



# NASS NEWS



North American Shagya-Arabian Society

Summer 2023

## Journeys

Report from Bábolna and ISG  
By Adele Furby



*The main courtyard with the famous old acacia tree*

The ISG met for their annual Delegates’ Conference this year on June 17th at the Bábolna State Stud. Along with the ISG Conference, the Hungarian private Arabian breeder’s group the “MALE”, hosted an ECAHO “C” show for Purebred Arabians along with the ISG European Championships for Shagya-Arabians. There were also performance classes in dressage and jumping.

I was very happy to have been invited to judge at the show, as I had not been able to do so since 2016 due to my long illness. Kathy Richkind and I decided to travel there together from Phoenix. We originally planned to depart on Wednesday morning, arriving in Vienna early Thursday morning. However, our trip was delayed by weather problems at our connecting flight in Newark, and, as a consequence, we ended up not arriving until Friday afternoon, our luggage having also gone AWOL.

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### Special Announcement

NASS Inspection Oct. 21 - 22, 2023, Vermont

When it became clear that we may not get our luggage back, I bought 3 shirts from a tourist shop right across from our gate at JFK (oh, yes, we had to change airports too...). The shirts all said “I love New York” in big glittery letters. But at least I figured it was better than judging in the shirt I had been traveling in for three days! As it turned out, my luggage didn’t arrive until Sunday evening, and Kathy was able to pick hers up on Monday morning at the airport. So it was good I bought the shirts when I did!

Kathy and I actually finally arrived at about 3 on Friday afternoon, so we missed the first half of the Delegate Conference. But at least we were glad to arrived at all, and at least in time for the show judging, which began at 8 am on Saturday morning.



*Finally Arrived! Entrance to the “Imperial Hotel” which sits in the center of the main courtyard*

## Journeys continued:



*The statue of "Shagya" stands in front of the magnificent old riding hall*

The show schedule followed the typical procedure that we have experienced there, wherein each Shagya-Arabian class was followed by a Purebred Arabian class. The Shagya-Arabian classes were better populated than the Purebred Arabian classes. There were a total of 140 entries, and our judging days were long on both Saturday and Sunday, running until early evening on Saturday, and nearly as long as on Sunday.

The great majority of Shagya-Arabians shown were horses either owned or bred by the Bábolna Stud, which provided a good look at some of the breeding outcomes during the recent years at Bábolna. The classes with the older mares and stallions which took place on Sunday were especially interesting in that regard. The mares, in particular, were an impressive group - big, strong, substantial mares with good movements and great type. So there were a lot of good scores given. In the 7-10 year old Shagya-Arabian mares class, three scored an average over "8", and in the 11 year and older mares class, five scored "8" and above, with the highest average score being a 8.80! Interestingly, the winner in the 11-year and older class, and Senior Champion Mare, 298 *Gazal XXI*, and the winner of the 7-10 year-old mares, 98 *Gazal XXI*, and also Reserve Senior Champion mare, were both by the now-20-year old *Bartok* son *Paris* who is known now as "*Gazal XXI*".

The stallion group was smaller and overall not so uniformly impressive, but the top stallions were very good. The Bábolna-bred bay stallion 6652 *Kemir IX*, born in 2015, was very harmonious, earning not only an 8.57 average in his class, but also eventually garnering the Senior Show Champion Stallion title, beating out the older two stallions in the 11-year and older class-- the privately-bred 4967 *Shagya Szarcas*, a son of *Shagya IX, Báb*, and the Bábolna-bred and owned *Shagya VI-3, Bab*.



*The famous five-in-hand of Shagya-Arabian mares were presented at noon break on Saturday, but not on Sunday because several of the mares would be exhibited in classes that day.*

The judging team this year consisted of ISG President Ahmed al Samarraie from Germany, Bruno Furrer's daughter Sabine Furrer, who lives in France, Mr. Hoppenberger from Austria, Judit Kovacs from Hungary, myself, and a gentleman from Czech Republic whom I had not previously met, Mr. Gorodzi.

We were lucky to have beautiful weather throughout the event. There was a new venue for supper this year, an outdoor restaurant situated on a small lake close to the main stud facilities. It was announced that next year, as usual, there will be no show, but rather a Delegates' Conference in Romania, and the following year the plan is for there to be a Delegate Conference and a European Championship show in Czech Republic.

