2024 NASS INSPECTION ANNOUNCEMENT, GENERAL INFORMATION, AND CALL FOR REQUESTS FOR INSPECTING AND EVALUATING NASS-REGISTERED HORSES

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Dear NASS Members and all friends of Shagya-Arabians,

NASS announces an inspection for breeding approval and evaluation to be held on September 21st in southern Vermont, hosted by Hallie Goetz. If you are interested in participating or attending, please review the information below.

According to international Shagya-Arabian breeding regulations, all Purebred Shagya-Arabians (Book I), Shagya-Arabians Book II, Appendix Shagya-Arabians (Shagya-Arabian x Arabian) and Purebred Arabians, age 2 or older, must be inspected and approved for breeding by an ISG member society for their offspring to be eligible for registration as Purebred Shagya-Arabians. NASS is the only Shagya-Arabian breeding society in America which strictly follows this rule, and NASS believes in utilizing this necessary inspection process not only to maintain the standards of the breed, but also as a vehicle for Shagya-Arabian enthusiasts to get together to socialize, show off their horses, and learn from each other.

Inspection & Evaluation Basics: Horses are presented at halter standing and "on the triangle", sport-horse style, at walk and trot, and are free lunged at canter/gallop. Stallions over the age of 2 are also required to free jump through a jumping chute. Wither height, cannon bone, and girth measurements are also taken. Horses are given scores from 1-10 for the following criteria: type, head, neck, body, legs, walk, trot, and canter. A descriptive paragraph is also made which describes the horse. After all the inspection sites for the year are completed, NASS publishes a full-color newsletter, featuring photos of all inspected and evaluated horses, their scores and descriptions, along with other articles of interest.

Branding: Branding of NASS registered horses will be available at each inspection site. The official patented ISG Shagya-Arabian breed brand may only be worn by Shagya-Arabians Book I and Book II which are registered in an ISG member registry.

Furthermore, everyone is cordially invited to bring your Shagya-bred horse to an inspection site just for fun and to show what you do with your horse, be it riding, driving, jumping, dressage, Western sports, breeding, or maybe just admiring!

Inspection Site Planning Process: The first step in the process is to identify the horses which may participate this year. We need to hear from all owners who may wish to present an eligible horse for this inspection, evaluation and/or branding. Also, if you would like to bring your Shagya-bred horse just for fun that would be great also! If you wanted to give a little demonstration with your horse that always is a welcome addition.

Learner Judges: NASS Members are welcome to participate at inspection sites as Learner Judges. This offers one the unique opportunity to work alongside the ISG Judges as they complete the inspections and evaluation process. Informal auditing is also possible for NASS Members. For details contact: <a href="https://www.nass.com/nass.com

Any NASS registered horse is eligible for inspection or evaluation in the following categories:

Breeding Approval Inspection: Any NASS registered Shagya-Arabian Book I and Book II mare or stallion, Appendix Shagya-Arabian mare or stallion (including horses previously approved by another ISG Member Registry), as well as any WAHO registered Purebred Arabian mare or stallion, age 2 and over, may be inspected for approval for breeding.

Evaluation: Any NASS registered horse of any age or sex and any horse of any other breed which has been bred to a Shagya-Arabian, or whose owner is considering breeding to a Shagya-Arabian, may be presented for an evaluation according to the following criteria:

- a) Any Purebred Shagya-Arabian or Shagya-Arabian Book II, or Appendix Shagya-Arabian, under the age of 2 may be presented for evaluation. For example, the owner of a yearling stallion prospect may wish to present the colt to learn if the judges think that the colt may be stallion material.
- b) Any Part-Shagya may be presented for evaluation. Such an evaluation is not for the approval for breeding (since only Shagya-Arabians Book I and II and Appendix Shagya-Arabians are eligible to be used in the Shagya-Arabian Breed), but as an overall evaluation of the horse as either a performance horse prospect, or as a horse to be used in Part-Shagya breeding.
- c) All geldings, either Shagya-Arabian Book I or Book II, Appendix Shagya-Arabian, or Part-Shagya can be presented for an evaluation.
- d) A breeding mare or breeding stallion owner might like to present a young Shagya-Arabian Book I or Book II, Appendix Shagya-Arabian or Part-Shagya for an evaluation in order to gain feedback about the producing ability of their mare or stallion.

If you have ANY QUESTIONS about eligibility, please don't hesitate to ask Adele Furby via e-mail: adele@centurylink.net or Telephone: 928-592-2959

NASS Member Evaluation Fee per horse: \$50.00.

NASS Member Inspection Fee per horse: \$200.00

NASS Member Branding Fee per horse: \$30.00

Non-NASS Members must pay a \$45.00 Non-Member Fee.

Payment received 45 days prior to inspection date will receive a 10% discount.

If you plan on participating in this NASS Inspection, please download the on-line feedback form which you will find at the NASS website shagya.net, under "Inspection and Evaluation".

Remember, if you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to contact Adele Furby We look forward to hearing from you. Thanks!

For further information regarding details regarding for horse or human accommodations etc., please contact hostess Hallie Goetz at: halliergot@aol.com.

Adele Furby, on behalf of the NASS Breeding Committee