



Wisconsin Desert Horse Association

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President's Report

With Midwest Horse Fair in the books and warmer weather right around the corner, we can enjoy the upcoming show season, trail rides, and just take pleasure in our equine companions. Despite coming home from MHF with a nasty cold that has put me out of commission since, I had a wonderful time meeting people of all ages and introducing them to the Arabian horse. WDHA, in combination with WAHA and Spirit, put on a great event and we handed out over 300 Arabian Horse Guidebooks with AHA educational material and promotional inserts along with club information. On Saturday we featured a "Meet and Greet the Arabian Horse" where people could come in close contact and actually pet and hug our beloved horses.

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Upcoming Events:

• Board of Directors Meeting

May 20, 2017 at The Machine Shed, Appleton. Meeting at 12:00 p.m.

www.machineshed.com/locations/appleton/

Thanks to Gail Rentmeester who submitted a notable nomination for the 2017 WHC Lifetime Achievement Award on behalf of WDHA, Kristin Urban had been selected to receive this distinguished award. The award was presented Sunday, April 23rd at 12:30 in the Blaine's Coliseum at Midwest Horse Fair. Per the MHF Souvenir 2017 program *"Every baseball team wants a utility player, and **Kristin Urban** easily claims that title for the Arabian breed. Kristin has served the Wisconsin Desert Horse Association for 30 years, and has served*

President's Report (continued)

on every position of that organization. She has designed flyers and brochures for Arabian events, chaired many of the shows, and acted as the announcer for various activities. Kristin has bred Class A Championship, Regionals, and National champion horses that have won awards for their owners. In 2015, Kristin was a key coordinator in the successful breed promotion at the Horse-O-Rama that garnered a national win in the breed promotion category. This award was presented at the National Arabian Horse Association Convention in Tulsa OK."



The results from High Point 2016 were listed in the last newsletter but I wanted to mention the High Point Banquet attendance was outstanding. Fifty-nine adults and 5 children to match our 50th Anniversary celebration attendance. Along with the usual events of a club video and drawings, silent auction, 50/50 drawings that support our Futurity/Maturity program, we also had posters displayed around the room with pictures of events WDHA hosted or members participated in throughout the year. We had the usual Horse Bingo but also had Throw Doubles which sounded like a lot of fun for those who participated. The donations in the drawings and the silent auction were unbelievable and we are grateful to the contributors and bidders which raised over \$1200 as added money to the 2017 Futurity/Maturity program. The awards ceremony culminated with the surprise presentation to recognize Kristin Urban's 30th Anniversary of AHA & WDHA membership and service. I would like to extend my thank-you for everyone who helped in putting on an outstanding event.



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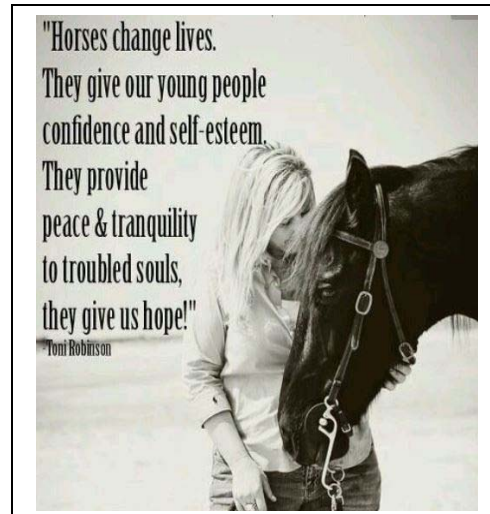
I just received Issue 2 of the Arabian Horse Life (AHL) magazine. Some of the key features you will find in the new magazine are that Editorial features will focus on the heritage, history and people, places and horses that have long impacted the breed; The column 'Faves,' highlights products used every day, around the barn, by AHA members and trainers; 'Jibbah Jabber' brings the latest news and interesting stories from around the industry; 'Praiseworthy' focuses entirely on highlighting AHA's Achievement Awards; 'Focus Life' shows off pictures that members submitted of themselves and their horses; and Training tips, a newly design Youth section and so much more can be found within AHL's completely re-designed pages.