**Journeys continued:**



*Show Champion Senior Stallion 6652 Kemir IX, Báb, photo from a few years ago, he was much more developed-looking now*



*Reserve Senior Champion Stallion, the Bábolna-bred Shagya VI-3*



*Gazal XXI, Báb, who is now 20 years old, the sire of the Senior Champion and Reserve Senior Champion mare.*



*Junior Champion mare Koheilan Boroka, privately bred in Hungary*



*A scene in the main stud courtyard, "Getting ready to show"*



# Milestones in the history of the Bábolna Arabian Stud.

The foundations of the Bábolna breeding system were laid several years before the founding of the Bábolna stud. Johann Christoph Justinus, the Double Monarchy "Court Stud Inspector", in his work: "On the General Principles of Horse Breeding", proposed the following principles for the breeding of horses:

- proven descent (proven pedigree)
- proven quality (proven performance test)
- proven pedigree (proven heredity)

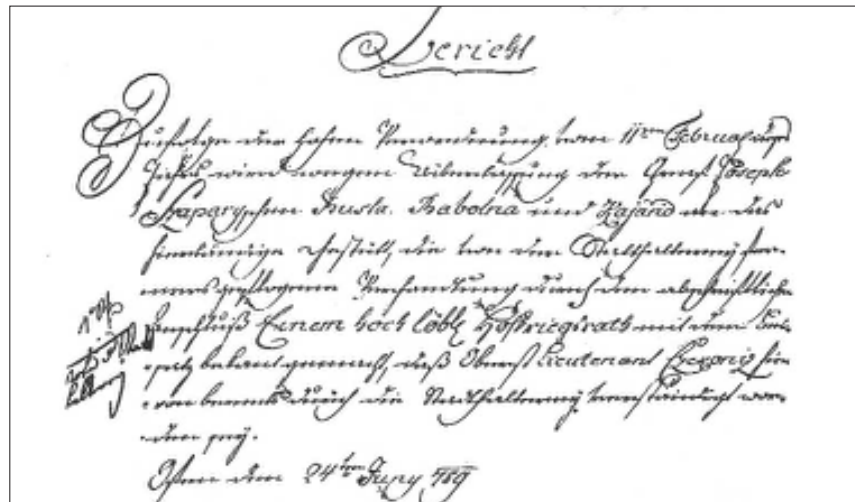


Johann Christoph Justinus Imperial and Royal Court Stud Inspector.

Justinus dedicated his writing "to my patron, Count Joseph of Hunyady, who was a generous supporter and promoter of horse breeding". It is thanks to this work that the pedigree bookkeeping in animal breeding was introduced in



József Csekonics (1757-1824), founder of the stud farms of Mezöhegyes and of Bábolna.



Document: Report on the foundation of the Bábolna stud of June 24, 1789. According to the High Decree of February 11th of this year, the transfer of the Count Joseph Szapary's pusta Bábolna and Kajarid is announced.

Europe in the nineteenth century. The founder of the stud farms of Mezöhegyes and Bábolna, Joseph Csekonics, confirms in his book that he had become acquainted with these principles: "Therefore I am also obliged to confess that I owe many of the first principles of national horse breeding to the Ürmény stud farm and to Baron Hunyady". With these progressive principles Csekonics started the breeding work in Mezöhegyes in 1785 and made sure that all the pedigrees of the breeding horses were recorded in the stud. And this was done even before 1793, when the first volume of the General Stud Book was published. This is the reason why we can trace the pedigrees not only of the stallion lines but also of the much older mare families back to the founding mares.

**June 24, 1789.** The foundation of the Bábolna Stud Farm. As a branch of the Mezöhegyes Stud Farm.

**1806.** Bábolna becomes an independent stud farm.

**1816.** Instruction.

The order of Emperor Joseph II to Major General Count H. Hardegg, "Bábolna should preferably become the seat of a noble stud. The Major General, therefore, will be concerned with the establishment of an exquisitely pure and noble stud farm in Bábolna, and will propose to the Court War Council what is considered expedient."

**1836.** First purchasing expedition to Syria. Baron Major Eduard von Herbert. Purchase of the desertbred stallion Shagya, among others.

