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Region 12 Director's Message

This month I can report the financial statement for the Region XII Show is complete and showed a profit of \$17,422. Although the profit did not meet the threshold of \$30,000 to support contributing to the delegates for convention, it did keep us financially sound.

After four years, Frank Chisholm has stepped down from the Spotlight Futurity Board, effective December 31, 2010. Frank has a new business venture and must spend his available time getting it started. His dedication to the welfare of the Spotlight has left the program on a solid financial footing. Thank you Frank for your contribution and continued support to our Region.

As a reminder, the AHA Convention in Orlando is right around the corner, if you have not registered please do so. Michelle Watson and Cliff McCuddy, co chairs, are doing a fantastic job to make your experience an enjoyable one.

Sport Horse Nationals in Idaho did extremely well. The budget of 325 horses was surpassed by 71 horses bringing the total to 396. Entries were 30 above budget totaling 1,587. Coupled with Canada, which had 741 horses with 685 budgeted, AHA is encouraged by the numbers from these two shows.

The internal audit committee is closing in on having the preliminary audit completed. The next step is to answer any additional questions before continuing on to completion.

I hope to see several of you at US Nationals and good luck to those exhibiting. As a final note, the National's Late Penalty Fee has been reduced from \$1,000 to \$500.

Cowboy Mounted Shooting Demo at US Nationals

At the Arabian US Nationals there will be a Cowboy Mounted Shooting demo. It will be done with a twist. Arabian trainers have been invited to ride and shoot. Region 12 will be well represented by Ted Carson, Dale Brown, Rob Bick and Caralyn Schroter. The demo will take place on the afternoons of October 29th and October 30th. Come out on a root for your favorite trainer(s). For further information contact Frank Galovic at rideem@dtccom.net or 615-542-3760.





Ocala Arabian Horse Farm Tour

NOVEMBER 16, 2010

While you're in Orlando for the 2010 Arabian Horse Association Convention, be sure to enjoy the magic that only the Arabian Horse can bring to you.

Region 12 is proud to offer a wonderful opportunity to visit three of our finest Arabian farms, all located in the beautiful Ocala area. Each farm will have live presentations and will be providing all food and refreshments throughout the course of the day.

All that each participant will be responsible for is the cost for transportation via motor coach. Pick up and drop off will be at the AHA Convention Host Hotel, the Buena Vista Palace.

This tour is open to everyone.

Come to Sunny Florida this November and join us as we put our beautiful Arabian horse back into the Convention!

See attached registration form for more details!

Carol shares the emotion and love that the Arabian brings to their lives. "My job is to see that they get carrots" she says.

Centrally located in the "Horse Capital of the World", beautiful Ocala, FL

Hennessey Arabians

First Stop (approx 10:00am)

Frank & Carol Hennessey discovered a passion when they met and fell in love with the Arabian breed. As they began to settle into retirement in 2006, Frank & Carol moved into their new found passion and created a heaven of their own at Hennessey Arabians—a serene and beautiful home for the Arabian mare. Their mission is to develop, maintain and share a place of no pressure, where the Arabian mares of the farm, along with their foals would dictate the environment in which they lived. They have made a home and a haven for the animals that have touched their own lives and they wish to share the experience with you.

Frank & Carol come from a life of business ventures, investments, great risk and great success, but now in their retirement they have created a new but just as successful dream. "I never believed that

the Arabian horse could make such a difference in my life, but it has," says Frank Hennessey, "of all the things that I am still involved in...nothing gives me more pleasure than being on the farm."

Hennessey Arabians will be providing a delicious breakfast for everyone that will include traditional Southern Mimosas!



Foxview Farm

Second Stop (approx 12:30pm):

During your visit to Foxview Farm, don't expect "same old –same old", we have something totally different and distinctive planned for your enjoyment. We guarantee you have never seen anything like this before. Be prepared to witness a unique glimpse back in time to what may have been the beginning of American horse showing. We will be announcing other special additions to the presentation as the event gets closer.

In addition to the above mentioned event, plan to enjoy a complete tour of the state of art facilities at FVF, discover the comfortable family atmosphere and meet some of the most loved and pampered creatures

on the planet and their owners. FV's trainers will be available to answer questions and schedule tryouts or viewings of the sales horses.

In keeping with the theme of the day a delicious lunch will be served to one and all!



