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EVERYTHING - DRESSAGE,
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What a Show - Spring 2011

Well we did it, we had some concerns, a few personal challenges but we made it happen! What a great show it was! We had a smaller turn out but still had a wonderful time. Jim and his reiners, were lovely to have. Brenda and her lovely babies. Ronalee, always nice to see, and our friends the Pringles from

the island. Too many wonderful folks to mention, we enjoyed you all. We must thank our judges, our sponsors, donors, silent auction donators, shoppers (Gail robbed Mia of some nice plates), and everyone who volunteered and took time to be with us.

A special thank you to Dennis for making us a fabulous dinner Saturday night, it was the best I have ever had at a show! Everyone asked us about a July show, details to follow. Thanks again all!



LOVE LEAD LINE



SCRATCH ME THERE MOM



FUTURE STAR

Janet M. Oddy - Thank you for your amazing contribution



Janet Marie Oddy, 81 years old, prolific Arabian Horse breeder and lover of life, humor and all creatures, passed away March 13, 2011, in British Columbia after a very brief battle with an abdominal blood clot.

Daughter of a cereal chemist and doting mother, Janet answered her ancestral calling. Her love of horses was genetic, an integral leaf on her family tree. Her grandfather was a horse-man, and so was she. Janet's mother was a popular vocalist of her time who performed on radio and in the Saint Olaf's Choir. Her mother wanted Janet to be a concert pianist. Janet had other ideas, however. Her commitment to horses began in earnest at a young age of 13 when her family lived in Scarboro Heights, a neighborhood of comfortable, well-kept larger homes close to the downtown area of Calgary.

Janet viewed her surroundings as assets to convert into horse currency! During the Calgary Stampede in 1942, she rented her room to visitors and made \$46.00, enough to purchase her first horse, Midnight. To the uneasy horror of Janet's mother, Midnight lived in the detached garage. Flicka was Janet's next purchase, and at 17 her bedroom furniture was traded for Scheherazade, a lovely horse of ordinary pedigree and named for the heroine of 1001 Arabian Nights.

The purchase of Scheherazade marked Arabian Horses as the first of Janet's two lifelong passions, the other being a very handsome and ambitious young man named Edwin "Bud" Oddy.

Janet loved Arabian Horses because she loved their souls and admired the beauty of the beast. Janet was like one of the herd, a respected horse that just happened to have two legs rather than four. Janet was stepped-on, kicked, licked and loved as one of the dominant horses. Once, in her late 70s and working alone in the stable, she was accidentally flipped by a favorite horse, landed face-down and knocked unconscious. As she struggled back to consciousness, Janet felt the sweet, soft muzzle of the

offender on her neck as if to say "I'm sorry; will you forgive me?"

Janet was tough, real tough. She had a bad back since youth from vigorous riding, jumping and handling horses. Chiropractic adjustments helped her discomfort. After the flipping episode, she took a few months to recover, but most women her age would have been killed.

Janet was famous for treating horses and herself, claiming to have been a doctor in a past life. She was eccentric, stubborn and the center of attention. She would often say "Arabvoir" (in tribute to her horses and hoping to coin this personalized phrase combining "Arab" and the French goodbye "au revoir") rather than simply hello or goodbye. She loved to cook for her visitors, not for the good food, but because the visitors

would stay longer and she enjoyed their company. She fervently believed the mantra "If a little is good, a lot is excellent." Her chicken cacciatore recipe involved marinating at room temperature for days. By God's grace, the chicken was quite excellent and no one ever fell ill.

Janet was of Norwegian background (which explains her Viking strength), but said that she was made a tribal blood brother during one of her rides with Native Indians in the foothills near Calgary. All creatures loved her but she best loved horses. She fed bears and lived to tell about it. Deer came to her retirement ranch.

Chucky the chicken (no relation to her cacciatore) adored her. Janet was forgiving in biblical proportions. A proud, sweet loving grey mare and proud stallion, had the privilege of Janet's fine care for many years, with daily grain, a comfortable stable, and the best of alfalfa hay.

These horses were sent to a ranch in exchange for a promise to respect and care for the magnificent animals (Janet's requirements for placing horses in another home). Instead, the mare was left to starve to death on the frozen Alberta plain during

the worst of winter. The stallion fortunately survived and was returned to Janet, in close to death condition but was recuperated back to health. Yet Janet forgave the responsible party.

The abused stallion and mare become 2 of the "Rescue 100" nationally televised story in 2008 and the Rescue 100 Foundation, dedicated to offering care, love and healing to animals that survive abuse.