The highest order signed by Emperor Franz I in 1816 that Bábolna should



Baron Major Eduard von Herbert, in 1836, with the first expedition to buy original Arabians in Syria, the honey gray Shagya db, born in 1830 at the Bani Saher Beduin tribe, and brought to Bábolna.

become an exquisitely pure and noble stud was the basis for further development. Major General Count Heinrich Hardegg, head of the imperial and royal studs, commissioned Baron Major Eduard von Herbert in 1836 with the first expedition to buy original Arabian horses in Syria and transport them to Bábolna.

**1856-1857.** Purchasing expedition of Colonel Rudolf Ritter von Brudermann. 16 stallions, 50 mares and 14 foals were purchased. Of these, 14 stallions and 32 mares arrived in Bábolna. A 14-year-old boy, a Marionite from Lebanon, Mihály Fadlallah el Hedad, came to Hungary with this transport. In the beginning, stallions were bought from horse dealers. However, they could not achieve the desired quality. It was decided, not sparing money and effort, that purchasing expeditions would be sent to Syria. Thus, from the nomadic Bedouin tribes, who were constantly at war and the speed and endurance of their horses determined life and death, through the hard selection, really good stallions and mares with very high breeding values could be acquired. This decision had a significant impact on the quality of Arabian horses.

**1869:** Bábolna becomes the Royal Hungarian State Stud Farm. Franz Kozma of Leveld, together with other experts, introduced strict selection and performance testing for mares and prescribed daily exercise for breeding horses.

**1878.** World Exhibition in Paris. Success for Bábolna and for Jussuf. 1899-1913. Fadlallah el Hedad stud director. Kohailan Adjuze db, O'Bajan db, Siglavy V, 1897.

**1900.** World exposition Paris. Grand Championship. Koheilan I and 88 Shagya VIII.



*Jussuf (AV), 1869, Bábolna, by Mahmoud Mirza (db) 1851, Syria, out of 113 Aghil-Aga, 1862, Bábolna. Jussuf aroused great admiration at the World Exhibition 1878 in Paris.*



*O'Bajan, original Arabian, 1881, Tell el Kehla in Syria, born among the Anazeh el Spaa Bedouins.*

**1909.** Gustav Rau visits Bábolna. No difference to be seen between purebred and halfbred broodmares. Best halfbred stallion Siglavy V.

**1932-1942.** Tibor von Pettkó-Szandtner, director in Bábolna. He brought back the Koheilan line from Janów Podlaski with Koheilan VIII, the Jussuf line with Jussuf IV and the Siglavy line with Siglavy VI from Gorazda Stud. Under his leadership Bábolna experiences another golden age. Koheilan VIII. This purebred Arabian stallion, born in Bábolna, was brought back by Pettkó-Szandtner from Janów Podlaski. He was tall and broad, and



*Koheilan I, 1888, Bábolna, by Koheilan Adjuze, 1876, among the Anazeh el Sbaa Bedouins, out of 98 Siglavy, 1878, Bábolna. Grand Champion at the World Exhibition 1900 in Paris.*



*Mare 88 Shagya VIII, 1888, Bábolna, by Shagya XVII, 1869, Mezöhegyes, out of 112 Shagya XVIII, 1875, Mezöhegyes.*



*Koheilan VIII AV, 1922, Bábolna, by Koheilan IV, 1904, Bábolna, out of 10 Gazal-4, 1910, Bábolna. In Janów Podlaski he was called Koheilan I.*



*Franz Kozma von Leveld was the head of the horse breeding department in the Ministry of Economy.*



*Mihály Fadlallah el Hedad (1841-1924). Fadlallah was a Bedouin and became a stud commander.*



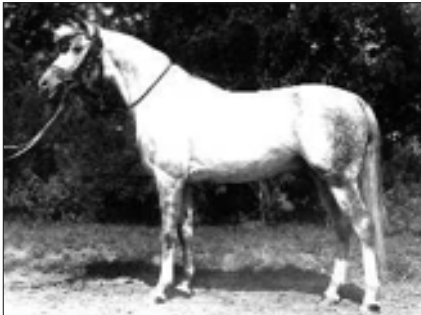
*Tibor von Pettkó-Szandtner became the 1932 stud commander of Bábolna. He was Hungarian.*