The Region X "Horses for Humanity" Charity project to support Mayo Clinic has been turned into a two year project plan due to delays encountered instead of the committee trying to get this promotion done before the Region X Championships. The project committee will have forth-coming information on how the fund-raising for clubs, stables, individuals, etc will work on "How to paint the Horse".

Looking forward to see you soon,

Sincerely,

Shelly Lehman
WDHA President



WDHA Dressage & Sport Horse Show Update; and a Visit to a Friend by Kristin Urban

The WDHA Dressage & Sport Horse Show Committee continues to pull together all the threads that go into any recognized show. Approvals have been applied for; contracts mailed to confirmed officials; lists of tasks to be completed checked off. Class list finalized. Rule changes verified. Vet services and farrier services secured. Lodging booked. Concessionaires contacted. Work continues on a slide show advertising the change of facility and showcasing the unique exhibitor enjoyment the show provides. Anyone wishing to know about managing a recognized show should pull up the check list provided by USEF. It's two pages long. Or more.

A couple weeks ago, bored with the weather and the work I was procrastinating, I responded to a Facebook prompt from a friend about a paper she had completed and invited myself to her place for an afternoon of horse chat.

Karen Dalke is anthropology professor at UW Green Bay. I met her several years ago at a Barn Cat Bash at Circle E (the event is a fund raiser for Cats Anonymous). Karen has several mustang rescues and wrote her doctoral work on horse herd communication. I've been wanting to organize a seminar/workshop around horse/human communication for some time, so thought Karen's short down time might be a good opportunity to "pick her brain."

We had a wonderful afternoon, sitting around one of those tall bar table/chair arrangements in her and her husband's gloriously old-fashioned farm home (complete with marvelously remodeled bathrooms, offices, and skylighted recreation loft). We talked horses, of course, and a wide range of related subjects, such as animal citizenship and separating human desires from horse desires. We looked briefly at the paper she will be presenting in Leicester, England, later this year, which focuses on "denizenship," an idea that feral animals possess citizenship rights in the areas they occupy. We talked about education and politics and social customs and expectations.

And of course, we visited the horses. Karen has five horses and a donkey (also a rescue), well-boned, well-fed, and well-mannered. She has worked with a couple of them in dressage but has decided that asking for the framing and collection of conformation unsuited to the tasks is unkind to her current herd. Several of them have been trained to drive....and she has a couple of beautiful carts and carriages (I drooled).

All in all, I came away with some rather shapeless ideas about a future educational seminar and some good specific details about funding and advertising. And I have a memory of a chilly day that turned sunny with great conversation and an introduction to some charmingly fuzzy, friendly horses.

Stay tuned.

WDHA Youth News

WDHA Youth at Midwest Horse Fair

Our WDHA Youth Group was excited to attend the 2017 Midwest Horse Fair!

Youth Group members participated in the MHF Judging Competition on Friday, April 21st, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. This competition tests judging abilities, observation skills, and general equine knowledge.

The following placement classes were judged by all participants:

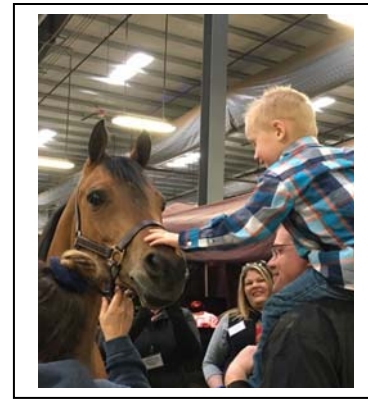
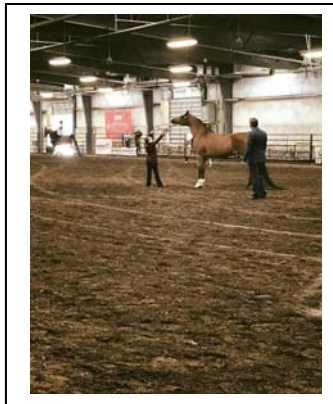
- Rocky Mountain Horse trail pleasure
- Arabian/Half-Arabian gelding halter
- Pony Of The Americas halter
- Rocky Mountain Horse halter

Our WDHA youth especially enjoyed the Arabian class, which included Jennifer Filen with FF Gemini, and Randy Shaw with Silencer LRA ("Lenny").

