

## 1991 NASS INSPECTION TOUR

By Adele Furby

The NASS conducted its second inspection tour for evaluation for breeding approval for purebred Shagyas during September 1991. The first inspection tour was made during 1989, and for the three of us that were on both tours (Bruno Furrer, Elisabeth Furrer, and myself) it was very impressive to see the growth in the breeding of Shagyas which has occurred during the two-year period. More breeders are involved over a wider geographical area, and the variety of bloodlines represented in both inspected mares and stallions is rewarding to see. Also, the helpful, cooperative attitude of the majority of involved individuals made the tour feasible.

The NASS inspection tours are organized by the NASS breeding committee. This year we received special support from the ISG through the participation of ISG secretary and judge Bruno Furrer, Elisabeth Furrer, and Sigfreid and Irma Frei. Besides providing advice and encouragement, the Furrers and the Freis also contributed greatly financially by donating their own traveling expenses for the traveling team. Judges this year were Bruno Furrer and Adele Furby. The NASS Breeding Committee chooses judges from a roster of judges published by the ISG. Valuable translation skills were also provided by Elisabeth Furrer. As in 1989, a fee of \$200.00 per inspection horse was charged. Thanks to the generosity of the Europeans, plus the many donations of time, meals, and accommodations by numerous NASS members, the inspection tour was able to come out in the black for this ambitious undertaking.

Also traveling at her own expense as a learner judge was NASS Breeding Committee member Nancy Skakel. The entire trip was about three weeks long. The first stop was in Montana, where horses were inspected at the farms of Adele Furby, Minetta King, and Cindy Taylor. Holly and Mark Grimes also had their young stallion there for inspection. Then onward to California, to inspect horses belonging to Carolyn Tucker and Pat Petit.

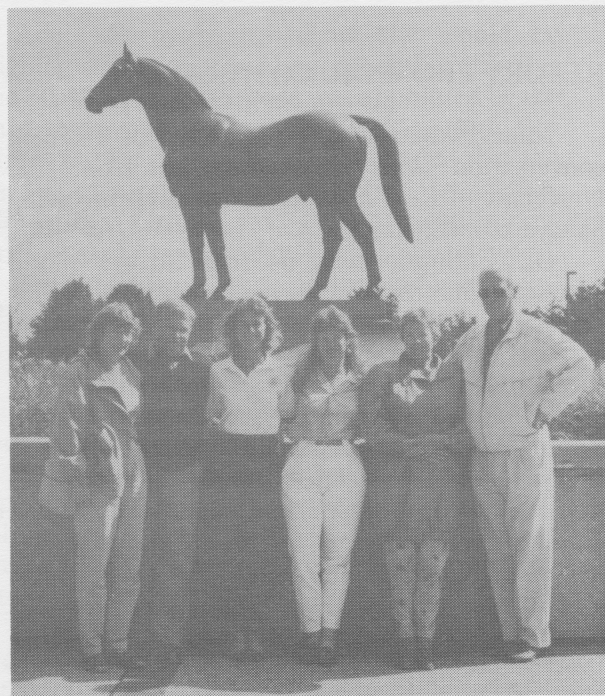
We then flew to Caracas, Venezuela, where we were the guests of the Von Fedak family. The Von Fedaks have established an ambitious breeding program based upon Shagyas imported from both Germany and the U.S. While we were there, Mr. Furrer, Mr. Frei, and I also judged the first Venezuelan National Arabian Show, which included classes for purebred Arabians as well as Shagyas.

Our next inspection stop was the Indiana farm of Bev Grimes, where we also inspected horses belonging to Patty Cook and Leslie Shuping. We

then traveled to Kentucky to inspect horses at Paul and Marty Morgan's farm. Last stop was the farm of Dr. John Vas in New Jersey.

Altogether, ten purebred Shagya mares were inspected, and all were approved. Four stallions were inspected and three were approved. I think it's important to realize that the reason a high percentage of the stallions were approved is that NASS Shagya breeders have been very conscientious about gelding young stallions early on which may lack stallion potential. Consequently many "stallion prospects" have already been selected out by responsible owners who realize that only individuals with superior quality and outstanding Shagya pedigrees should become stallion candidates.

NASS is already making plans for a 1993 inspection tour. Once again, we are hoping to "import" at least one European judge to assist us with our task. As Chairman of the Breeding Committee, I would like to thank everyone once again for their invaluable assistance in helping us to establish such an ambitious inspection process that will help the NASS to maintain the uniquely high quality of the purebred Shagya breed.



**Inspection tour participants Elizabeth Furrer, Bruno Furrer, Adele Furby, Nancy Skakel, Irma Frei, Sigfried Frei, also had a chance to spend a few hours at the Kentucky Horse Park and pay respects to the beautiful statue of Man 'O War.**

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MARES APPROVED FOR BREEDING 1992

	<u>breeder</u>	<u>owner</u>
ALEXANDRA(*SHANDOR x *AMINAH)1989 filly	Adele Furby	Adele Furby
FAWN(*OMAN x WC FALENE) 1989 filly	Adele Furby	Cindy Taylor
SHOMANI(*OMAN x MAGIC SHADOW)1988 mare	Minetta King	Judy Moore
ECHOZALLA(*OMANxDOLLY'S ECHO)1989 filly	Minetta King	Gwynn Davis
VIVA BRAVO(H.BRAVOxN.VALKYRIE) 88 mare	Adele Furby	Nancy Skakel
CHARISMA (*OMAN x R. CRESANT)1989 filly	Adele Furby	Darlen Hoyt
SHATIMA (*OMAN x TPR SHATANA)1988 filly	Adele Furby	Pat Pettit
AMIRA ABHA (H.BARAVOX.A.AISHA)1988 mare	Bob Shuping	Leslie S.
SHA GAY (CHAZZI x 89 SHAGYA xl)87 mare	Jean Bishop	Patty Stokes
FANTASY (*OMAN x MAY FOLLY) 1988 mare	Paul Morgan	Paul Morman

STALLIONS APPROVED FOR BREEDING 1992

BLIXTEN (H. BRAVOx *BIALA)1988 stallion	Adele Furby	Holly & Mark Grimes
BOLD BRAVO(H.BRAVOx*AMINAH) 88 stallion	Adele Furby	Nancy Skakel
*SHAGYA XLII-1(SHAGYA XVIIx89 SHAGYA XL)	Babolna State Stud 1974	Dr. John Vas