



BC HALF ARAB ASSOCIATION



Letter from the President

2011 has been a challenge and we are thrilled to look to the new year. We have some new directors and a new President with some fresh ideas for the club. Looking over the years I have been President I always enjoy seeing familiar faces at the shows. I am thankful for all the hard work that our directors have done, our volunteers and of course our faithful members and participants.

Our banquet will prove to be fun as always and another show this year which I can relax a little and enjoy even more! Can't wait.

See you in 2012.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Thank you,

Marg Brodie



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AHA Convention
Vancouver BC
November 16-19, 2011

The 2011 AHA Convention "A Little Bit of Heaven in 2011" was sponsored by Region 17. This was the first time since 1990 that the Convention was held in Canada. 266 delegates were in attendance.

Election Results

The Vice President is Dale Harvill, the treasurer is David Corning and the Secretary is Jan Decker.

In Attendance

In attendance from Region 17 were Kimberly Toye, Brenda Driediger, and Nicki Muller from AAHABC; Karen Caughell, Lorne Robertson and Debbie Storey, Aurora AHA; Laurie Mostowich and Donna Kavanagh, Calgary AHA; Gerald McDonald, VIAHA; Sue Rousseau from BCHAA, and myself as Regional Director.

Ashley Toye and Doug Archibald from AAHABC, Sandra Gilbert-Stockhausen, Bob Ramsey and Wendy Don from VIAHA and juniors Conley Driediger and Katie Johnson attended as Guests.

Location, Location

The Sport Horse Nationals will be held in Idaho for 2012 and Lexington Virginia in 2013. The US Nationals will be remaining in Tulsa.

Canadian Nationals was ahead of Budget and will most likely be in Brandon again in 2012. Our Canadian Show Commission was presented with the President's Award. In the History of the President's Award, only 2 individuals have received it twice! Gerald McDonald and Allan Ehrlick! Both Canadians!!! Congratulations!

Our Regional Volunteers were Karen Caughell and Rob Calnan. Thank you for your support I also want to thank Shirley and Murray Popplewell of Rae-Dawn Arabians for their financial assistance in hosting a coffee break.

Of Interest

A special forum on Barn Fire Prevention was presented and well received, which included how to be prepared in case.

The Horseman's Distress Fund gave a very informative presentation. Region 17 donated \$500. They raised over \$30,000 for the fund that is available to all horsemen in need. Over \$70,000 was raised at US Nationals for this fund.

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Resolutions

#1 Redefining the Age Limit for Youth Approved May be extraordinary depending on USEF/EC approval, so may be in effect for 2012. The youth age limit will be raised from 17 to 18.

#2 Resolution Submission Date Approved In the past, August 1 was the deadline for resolution submissions. The summer BOD meeting is held the first or second weekend in August, and it is too late to include any changes made by the BOD.

#3 Annual Convention to be Held in Denver Withdrawn. However, the AHA Convention will be held in Denver in 2012, Kentucky in 2013 and then in Denver from 2014 to 2016.

#4 Running Martingales on 3 year old English Pleasure Horses Withdrawn

#5 Updating Level Judges Approved R/N judges are to be used at Eastern and Western Canadian Breeders.

#6 Ginger Testing Approved Now it will be the responsibility of USEF/EC to determine horses for testing.

#7 Bar Shoe Rule Approved Now only 1 bar is allowed, up to 1 1/8" wide and 3/8" thick.

#8 Add Arabian Comparative Judging System To Handbook Disapproved.

#9 Whip Length in Sport Horse Under Saddle Approved. If a whip is carried, it can not exceed dressage requirements.

#10 Add Arabian Breeders World Cup Judging System Withdrawn.

#11 Amend Breeding and In-Hand Class Requirements Withdrawn.

#12 Hunt Seat Equitation Changes Approved. The top 4 riders at Nationals may be asked to exchange horses.

#13 Education/Evaluation Commission Modification. Withdrawn.

#14 Education/Evaluation Commission Terms Approved Starting in December 2012, the new members of the EEC can only serve 3 3 year terms (total 9 years).

#15 Vet outs are exempt from 9-90 Fee. Approved Vet outs will receive a refund of the 9-90 fee.



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Sport Horse News

The Sport Horse Committee is in the process of having the Sport Horse classes included in 1 day show list, and having Sport Horse Showmanship rules and class specifications included in the rule book. These may both take a year or 2 but are now in the process.

Show Managers please remember that starting in 2012 if you are having dressage classes you must also run Dressage Seat Equitation and Dressage Seat Medal Classes.

Region 17 hosted the **Wall of Fame** where we displayed photos of many of our Regional and National winners. This was very popular and admired by all the delegates. This was a great fundraiser, and will help us with Convention costs.