*Jussuf IV, 1918, Bábolna, by Jussuf III, 1897, Bábolna, out of 89 Shagya XVII, 1910, Bábolna.*



*Siglavy VI (Báb), 1922, Gorazde, by 21 Siglavy II-2, 1909, Gorazde, out of 108 Luna IV, 1918, Gorazde.*



*Siglavy VI (Báb), 1922, Gorazde, by 21 Siglavy II-2, 1909, Gorazde, out of 108 Luna IV, 1918, Gorazde.*



*Shagya XXV, 1916, Bábolna, by Shagya XVII (Báb), 1903, Radautz, out of 142 Koheilan III-7, 1912, Bábolna.*

could have been a Shagya Arabian. Shagya XXV, 1916, Bábolna. The upper picture shows the noble, harmonious stallion, alert and intelligent, below his wonderful shoulder, powerful hind-quarters and depth and width are clearly visible, however he seems a bit rough. He was one of the best main stallions of his time. His sire was bred in Radautz and was chosen by Fadlallah — the powerful Shagya XVII, his dam was a fine Koheilan mare, 142 Koheilan III.

**Jussuf IV** was discovered by Pettkó-Szandtner at a small stallion station and brought him back to Bábolna.

**Siglavy VI.** Pettkó-Szandtner discovered this stallion at a horse show in Belgrade and with him brought back the very valuable Siglavy line to Bábolna.

**Sigalvy VI** had some defects, a strong lower neck, small eyes and narrow joints.

**Siglavy XII.** With proper mating, the deficiencies of Siglavy VI could be ironed out to produce an outstanding sire in Siglavy XII.

**Gazal II,** was a very good stallion of that time. A king in the herd. He was elevated from the herd to chief stallion already at the age of four. He was one of the best chief stallions of his time. His famous son Gazal VII, made a special mark on Shagya Arabian breeding in the post-war period.



*Klaus-Dieter Gotzner and Dr. Fritz Gramatzki, on the occasion of his 90th birthday. Already in the 70s of the century these two have searched the Arabian breed horses all over Europe together.*

**In the 1960s,** Dr. Fritz Gramatzki spent a lot of time in Bábolna, as a feeding consultant for a German feed mill. This mill worked closely with Bábolna in poultry production. Dr. Gramatzki spent every free minute in the main stallion barn and in the mare stables. A close friendship developed between Dr. Gramatzki and the "Arabian-bred" horses.



*Siglavy XII, 1940, Bábolna, by Siglavy VI 1922, Gorazde, out of 162 Shagya XXV-3, 1933, Bábolna.*



*4409 NCS O'Bajan Pamir, 4409 O'Bajan XXX (Báb). NCS O'Bajan Pamir, 4409 O'Bajan VIII (SK), 1999, H-Debrecen, by O'Bajan XX Pamino, 1980, D-Reichshof, out of Aydana, 1987, D-Neuhaus. Here under Peter Pachtl.*



*Mare O'Bajan XIII-12, Bábolna (D), 1964, Bábolna, from O'Bajan XIII, 1949, Bábolna, out of 198 Kemir II-7, 1952, Bábolna. She had three daughters, all of whom went to stud, and five licensed sons, three of whom carry the Elite title.*

When Robert Burgert sold these horses (now called Shagya Arabians) abroad, it was clear to Gramatzki (with the support of WAHO, the World Arabian Horse Organization) that this breed had to be saved. Dr. Gramatzki brought two black mares, to Germany, the two full sisters Babolna and Duna. After long and arduous preliminary work, the founding meeting of the International Shagya-Arabian Society (ISG) took place in Verden in 1983. Dr. Fritz Gramatzki, Klaus-Dieter Gotzner and Bruno Furrer were elected to the first board.

**From 1990.** Reconstruction with the help of the ISG.

In June 1989 the Bábolna Stud celebrated its 200th anniversary. On this oc-



251 Gazal XIII-1, 1993, Bábolna, by Gazal XIII (Báb) (Balaton), 1972, D-Hamburg, out of 76 Shagya XLIII, 1974, Bábolna.



191 Gazal XII, 1991, Bábolna, from Gazal XII (Báb) (Amor), 1971, D-Ankum out of 164 Gazal XI, 1987, Bábolna.



O'Bajan XX-6 Pagát, 1997, Bábolna, by O'Bajan XX (Pamino), 1980, D-Reichshof, out of 199 Gazal XIII-5, 1993 Bábolna.



