



**2015-2016 Officers**

Mary Jane Brown, Director  
 Chris Bickford, Vice-Director  
 Barb Garcia, Treasurer  
 Lisa Kolke, Secretary



**Region 4 AHA Spring Meeting  
 Mac's Grill~ Pendleton, OR  
 Sunday, October 4, 2015, 11:00 am  
 Agenda**

Meeting was called to order by Director Mary Jane Brown. Roll call was made to establish a quorum.

The following 5 clubs and 7 delegates, plus the immediate past director were seated:

<b>AHBAO</b>	Julie Hedden		<b>AIM</b>	Jon Howell
<b>AHBAO</b>	Karla Moffitt		<b>CASHC</b>	Kaye Phaneuf
<b>AHCCO</b>	Chana VanderZanden		<b>DES ARAB</b>	Lyn Kinney
<b>AIM</b>	Sarah Asby		<b>IPP</b>	Peggy Weems

Not Present: Arabian & Half Arabian Club of Oregon; Arabian Reining Horse Association, Magic Valley Arabian Horse Association.

Guests present: Connie Chapman, Linda Schneider, Peggy VanderZanden

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Canby Tack Sale – CASHC is taking consignments and donations .

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**Agenda additions/modifications** Motion to adopt. **Motion #2015-34 approved.**

**Reading and Approval of Minutes**

Approval of minutes from March 2014 meeting. **Motion #2015-35 approved**

**Treasurer's report**

Treasurer's report and approval **Motion #2015-36 approved.**

- Discussed club dues and non-payment
- Notification of bad debt offenders

**Director's Report**

Mary Jane Brown passed around Thank You notes and letters. Arabians in Central Park was a hit and they've been asked to come back 2016 Mary Jane hit the AHA August Board Meeting highlights. Sport Horse Nationals -Western dressage was a hit as an exhibition class. Facility was compact and logically laid out. SHN will be going back to Raleigh in 2017. US Nationals - Horse counts are down, but stalls ordered is way up.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Region 4 Championship Horse Show Commission**

Report on 2015 Show (See attached)

**Judges Selection Committee**

Dawn Gossler (16), Chris Bickford (16), Kaye Phaneuf (17), Karla Moffitt (17) Announcement of 2016 Judge's Panel

**Sport Horse/Dressage (Kaye Phaneuf)**

**Motion 2015-37 approved** to authorize Kaye Phaneuf to design and conduct a survey of Sport Horse exhibitors and to report results at Spring meeting with resulting profile. SHN back in Nampa 2016. USDF Region 6 Championships will be in Auburn.

Region 4 Sport Horse Championships (Lyn Kinney)

Loren Roberston, SH; Dressage-TBA. Looking to add Western Dressage to the roster. Horses are moving up the levels.

**Scholarship Foundation**

Connie Chapman, Sarah Asby, Becky Fielding, Karla Moffitt, Peggy Weems. (See Attached). Mary Jane has appointed Dawn Gossler to 2016 Chair.

Karla Moffitt moved to move funds from the designated scholarship account to the general fund checking account, and to be kept as a separate line item as restricted funds. **Motion 2015-38 approved.**

Jon Howell made a motion to direct the scholarship committee to develop written guidelines for scholarship application and present the guidelines at the Spring meeting. **Motion 2015-39 approved.**

It was mentioned that the Region 4 scholarships are not listed on AHA complete list of scholarships on the youth page. Mary Jane will follow up with AHA.

### **Youth**

(youth coordinator, Kade Spencer) Kade is no longer a youth. Mary Jane is looking for a new youth coordinator.

### **Region 4 Performance Futurity**

(Karla Moffitt, Mary Jane Brown, Lisa Kolke, Jim Shippers, Katie Walther) It's the bottom of the dip for futurity horses from breeding inventory. We hope to see things improve.

### **Breed Promotion**

Albany Expo (Sue Thompson) no report

Idaho Expo & Western State Fair (Lyn Kinney) see attached

Oregon State Fair (Sonjya Luke) see attached

Oregon Horse Country – April 22-24, 2016. We need to have a Region 4 Banner for events.

