



Presidents Report

I can't believe this year is coming to a close. With that I hope everybody had a good Thanksgiving and I'm sure we are all busy with the hectic Christmas season.

I would like to thank you all for your support this year, especially in my fellow officers and board of directors. We have had some new and some old throughout the year. The new being a new location and date for the Badger, as well as a new location for the Sport Horse Dressage Show. All had their own set of challenges. But this is how we learn and grow. We also this year lost our longtime member and past president Curtis Daye. The Festival show was a success and a lot of that has to do with our members who helped out in one way or the other whether it be showing, handing out ribbons, planning, setting up, or any of the other many little things but take to putting on a show.

I would also like to thank the club for the opportunity to attend the 2022 AHA convention in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. It has been several years since I have attended convention. Some things have changed, some things were very similar to the past. New was compacted General Sessions which shortened the convention by one day, voting was done electronically, and I believe this is also the shortest resolution list but I have been involved in with 16 resolutions. Resolution 2 and 4 were withdrawn. The resolutions that did not have a lot of discussion allowed with them we're all voted on together and approve together. These were resolutions 1,3,9,10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16. Resolutions 5, 6, 7, and 8, we're brought forward individually discussed and voted on. All resolutions other than the two withdrawn, were approved either as it was or with amendments. The two main topics that were stressed at convention, is the need for new young people training to be judges and stewards.

I would like to welcome are two new directors that were voted in for three-year terms starting in 2023, Ashley Hoffman Riehl and Lory Kohls. And welcome Forrest Nutter in joining Marie Schickowski as the region 10 alternate delegates. I am looking forward to another year to serve you as your president.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
Polly Popelars
WDHA President

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THE BADGER SHOW AVS

In 2022 The Badger Show moved to a different date & facility, July 16-17 at Ozaukee County Horse Facility in Cedarburg. It is with deep gratitude that I wish to thank exhibitors, owners, officials, staff, committee, volunteers, and sponsors who made the show a success. The show not only offered main ring and sport horse classes but also offered Championship classes for halter, huntseat, saddleseat and western, "No Bake Cookies" fun activity throughout the weekend, and 2 High Point Awards. Despite a major downpour on Friday that made the outside rings unusable, the inside ring was large enough to accommodate a warm-up and the show ring. The facility was very accommodating and we are looking forward to having **The Badger Show 2023 again will be at Cedarburg but in May. Looking ahead to work with the current and new committee members and there will be much more exciting news soon to come!**

Shelly Lehman, Show Chairperson

Wisconsin Desert Horse Association
"The Badger Show AVS" Wishes to Thank!

<p><u>Officials & Staff</u></p> <p>Angela Oneill Caryn Vesperman Leesa Berliow Darcie Strobach Jackie Luebke-Puetz Kristin Urban Polly Popelars</p>	<p><u>Committee & Volunteers</u></p> <p>Kathy Filen Trish Joaquin Polly Popelars Marie Schickowski Sabrina Fischer Lois Marx</p>
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Sponsors

Price Performance Horses	L.O.F Apparel & Tack
Golden Ridge Stables	Horse Emporium
Siege Paintball	Michael Marti
Kathy Filen	Forrest Nutter
Emerald Green	Highland Photography

Each one of us can make a difference, Together we can make a change

Thank you to the exhibitors & owners for your support

High Point Recipients

Arabian: WC Afterhours owned and shown by Mackenzie Lassen from Farmington, MN
Half-Arabian: Follow That Dream owned by Terri Gellin from Clintonville, WI

Drawing Recipients of
Polly Knoll "Treasures of A Lifetime" book

Sabrina Fischer	Marie Schickowski
Kristin Urban	Darcie Strobach

*If I missed anyone, my sincere apologies, please let me know.
 Shelly Lehman Show Manager & Committee Chair*

The Festival AVS, Futurity/Maturity, & Open Show

Wisconsin Desert Horse Association
"The Festival Show AVS & Open Show" Wishes to Thank!

<p><u>Officials & Staff</u></p> <p>Brittney Berget Marilyn Lentz Marie Schickowski Polly Popelars Laota Hoefl Kathy Filen Darcie Strobach</p>	<p><u>Committee & Volunteers</u></p> <p>Kathy Filen Polly Popelars Marie Schickowski Maureen Becraft Amanda Wilson Lory & Scott Kohls Lois Marx Brad Yancy Jonathan Koplitz</p>
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Sponsors

Stoneridge Arabians (Dennis & Beth Grubba)	Shelly Lehman
Forrest & Jeanne Nutter	Lory & Scott Kohls
Debra Moll-Sauer	AJ Englund
Tessa Englund	Jazmin Frazier
David Lehman	Shalee Neuberger (NewView Stables)
Dorothy Daye in memory of Curtis Daye	Rockview Arabians (Dina Lamé)

High Point Recipients

All Breed: BL Awedacity owned and shown by Carly Smith
PB/HA: Astrea Malik owned and shown by Amanda Wilson
Awards sponsored by Sunshine Dapple Farm/David & Shelly Lehman

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 Shelly Lehman Show Manager & Committee Chair*

On September 3rd and 4th WDHA sponsored The Festival Show at the Sunnyview Expo in Oshkosh, WI. Thank you to the exhibitors, owners, officials & staff, committee members and volunteers, and the sponsors. Because of your support the show was a success.