Shagya VI, 1994, Bábolna, by Shagya III (Báb) (Shagal), 1976, Barthahus, out of 162 Amer, 1986, Bábolna.

casian the board of ISG was invited to Hungary. Ekkehard Frielinghaus, chairman of the Society and connoisseur of the European Arabian breed, gave a very interesting and stimulating speech at that time and especially emphasized the merits of Tibor von Pettkó-Szandtner for Bábolna and the promotion of



First visit of the delegation of the International Shagya-Arabian Society to Bábolna in 1990. From left to right: Master of the stud with Siegfried Frei, Dr. László Papócsi, Dr. Ekkehard Frielinghaus, Tamás Rombauer, Klaus-Dieter Gotzner, Dr. Walter Hecker, Joachim Toth, Bruno Furrer photo.

the Bábolna Arabian breed. From the speech it became clear that despite the bad years, the achievements of the Hungarian horse breeding are also internationally recognized and its important breeders are highly appreciated. This meeting created the basis for close, successful cooperation.

In July 1990, the ISG board was invited to Bábolna for a sampling as well as a consultation. Those gathered agreed that much could be done together through the ISG for the continuation of the Shagya Arabian breed, and its members acted immediately.

**4409 NCS O'Bajan Pamir**, was very noble and elegant. He had very good basic gaits. He was an extremely successful dressage horse, second in the Hungarian Dressage Championships against German warmblood horses of advanced level. AND he thrilled spectators at numerous events all over Europe.

Pagát, was a very noble, elegant stallion with a very good physique. He was a modern sport horse, had excellent rideability and intelligence, and also exceptional jumping ability.

**251 Gazal XIII**, is a very fine, elegant mare, with a dry, noble head, beautiful high set, arched neck, captivating conformation and swinging rhythmic movements.

**191 Gazal XII**. Her beautiful noble head, the big dark eyes and big nostrils enchanted everyone who saw this mare. This old mare, 23 years old, had given birth to about 20 foals and still showed swinging gaits in all her beauty (picture from 2014).

These are the horses that excite everyone and are worth keeping, riding, driving and breeding –The Shagya Arabian.



116 Ibn Galal, 1971, Bábolna, by Ibn Galal Or.Ar., 1966, El Zahraa, out of 81 Shagya XXXIII, 1956, Bábolna.

**116 Ibn Galal**. This is what most of the mares in the Bábolna herd looked like when they were examined in 1990. Many mares even had Ibn Galal twice in a row in their pedigrees because Ibn Galal was Robert Burgert's favorite and he directed the breeding.

Bruno Furrer, English Adele Furby



Herd of Radautz Shagya-Arabians. The remounts which Major Cavalar, for example, had requisitioned from the steppe, all the way up to Stalingrad on the Don River, were moved to Radautz and Mezöhegyes on order of the Vienna War Council. They were integrated into the breeding herd or into the army and formed the basis of the Shagya-Arabian.

## Farm News

*From Hope Phelon:*

Greetings from Wyoming! It has been a minute since I've sent any Shagya News. I was pleased to get the email from Joan asking for stories on how folks got involved with NASS. Due to various factors, injuries, mine and Shannon's, and other life stuff, we hadn't been showing in years. However, Shannon and his half sister Inchantress AF will both turn 21 years old on June 6th. They have the same Dad, Adele's incredible stallion, \*Shandor. So indulge me as I tell their story.



*Inchantress AF back under saddle with friend Melissa*



*Hope with Shannon, and Melissa with Inchantress, at my barn getting ready to hit the trail*

I discovered Shagya Arabians via \**Oman* on the cover of *Practical Horseman*. I read the article and the description, especially with regards to temperament; that led me to thinking of breeding my mare. *Lilly* was my first horse that I received from a bf in Kemmerer as a weanling. She was bred by Chester Buck, a good ole boy in La Barge Wyoming. If anyone is familiar with the area, they know it's remote rough country. He was breeding for the ultimate mountain horse, to pack the elk out of places like the Bridger Teton forest. He had various mares known for calm, strong character, and easy intelligence with a well bred Tennessee Walker stud. The Shagya sounded like a perfect match!

