

News from WAHA

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- WAHA Annual Meeting
January 15, Oconomowoc
- Renew WAHA/AHA/USEF
memberships
- Enter the WAHA High-
Point System

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President's Message

As I end my second and final term as WAHA President, I must pause to reflect on what an interesting and inspiring ride it's been to lead this wonderful club. WAHA is one of the largest, most active, and most effective local AHA affiliated clubs in the country!

For that distinction, we should all be proud.

We often think of ourselves as a show-based organization, but we also find time to promote the Arabian to 70,000 spectators at the Midwest Horse Fair each year, and to MILLIONS of viewers of the Thanksgiving Day Chicago Parade each year.

Just as importantly, we have many members who actively promote the Arabian on the grass roots level in a multitude of ways: drill teams, open shows, trail rides, or

even just simply inviting neighborhood kids over to visit the farm.

Every new contact is important, and WAHA members respond with an A-game effort when they hear the call to help introduce the Arabian breed to the general public.

Additionally, the WAHA Board runs with a degree of professionalism and organization that most volunteer organizations would only dream of.

Certainly we do not always agree.

Passionate opinions are often voiced on various issues, but at the end of the day, once a decision is made, we all stand behind it and move on for the good of the club.

As is the case in any organization, especially a volunteer organization, things sometimes don't get done as quickly or as thor-

oughly as we would have wished in the ideal world. However, it is truly remarkable how much we do get done, and how hard so many people work to make it happen. I have been humbled to watch the selflessness and work ethic of many of our Board members.

In closing, I would simply like to say Thank You. It has been a privilege to serve as your President for four years. I have learned many things from it that I will take with me for the rest of my life.

Jessica Cole
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Annual Meeting—January 15!

FREE Italian dinner, GOOD people, and the whole night to talk about our HORSES? Sounds like the place to be on January 15th, 2011! Our Annual WAHA Meeting is going to be here fast! The meeting will be held Saturday, January 15th at the Summit Town Hall, 2911 N. Dousman Rd, Oconomowoc, WI.

There will be a social hour starting at 6:00pm with some snacks and dinner at 7:00pm with the meeting to follow. Want to vote for our WAHA board members or run to be on the board? Elections will take place at this meeting! The WAHA Annual Youth Meeting will also take place this night! Anyone is welcome to come to this event! Please RSVP to Ashley Viney by Monday, January 10th at 608-516-8464. Please leave your name, number of people, and a phone number you can be reached at in case the meeting should have to be rescheduled due to weather.

WAHA Member in the Spotlight: Susan Darmstadter

My involvement with Arabians started 15 years ago with a quarter horse and Dan Barker. Although I was a horse crazy kid, I never had the opportunity to pursue riding until I was an adult and out of school. By then I had relocated to Wisconsin for my first real job. Being new to the area and knowing nothing about horses, I found a place to take lessons in the Yellow Pages.

After a year of lessons, my trainer announced she had found the perfect horse for me. After my initial look, she called me at 7 the next morning and told me someone else wanted the horse BUT the vet was there and if I did an immediate prepurchase exam, the horse was mine. So I agreed. What do you know – he passed his expensive prepurchase. The next call was to tell me I'd need to pay for the horse in cash because if I wrote a check she would have to charge me sales tax. In real life I'm really not this gullible, but the horse world was foreign to me and I thought perhaps this was how it was done.

I'll skip the rest of the details, but suffice it to say that the trainer disappeared, the farm was foreclosed on, and I was left with a horse I could barely lead out of the pasture let alone ride. It was time for professional help.

Unfortunately, I didn't know anyone who trained horses. I called the few names I'd heard of, all of whom turned me down. A dressage trainer gave me Dan's name and told me he was young and might be interested. He wasn't.

But I must have looked pitiful because he called me the next day and relented.

It didn't take long before he sat me down and explained that unless I had a death wish, this was not an appropriate horse for a novice. Even I had that one figured out. So the pretty quarter horse got donated for halter and I asked Dan what kind of horses he trained. He told me Arabians. I said, "Fine, I'm staying so please find me one"

With that, Dustin Destiny, a retired show horse, became my teacher and companion for the next 11 years. No horse had a bigger heart. I had him until he passed away at 21. He took me to my first adult walk-trot (we cantered – oops). Although I enjoyed watching the shows, I didn't think I'd ever attempt it myself. I had a younger horse that I was content to ride at home.

Then my 50th birthday starting inching closer and Dan asked me if I wanted to put showing a horse on my bucket list.

There is something about turning

50. With that motivation, Dark and Stormy became my next teacher. He wasted no time pointing out he was the pro and I was the novice. His credentials were certainly better than mine. At times his annoyance with me was almost humorous. I could empathize. His previous rider was very talented. Loyalty is an Arabian trait though, and Stormy hung in there with me until I got better. It took awhile, but we're a team. Once again, I have an Arabian with a big heart.

I still laugh about my first class when I did the "egg" around the judges stand because I was too scared of the traffic to get on the rail. But a couple years later I got to sit on Stormy at the in gate at Regionals and hear our number called. So I'm thankful for my kind and talented horses, an infinitely patient trainer (and his wife), Dan's assistant Jeana and always, for friends on the rail. The last 15 years really have been a great ride.

AHA Convention Report

By Jessica Cole, WAHA President

The AHA Annual Convention The 2010 AHA Convention has come and gone, and WAHA members were well-represented by their six delegates, all of whom spent a lot of time and thought attending various committee meetings and working in General Session.