Thank you to everyone who graciously dealt with the unforeseen difficulty of fresh payment between the barns and the show arena that kept our vehicles and horses off the pavement. Weather was kind to us and we are looking forward to September 2nd and 3rd, 2023 at Sunnyview Expo.

Shelly Lehman, Show Chairperson



Curtis Daye February 1, 1952 - August 10, 2022

The WDHA Board of Directors was saddened to hear the passing of a long time WDHA member this past August 10: Curtis Daye.

Curtis was a member of WDHA for several decades, serving in a number of volunteer positions, including President of the club. Earlier in his association with the club, Curtis had been President of WDHA when it was a coalition of three regions with an executive governing board. Curtis was especially helpful with activities held at the facilities in Oshkosh, including both Sunnyview and Glen Valley Farms. In assisting at the shows at Sunnyview, Curtis frequently provided tractor and ring drag; performed the necessary tasks throughout the show; and managed the shavings concession. He provided storage space for the dressage ring until we found a permanent place for it.



Curtis was creative in suggesting attractions for exhibitors, including invitations to vendors, silent auction and live bid auction sales, and exhibitor parties. He coordinated a T.A.I.L. program with volunteers from his workplace. He was a wealth of contacts for needed show services, including the food stand, shavings providers, and medical help.

Curtis owned and bred some very nice horses over the years; and frequently entered them in the WDHA Futurity Program. And he liked to share, donating limited edition prints and similar items to the WDHA Banquet Silent Auction and insisting others join him at special events, such as the Varian clinics, the Scottsdale show, and the U.S. Nationals when held in Louisville.

Curtis's enthusiasm for the Arabian horse and events promoting the breed was seldom rivaled. He will be missed.

!!!! Save the Date !!!! Saturday, February 4, 2023 at Radisson of Fond Du Lac

**WDHA Membership & HP Awards Banquet / Year End Club Recognitions
Futurity/Maturity Drawings and Silent Auction
!!!! More information coming soon !!!!**

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Futurity/Maturity Silent Auction - Kristin Urban @ 920-655-3806 or urbankristin@msn.com



**2022 AHA Convention
November 9th-12, 2022
Myrtle Beach, South Carolina**

<https://www.arabianhorses.org/membership/convention>
Part 1 of 2 by WDHA Delegate Shelly Lehman



Thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent WDHA at convention, it is an honor. Please find following my report for the 2022 AHA convention, part 1 of 2. There are so many meeting opportunities it can be somewhat staggering which to attend, but found the best way for me is to go through the resolutions

(https://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/nat-show/convention/resolutions/22Conv_Resolution_Packet.pdf) and choose the meetings that have been assigned the resolutions I am most interested in finding out more information.

But convention starts much earlier than November 9th, please find following pre-convention videos and pdf's.

- **Convention Webinar** to learn more about this years Convention in Myrtle Beach, SC

Video <https://youtu.be/ufRiHKHuLh4>

PDF https://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/nat-show/convention/22Conv_Convention_Webinar.pdf

- **Committee Training**

Video <https://youtu.be/Wu1UtMtrBNo>

- **First Time Attendee** to learn about the ins and outs of the Convention process

Video <https://youtu.be/07p-ErJVi68>

- **Plenary Session** allows the resolution proponent the opportunity to express the intent of the Resolution and speak to the reasons for bringing it to Convention.

Video <https://youtu.be/L63Q738XvUs>

2022 Convention Program & Schedule

Program https://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/nat-show/convention/22Conv_Program.pdf

Sched. https://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/nat-show/convention/22Conv_Schedule.pdf

General Session I

Convention Highlight Video - <https://youtu.be/MagsSwztXQw>



President Deborah Johnson started out the General Session with the "State of the Association"

(https://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/nat-show/convention/22Conv_GS1_State_Association.pdf) and informed membership that the



lawsuit brought by the Purebred Arabian Trust (PAT) is going to trial in December of 2022. AHA has an exclusive license to operate and maintain the Arabian Horse Registry (AHR) for purebred Arabian horses in the United States. The terms of this license agreement are defined in the Merger agreement and the License and Security Agreement between the AHA and the PAT. As a part of the agreement, AHA pays the PAT a 1/3 royalty of Purebred Registry income. When purebred horses are registered at the Arabian Horse Association PAT receives a portion of the fees. The PAT has again sued AHA, this time to terminate the purebred licensing agreement and AHA's management of the Arabian Horse Registry. PAT is again leveraging these royalty funds in the latest lawsuit against the AHA in what we believe is in direct opposition to our members' interests.