I then started corresponding with Adele. I visited her in Montana and met \**Shandor*. He was handsome and the sweetest dude. That was the beginning of a long collegial acquaintance and friendship with Adele. I have learned a lot about the breed, the history etc from Adele, and I'm proud to be a lifetime member of NASS. Anyway back to my to my two wonderful well loved Shagya-Arabians.



## Farm News: continued

### *From Hope Phelon: continued*

I have had *Shannon* since he was born (I let him suck on my thumb when he was a baby and my Giant Schnauzer helped lick off the after birth LOL). He is 17 hands and still my big baby. Then there is *Inchantress AF*, the royally bred Warmblood cross. I was able to acquire her when Adele was downsizing for the move to Arizona. She is beautiful, sweet, an awesome mover, and sound as dollar at age 21. She is out of *\*Shandor* and *Oxsana* whose sire was the well known Dutch Warmblood stallion *Idocus*.

*Two seniors on two seniors on a trail ride around the neighborhood in Jay Em, Wyoming, Next ride, the Corner Bar in Lingle for their 21st birthday. LOL!*



*Aubrey and Tamir (their first selfie)*

### *From Elaine Kerrigan (Kerrigan Bloodstock):*

*KB Tamir Fahim (KB Omega Fahim+++// x \*Thassia)* has moved to Texas. He will be sharing the endurance trail with his new owner, Aubrey Hoffman. For now he is learning all sorts of new things, enjoying his new person as he grows up.

Aubrey reported that the two of them went to a Ground Work Clinic.

“*Tamir* was an absolute rockstar. He loaded like a champ, and the clinician was so impressed with him. She even texted me after to say she couldn’t stop thinking about how special a colt he was! The clinician kept saying we need to rename him superstar cause he was such a bright quick student.”

## Farm News: continued



*Shagya-Arabians at Northeast Shagyas*

### *From Hallie Geotz (Northeast Shagyas)*

Summer is just around the corner and the horses are getting back in action after their annual winter break. Hopefully we will get some of them out to a few rides this season. I am planning to host an inspection site in Vermont in October. If you'd like to present a horse at this site, or host one of your own, please complete the necessary documentation and submit it to NASS.

### *From Joan Clark:*

I'm super excited about the newest member of my family, *Bajara Silver SH* (NASS/ShA-16-307). She's a purebred Shagya mare from *Sterling Silver AF* x *Brook PFF* and bred by Shelley and Don Child. A big thank you to Shelley and Don for entrusting her to me. She's a sweet 7 year old and she's going to be my next riding horse. She's green, but very interested and willing. We're doing some groundwork right now and will be moving onto long lining and then riding. Photos are of *Bajara* and myself.

I just had a weekend of camping and riding in the Redwoods with *Shaka* (*KB Shakami Fahim* NASS/ShA-05-2236). It was a beautiful weekend and the weather was perfect at 68 degrees. Sounds cold? Not in the Redwoods, it's humid. *Shaka* enjoyed the weekend, too.

I had some visitors in my pasture for a month, Elaine Kerrigan's retired broodmares, *\*Thassia* (NASS/ShA-03-261) and *Samantha* (NASS/ShA-95-120). It was so nice to look down the hill and see them everyday. Now it looks a little empty. They did an excellent job eating down the pasture. Happy Trails to you all!!!



## Farm News: continued

*From Gabrielle Gordon:*

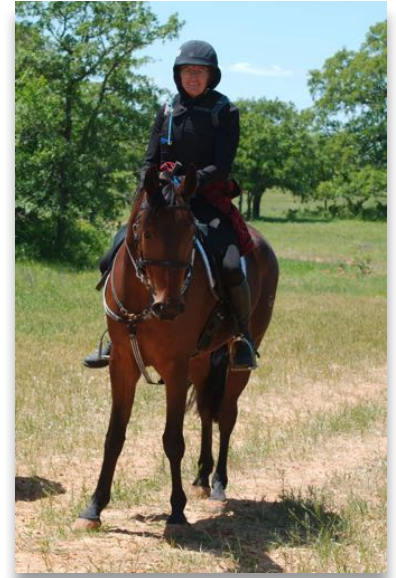
*Griffin* (aka *GG Griffin*) is a homebred Shagya partbred by multi licensed French Shagya Arabian stallion, *Under Milkwood*, out of purebred Cleveland Bay mare, *Foxhollow Seashell*. Owner/ rider Gabrielle Gordon's goal for the 2023 season to compete in AERC recognized endurance rides at Intro level for the first half of 2023 and LD for the fall 2023. Plus compete in Working Equitation (WE) at their first recognized level called Introductory L 1.