AHA is holding its own in the face of an ongoing tough economy and declining memberships, declining registrations, and declining ownership transfers. This has been achieved by cutting AHA staff substantially and tightening up the budget in other areas wherever possible. How long

this strategy can work remains to be seen, and everyone is hoping that we are close to “the bottom” where declines are concerned, so that we may begin to creep back up.

This news is certainly not breed specific either. All breeds are experiencing struggles, and this is to be expected in light of the poor economy.

On a more positive note, AHA is introducing the “One Day Show” concept, that cuts cost and simplifies rules for the budget-minded exhibitor or for the newcomer to the show world. There is much enthusiasm for this concept, and several of the smaller clubs whose

regular Class A shows are faltering now feel that they may be able to continue their shows by adopting this new, less expensive, and more inviting format.

Many resolutions were voted on, and those that were approved are posted on the AHA Website under the Convention tab under “Membership”. In many cases, proposed resolutions are amended one or more times based on committee recommendations before they come to the Convention floor. Once on the floor, they may be amended again, so it’s really important to read the

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In Memory of Dark and Stormy +/

When I wrote this article, I could not have imagined by the time it came out, Stormy would be gone. After a sudden illness we were hopeful he would be fine with medication. He developed intractable seizures though, and we knew he could not go on.

Stormy was many things, but most of all he was a professional. He knew his job, and he loved doing it. When he was in the ring, he was flawless. If a mistake was made, it was mine. He never let me down, and he never stopped being my teacher.

He earned his Legion of Supreme Honor this year. Although he earned many points before I rode him, it meant so much that the last ones he needed were the ones he and I earned together. He was truly my partner, and I wasn’t ready to lose him.

Rest in Peace Stormy. You are forever in my heart, as well as the hearts of many others who knew and loved you.



Convention—Continued

postings on the AHA website to understand the final result.

Finally, on an exceptionally positive note, the most inspiring thing I heard about at Convention was the tale of how Martha Murdock, a Nationally recognized trainer from Kentucky, grabbed the bull by the horns for the cause of breed promotion this year. With the World Equestrian Games being held in

Lexington and the whole world watching, Martha took it upon herself to organize an extremely impressive representation of Arabian horses and riders of various disciplines.

This endeavor took countless hours of preparation, and once the Games were underway, it required that Martha take 19 days away from her business and her life to pull the whole thing off. She asked for, and was given, help

from many of her fellow horsemen and from AHA, but she spearheaded the idea herself and made it a reality. If not for Martha, there would have been no Arabians at World Equestrian Games.

But because of her, GOOD Arabian horses were seen and appreciated by millions. Just goes to show what one person can do. A lesson for all of us.

Additional Reports

Gay Jeanne Bower

There were 324 credentialed delegates at the 2010 Arabian Horse Association Convention out of a possible 498. The weather could not have been more lovely, especially in November.

I attended the Annual Convention Planning Committee as I am a member. We discussed the resolutions referred to us and then the upcoming 2011 convention in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. The committee also discussed the “un-hosted” convention in 2012 in Denver, CO. It was noted that there would be a bid for the 2013 convention to be in Lexington, KY.

I also attended the National Championship & Regional Classes Committee. Resolutions referred to the committee were discussed. Then there was a discussion of a Supreme Champion & Reserve Champion Mare & Stallion Halter Classes at the US Nationals. There was much discussion on these halter classes. Also, discussed were classes in other divisions, such as Sport Horse, that were suggested additions to the standard class list. For a complete list of the classes see the minutes from the meeting.

The Regional Caucus meetings were all held on Thursday night. At the Region 10 Caucus the elections and resolutions were discussed.

Friday I attended the Awards Committee as a member and voted on the proposed nominees for the Ambassador Award and the “new” Open Competition Award. There was discussion on both awards; how to provide for them in the future and the number to be available each year.

As chair of the Amateur Committee, I called the meeting to order on Friday. The resolutions referred to the committee were discussed and voted on. There was much discussion on the AOTS definition and rules. It was decided by the committee to set up a study group to bring back suggestions or a possible resolution to the 2011 AHA Convention. This group consists of Mike Bell, Gay Jeanne Bower, Wanda Funk, Anita Grant and Ann Hammer. They will report back to the Amateur Committee on this matter.

I also attended the Regional Boundaries Revision Forum. The committee presented a proposed “re-drawing” of the regions in the US that would consider both the horse/owner population and the terrain. There was much discussion, much of it not in favor of the “re-drawing” of the regions. It would reduce the number of regions from 18 to 14.

One of the highlights for me was the “Arabian Nights” entertainment on Friday night. This Dinner Theater was run by Bazy Tankersly’s son, Mark Miller and included mostly Arabians as the show horses. It was delightful and at the end of the performance most of the horses used in the show were allowed to run free into the arena. You could tell the horses were used to this as many of them started to roll in the footing. -GJB

Convention—Continued

Michael Bell

This was my first year attending convention. I attended the Youth Committee meeting, Amateur Committee meeting, Regional Caucus meeting, and Regional Boundaries meeting.

First meeting I attended was the Youth Committee meeting. There was discussion on the accomplishments the youth achieved. The Youth Judging contest was discussed. This year the numbers of teams were down compared to 2009. There was discussion on adding a new category, Individual Team - Novice. This category is for individuals who have never participated in a judging contest. There was also discussion on adding a new venue at Youth Nationals. There will be a Poker Run/Scavenger Hunt.

