

**NORTH AMERICAN SHAGYA-ARABIAN SOCIETY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

**MAY 8, 2024, AT 5:00 PM, PDT, 8:00 PM, EDT
MINUTES**

**LOOP-UP USA: 1(877)746-4263
GUEST DIAL-IN CODE: 2665623#**

Call to order: Roll call of Officers and Board Members. Joan, Candy, Adele, Elaine, Bev,
Kathy joined later
Guests: Donna Coss,, Gabrielle Gordon, Daunna Sellers
Do we have a quorum? Yes

Meeting Minutes from January 31, 2024, were previously approved by the Board Members
Melissa Rodewald, Adele Furby, Joan Clark, Elaine Kerrigan, Kathy Richkind and Candace
Phillips after that meeting.

Officers Reports:

Joan Clark, President, no report

Adele Furby, Vice President, no report

Beverly Thompson, Treasurer

The current balance is \$993.04, but Bev does not have the reports ready yet. She will send out reports as soon as they are finished. The taxes and Montana Corporate fee have been paid. A question was asked about ISG dues. An invoice was received today and Joan will write back to the ISG Secretary to ascertain if ISG will still honor the \$200 discount in view of NASS's advertising in the 2022 and 2023 NASS newsletters.

Regional Board of Director Reports:

Southwest Regional Director: Joan Clark-no report

Central Regional Director: Adele Furby—has correspondence from owners in AZ who have 2 geldings they would like to get branded. Adele has the brands, so hopefully it can be accomplished some time soon.

Eastern Regional Director: Candace Phillips-no report

Northwest Regional Director: Melissa Rodewald-absent

Board of Directors at Large:

Kathy Richkind-absent, joined later, no report

Elaine Kerrigan-no report

Vacant Position

Committee Chair Reports

Elections Committee: Nomination Form Attached for upcoming elections in July. Bev and Elaine have been managing the details of the election. We need to send these out now to prepare for the election

Website Committee: Elaine Kerrigan—no new news

Registrar Elaine Kerrigan, Registrar—report attached. The pending items are because some registration applications are not complete.

Newsletter Committee: Our NASS Newsletter team is Elaine Kerrigan, Editor, Adele Furby, Editor and Melissa Rodewald, assist with editing, printing and shipping. Next deadline for Newsletter submissions is **JUNE 1, 2024**, to submit articles, farm news, etc. you can forward to Elaine at fahim@humboldt1.com.

ISG Liaison: Adele Furby, ISG Liaison, reported no news other than the announcement which has just been received from ISG for the 2024 Delegates' Conference which will take place in Radautz, Romania on June 27 through June 30. At this time there are no NASS members who have announced an intention to attend. Adele will plan on attending in 2025. Main items on Agenda will be welcoming the new Romanian Private Breeders Association and discussion of cloning, embryo transfer, etc.

Breeding Committee Chair: Adele Furby reported there will be an inspection at Hallie Goetz's farm in VT on the weekend of **September 21st**. Adele will prepare an announcement for Joan to send to all members after plans are finalized. Kathy had reported that- our contract for genetic testing with the University of Kentucky has been renewed. In addition, they are offering a discount on their coat color mutation test. If three or more tests are ordered, they will charge \$20 a test instead of \$25 a test.

USDF Report: Kathy Richkind -had reported that NASS has not renewed its participation in the All-Breed Awards program for 2024, due to budget constraints. We will reevaluate this for 2025.

Promotions Committee/BRAVO AWARD: Candace Phillips, Chairman, Nomination of MJL Olivia for the Bravo Award by Hallie Goetz – See Attachment. It was voted on the last meeting to award to MJL Olivia the award but it was too late to get the award into the newsletter. So it will go into the next newsletter. Candy reported we are down to the last mug, she will check into the price before we vote on ordering new mugs.

Performance Awards/Radautzer Award Committee: Joan Clark – Results can be seen on the website. Radautzer Award – Marlene Moss chose a Royal Blue Polo, cost was \$75.00, but that included digitizing the Radautzer emblem and it also included adding Marlene and SA Alamo's names. Future embroidery should be about \$15-\$20. I'm waiting on the estimate for the plaques. Should be about \$25 per plaque and there are (3) plaques this year.

Fundraising/Marketing Committee/Facebook Committee: Joan - Report on Polos, Jackets and Vests available to order. Prices are as follows and can be seen on the website: Men's and Women's Polos \$35; Men's and Women's Soft-Shell Vests \$55; Men's and Women's Soft-Shell Jackets \$60; and Women's Quilted vest \$60.

Facebook: Joan reported there was confusion over who was administrator of the facebook page but it was resolved today that Joan is the administrator with Kathy, Elaine, and Melissa as moderators.