As the last placement class left the arena, Tiny Tots (ages 9 and under) were dismissed. All remaining competitors answered awareness questions based on observation skills ("Which horse in Class 3 was the only horse without a fake tail?"), with five questions focused on each placement class, for a total of 20 questions. A written general knowledge test was then presented, consisting of 25 questions worth two points each.

The MHF judging competition is followed by a Judging Q&A Session from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm, allowing the judge an opportunity to share her placements and reasons. Our attending youth members were actively involved in the interactive question and answer session, using this occasion to further their knowledge. This competition concluded with an awards ceremony on Saturday, at 11:00 am, with Alexis Ney receiving an honorable mention in the Tiny Tots division.

Shaylee Shaw represented the Youth Group in the Arabian breed demonstrations, making her first appearance in the Coliseum at MHF with Silencer LRA ("Lenny") and her father, Randy Shaw, on Friday, April 21st. Shaylee made her second appearance at MHF during the breed demo on Sunday, April 23rd.



(Left: Shaylee Shaw with Silencer LRA and Randy Shaw at the Arabian breed demo in the Coliseum, Friday, April 21. Center: Shaylee Shaw with Silencer LRA and Randy Shaw during the Arabian breed demo on Sunday, April 23. Right: Silencer LRA making new friends at Midwest Horse Fair.)

WDHA Youth News (Continued)

MIDWEST HORSE FAIR

By Alexis Ney

On the 21st though the 23rd, of April, it was Midwest Horse Fair! It was a huge fair. I will tell you some cool and interesting things about it. First of all it was in Madison. It was cold and sunny there. There were a lot of horses and demonstrations! It was pretty busy at the horse fair. I would say there were a couple of thousand people at the event.

Now I am going to tell you about what I learned from the horse judging contest that I was in! You can never look at each other's papers. Don't judge the horse because it is cute. Judge it on the proper length and straightness. Watch how it walks, trots, and see what the legs are doing, like not skipping or flopping.

Next I will tell you about what kinds of things you can buy there. There are saddles, pads, mouth pieces, reins, jewelry, boots, clothing, stuffed animals, feed, and a lot of other stuff. A couple of things that I bought were t-shirts, safety riding vest, and a showing vest. Now I will tell you about the food that was available. There were a lot of food stands that had food like Texas Road Houses, butterfly fries, smoothies, candy stand, ice cream, and Chinese food. There was food for all kinds of peoples taste.

Well, I had fun at the Midwest Horse Fair. I learned and saw a lot of new things for judging, and seen new horse stuff like pads, and saddles. It was awesome and cool. I had so much fun, I cannot wait for next year's Midwest Horse Fair. Horse fairs are cool.

Two Honored at Midwest Horse Fair

Two WDHA members receive honors at the 2017 Midwest Horse Fair. Kristin Urban and Bruce Kornely, longtime members of Wisconsin Desert Horse Association, were riding in style into center ring of the Dane County Coliseum on Sunday, April 23, 2017, to receive the Wisconsin Horse Council's Lifetime Achievement Award. The presentation included a picture taking session and a large placque honoring each of them for achievements within the Equine community. The following was taken from the WHC Annual Awards page.