The second meeting I attended was the Regional Boundaries meeting. There was much discussion on potential regional changes. The changes would reduce AHA from 18 Regions down to 14 Regions. The current proposal changes us from Region 10 to Region 6 and consisted of Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, and South Dakota. (Not 100% sure if Nebraska was included) This proposal will be discussed further by the AHA Board of Directors.

The third meeting I attended was the Regional Caucus meeting where there was general discussion on the resolutions.

The last meeting I attended was the Amateur Committee meeting where I recorded the meeting minutes. There was much discussion on the AOTS division. There was a study group that was selected to discuss the AOTS division. I volunteered to be a member of the study group.

I also attended the Arabian Knights Dinner Theater and thought it was an excellent performance. Majority of the horses used in this performance were Arabians.

I look forward to attending future AHA Convention's and getting more involved.—MB

Nancy Miller

I am on the Credentials Work Force. The job of the Credentials Work Force is to make sure that the voting delegates have been certified by their club to sit on the convention floor and vote resolutions and election of delegates to committees. We meet daily to certify delegates as they arrive at Convention.

I have also been a member of the Judges and Stewards Selection Committee and Chair of that Committee for the past year. It is the responsibility of the committee to develop a list of judges and stewards for the four National Shows.

An open meeting is held at convention at which how the committee works is described and questions from convention delegates who attend the open portion of the are answered. Our Committee met briefly with each of the four National Show Commissions for their input on judges and stewards.—NM

WAHA Board & Regional Delegate Nominees

The following individuals have been nominated by the Nominating Committee for Officers, Board of Director positions and Regional Delegates for positions to be elected at the January WAHA Annual Meeting. Additional nominations for any position may be made from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

Officers:

President -- Nancy Miller
Vice President -- Mike Bell
Secretary-- Amy Rose Offorf
Treasurer -- Deb Duick

Board of Directors

Gay Jeanne Bower
Juli Goder Larson
Laota Hoeft
Kathy Justinger
Bill Buglass
Mike Millard
Rachel Bell

Region 10 Delegates

Gay Jeanne Bower
Juli Goder Larson
Joan Rose
Nancy Miller
Deb Alt
Mike Bell
Stacey Dunn

The following Bios were submitted by the candidates

Rachel (Hoeft) Bell

I have been a member of WAHA for over 25 years. I have helped out with a number of our shows in numerous capacities. I have helped out with the Midwest Horse Fair for better than 5 years. During which I have done everything from set up/tear down of the stalls and booth, talked with numerous people, and helped Juli Goder-Larson with orchestrating horses in the rings.

I have walked and been an extra pair of hands for the Thanksgiving Day Parade in Chicago for also better than 5 years. In addition, I have been assisting Cathy Arnold with the youth group. Last year I was one of the chaperones that went to US Nationals with the judging team. This year I was one of the coaches for the judging teams. I was also named the Volunteer of the Year for past 3 consecutive years. I have enjoyed my time helping out the youth and by becoming a board member I would like to continue my volunteering. I know I want what is best for the club to succeed.

WAHA Board Member Bios—Cont.

Michael Bell

My name is Michael Bell and I have been a member of Wisconsin Arabian Horse Association for approximately 18 years. I currently serve as the Secretary of WAHA. My first involvement with the Arabian horse was at the age of 10 years old. I live on 55 acre horse farm in Mukwonago, Wisconsin. Currently, I own a small web design company that specializes in Web Design and Marketing.

History

2010	Delegate to the AHA National Convention; Orlando, FL
2008 – Present	August Show Manager
2007 – Present	Elected Officer – Secretary of WAHA
2007 – 2009	Alternate Delegate
2007	August Show Assistant Manager
2006 – Present	Webmaster for WAHA

Volunteering Duties

I have volunteered at many WAHA and Region 10 events being the gate person, announcer, and barn manager. I have also been a volunteer for Midwest Horse Fair, Thanksgiving Day Parade, Clinics, Point System Auditor, Co-Audited the 2009 treasurer's books, and responsible for publishing the newsletter via e-blast services.

In addition to the above mentioned, I am a member of the National Amateur Committee, National Membership Committee, and National Youth Committee. I am looking to continue my volunteering by being elected as Vice-President of the Wisconsin Arabian Horse Association.

Gay Jeanne Bower

Wisconsin Arabian Horse Association

Past-President & Vice President of WAHA, Manager of WAHA May Show for several years, Assistant Manager of WAHA August Show

Co-Chair and assisted in managing the Arabian Booth at The Midwest Horse Fair, Assisted with the first T.A.I.L. program

Manage the WAHA Point System, with assistance from Sally Epps & Sunde Nelson, Manage all insurance for many WAHA activities, Represent WAHA at WSHC

Managed WAHA Annual Meetings for many years , Managed the WAHA Ambassador Award

Region 10

Region 10 Delegate representing WAHA for over 15 years

Served on the Judges & Stewards Commissioners' Review Panel at a national level

Vice-Chair and now Chair of the Amateur Committee; Vice-Chair and Chair of the Awards Committee; member Annual Convention Planning Committee at a national level

Manage Region 10 Point System that highlights the Half-Arabians & Arabians who ONLY show at open shows

WAHA Board Member Bios—Cont.