### **Audit Committee ( )**

**Finance Committee** (Chris Bickford)

**Benefit Activities Committee** (Judi Booth, Kaye Phaneuf)

**Distance (Endurance & Competitive)** (Carlene Benson)

**Handbook** (Chris Bickford)

**Recognition Committee** (Sue Silver, Sonya Bickford)

### **Old Business**

Breeder's Spotlight Ad-Hoc Committee (Sarah Asby, Chana Vanderzanden) See attached.

### **New Business**

Region 3 has requested a region 3 qualifier within region 4, and offering a reciprocal qualifier for region 3. AHBAO to have first right to Region 3 qualifier. **Motion 2015-40 Approved.**

Lyn Kinney made a motion on behalf of the Des Arab Club that they be given approval to hold a Region 4 double qualifier at the Treasure Valley show. **Motion 2015-41 Approved.**

Region 4 approved the IEAHC Club of Spokane, WA to hold a Region 4/5 qualifier at their Memorial Day Classic Show #1. **Motion 2015-42 Approved.**

### **Election of Show Commission members**

Lisa Munson and Barb Garcia were nominated. Nominations were closed and the two were approved unanimously. **Motion 2015-42 Approved.**

### **Budget**

Barb Garcia went over the line item budget for 2016. **Motion 2015-43 Approved** to adopt budget as presented.

### **Determination of Next Meeting Date and Location**

The next meeting date will be November 19, 2015 at the AHA Convention in Tulsa, OK

The spring meeting will be held March 6, 2016 at Cruz Corporate Park - 4949 SW Meadows Rd. Second Floor. 217 exit

Respectfully submitted,

*-Lisa Kolke*

Lisa Kolke

Secretary

Region 4 AHA

## Region 4 Show Commission Report

October 4, 2015

Submitted by Connie Chapman,  
Interim Chair Commission

This is a recap of the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual All Arabian 2015 Region 4 AHA Preshow and Championship Show held in Nampa, Idaho June 2—27, 2015.

We had 352 original entries. We had 266 horses showing in the preshow and 338 horses showing in the Championship Show. The overall show was successful and continues to be a profitable horse show. Overall we had a profit of \$7,327.00. I would like to point out that the preshow runs at a loss but the overall show results in the above profit.

We continue to receive positive feedback regarding the facility, the smooth running of the show, the quality of the awards and the professionalism of the judging and staffing.

We also have had to acknowledge the feedback from exhibitors and trainers over the years who voice concerns regarding the overall length of the show, time away from work and home, additional costs of motel and food, as well as the overall cost to show at this level. The commission decided to start a conversation with the trainers. We have identified at least 19 trainers from around Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Canada to provide us with feedback regarding the continuation of the preshow and how it might better benefit the exhibitors and meet the needs of everyone involved. We are in a fact finding stage at this point and we have made no decision regarding the preshow at this time. I personally have talked on the phone to 10 of the 19 and left messages with 2 and a couple of others have no voice mail. We are collecting a lot of great ideas and brainstorming ways to make this work out not only time wise but financially as well. More will be coming in the near future. I can report not one trainer is unhappy with our show they have had nothing but praise for this Regional Show. They did have a lot to add to the conversation regarding a preshow.

The commission has also added a change to the patron portion of the show. We have created a job description for a Region 4 Advertising and Patron Sales Coordinator that would work on a commission basis. Currently Lisa Munson and Teri Nilsson are working on the purposed changes to the Patron Packages and advertising. Goal is to increase our Patron participation, increase sales in advertising which will help offset expenses for the show.

We currently have all our judges and paid help committed to the 2016 show season. We welcome volunteers who have a few hours or other expertise to assist us at the show. If you have anyone interested please don't hesitate to have them contact us. The more we can involve our membership the more informed they become in how the whole process comes together as well as input and ownership in their Regional Show.