Lifetime Achievement – Bruce Kornely

To illustrate all of the contributions of our first Lifetime Achievement Award, Bruce Kornely would take an epic movie so we are going to condense it all into a highlight reel. Bruce has been a member of the Branch River Riding Club for 56 years. He has served 19 terms as president, 19 years as horse show chairman and often gives up showing his own horse to better serve the club. Bruce has served 13 terms as president of NEWPHA (Northeastern Wisconsin Pleasure Horse Association), has written the by-laws for the Association, and has found time to show his own horse occasionally. Perhaps the event most connected to Bruce is Horse-O-Rama. He has been the treasurer for Horse-O-Rama for 28 years, has spent endless hours making the event successful, and was instrumental in getting the event incorporated. Under Bruce's management, the Horse-O-Rama organization has been able to raise over \$300,000, which has been invested in the Manitowoc County Equine Facilities. Bruce judges many 4-H and open shows, is still involved with showing and breeding Arabians and Half-Arabians, and still coaches many youth. All of this makes one wonder, how does Bruce find time to sleep!

Lifetime Achievement – Kristin Urban

Every baseball team wants a utility player, and Kristin Urban can easily claim that title for the Arabian breed. Kristin has served the Wisconsin Desert Horse Association for 30 years, has served on every position of that organization. She has promoted the Arabian horse by working in booths at Midwest Horse Fair for both the WDHA and WAHA. She has designed flyers and brochures for the Arabian events, chaired many of the shows as well as acting as the announcer for various activities. Kristin has been a longtime horse owner, breeder, and competitor. She has bred Class A Championship, Regional, and National champion horses that have won awards for their owners. In 2015, Kristin was a key coordinator in the successful breed promotion at Horse-O-Rama that garnered a national win in the breed promotion category. This award was presented at the national Arabian Horse Association Convention in Tulsa, OK.

THE BADGER CLASSIC



**Wisconsin Arabian
Horse Association**

MAY 26-27-28, 2017

Jefferson Fair Park, Jefferson, WI

!!EXHIBITOR PARTY SATURDAY AFTERNOON!!

Adult Amateur Classes ~ Option Classes
Warm-Up & Walk-Trot Classes For All Ages
ACTS Classes

***PAYBACK IN
DESIGNATED AMATEUR CLASSES***

DOUBLE POINTS for
WDHA & WAHA
HIGH POINT

*USEF Recognized Regular Competition Show
AHA Recognized Region 10 Qualifying Show*
Download show book and entry forms at:

www.wdhaarabian.com

www.wisconsinarabian.com

Show Secretary: [Ryan Chambers](mailto:ryan.chambers.rc@gmail.com)

314-717-7683, ryan.chambers.rc@gmail.com

Entries must postmarked by May 1, 2017

WDHA DRESSAGE & SPORT HORSE SHOW

June 22 and 23, 2017

New Location!!

**Washington County Fair Park
West Bend, WI**



www.wdha.net

Recognized by Arabian Horse Association
Licensed by US Equestrian Federation
Recognized by United States Dressage Federation

Local Member Competition

Offering:

Arabian/Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Dressage
(Introductory Level through Grand Prix), Sport Horse
In-Hand and Under Saddle, Show Hack, Dressage Seat
Equitation, Dressage Seat Medal Class

**NEW!! Sport Horse Showmanship and Sport
Horse Under Saddle Walk/Trot 10 and under**

AHA Region 10 Qualifying Classes

**WDHA Dressage & Sport Horse Show
Entries close: June 1, 2017 (Postmark)**

No late entries in Dressage.
Late entries for Sport Horse Classes
may be accepted after June 13, 2017 based upon
space availability and payment of post-entry fees.
See information located on page 3

**REGION 10 DRESSAGE
AND
SPORT HORSE CLASSES
June 24 and June 25, 2017**

Dressage Classes
Training Level through Intermediate I
Sport Horse In-Hand and Under Saddle,
Show Hack

**Region 10 Championship Classes
Entries close: June 1, 2017
(Postmark)**



www.region10arabians.com



WDHA Open Show
AND
Futurity/Maturity Festival

September 9-10, 2017
Sunnyview Expo Center
Oshkosh, WI

Join us for two days of fun and friendly competition!