Debra J. Duick

I grew up in Wauwatosa WI and attended UW Madison and UW Whitewater where I received a BBA with an accounting major. I began working with a local CPA firm in Elkhorn and became a partner after passing the CPA exam. I have been in public practice almost 30 years and am currently the majority shareholder of Duick & Company, S.C. We have offices in Elkhorn and Clinton providing accounting, consulting and tax services to businesses, individuals and trusts. Not for profit organizations, homeowner Associations, agri-business and Quickbooks consulting are some of our specialty areas. I am a member of the Elkhorn Rotary and am in my 11th year as treasurer. In 2009 I received the Service Above Self award for my work with the club.

I have been involved with horses most of my life, starting with saddlebreds. I purchased my first Arabian in 1991 and currently have 17. My husband, Steve, and I raise arabs and half arabs on 20 acres south of Whitewater at DSD Arabians. I enjoy working with and showing the young ones and try to support the local futurity programs. Our horses have enjoyed some success in the show ring over the years but we also have had some doing endurance, jumping, and of course trail riding.

Bill Buglass

Billy to many. Married to Tracy. We live at 4175 Pavlak road, Deerfield, WI I work for Payne and Dolan, Inc.. We live on a 15 acre farmette, at which we breed, raise, show and sell our Arabian horses. I was introduced to Arabians when I was about 16, by our neighbor's daughter, who bred, raised, and showed Arabians at her farm, near Paoli, WI. I can remember the first stallions I met at her place, Ice Storm, and Ivanhoe Sprite. The breeding at the farm was done by live cover. Every breeding was exciting and a risky endeavor to the owner. They eventually hauled a couple of mares to the NE US to be bred to the imported stallion Perkal. One of those foals, Percalator, stood at stud for a few years, and then I bought him, gelded him, and had twenty great years with him. My goal was to someday breed Arabian horses.

I realized that goal about 10 years ago when we purchased a mare in foal to Sundance Kid V, from Sheila Varian, and the next spring she foaled a beautiful filly, whom we went on to show at halter, and eventually ride in the show ring, and this year that filly had her first baby, a colt by Jullyen El Jamaal. Our goal in breeding is to produce beautiful, correct, and athletic horses who can be competitive in the performance arena. We have two or three foals per year, and take care of everything ourselves, except training. We are grateful to Dave Bilgrien who introduced us to showing our horses with our first filly, and later led us to a National top ten with a half Arab, PKH Touch Of Fame. I look forward to having the opportunity to give of my time to the breed I enjoy.

Newsletter Story Ideas?

The WAHA Newsletter is your publication! Do you have a story idea, guest editorial concept or pictures that you would like to see featured? Send them on!

Contact Nancy Miller, nmfr7@charter.net

WAHA Board Member Bios—Cont.

Amy Rose-Offord

I am running for the position of Secretary of WAHA. Here is a little bit about myself:

I have been involved in the Arabian Horse Industry for over 37 years. I grew up on a family boarding/training stable that focused on youth and amateurs. I have successfully participated at various levels of shows: open, 4-H, Class A, Regional and National. I have shown in many disciplines including: saddleseat, western, huntseat, sport horse, side-saddle, and native costume. I have been involved in WAHA in various capacities: Youth Member, Judging Team participant, Judging Team Chaperone, show volunteer, youth enthusiast, and most recently WAHA Board Member. I have worked with various Arabian Horse trainers: Mike Miller, Hoyt Rose, Joan Rose to name a few. Over the last 6 years I have become a horseshow mom. My daughter and I have two Arabian geldings that we show and enjoy. We also are very involved in our 4-H club specifically in the horse project always promoting the Arabian Breed.

Professionally, I have managed a branch operation for a publicly traded company for 11+ years. This last year I have taken on a Sales Position within the same company. With this experience I bring multifaceted leadership experience that can be utilized in various capacities. My interests lie in the amateur exhibitor, the youth group, and breed promotion. Thank you for your consideration!

Joan Rose

I moved to Wisconsin from Texas in 1963 with a definite Quarter Horse background. I bought my first Arabian, because I wanted something with a little more energy, from my husband (Ken) a year before we were married. I've always joked that he married me to get the horse back. We had her for 23 years and she was very instrumental in our lesson program for years. We have two children Amy Rose-Offord (Mike) and Hoyt Rose (Pam). Three Grand Children, Hunter 12 years old is Mike & Amy's and Madison 6 years and Justin 4 years are Hoyt & Pam's children. I am happy to say both of our children are involved with Arabian horses. Amy and Hunter each own Arabian geldings and Hoyt and Pam are trainers up by Turtle Lake and have a barn full of Arabians. It is my delight having both of my children plus grand children in the show ring.

I have been involved with the youth of WAHA and Region 10 for years. I coached the judging teams from WAHA and 4-H for over 20 years. Since 2008 I have been back with the judging teams for Monroe County and WAHA. I have been the Region 10 Youth Coordinator for 15 years. Because of my involvement with the youth I was named Wisconsin Horse Person of the Year in 1992 by the Wisconsin Horse Council. I had been on the WAHA board for 12 years and a WAHA member since 1975. I managed a boarding and training barn in Janesville, Wis. for 29 years until I retired in 2001. I coached many youth and amateur riders at the Arabians shows. We were the Rose's Arabian group. We had a good time and did our share of winning, but mainly the object was to have fun and enjoy our horses and the camaraderie of our barn. Many adult riders that are in the ring today started with Rose's Arabians. I am very proud of that fact.

Since I am the Region 10 Youth Coordinator, I am the voice for the youth at the Regional meetings. I would appreciate your vote to continue as a WAHA Region 10 delegate. Thank You.

WAHA Board Member Bios—Cont.