!! UPDATE !! as of December 8th "The Trial is Over -AHA Prevails", the court has determined that, just as the Arabian Horse Association has maintained for the past year and a half, throughout the legal proceedings, there was no evidence of a breach of contract or long-term inoperability that would entitle the PAT to maintain the registry.

Good news is no club charters were to be revoked for 2023.

AHA Operations FY18-FY20 Working Capital Report.

Working capital is a measure of liquidity and of short-term financial health. Benefits of strong working capital include: Flexibility in operations planning; Enhances financial management; and Improved ability to react to both adversity and opportunities.

AHA Operations, FY18-FY20 Audited (\$ in 000's)					
	audited Fiscal '18 3/31/18	audited Fiscal '19 3/31/19	audited Fiscal '20 3/31/20	preliminary Fiscal '21 3/31/21	preliminary Fiscal '22 3/31/22
Revenue	9,923	10,051	9,923	9,744	10,481
Expense	(10,394)	(10,695)	(10,079)	(8,259)	(8,892)
Net Profit - Audit	\$ (471)	\$ (644)	\$ (156)	\$ 1,485	\$ 1,589
Add depreciation	252	266	283	240	204
Elim. Invest. FMV	87	(161)	244	(771)	29
Capital Investment	(106)	(16)	(88)	(24)	(60)
Mgmt. cash flow	\$ (238)	\$ (555)	\$ 283	\$ 930	\$ 1,762
Working Capital	\$ (281)	\$ (1,003)	\$ (761)	\$ (15)	\$ 1,674

AHA's Challenges and Uncertainties:

PAT-initiated lawsuit; Canadian Nationals show; National economic uncertainties of Inflation & rising interest rates and potential for a recession; Need for strengthening clubs and regions; Employee retention & compensation; Moving to a new & smaller office; Technology Improvements as Ongoing migration from legacy Oracle 8i platform, National show management systems & scoring programs, Worldwide ongoing cyber security, and Migration to the Multiview Cloud.

Bill Moroney's report from USEF provided their highlights of 2022. For the full report go to (https://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/nat-show/convention/22Conv_GS1_USEF_Report.pdf).

USEF conducted one-on-one meeting with affiliate leadership through the year along with holding group affiliate meetings to collectively engage and encourage discussion across all affiliate organizations. A topic of main discussion was "Looking to the Future of Social License or Court of Public Opinion." Social License to Operate (SLO) represents an intangible, implicit agreement between the public and an industry or group. The public may approve of an activity, in which case it can proceed with minimal formalized restrictions, or it may disapprove, and this may herald legal restrictions, or even an outright ban. Public scrutiny continues to grow, and as a result, competition and sporting activities involving horses continue to be endangered. It's important to remember that the general public sees little difference between and among equine activities. A scandal in racing or rodeo threatens the very existence and future of competition for virtually every breed and discipline. Some activities considered "normal" in your own breed or discipline might easily be viewed by the public as cruel or inhumane. We must look forward, recognize the changing environment, preserve the best of tradition and combine it with what's best for the future. The future of equestrian sport is in all of our hands and it's our collective



duty to protect our participants, our horses, and our sport.

Equestrian Canada (EC) report by Meg Krueger video - <https://youtu.be/Voo6xm8wvrl>

Julie Broadway provided the American Horse Council (AHC) report and it is for me the most interesting and close to home report as it is the mission of the American Horse Council to protect and strengthen the Equine Industry. I will provide highlights of the report but for the full report go to https://www.arabianhorses.org/export/content.export/nat-show/convention/22Conv_GS1_Julie_Broadway.pdf.

AHC continues to maintain horses as "livestock" for a number a reasons as; Horses are used commercially for agriculture and recreation; US Dept of Agriculture protection of herd health through programs to monitor diseases and conduct research (Government Funding programs); Tax benefits – farm tax exemptions and depreciation; Liability laws apply to livestock but not companion animals; Husbandry and humane treatment laws might not apply if horses were companion animals; Protection against animal rights groups who would like to eliminate animal agriculture. Trends since the last Economic Impact Study in 2017 are: Migration from urban to rural; Remote work patterns; Lack equitable youth sports programming that serves children at scale; Shifting demographics, rise of obesity and a heightened emphasis on healthy living; Diversity, Equality, Inclusion & Belonging; and Growth in horse populations on BLM lands and Native American lands. AHC new marketing campaign "HereForHorses" at <http://www.hereforhorses.org/home>

This concludes Part 1 of 2 for my 2022 Convention Report. Part 2 will be in the upcoming newsletter.