~ OPEN SHOW ~

AHA Open Event Inventive Program
Classes for Halter, Huntseat, Saddleseat, Western
WDHA Double Point Show
Saturday evening fun classes including liberty!
Sponsor a class for a chance to win!
New for 2017!
Jackpot Classes open to all breeds, 100% payback

~ FUTURITY/MATURITY FESTIVAL ~

Wisconsin's Last Remaining Futurity/Maturity Program
for Arabian and Half-Arabian Horse Owners!!
\$1,200 added money for 2017 from Futurity/Maturity Drawings Program
"NEW for 2017 ONLY"

\$100 Added to each Futurity class
100% Payback regardless of class size
Futurity Nomination Postmark w/o penalty - April 1, 2017
Futurity Nomination Postmark w/penalty - August 1, 2017
Maturity Nomination Postmark - August 1, 2017

Note: NO Futurity/Maturity entries accepted day of the show

For more information and updates go to www.wdhaarabian.com

Classifieds

Stubben Cutback Saddle

20" wide tree black cutback. Purchased three years ago practically brand new and need to sell, as it no longer fits horse. My loss = your gain. Stubben originally retailed this saddle for \$1,900. Asking \$500. Contact Vikki Dalton at 20-540-5081 or greyhawk323@hotmail.com

Fine Show Harnesses For Sale:

2 sets available. Clean an horse. Asking \$500 for better set and \$250 for other or \$600 for both. OBO. Call 920-894-7239 and leave message.

Offered for Sale:

2-wheel Jerald Show Cart with wooden basket. Good condition. Used on 14.2 HH horse. \$850.00 or make offer. Call 920-894-7239 and leave message.

9 yr old purebred Arabian Mare. 14.2 H. Good manners-needs experienced rider. Very good for clipping, farrier, hauling. Used successfully in halter, leadline, hunt seat and Dressage (Intro tests). Consistently earning year end awards in the NEWPHA and WDHA club awards programs. Call 920-894-7239 for more details.




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ATTA Discovery Farm



Windfeather Training Center
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2017 WDHA Calendar of Events

May	20	WDHA Meeting. Place/Time TBD
	21	WDHA Youth Meeting. 1p.m. to 3 p.m. Location TBD. Contact Gail Rentmeester for more information.
	26-28	WDHA/WAHA Badger Classic, Jefferson, WI. Contact Kris Apitz (920.284.2929 or krisapitz@yahoo.com) for more information.
June	11	Deadline for article submission for the July/August newsletter. Mail articles to Candy Ziebell at tazeq@aol.com
	13-14	Region 10 PreShow. St Paul, MN Contact Nancy Miller (H: 608.825.9986, C: 608.334.5498 or nmfr7@charter.net) for information
	14-18	Region 10 Championship Show. St Paul, MN Contact Nancy Miller (H: 608.825.9986, C: 608.334.5498 or nmfr7@charter.net) for information
	22-23	WDHA Dressage and Sport Horse Show. Washington County Fair Park, West Bend, WI. Contact Kristin Urban (920.863.8253 or urbankristin@msn.com) for more information
	24-25	Region 10 Dressage and Sport Horse Championship Show. Washington County Fair Park, West Bend, WI. Contact Nancy Miller (H: 608.825.9986, C: 608.334.5498 or nmfr7@charter.net) for information.
July	22	WDHA Meeting. Place/Time TBD
	22-29	AHA Youth Nationals. State Fair Park, Oklahoma City, OK. Contact AHA (303.696.4500 or www.arabianhorses.org) for show information.
	23	WDHA Youth Meeting. 1p.m. to 3 p.m. Location TBD. Contact Gail Rentmeester for more information.
August	1	WDHA Maturity Nominations Due. Contact Futurity Secretary Kristin Urban (18104 Pleasant Rd, Maribel, WI 54227 or urbankristin@msn.com)
	11	Deadline for article submission for the September/October newsletter. Mail articles to Candy Ziebell at tazeq@aol.com
	13-19	Canadian Nationals. Contact AHA (303.696.4500 or www.arabianhorses.org) for more information