Janet is established as one of the largest Arabian Horse breeders of her time, Oddy's Skyline Arabians Ltd., with offspring spread throughout Canada and the United States. Her concentration was in the English Crabbet and Davenport lines, with a side-line run of Polish. Raseyn Gezan, a mainstay stallion, sired 140 purebreds alone from 1960 to 1980. He was a Top Ten Stallion winner and Grand Champion. A few products of Janet's breeding program were Jinnyi's Ferda, Concorde Gezan, Shammra, Wafa El Shammar, Rifala's Naseem, Rif Alazar, Kahrabaye, La Golindrina, Jericho Antez, Taffy, Skowronek's Jinnyi, Taffy's Ferliti, Cinderallah, Abu Farwas Rawia, Brusally El Azrak, Azcindi, Azulique, Jaleure, Jawarr, Mauhin, Vask, Falk and Rivaska.

Janet was born in Calgary, Alberta, died in Kamloops, British Columbia, and is survived by Bud, her husband of 57 years; sons Peter and Ken, and daughter Kristi Sindt; hundreds of horse friends; and a very large herd of four-legged creatures scattered throughout our great nations.

*Arabvoir, Janet. We shall see
you in heaven!*

Please send donations to
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Good Luck and Best to Our Youth Team!

The BCHAA Youth Team are to be reckoned with. They are working and riding hard. They are going to rock the circuit. We want to be sure they know we are cheering them on!!!!

Our Stars:

- Rachel Barker
- Rachel Venables
- Mackinley Wilson
- Emma Ostericher
- Mackenzie McIntosh
- Katie Johnson
- Amanda Wood
- Rachel Barker
- Kristin Wiemkan
- Makinley Wilson
- Kestril Zalesky
- Griffin Zalesky

GO TEAM GO



MRR 2011

Terry Johnson - West Star International

Surrey, BC

Terry Johnson received an e-mail a couple years ago regarding a stallion on her website from Mr. Chu, a Chinese businessman, who was traveling to Canada and interested in seeing Arabian horses.

"I was cautious since there are so many internet scams, but I invited him to our farm as he was visiting Canada within the next 2 weeks," says Johnson. Not recognizing the vast size of Canada, Mr. Chu wanted to see horses in Vancouver, Toronto and Nova Scotia. "I explained that wasn't quite realistic for his trip, but I told him I could take him to numerous Arabian farms within driving distance."

Over "the course of the next two years, Chu visited Canada four or five times, each time visiting farms and seeing numerous Arabian Horses. "It was two years, and a lot of translation before I realized what type of Arabian horses he was interested in purchasing," says Johnson. "Mr. Chu wanted beautiful Arabians as living works of art."

In May of 2009, Johnson and her husband Kevin traveled as Chu's guests to observe his operation which is 20 kilometers outside Beijing. "I was happy to walk into his facility and see white boards with training, grooming and feeding schedules. It felt just like home. Not that I could actually tell you what it said!"

Chu had previously purchased Lusitanos, Andalusians and Quarter Horses in North America that were used by the students from a nearby college for riding and barrel racing, which is very popular in this part of China.

Johnson took him on as a client, serving as agent for some of the young stock he wanted to import for an Arabian breeding program. He has since acquired the stallion Matinee Bey (NV Beau Bey x Classique Design), as well as five mares, daughters of Sir Fame HBV, Magnum Psyche and QR Mare,

"AHA has been very helpful in the transfer of these horses as there is not an Arabian Registry in China, and we want to be sure to preserve the registration of these horses and resulting foals," says Johnson.



From left, Mr. Chu, Terry Johnson, Kevin Johnson and interpreter Jin Zhang.

plus granddaughters of Ali Jamaal and Echo Magnifico. Most of the mares carried in utero foals to renowned stallions such as A Jakarta, Ever After, El Chall and Echclusive, and will be born this spring.

Exporting the horses was a very difficult and time consuming task. The Chinese government requires very difficult testing and quarantine, and has a very high barrier to entry at this time. Of the 10 horses tested, four were unable to go to China.

Johnson believes relationship building is critical in doing business with the Chinese.

"They're looking for a relationship first. They want to know the person they're doing business with. I am currently working with other Chinese Arabian horse enthusiasts to help develop this emerging market, and will be returning to China this May to meet with potential clients."

Terry Johnson is the Region 17 Director, an AHA Regional National Judge and a certified Coach and Clinician with Equine Canada.

OUR SUMMER HORSE SHOW IS A GO JULY 15-17



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If you would like to volunteer at the booth please get in touch with Mia: miaishome@gmail.com or 604-833-4113



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