Nancy Miller - Candidate for WAHA President

I have been a member of WAHA since the mid 1980's and a Board Member since 1989. During that time I have served as President for 5 years and edited the Newsletter for four years. I have been a Region 10 delegate since 1992 and have actively participated on both the Regional and National levels.

I have been and am still actively involved in show management: WAHA Classic - 8 years, WAHA August - 10 years, Arabian Futurity Festival - 8 years and co-manager Fall Colors Open Show and Arabian Community Show - 3 years. In addition I have been assistant manager or manger of the Region 10 Championship Show since 1995 and will be manager for the 2011 Show.

As a WAHA Regional Delegate I have been re-elected to serve as Regional Secretary for the next two years.

As a Region 10 delegate to the AHA Convention I have been on the Equitation Committee and National and Regional Classes Committee. Since 1994 I have worked on the Credentials Work Force. I was on the Commissioner's Review Panel for 5 years and just completed 6 years on the Judges and Stewards Selection Committee and served as chair of that Committee this past year. At the 2010 Convention I was again elected to the Commissioner's Review Panel.

I would like to continue serve WAHA Board President and to represent WAHA at the Regional and National levels as a Regional Delegate.

WAHA Fall Clinic a Success

Submitted by Debbie Alt—clinic committee member

The fall WAHA Clinic held November 13, 2010 at Bristol Equestrian Estates grew a large crowd. Over 100 people showed up on a cold day to watch and listen to Ken and Kevin Price discuss Saddle Seat Riding. People as far as Minnesota and Green Bay enjoyed exciting presentations by the Price's including starting the horse at lunging. Next came progressing to long lines and achieving the proper head set.

Several riding horses were used and the last horse demonstrated was a Champion half Arab. This horse was a finished horse and was just fantastic and fun to watch. Ken and Kevin were very outgoing, witty and easy to understand. Ideas for all forms of riding could be taken from this clinic!

A huge thank you goes first to Bristol Equestrian for hosting this clinic. This is a beautiful facility! Thank you to Ken and Kevin Price for a day full of knowledge. We had various vendors also present with some people getting some early Holiday gifts purchased. Lastly thanks for all the folks that brought chairs, and food I was so happy to see Joan Rose come with barbecues for all!

The Clinic committee is working on some exciting news for next year's clinic...stay tuned for updates.



WAHA members watch the clinic

WAHA Board Member Bios—Cont.

Kathy Justinger

After a childhood filled with experiences with a variety of breeds and lots of backyard fun, I took a long hiatus from horses. While I was busy attending college, getting married, finishing graduate school and working, I never gave up the dream of being a horse owner again. Thirteen years ago, I fulfilled that dream when I purchased a young Arabian mare and was instantly hooked on the most beautiful and charismatic breed in the world. I have since been lucky enough to have been “owned by” several additional Arabians, all of whom have given me great joy. I’ve experienced both the “amateur scene” (training my own youngster), and the good fortune of working with some wonderful trainers, showing successfully at the Regional level.

I’m running for the WAHA Board for two reasons. First, I would like to give back to the club and the breed that I so admire. Second, I would like to learn more about the local, regional, and national organizations and the challenges they face.

I believe that all Arabian owners need and deserve support, and I would like to encourage others to get to know our great horses. In these changing economic times, we may need to redefine our goals and the activities that support them. I don’t pretend to have a lot of answers but I am good at asking questions that will stimulate healthy discussion. I’m willing to work to support successful programs and to take a chance on new ventures.

I would appreciate your consideration in my bid for election to the WAHA Board.

Debbie Alt

I live in Mazomanie Wisconsin and have had either an Arab or half Arab for the last 45 years. I have belonged to WAHA off and on since 1973. When I am not horsing’ around I work for the nation’s largest Lawn and Garden distributor in sales. My small herd of horses consists of my western pleasure mare Reba and my new addition Sera-a palomino half Arab filly that was shown in halter this year. Two mini donkeys also grace my pastures to keep life interesting. I am active with my German shepherd dogs in Schutzhund and also doing therapy visits with them.

Before I was a board member I brought up a proposal to start a mentor program for people looking for services, horses or just needed to feel welcomed to the club. We have matched up people looking for horses they could afford, found boarding places for new owners-helped an older person place their Arabian horses and more. We came out with a printed list that has been handed out at the Midwest horse fair and the clinics that we do. The program has been very well received. I was elected to the board of directors last year. I am also active with the clinic committee –the committee has put on some well attended clinics this year! Doing my part as ringmaster for the last 3 years for our open show and I try to volunteer at all of WAHA’s functions in some capacity. I was nominated to be a Region 10 delegate and if elected will along with the other delegates be a voice for WAHA members.

Juli Goder-Larson

I got my first horse when I was 9, and have been heavily involved ever since. One of my first riding instructors encouraged my parents to get me an Arabian or part Arabian and I have been riding them ever since.

I was involved with WAHA from the beginning, serving as the president for the Youth group.

Now, my husband and I own Fox Hollow Farm in Clinton, WI, where we train Arabians and part Arabians for shows, from the local level to Nationals.

I have been very involved with WAHA for a number of years, serving on the board as well as a Region 10 delegate for approximately the last 10-15. (I’m having so much fun, I lost track of time!)

I am also a Regional and National level judge, and have judged in a number of foreign countries.

I recently served as Vice President, co-chair the Arabians at the Horse Fair, chair the improvement committee, and head up and organize WAHA's participation in the Chicago Thanksgiving Day parade.