Correspondence/Announcements/Reminders:

Correspondence from Rachel Powell, PShR President, dated December 16, 2023, and response. There has been no response from President Rachel Powell of PShR to our letter dated February 4, 2024, asking if there was any feedback from our original letter of December 19, 2023. Joan commented that several owners of PShR horses have recently registered their horses with NASS.

Candy had correspondence from the Lipizzaner Society that they are interested in having NASS contribute articles for their newsletter about the connections between the Shagya-Arabians and the Lipizzaners. Adele has volunteered to write articles. Adele said the first one would be about the stallion SIGLAVY d.b. who was used in both the Shagya-Arabian and the Lipizzaner breed.

Old Business: None

New Business: Joan has looked into some ideas for saving NASS expenditures. Joan proposes the following for discussion and to begin January 2025:

No new lifetime memberships as of 2025. Yearly renewal will be necessary. Current lifetime members to be honored. Membership fee to be raised to \$55 per year and if paid after March 31, there will be a \$10 late fee added.

Performance Awards/Radautzer Award will have a \$30 yearly fee to participate in the awards programs.

Promote sponsorships for awards programs with flyers and emails.

Newsletter – Looking for ideas to save on the production of the Newsletter. Postage and envelopes are fixed prices.

Use free telephone conference calling for NASS Board Meetings.

Adele suggested financing the NASS NEWS through advertising in NASS NEWS.

Candy moved to create a committee. Elaine seconds. Passed. Joan asked for volunteers to be on the committee. Donna Coss and Candy volunteered to be on the committee.

Closing Remarks and Questions. Kathy asked about how long it takes to get the polos. Joan said it takes about two weeks. The brand is Port Authority and they run small. She can help with ordering because all orders will go through her.

Motion to close the meeting at 5:59 Elaine, Kathy seconds Meeting adjourned 5:59

Next Meeting: July 31, 2024, 5:00 PM, PST, 8:00 PM, EST

Respectfully Submitted, Adele Furby

**2024 NASS BOD Nomination Submission Form:
DUE BY JUNE 24, 2024**

Please provide the NASS Nomination Committee with the following information:

Submitting NASS Member Name: _____

Submitting NASS Member Signature: _____

Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Date: _____

1. **NORTHWEST REGIONAL DIRECTOR** (Three Year Commitment and covers the following areas: WA, OR, AK, British Columbia, Yukon, NW Territories, International Members)

Name of Nominee: _____

Nominee Email: _____

2. **SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DIRECTOR** (Three Year Commitment and covers the following areas: CA, NV, HI)

Name of Nominee: _____

Nominee Email: _____

3. **CENTRAL REGIONAL DIRECTOR** (Three Year Commitment and covers the following Areas: ND, SD, MN, NE, IA, KS, Mo, IL, OK, AR MS, KY, AL, LA, TX, WI, MT, ID, WY, UT, CO, AZ, NM, Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Saskatchewan)

Name of Nominee: _____

Nominee Email: _____

4. **DIRECTOR AT LARGE** (Two Year Commitment)

Name of Nominee: _____

Nominee Email: _____

Nomination forms may be submitted via email or hard copy.

Emailed Nomination Forms must be sent to The NASS Nomination Committee by the Deadline Date of **June 24th, 2024** (11:59 pm Pacific Time).

Email: Nominations@Shagya.net

Hard copy Nomination Forms must be postmarked by the Deadline Date of **June 24th, 2024**, and mailed to: Beverly Thompson, NASS Secretary, 2345 S. Washington Rd., Columbia City, IN 46725, or emailed to: bev46725@yahoo.com

Registrar Report

1-4-24	CR Hungarian Hussar	NASS/P-ShA-95-104	death reported by Carolyn Tucker
1-9-24	Orion SHG	NASS/ShA-20-327	trans. from Geotz to Byerly + Adams 12-7-2023
1-19-24	KB Sequoia Fahim	NASS/P-ShA-08-228	pending transfer from L. Johnson to E. Kerrigan
1-24-24	Amara's Nejdmon	NASS/P-ShA-94-055	death reported by Janet Redding
2-26-24	KB Tamir Fahim	NASS/ShA-22-326	transfer from Kerrigan to Aubrey Hoffman (11-8-2023)
3-21-24	Lily Creek Believers Journey	NASS/ShA-09-338	Reg. from PShR to NASS - Carol Federighi
3-27-24	KB Taalia Fahim	NASS/ShA-20-321	death (3-27-2024) reported by Elaine Kerrigan
4-23-24	Kontessa AF	NASS/P-Sh-05-237	transfer from Gwyn Davis to Patricia Singer
4-28-24	Lily Creek Kong	NASS/P-Sh-09-302	Reg. from PShR to NASS - Cameron Gaytko
5-7-24	CH Fancy Finesse	Pending	new registration for Cameron Gaytko
5-8-24	CH Rockette	Pending	new registration for Cameron Gaytko
5-8-24	KB Scarlet Fahim	Pending	new registration for Elaine Kerrigan