September	5-10	AHA Sport Horse Nationals. James B Hunt Jr Horse Complex, Raleigh, NC. Contact AHA (303.696.4500 or www.arabianhorses.org) for show information.
	9-10	WDHA Futurity/Maturity. Oshkosh Fair Grounds, Oshkosh, Wi. Contact Kathy Schlagel (kathyschlagel@ymail.com) for more information.
	23	WDHA Meeting. Place/Time TBD
	24	WDHA Youth Meeting. 1p.m. to 3 p.m. Location TBD. Contact Gail Rentmeester for more information.
October	11	Deadline for article submission for the November/December newsletter. Mail articles to Candy Ziebell at tazeq@aol.com
	20-28	AHA U.S. Nationals Tulsa Expo Square, Tulsa, OK. Contact AHA (303.696.4500 or www.arabianhorses.org) for show information.
	26-28	AHA US Nationals Youth Judging Tulsa Expo Square, Tulsa, OK. Contact Gail Rentmeester for more information
November	11	WDHA Annual Meeting. Location to be determined. Elections will be held at this meeting.
	12	Youth Holiday Party. Location TBD. Contact Gail Rentmeester for information.
	15-18	AHA Annual Convention. Denver Marriott Tech Center, Denver, CO. Contact AHA (303.696.4500 or www.arabianhorses.org) for information.
December	11	Deadline for article submission for the January/February 2018 newsletter. Mail articles to Candy Ziebell at tazeq@aol.com
December	31	2018 WDHA Futurity Nominations/Renominations due. Forms on club website. Submit Nominations to Futurity Secretary Kristin Urban (18104 Pleasant Rd, Maribel, WI 54227 or urbankristin@msn.com)

Advertising Rates:

All advertising is for a six (6) month period.

Members:

Free Classifieds
Free Business Cards \$10
Half- Page Ads
\$25 Full Page Ads

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\$10 Business Cards
\$25 Half Page Ads
\$40 Full Page Ads

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Wisconsin Desert Horse Association

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(Please note your application cannot be processed without complete information)

For Office Use:

Name (A) _____ Date: _____
 Name (B) _____ Phone (H) _____
 Farm Name _____ Phone (C) _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____
 Membership Type New _____ Renewal _____

Adult, Family, and Youth memberships include AHA Memberships. Contact the WDHA Membership Chair for information about AHA Life Membership. Please allow up to two weeks for WDHA membership processing which is sent on to AHA.

Types of Memberships

Level 1 – Adult includes AHA and WDHA voting privileges. Youth (18 years and under)

_____ YOUTH- \$20 Date of Birth _____ Current AHA Number _____
 _____ ADULT-\$50 Current AHA Number _____

Level 2- Includes *Competition Card. AHA/WDHA voting privileges for Adult. Youth (18 years and under)

_____ YOUTH- \$45 Date of Birth _____ Current AHA Number _____
 _____ ADULT- \$85 Current AHA Number _____
 _____ FAMILY-\$160 (18 years and older) Includes AHA/WDHA voting privileges and Competition Cards
 (A)Current AHA Number _____ (B)Current AHA Number _____
 Date of Birth _____ Date of Birth _____

Associate Memberships

Required for Club privileges including High Point, Futurities, Maturities, ect. Youth (18 years and under). Family Includes one Adult and one Youth membership or two Adult memberships.

_____ YOUTH- \$10 Date of Birth _____ Please Check for High Point Participation
 _____ ADULT-\$25 Please Check for High Point Participation
 _____ FAMILY-\$40 (A)Date of Birth _____ Please Check for High Point Participation
 (B)Date of Birth _____ Please Check for High Point Participation

Dues of \$40 or \$75 per adult voting member and \$20 or \$45 per youth member will be forwarded to the Arabian Horse Association (AHA). AHA entitlements are described on the AHA website at www.arabianhorses.org

***Required to compete at AHA recognized shows and participate in AHA Achievement Award programs**

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