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## Des Arab Arabian Horse Association

### Promotional Activities for 2015

April 17, 18, 19 2015 Idaho Horse Council Horse Expo



Des Arab had one of the best locations at the Expo...on a heavily trafficked corner. Lots of volunteers and terrific representations of the Arabian breed brought many people to the booth. Volunteers and horses rotated in and out every four hours or so.

Additionally, Katie Hudson did a professional, quality presentation of her Arabian, SV Cassidy, in the breed challenge.



**Rohara Mara**, owned by **Karin Brown**,  
being our Arabian Ambassador with style

Thank you to everyone who stepped up and made the Des Arab booth at the Idaho Horse Expo such a fun and productive weekend. Thank you to Jon Anson, Robert Kelsch, Denyce Drinkall and Katie Hudson for setting up and to Jon Anson and Wayne Kinney for tearing it down and repacking. Thank you to all who brought horses: Taylor Wise, Katie Hudson, Tami Bromley, Denyce Drinkall, Karin Brown, Char Armstrong and Sandra Sandford. It is no small task to get our horses cleaned up and presentable for the public this time of year. And of course, thank you to all who helped out in the booth too: Jon Anson, Linda Schneider, Ginny Kelsch, Cindy Gutenberger and Tracey Rauch. What a great group of volunteers!

## Western Idaho State Fair August 21 - 30

Des Arab Arabian Horse Association again provided awards for Arabian winners in the 4H competition and in the Open Horse Show Competition.

Winners of the 4H competition were **Rachel Mansfield** with her horse Mona Lisa Smiles and **Julia Matthews** with Psylebration.

Winners of Arabian classes in the Open Show were:

Arabian Halter Mares was **Megan Kelsch** with Party Hearty.

Arabian Halter Geldings winner was **Victoria Nargiel** with Marboro Man

Arabian English Pleasure winner was **Megan Kelsch** with Party Hearty

Arabian Western Pleasure winner was **Linda Howell** with Ali Hajil.



**Rachel Mansfield**  
4H Champion High Point Arabian  
with her horse,  
**Mona Lisa Smiles**



**Julia Matthews**  
4H Reserve High Point Arabian  
with her horse,  
**Psylebration**

## **Oregon State Fair 2015**

Budget \$800

Actually spent \$423.15

Safeway \$37.70 - snacks for region 4 room

Fantasy Enterprises \$78.44 - halter awards

Stall \$65 - region 4 room

Bimart \$17.99 - snacks for region 4 room

Tag your it \$160 - championship awards (6 Hunter, 6 western)

Fred Meyer \$64.02 - flowers & snacks

Very disappointed this show wasn't supported by the region 4 members this year. We were one of only six breeds even invited this year and we only had one entry (Rayn). The public was very disappointed as well, we heard quite a bit over the the 3 days how sad it was there was only one Arab. Unfortunately the state fair people were very disappointed also. We may not be invited back. I will try to go to the board meeting in Jan to see what is going to happen. I don't understand why this show is shunned by our region members, it is a qualifying show BUT more importantly is our chance to show and engage with the public how wonderful our breed is. Our membership and registrations are down, bringing in new members and owners is how we are going to revive this. The public doesn't come to our breed shows but the fair FILLS the stands every day with potential owners, lessons, youth & amateur prospects, all we have to do is be there to share and engage them. I would hate to see us lose one more way for kids & families to be able to get up close and personal with our wonderful breed.

Rayn stepped up to the task of representing the breed by allowing groups of families over the 3 days to not only pet but have photos taken with him. He stood quietly while not only kids & parents said hi but several groups of disabled individuals in wheelchairs were able to come up and pet him as well. This is what we want people to see our breed is, calm, intelligent, and beautiful.

I am asking for the same budget for next year in hopes of being allowed to present Arab/HA at the fair next year.

Sonjya Luke

Some of the pictures from the fair.





This woman has Alzheimer's and her family said she used to own an Arab, she came over and took his lead rope and started talking to him about her old horse, her family said she hasn't talked that much in a long time.



This gentleman was visiting from Jordan with his family



We had a family from Russia, the gentleman from Jordan, and people from all walks of life learning about our wonderful breed