ODS Board meeting in January, asking that they (1) remove the requirement for USDF recognition and/or (2) reduce the fee for ODS League show recognition. I am trying to help management of local breed shows to understand their options. And as a member of AHA's national dressage committee, I have expressed concerns about the potential impact of the USDF "virtual" fee increase on the USDF/AHA Arabian dressage awards program.

My advice to AiM members who compete in dressage is:

- 1. Decide what your goals for the year are Sport Horse Nationals? USDF All-Breed Awards? ODS Championships?
- 2. Make sure that your memberships meet the requirements for those goals. (For example, do you need to upgrade from ODS Group to USDF Participating?)
- 3. Doublecheck the various organizations' websites to make sure the competitions you're interested in are listed as recognized.
- 4. And if your favorite show chooses to cut back on the number of "perks" it offers to dressage riders, understand that no one is making these decisions lightly. Breed shows consistently lose money on their dressage divisions often large amounts! And there's no law that says they have to continue to do so. Be sure to let them know how much you appreciate what they do offer! :-)

AiM for the Future Futurity

The Futurity has a new chair! Congratulations, and thank you, to Marcia Donnelly. Questions and entry forms should now be sent to Marcia. She can be reached at 504-638-7702, mh.don@verizon.net. Snail mail to: 19177 Hilltop Road, Lake Oswego, Oregon 97530.

Prez Phaneuf has appointed an ad hoc Futurity Task Force to evaluate two changes requested by several club members and futurity participants: (1) separate awards for purebred and Half/Anglo youngsters, and (2) changing from a two-year-old to a three-year-old futurity. The task force is charged with developing an implementation plan if their recommendation is to move forward with either or both changes.

Task force members are: Marcia Donnelly, Kathy Cegla, Sarah Asby, Linda Royer, Koby Robson, and Kaye Phaneuf; they will meet via e-mail. If you would like to be part of this team, please contact Kaye.

A note from the Editor: In addition to the advertising revenue mentioned on the first page, remember that our show also relies heavily on volunteers to ensure that everyone has a good experience. We will need scribes, runners, scorers, an announcer or two, people to staff the awards room, and do other fun stuff. Sarah Asby is the show's volunteer coordinator this year. Let's help make her job as easy as possible by giving her more volunteers than she has jobs to assign. If you've never worked at a show before, be advised that it's great fun, and you can fit in a couple of hours doing *something* even if you are a competitor. So please contact Sarah: sdasby@comcast.net or 503-887-2535.

Marketplace

For Sale – Beautiful 2004 show filly. Bay with four perfect white socks. A must see – look at her on dreamhorse.com under ID number 693445 or under the name Khalla Lillie. I also have her mother and would like to lease her as a broodmare. She makes beautiful babies with substance. Approved home only. Contact Karen Kirsch at 503-678-2931.

FULL CARE BOARDING at UNLIMITED CLASSICS, a private Dressage Training Barn. We are located between Molalla and Canby, with easy access to I-5 and I-205. We feed Eastern Washington timothy, TDI supplements and continuous wormer. We are happy to feed any other joint/hoof, etc. supplements that you provide. Horses are turned out daily, either individually or in group, depending on the horse and owner's preference. Stalls are 12 X 12, matted and bedded with fir sawdust, and cleaned daily. We have a 60 x 144 indoor arena with excellent hogs fuel footing, a heated tack room and indoor wash rack. Dressage training and Instruction is available. Please contact Karen for a tour or if you have questions. 503 880-9376 or ucnwf@web-ster.com

FATE decides which one I keep. YOUR CHOICE, \$5,900. (1) AiM Futurity 2004 bay gelding; double-registered half-Arab/half-Hungarian (warmblood). Great temperament, conformation, movement; bred for calm disposition. (2) 2005 Aul Magic bay filly; four white socks, star stripe. Outstanding disposition, conformation; a real beauty in body and soul. Barb Daniels, 541-259-2946 or daniels4@centurytel.net.

For Sale – 1992 chestnut Arabian mare; halter and Country English Pleasure winner, producer of Region IV sport horse in-hand champion. Easy keeper, easy breeder, gorgeous mover; Sweepstakes nominated. \$6,000 OBO. Kathy at 503-364-9617 or kcegla1@comcast.net.

Calendar

January

21-22 – Dressage clinic with Debbie Spence, Molalla Karen Miller * 503/651-3193 * ucnwf@web-ster.com

27-29 – Pacific Northwest Endurance Rides 2006 Convention, Portland. Speakers include Val Kanavy, world-class endurance riding champion. http://www.endurance.net/organizations/pner/Convention files/2006/overview.htm

31 – AiM for the Future Futurity entry deadline!

February

17 thru 26 – Scottsdale Arabian Show 480/515-1500 * www.scottsdaleshow.com

18-19 – Dressage clinic with Debbie Spence, Molalla Karen Miller * 503/651-3193 * ucnwf@web-ster.com

March

11-12 – Dressage clinic with Debbie Spence, Molalla Karen Miller * 503/651-3193 * ucnwf@web-ster.com

17-19 - Horse Expo, Fairgrounds, Albany

18-19 – Arabians in Motion Sport Horse Classic, Fairgrounds, Salem

April

1-2 – Region IV Mini Convention, Ashland Punky Ahlin * 541/482-4972

6-9 – Northwest Heritage Arabian Show, Spanaway, WA Sharon Brodie * 360/659-9227 * needlecast@aol.com

8-9 – Dressage clinic with Debbie Spence, Molalla Karen Miller * 503/651-3193 * ucnwf@web-ster.com

13-16 – AHBAO Spring Classic, Salem Beth Garvison * 503/655-0386 * bgarvison@aol.com

25-30 – Region VII Championships, Scottsdale, AZ Sherry Layne * 702/435-6694 * www.aha7.org

28-30 – Daffodil Arabian Spring Show, Puyallup, WA Dan Lelli * 253/847-0800 * www.daffodilarabian.com

May

4-7 – Red Bluff Silver Buckle Arabian Show, Red Bluff, CA. Sharon Richards * 916/645-2288 * sharonr@quiknet.com

12-14 – Cascade Youth Benefit, Spanaway, WA Ann Kennedy * billnannkennedy@juno.com

18-21 – AHACO Arabian Horse Show, Salem Beth Garvison * 503/655-0386 * bgarvison@aol.com

25-28 – IEAHC Back-to-Back Shows, Spokane, WA Ann Kennedy * billnannkennedy@juno.com

26-28 – Comstock Arabian Spring Show, Carson City, NV. Doris Wilson * 775/972-4482 * willowhaven@softcom.net

May 31 – June 4 – Region I Championships, Del Mar, CA. Jean Beck * 559/642-2072 * jrbshow@aol.com

June

2-4 – Treasure Valley Classic, Nampa, ID Pat Anson * 208/888-0954 * peanson@jparabians.com

2-4 – Region V Sport Horse Championship, Auburn, WA Sharon Brodie * 360/659-9227 * needlecast@aol.com

9-11 – Washington Mid Summer Classic, Puyallup, WA Joan Palelek * 206/972-2163 * vpfltd@aol.com

17-24 – Region IV Preshow and Championships, Salem Beth Garvison * 503/655-0386 * bgarvison@aol.com

21-25 – Region II Championships, Burbank, CA Jean Beck * 559/642-2072 * jrbshow@aol.com

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