I also want to thank Staff Sergeant Gary Millar (not really RCMP) for volunteering to have his photo with many of our delegates. He interrupted the Regional Caucus meetings and insisted that we get photo id of the delegates! There was a \$5.00 fee and this was a great fund raiser for our youth.

Both these ideas were from Kevin Johnson who volunteered to take the photos with Elke Ross and spent all day Friday getting the photos printed and given to the delegates. Thank you Kevin and Elke!

I also want to thank Jennifer Snow for making the Blackberry and Crab-apple Jam for our Directors and Staff gifts. I have already heard that it is fabulous!

We were very fortunate to have Atlantic Crossing play at the President's Banquet. They were very well received and everyone stayed to the end and had a great time.

After the convention I received numerous letters from Directors thanking us and commending us on a great convention. Most said it was the best they had ever attended!

Thank you to everyone for all your help throughout the year. Without everyones help it would be very difficult to promote our beautiful Canadian Horses.

Terry Johnson

Director

Region 17 AHA



Letter from Your New President

BCHAA Members

Dear Members, as the new president of the BCHAA I would love to have your input. In the past the club has been struggling, and by becoming the new President I am hoping to restructure and Make this a club, that does more than just run Horse shows. And has more to offer the members!!

The Club is organising A Fundraiser at Fraser Downs, on **Jan 22, 2012**. This will be a Brunch, and awards and lots of Fun. The doors open at Noon, buffet 12.30pm – 2.30pm and first race is at 1.45pm. We will be having our awards at 1 pm.

We will be having a 50/50 and silent auction. We look forward to seeing everyone there; **you don't need to be a BCHAA member to join us.**

Adults \$25.00 Children under 10 \$15.

March 4th 11-3 pm. we are planning a Braiding Clinic and Potluck Lunch, at Willow Acres.

On March 25th we will be having a Showmanship Clinic, and Potluck, from 11-3pm.at Willow Acres.

Horses will be supplied, These activities are free we just ask that you bring a refreshment, and pop.

All ages are welcome at all our activities. We want to make this a fun club to visit your friends, and learn about your favorite sport! I would love to hear if you have any ideas or a clinic suggestions. We have some great clinicians in mind but need your support to come out and take part, and meet new friends.

Our Show will be **April 20-22, 2012** at Cloverdale Fairgrounds. We have lots of great new ideas, and would love to have you attend. Please let us know if you would like specific classes, as we will be getting the program out after Christmas.

Please let us know what we can do for you!

Wishing you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Very Horsey 2012!!

Terry Johnson

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Thank you kindly!



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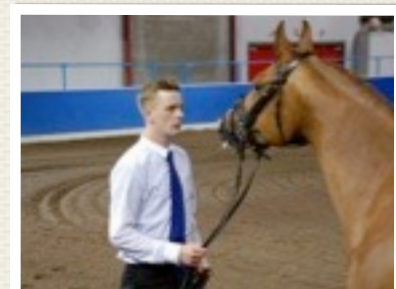
Our show dates are set for April 20 - 22, 2012. Stalls and camping will be available. If you have any prize list suggestions, please let us know as soon as possible or classes will be set as they have been, in the past.

Stalls and camping available. The prize list will be posted on the website as soon as possible things will be similar to last years show, if you have any suggestions please contact us, please keep an eye on www.bchalfarabian.com or our new facebook page for updates.

The Videographer will be there as well Mia will be running around with her camera and she has a new lens for indoor photography, don't worry, no flash needed.

Joining BC Half Arab Club has it's rewards! Includes membership to AHA, subscription to Modern Arabian Horse magazine, local events and fun fundraisers, and a great gaggle of people.

Great Prizes & Fun



YOUR NEW BOARD

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BCHAA ANNUAL AWARDS SUNDAY JANUARY 22, 2012




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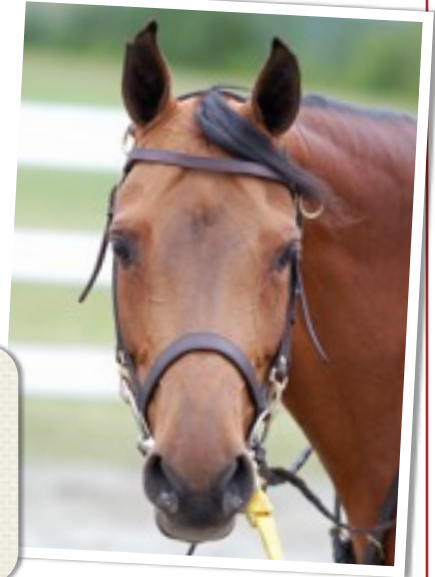
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