2011 WAHA Membership Application

Renew or join online at www.ArabianHorses.org.

Print Legibly

NAME		DATE	
SPOUSE'S NAME (for Married Couple)	PHONE NO. ()	FAX NO. ()	
ADDRESS	CITY	STATE	ZIP
EMAIL		YOUTH MEMBER'S BIRTHDATE	

Renewal – AHA number(s) _____

New

Membership Options & Fees

Membership: (includes club affiliation; does not include competition privileges or Excess Personal Liability Insurance; see Competition Cards). Select One:

- Adult - **\$40** – Includes AHA membership for one year; 1 vote
- Adult 3 Year - **\$115** – Includes AHA membership for three years; 1 vote
- Youth (17 or under as of 12/01/10) – **\$25** – Includes AHYA membership for one year; 1 vote
- Parent/Child Discount - **\$55** – Includes adult and youth AHA membership for one year; 2 votes
- Each Additional Child Discount - **\$20** – Includes youth AHA membership for one year; 1 vote
- Family - **\$40** – Includes adult AHA membership for one year; no AHA youth membership; 1 vote
- Married Couple - **\$70** – Includes two adult AHA memberships for one year; 2 votes
- Associate - **\$30** – Adult; no AHA membership; no vote; not eligible for Competition Card
- Optional: *Modern Arabian Horse Magazine* - **\$10** – One year subscription per member (6 issues)

Competition Card: (required to compete in or officiate in AHA recognized events; includes \$1 million Excess Personal Liability Insurance for US residents. Not required for AHA Incentive Riding Programs)

- Adult – **\$35**
- Adult 3 Year – **\$105** (one adult)
- Youth (17 or under as of 12/01/09) – **\$25**
- Family – **\$35** (one adult)
- Married Couple – **\$70** (two adults)

Has your membership in any Arabian horse association club been terminated by action of the respective association or club?

No Yes If Yes, please give reason(s): _____

I agree to abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the Wisconsin Arabian Horse Association (WAHA) and to uphold them. I fully understand that my application will be kept on file and is subject to review by WAHA and that any false statements or information contained in my application will be just cause for immediate termination of my membership. New memberships are not effective until approved by the WAHA Board of Directors.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE	PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE (for youth member)
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Make checks payable to **Wisconsin Arabian Horse Association (WAHA)**

Mail to: Sunde Nelson, Membership Chair
W2908 Long Crossing Rd Rio, WI 53960
(920) 992-3293

I am willing to help with: Shows Youth Midwest Horse Fair Other – please specify:

WAHA High Point System

<u>Division</u>	<u>Type of Classes Included</u>
1. Purebred Western - 5 yrs & under	Western Pleasure
2. Purebred Western - 6 yrs & over	Western Pleasure
3. Purebred Working Horse	Reining, Jumping, Roping, Trail, Cutting, Three-Day Eventing
4. Purebred Dressage	Dressage
5. Purebred English - 5 yrs & under	English Pleasure, Country Pleasure, Park, Show Hack
6. Purebred English - 6 yrs & over	English Pleasure, Country Pleasure, Park, Show Hack
7. Purebred Driving	Pleasure, Formal, Combination
8. Purebred Costume	Native, Sidesaddle, any costume at open shows, Parade class
9. Purebred Hunter - 5 yrs & under	Hunter Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Sport Horse
10. Purebred Hunter - 6 yrs & over	Hunter Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Sport Horse
11. Purebred Halter Stallions	3 & Under; including Sport Horse
12. Purebred Halter Stallions	4 & Over; including Sport Horse
13. Purebred Halter Mares	3 & Under; including Sport Horse
14. Purebred Halter Mares	4 & Over; including Sport Horse
15. Purebred Halter Geldings	3 & Under; including Sport Horse
16. Purebred Halter Geldings	4 & Over; including Sport Horse
17. Purebred Jr. Jr. Exhibitor	Exhibitors who have not reached their 14 th birthday as of December 1 of the current year. Points earned in Divisions 1-16 and 36-40 will count.
18. Purebred Jr. Exhibitor	Exhibitors who have reached their 14 th birthday but not yet their 18 th birthday as of December 1 of the current year. Points earned in Divisions 1-16 and 36-40 will count.
19. Purebred Sr. Exhibitor 18-39 yrs	Exhibitors who have reached their 18 th birthday but not yet their 40 th birthday as of December 1 of the current year (Amateurs Only). Points earned in Divisions 1-16 and 36-40 will count.
20. Purebred Sr. Exhibitor 40 yrs & over	Exhibitors who are 40 years of age as of December 1 of the current year (Amateurs Only). Points earned in Divisions 1-16 and 36-40 will count.
21. Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Western	Western Pleasure
22. Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Working Horse	Reining, Jumping, Roping, Trail, Cutting, Three-Day Eventing
23. Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Dressage	Dressage
24. Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian English	English Pleasure, Country Pleasure, Park, Show Hack
25. Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Driving	Pleasure, Formal, Combination
26. Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Costume	Native, Sidesaddle, any costume at open shows, Parade class
27. Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Hunter	Hunter Pleasure, Hunter Under Saddle, Sport Horse
28. Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Halter Mares	3 & Under; including Sport Horse
29. Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Halter Mares	4 & Over; including Sport Horse

36. Purebred/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Gymkhama (Misc)	Versatility, Fun Classes, Timed Events, Racing, Bareback, Walk-Trot, Novelty Classes, Leadline
37. Purebred/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Showmanship	All Showmanship Classes (Exhibitor Only – No horse points). Must be entered separately – not included by just entering Exhibitor Divisions.
38. Purebred/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Equitation	Equitation & Horsemanship Classes (Exhibitor Only – No horse points). Must be entered separately – not included by just entering Exhibitor Divisions.
39. Purebred/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Endurance	Endurance Ride
40. Purebred/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Competitive	

Points will be counted as follows in Divisions 1-40.