Each discipline is well suited for Shagya Bays as they are light enough to enjoy endurance even in warm conditions. The AERC recognizes Intro miles in their extremely popular Green Bean program. It is designed for riders with less than 1,000 miles and has terrific prizes. WE is fun for the horse as it has a dressage phase and interesting obstacles in the easy of handling phase. We have at least two NASS members (one a NASS board member) who compete in WE.

I am so happy that Zoe and Andrew Woods exported *Under Milkwood* frozen semen to College Station, Texas. They made it affordable, and my mare took on the first try. The combination has been just the ticket for me as *Griffin* is doing well in competition and on trails.



*Griffin's winnings from Fort Worth Dressage Club, Cleveland Bay Horse Society of North America and, Arabian Sport Horse Alliance*



*Griffin's final vet check at the Whole Hog endurance ride.*

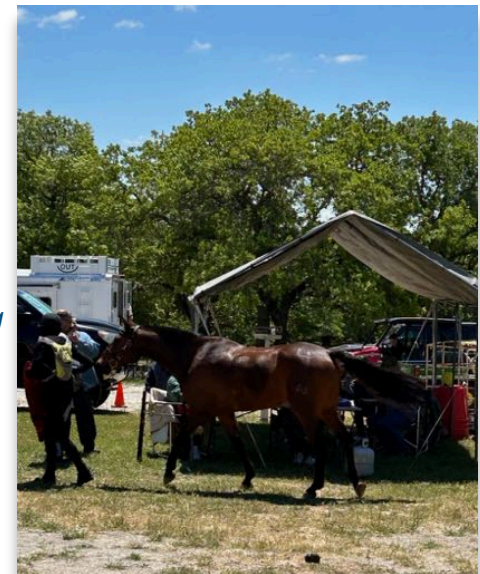


*Griffin relaxing in his field on a rainy spring day in Texas.*



*Gabrielle Gordon with long time friend Sharon Miesen at Highlander College Working Equitation show. Griffin placed first in the L1 division.*

*Griffin just completing the intro level of the Whole Hog endurance ride in Texas.*



*From Joan Clark, NASS President:*

Greetings fellow Shagya Owners and Enthusiasts!

**We have an inspection coming up the weekend of October 21 and 22 in Danby, Vermont.** If you have a horse you want to have inspected, please contact NASS Breeding Committee Chairperson:

[NASS\\_Breeding\\_Committee\\_Chair@shagya.net](mailto:NASS_Breeding_Committee_Chair@shagya.net). If you want to be there to watch and learn, that would be great, too. More details about the inspection can be found at <https://shagya.net/member-updates>.

NASS is looking for a **Treasurer**. Are you interested? Beverly Thompson is ready to retire from her long-served time as Treasurer. Please let me know if you are interested and I can get a description to you for your review. I look forward to hearing from some of you out there soon.

Also, we love to hear your **Farm News**, so please send in your current events and stories. Remember I challenged everyone to tell your story about how you came to the Shagya world? We are looking for more stories. We love to hear how you came to and found the Shagya world. Don't forget to send in your story. We can accept them at any time and publish them in the next issue of NASS News.

Also, we have the **Bravo Award**. We accept nominations anytime. Nominate someone or Shagya for outstanding efforts and achievements. Send in a story and hopefully a picture. The guidelines can be found on the NASS website. We're looking forward to hearing from you.

Hope all is well with you and your Shagyas. Keep on riding!

Very truly yours,  
Joan Clark  
NASS President



***The Internationale Shagya-Araber Gesellschaft (ISG)*** is the umbrella organization established by WAHO to officially coordinate its participating member registries' efforts to preserve, maintain and promote the Shagya-Arabian breed:



Shagya-Arabian breeding in North America officially began in 1986 with the founding of the North American Shagya-Arabian Society, Inc. (NASS).

Later that year, NASS was accepted by the ***Internationale Shagya-Araber Gesellschaft (ISG)*** as the official registry for the USA and Canada.