MJL Olivia

In 2003, a friend and I drove through Lubbock on our way to an Endurance Ride in New Mexico. I was in the market for a horse, and I capitalized on the opportunity to see what horses were for sale in the Lubbock area. The gal at our horse hotel pointed me in the direction of Patty Saddler at Premier Park who had a mare for sale named MJL Olivia. I did not purchase "Olivia" right away, but by the following spring I decided that I wanted her. Fortunately, Patty still had her, and she was still for sale. MJL Olivia is a 2000 mare bred by Melody Link. Olivia is sired by the imported NASS foundation stallion *Oman (O'Bajar x Marzalla) and out of the purebred Arabian mare MJL Stan-Abi.

Patty had done a really nice job starting Olivia, but she had no trail experience. So top of my list was getting this horse out of the arena. Fortunately, I had the opportunity to board Olivia on a country property that had ample access to trails and roads suitable for riding. It took a while for Olivia to adapt to the changes from the arena to the trail. During this time, I met a dressage trainer in my area who also happened to have Endurance experience. The trainer, Liz Payne, understood the rigors of Endurance and how dressage should be used to strengthen the horse for the task. Liz schooled Olivia to an exceptional level, and she helped me become a better rider. The two of us became a strong team that successfully tackled many Endurance courses.

On the trail Olivia became strong and sure. She was happiest in motion. Vet checks were often the most stressful parts of the rides for Olivia as she saw her competition (yes, she knew she was in competition) coming in off the trail and also leaving back onto the trail. I rarely had to ask Olivia for more energy. She was always primed and ready to go. I never fully opened up to this mare because I knew that she was incredibly fast. She also became incredibly brave, breezing through trails that terrified other horse and rider teams.

Olivia went on to win many Endurance rides and awards, competing in AERC endurance and LDs from 2005 through 2011, completing 49 rides with 2 Best Conditions. In 2011, Olivia and I won the Inaugural "Radautzer Award" which recognizes the achievements of horses with Shagya-Arabian blood at AERC rides. She officially retired in 2012. After this time, she produced her first foal who won Regional and National Championships in Sport Horse in Hand and Regional Reserve Championships in dressage. The filly that she has produced to date has participated in 5 Sport Horse in Hand classes and has won all 5. Sadly, Olivia's second foal was put down at about 18 months following a severe bout of subcutaneous emphysema that caused him to develop blood clots and subsequent embolisms.

In 2010 I purchased MJL Shagala who was from the same foal crop in Melody Link's breeding program. Olivia, Shagala and my other retired mounts are now tasked with mowing my lawn and keeping my youngsters in order. Once or twice a year a through a saddle on Olivia and we toddle in the pasture. She still loves to be groomed and have her butt scratched. I am sure that she tells stories to the others about all the places she has been and all the races she has run.

Olivia is truly a once in a lifetime horse and I am very blessed to have her in my life.

She will always be my Champion.

See Page Two for the list of MJL Olivia' Awards

MJL Olivia Awards to Date:

- ✓ NASS High Point Distance award 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011.
- ✓ NASS High Point Distance Award, FEI Division 2011 and 2012.
- ✓ Radautzer Award 2011 (first year of the award)
- ✓ Distance Champion 2009.
- ✓ 100 Mile Recognition 2009.
- ✓ AERC Shagya Breed Award (High Point and High Mileage) 2008 and 2009.
- ✓ AERC 2009 Regional Champion, Regional First Featherweight, Regional Second Total Mileage.
- ✓ AERC 2009 National Fifth Place War Mare, Second Place Pioneer Featherweight.
- ✓ AERC 2008 Regional Third Overall and Third Featherweight.

MJL Olivia's Offspring's Awards

MCV Ohrrmidas

- 2015 Region 9 Champion Half Arab Stallion SHIH
- 2016 Region 9 Champion Half Arab Stallion SHIH
- 2016 National Champion Half Arab Stallion SHIH Open and ATH
- 2022 Region 8 Reserve Champion Training and First Level Dressage
- 2022 Region 8 Champion Half Arab SHUS Dressage Type

MCV Oh La La

- 2022 Region 8 Champion Half Arab Mare SHIH Dressage Type Open and ATH
- 2022 Region 8 Champion Half Arab Mare SHIH Hunter Type Open and ATH