NOTE: POINTS EARNED AT WAHA SHOWS COUNT DOUBLE

National Classes	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
National Top 10	64	60	56	56	56	56	56	56	56	56
National Top 20	(11 th – 20 th) - 40 pts									
Regional Classes	48	44	40	40	40					
Sweepstakes Halter	48	44	40	40	40	40	40	40	40	40
USEF Recognized Shows	16	14	12	10	8	6	4	3	2	1
Open Shows										
1 through 9 horses	7	6	5	4	3	2				
10 through 19 horses	8	7	6	5	4	3				
20 through 29 horses	9	8	7	6	5	4				
30 or more horses	10	9	8	7	6	5				
USEF Recognized Shows										
Top 10 (Scottsdale, Buckeye)	16	14	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
Championships	<u>Champ</u>	<u>Res</u>								
USEF Recognized Shows	32	28	24	20	16	12	8	4		
Open Shows	14	12	10	8	6	4	2	1		
High Point Horse of the Show										
USEF Recognized Shows	32	28								
Open Shows	14	12								
Endurance/Competitive Divisions	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	<u>Completion</u>			
25 Mile Ride	28	24	20	16	12	8	4			
50 Mile Ride	56	48	40	32	24	16	8			
75 Mile Ride	84	72	60	48	36	24	12			
100 Mile Ride	112	96	80	64	48	32	16			

5 additional points for the best-conditioned horse of the ride.

10 additional points for the overall winning horse of the ride.

Point System Rules: Rules revised **December 2010**. Please note changes (#10).

1. **Horse must be entered in the WAHA Point System for points to count.**
2. **All rider(s), all handler(s) and horse owner(s) must be members of the Wisconsin Arabian Horse Association.**
3. Horse(s) must be registered Arabian, Half-Arabian or Anglo-Arabian (AHA).
4. Points will accumulate from November 1 to October 31 of the current year.
5. Points will be counted only from the Divisions entered. **Note: You must enter the division for the classes you want to earn points in – if you are not entered in the division, you cannot count the points.**
6. **You must enter the Point System prior to participating in shows to be counted. This will be enforced.**

7. Points **must** be recorded on the WAHA Point forms, along with an official class list and page showing AHA and USEF recognition and mailed to the appropriate Point System Secretary within 15 days of the last date of the show (enforced by US Postmark; postage meters are not acceptable).
8. All points are to be mailed directly to the Point System Secretary whose name and address appear on the form. **It is recommended** that you make extra copies of the reporting form(s) or allow two weeks for additional forms to be mailed.
9. Points earned in closed shows or classes other than Arabian, Half-Arabian or Anglo-Arabian, such as 4-H or restricted breed shows and classes (National Show Horse, Pinto, Palomino, etc.), **will not be counted**.
10. **Only one set of points can be counted per class.** For example, in a Regional class where a Top Five and a Reserve Champion or Champion is received, only the highest placing may be counted.
11. Points won in futurity/maturity classes at Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian shows will count towards their respective divisions and be based on the rating of the show in which they were held. For example, futurity halter classes at a Class A show will count as Class A points.
12. All points for all divisions will be **based on open or recognized shows in which they were held**.
13. AHA Regional Sweepstakes halter classes points will count the same as regional classes.
14. Exhibitor divisions are open *only* to juniors and amateurs. **Submit** one form per horse per show. **Exhibitor** points earned in Divisions 1-16, 36, 39 and 40 will count for Purebreds. Points earned in Divisions 21-31, 36, 39 and 40 will count for Half-Arabians/Anglo-Arabians. **Horse must be entered in the WAHA Point System for exhibitor points to be counted toward exhibitor division(s).**
15. Awards will be given in each division. Points for all awards, including the WAHA Legion of Merit and WAHA Supreme Legion of Merit, will be counted only from divisions entered. At least 6 horses must be entered in a division to receive a plaque. Divisions with less than 6 entries will be awarded ribbons only.
16. In addition to division awards, High Point plaques will be awarded in the following provided there are a minimum of 6 entries per competing division: High Point Halter Stallion, High Point Halter Mare, High Point Halter Gelding, High Point Performance (any sex), and High Point Horse (any sex; halter and performance points required).
17. Points earned in any of the listed divisions **except** Divisions 17-20, 32-35, 37 and 38 will count toward High Point awards.
18. Any competitor may check their points with the Point System Secretary at any time during the year. No questions regarding other competitors will be answered. A stamped, self-addressed envelope should accompany inquiries.
19. Annual nomination fees will be \$15 per division or \$40 for any three divisions. The point system may be entered at any time.
20. Entry fees will not be refunded **except** for the following reason. If a horse is entered in the point system and has **not sent** in any points, the owner may apply for a full refund upon presentation of a vet certificate. Any horse withdrawn from the point system in this manner **may not** re-enter the point system for that year. Once points have been sent, **no** refunds will be given.