Rohara Arabians

Third Stop (approx 3:30pm)

Roxann and Karl Hart, are excited to act as our host for the last stop of the day and invite each of you to take this opportunity to visit with them.

Rohara Arabians represents four decades of continued achievements in excellence. Rohara was founded in 1968 and moved from Miami to Ocala in 1983. The farm boasts a world class facility with two covered round pens, covered walker, 100 stalls, breeding lab and covered breeding shed, and covered 200' arena. Rohara's rolling pastures, 125 acres, ponds, and hundreds of oak trees are a beautiful and natural environment for the Arabian horse.

Over the years, Rohara has enjoyed tremendous success in the show rings "all" over the world. Rohara has exported some of the finest breeding stock to fifteen different foreign countries: Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, England, France, Guatemala, Italy, Mexi-

co, Nicaragua, Panama, South Africa, Sweden, Trinidad, and Venezuela. Many Rohara exports have had tremendous success in foreign show rings and breeding barns.

Rohara will be serving dinner as well as providing us all a chance to see their finest horses.



Roxann Hart
says Rohara
feels like a
"beautiful,
natural
environment
for the
Arabian
Horse."

Be sure to complete your registration form and send it along with your check to Janet Searls so you won't miss out on the Ocala Arabian Horse Farm Tour and Southern Hospitality at it's finest!

DEADLINE: November 10, 2010

Reserve your seat today! Limited space on shuttle bus!!

For More Info:

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2010 AHAF THANKSGIVING EXTRAVAGANZA - "DINNER ON THE DIRT"

Following the afternoon classes on Thanksgiving Day, AHAF would like to invite you to "Dinner on the Dirt." There will be great food, inflatable moon walks and slides, fun games, ice cream, prizes, and much MUCH more! It will be a fun time for the entire family!

Dinner tickets may be pre-purchased for **\$15 per person**, or you may purchase at the show for **\$17.50**.

The evening's entertainment is being funded by a **ticket raffle** and **WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!** Tickets are **\$30** each or **4 for \$100**. **ALL OF THE PROCEEDS GO TOWARDS THIS FUN NIGHT!** First place winners receive a golf cart worth \$5,000! Second place receives \$500 and Third place receives \$250!

Along with the grand prize winners, other lucky winners will receive door prizes throughout the evening. There will also be a drawing for people who order their meal tickets in advance. This lucky winner will receive a full service meal for themselves and 7 guests of their choice.

TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE SO PLEASE SEE YOUR
REPRESENTATIVE AND HELP US FUND THIS ACTIVITY! BUY YOUR RAFFLE TICKET AND HAVE A
CHANCE AT THE 3 DRAWINGS!

For more information contact:

David Mikosz --- (843) 368-2115

Alex Longares --- (352) 438-7746

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Cathy Perryman – (904) 219-2059

Whitehaven Horse & Rider win at East Coast Championships

Ima Bustn Loose (Scudbuster x Ima Tiki Ku), bred by Valour Arabians and owned by Trisha Dingle & Jennifer Borgo, was Top 5 Purebred Sport Horse Mare at this year's East Coast Championships. The show, held annually in Lexington, VA, is a regional level competition that includes all the top Arabians and Half-Arabians east of the Mississippi. Horses & riders must qualify for East Coast by earning points at Arabian Horse Association breed shows held throughout the preceding months on the east coast. "Fancy" placed 3rd overall out of 10 mares, just missing the championship title. With owner/trainer Trisha Dingle, she also competed in the Eastern Arabian Horse Show held prior to the championships, where she placed 3rd in First Level test 4 dressage and won the Second level dressage class. This talented 7-year-old, 16 hand purebred sabino Arabian mare was bred by Valour Arabians, and was originally sent to Trisha to be trained and sold. Recognizing her immense potential, Trisha partnered with Coker College biology professor Dr. Borgo in purchasing Fancy in 2009. Both riders train regularly with top dressage trainer Jill Allard of Evergreen Farm (<http://www.evergreendressage.com>), and farrier Mike Stine of Equine Dynamics (<http://www.equinedynamics.com>) is sponsoring Fancy for the 2010 show season. Jen & Trisha would like to extend a very special thank-you to Howell & Margo Wallace of Valour Arabians for allowing them to have this extraordinary mare and to Mike, Jill, and equine vet/chiropractor Dr. Nicole Cunningham for their help in preparing Fancy for the championships and shows throughout the year.