Shelly Lehman, WDHA Delegate.

WDHA FUTURITY UPDATE!!

~ MONEY! MONEY!! MONEY!!! ~

The WDHA Futurity offers both halter and performance classes for yearlings through five year olds. Foals are nominated in utero and maintained in the program through their five year old year with annual nominations. Through generous support of the annual Awards Banquet Silent auction, raffles, and drawings, every year supplemental funds are added to the nomination fees. Last year for ex., every entry at the show had apr. \$30 added to its respective class. **Last year, and again for 2023, WDHA is adding \$100 per futurity class**, plus the added per entry raffle money PLUS nomination fees to all Futurity classes.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year



Wisconsin Desert Horse Assoc. Officers & BODs

President - Polly Popelars
Vice-President - Maureen Becraft
Secretary - Marie Schickowski
Treasurer - Shelly Lehman

BODs
Kathy Filen
Amanda Wilson

Newsletter Submissions:
Submissions for the WDHA Newsletter should be sent to Shelly Lehman at wdhaarabian@gmail.com



2023 WDHA FUTURITY NOMINATION/RENOMINATION FORM

FEES IF PAID BY 12/31/22 (postmarked)			FEES IF PAID AFTER 12/31/22 BUT NO LATER THAN 08/01/2023				
Original Mare Nomination (Year of conception)		\$20	Halter	Performance			
Age	Halter	Performance	Both	2023 Foals	\$ 45	2022 Foals	\$ 75
Yearlings	\$30	\$30	\$60	2022 Foals	\$ 75	2021 Foals	\$105
2 Year Olds	\$30	\$30	\$60	2021 Foals	\$105	2020 Foals	\$135
3 Year Olds	\$30	\$30	\$60	2020 Foals	\$135	2019 Foals	\$175
4 Year olds	\$30	\$40	\$70	2019 Foals	\$165	2018 Foals	\$225
5 Year olds	\$30	\$50	\$80	2018 Foals	\$195		

Owner _____
 Address _____
 City, St., ZIP _____
 Phone (H) _____ (W) _____
 Email Address: _____
 Are you a WDHA Member? Yes No
 Purchased from: _____

Note: Please make sure that your horse(s) is/are eligible to be nominated/renominated in the Halter and/or Performance divisions. Renominate at the regular nomination fee by 12/31 (postmarked) for the following year. *Owners must be WDHA voting members.* Performance nominations need to be started with weanling.

ORIGINAL MARE NOMINATIONS @ \$20 EACH (foals of 2023)

PB/HA	DAM	DAM'S #	SIRE	SIRE'S #	FEE	Office Use

HALTER RENOMINATIONS @ \$30 EACH

PB/HA	BORN	NAME	SEX	REG #	DAM	SIRE	FEE	Office Use

PERFORMANCE NOMINATIONS/RENOMINATIONS

PB/HA	BORN	NAME	REG #	DAM	SIRE	FEE	Office Use

Make check payable to: **WDHA Futurity**
 Send to: Kristin Urban, 18104 Pleasant Road, Maribel, WI 54227 email: urbankristin@msn.com



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An Affiliate Club of the Arabian Horse Association

(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 _____

Level 1 and 2 memberships include AHA membership. WDHA will forward your AHA membership fee to AHA on your behalf. Please allow up to two (2) weeks for processing. \$15 of the Adult membership fee are WDHA club dues.

Types of Memberships

Add a \$3.00 administrative fee "per" Level 1 or Level 2 ADULT membership.

*** Level 1 - Adult consists of AHA Membership and WDHA voting and club privileges including the value-added programs (High Point, Futurity/Maturity, etc). Youth (18 years and under)**

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

_____ ADULT - \$65 Current AHA Number _____

_____ ADULT 3-year Membership (No Competition card) \$180 Current AHA Number _____

***Level 2 - Consists of everything listed in Level 1 plus Competition Card. Youth (18 years and under)**

_____ YOUTH - \$45 Date of Birth _____ Current AHA Number _____

_____ ADULT - \$100 Current AHA Number _____

_____ ADULT 3-year Membership w/Competition Card - \$285 Current AHA Number _____

Associate Memberships
Associate membership is offered to a rider/trainer/handler and/or non-owners only. Club privileges are not included at the associate level.

_____ YOUTH \$10

_____ ADULT \$25

_____ FAMILY \$40 (A) Date of Birth _____ (B) Date of Birth _____

*Level 1 or 2 required to compete at AHA Recognized events, AHA Achievement Award Programs, an/or WDHA value added programs.

Make Checks Payable to WDHA and Mail to: Marie Schickowski
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Green Bay, WI 54303
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Amended 12/24/2019; 01/01/2021; 05/20/2022