Legion of Merit Award - Open to Purebreds, Half-Arabians and Anglo Arabians. Horse may earn LOM only once. **New points required for the WAHA Legion of Merit.** An appropriate trophy will be given to all horses earning 1,000 points in the point system. Horses that have been entered in the program (in 2002 & prior years) will be grandfathered and only require 750 points to win this award. Any horse entering the program for the first time in 2003 & after, would be required to earn 1,000 points. A \$50 entry fee is required the first year. Thereafter, an additional \$40 renomination fee will be required for each succeeding year.

Supreme Legion of Merit Award - Open to Purebreds, Half-Arabians and Anglo Arabians. Horse may earn SLOM only once. **Horses that have earned the WAHA Legion of Merit may continue in the WAHA Point System. Starting in 2004, horses earning 1,000 additional points in the WAHA system will receive an award for WAHA Supreme Legion of Merit. Nomination fee will be \$50 the first year and \$40 for each year thereafter. All rules are the same for the Supreme Legion of Merit as the Legion of Merit award.**

Starting in **1993**, horses that *have not* been in the WAHA Legion of Merit program **but have been in the WAHA Point System** may use points earned in 1993 and subsequent years **toward the Legion of Merit**. The fee is **\$50 for year that WAHA Point System points are converted to LOM points**. The required forms must be filled out by the exhibitor. **Supreme Legion of Merit begins in 2004 and no points will be counted prior to 2004.**

WAHA Point System Entry Purebred 2011

Name of Horse	Age	Registration No.	Sex	Division/No.

I wish to nominate _____ for the WAHA Legion of Merit/Legion of Supreme Merit and hereby include **\$50** for the initial nomination.

My horse, _____, has previously been nominated for the WAHA Legion of Merit program. The horse was nominated in the year _____. I hereby include the **\$40** renomination fee.

I wish to apply my AHA Achievement Awards Program points towards the WAHA Legion of Merit for a fee of \$200 plus \$50 nomination fee and entry fees for the division in which the points were earned.

Name of Jr. Jr./Jr./Sr. Exhibitor	Age	Division/No.

Point System entry fees: \$15 per division or 3 divisions for \$40

Total fees enclosed: \$ _____

Check must be payable to: **WAHA Point System**

Please Print

OWNER'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PO BOX _____

CITY	STATE	ZIP
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PHONE _____

(_____) _____

DATE _____

Mail to: Gay Jeanne Bower
PO Box 6
Johnson Creek, WI 53038
(920) 699-3690

WAHA Point System Entry Half Arab 2011

Name of Horse	Age	Registration No.	Sex	Division/No.

I wish to nominate _____ for the WAHA Legion of Merit/Legion of Supreme Merit and hereby include **\$50** for the initial nomination.

My horse, _____, has previously been nominated for the WAHA Legion of Merit program. The horse was nominated in the year _____. I hereby include the **\$40** renomination fee.

- I wish to apply my AHA Achievement Awards Program points towards the WAHA Legion of Merit for a fee of \$200 plus \$50 nomination fee and entry fees for the division in which the points were earned.

Name of Jr. Jr./Jr./Sr. Exhibitor	Age	Division/No.

Point System entry fees: \$15 per division or 3 divisions for \$40

Total fees enclosed: \$ _____

Check must be payable to: **WAHA Point System**

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Helping a Fellow WAHA Member

Submitted by Greg Harris

Recently, Lyle Stoner, a farrier in the SE area of Wisconsin, was seriously injured.

Many of you know Lyle personally, for those of you who don't- Lyle has worked a large number of the Arabian Horse Shows through the years; from the WAHA Shows to Region 10 Championships. Lyle has also served as the President of the Upper Midwest Horseshoer's organization.

Lyle has always helped others with whatever they needed- he's an incredibly giving person. So, we are now asking for a little help for a really great person.

Any donation would be greatly appreciated. Please send to:

Please make checks out to Lyle Stoner

Send to:

Greg Harris

W5290 Birch Rd

Juneau, WI 53039

donations will be collected and forwarded to Lyle.

For any questions, please contact Greg Harris at 920-696-3425

Snapshot Corner

Email your photos to mmcginnis@uwalumni.com



WAHA member Ashley Reimer and her Arabian gelding "Poof" (PowderNPaint LOA) share some candid moments together. Not only is he a successful show horse, he's also a great friend.

National & Regional Show Results

Ashley Reimer & PowderNPaint LOA

US National Top Ten PB Hunter Pl AAOTR

Region X Champion PB Hunter PL Open

Region X Champion PB Hunter Pl AATR

Region X Champion PB Hunter Pl AAOTR

Region XI Champion PB Hunter Pl AATR

Region XI Top Five (3rd) PB Hunter Pl AAOTR

Madeline Erce & JW Alexandrite

Region 10 Champion Arabian Sport Horse Under Saddle

Region 10 Reserve Champion Arabian Sport Horse Under Saddle ATR

Region 10 Top Five First Level Dressage ATR

Region 10 Top Five Training Level Dressage ATR

Region 10 Top Five Sport Horse Geldings In-Hand ATH

Region 11 Champion Sport Horse Geldings In-Hand ATH

Region 11 Champion First Level Dressage AOTR

Region 11 Top Five Training Level Dressage ATR

Kelly Dzurick & Major Independence GA

Region 11 Champion PB Hunter Pleasure AOTS

Region 11 Top Five PB Hunter Pleasure Junior Horse

US Nationals Top Ten PB Hunter Pleasure Maturity

Do you want to showcase your Regional & National wins? WAHA would love the opportunity to help you promote your accomplishments!

Any information additional wins will be published in the next Newsletter. Please send the information to Nancy Miller, nmfr7@charter.net.