Trisha is the head trainer of Whitehaven Plantation, an all breed boarding & training facility located in Bishopville, SC. While the farm accepts all breeds & disciplines for boarding and training, Trisha specializes in Arab/Half-Arab sport horses. The farm has a select number of spaces open for boarding and training, and is home to the Turkey creek Riding Academy. They also have quality sport horses and ponies available for purchase, as well as stand four straight Egyptian Arabian stallions. For more information visit their website at <http://www.whitehavenplantation.com>, or call the farm at 803-428-5656.

(photo by Lynn Kaufman)



Mike Stine attends Equine Lameness Prevention Course

Equine farrier Mike Stine believes strongly in continuing education. It is with this thought in mind that he will be traveling to Colorado to take part in an Equine Lameness Prevention Organization (ELPO) course in September. Mike will be participating in the "Ropin' Ridin' & Slidin' - Shoeing to Keep Them Sound" course to be held September 16-18. It is a three day clinic with Troy Kerr (CNBBT, CNBF, CLS) on understanding the hind limb of the western performance horse and how to shoe/trim properly to keep the horse healthy and sound. Also included in this clinic will be an evening lecture by Jodi Vertz (CNBBT, CNBF) on "Getting to Know the Hind Limb".



As part of this clinic, attendees will get to see riding, live shoeing, and forging demonstrations. They will also take part in a hand-forging workshop in order to practice techniques for making specialized shoes for working western horses. Lectures will include an intense look at correct hind-limb conformation and function, as well as faults that proper shoeing can help alleviate. In addition to Mr. Kerr, participants will hear from trainers, veterinarians, and other certified farriers. To learn more about this particular clinic and/or the ELPO, please visit their website at <http://www.e-hoofcare.com>.

Mike Stine is a Registered Journeyman Farrier (RJF) and Certified Natural Balance Farrier & Trimmer (CNBF, CNBT). Mike is a professional farrier and educator who specializes in equine biomechanics and whole horse evaluation. In 2010, he was Official Farrier for the FEI qualifier at The Fork Horse Trials in NC and in 2008 served as evaluating farrier for the USEF Endurance Team East Coast training session. Under the name Equine Dynamics, Mike provides farrier services and conducts educational programs in the U.S. and abroad. For more information visit www.equinedynamics.com or contact Mike at 704-821-4799.

Show Announcements

North Carolina State Fair announces the North Carolina State Fair Horse Show October 19-20, 2010. For prize book please check out our website [NCSF website](#).

Western Carolina Arabian Horse Association announces the Annual Western Carolinas Fall Show November 5-7, 2010. For prize book please check out our website [WCAHA website](#).

Arabian Sport Horse Challenge will be held in Newberry, FL November 6-7, 2010. For more information, please contact Carlie Evans 352-215-0710.

Dixie Gulf Arabian Horse Association announces the Annual Dixie Gulf Panhandle Ruff Out November 12-14, 2010. For prize book please check out our website [DGAHA website](#).

Arabian Horse Association of Florida announces the 41st Annual Thanksgiving Show November 24-27, 2010. For prize book please check out our website [AHAF website](#).

List of Organizations At Risk of Automatic Revocation of Tax-Exempt Status

In the past, non-profits whose gross revenues were under \$25,000 did not have to file any tax information with the IRS. A few years ago, Congress changed this and all non-profits have to now file either a 990 (for those whose revenues equal or exceed \$25,000) or a 990N (for those non-profits that have revenues less than \$25,000). If a non-profit did not file either return it would lose its non-profit status. The deadline for this has passed. However, the IRS has extended a period of amnesty which will end on October 15, 2010. The 990N is a fairly simple return to file and can be done in about 15 minutes on line. For more information on this amnesty:

<http://www.irs.gov/charities/article/0,,id=225889,00.html>



Attention: All Region 12 Affiliate Club Presidents & Secretaries

AHA Convention located this year in Orlando, Florida on November 17th thru 20th. Here is the list of clubs that has sent back in their delegate certification forms to AHA. As we move closer to our upcoming Convention located this year in Orlando, Florida it would be appreciated if all club presidents and secretaries make sure that their paper work has been received and processed. Kenna Ashley at AHA is handling this process for us. You can contact her at 303-696-4519, Kenna.Ashley@Arabianhorses.org or fax: 303-696-4599.



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