

REGIONAL REVIEW

First Quarterly Meeting Report and Region 2 News

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Region 2, 2015, Meetings

March 28, Bakersfield August 8, Santa Inez Area November 7, Bakersfield

AHA Board of Directors 2015 Meeting Dates

March 13 & 14
July 31/August 1
November 17 at Convention

DIRECTOR'S REPORT Hi everyone, Happy New Year!

Because the AHA Board decided to cut back to three meetings per year to save everyone money, there is no meeting between convention and March and, therefore, little

news from the national organization. So, we'll focus on the Region.

We held our Region 2 Board meeting in early January. The January meeting is always focused on approving our annual budget. That is very important business because we cannot spend or commit to spend any money until the budget is approved. Even though the meeting had been scheduled for many months and notice went out 30 days in advance as per our bylaws, not enough delegates showed up to achieve a quorum. With no quorum, we could only discuss the budget and come to a tentative agreement. We could not make or pass any motions.

We are a very democratic organization and depend on the duly appointed delegates to attend our board meetings and represent their clubs and members. True emergencies or unavoidable conflicts will always be an issue, but that is why we have appointed alternates. As members, you have the right to be represented in key regional decisions and to be informed about regional business. Without your delegates' attendance, that cannot happen. I hope you will strongly encourage your delegates to attend every Region 2 Board meeting and ask if they did.

Because we did not have a quorum at the early January meeting, we had to call an emergency meeting to approve the budget by email vote as provided for in our bylaws. That vote was completed last night. Almost all the delegates voted, and the budget was approved with only one dissenting vote.

Last year, the San Fernando club decided that they no longer wanted to hold their May show. That show was an important qualifier for the Region 2 Championship show. Our Regional Championship Show is our major income-generating event. Without its income, there could be no sponsorships or groups such as our Region 2 Youth nor would our Championship rides and other programs be able to continue. Therefore, the Region decided that it would sponsor a qualifying show this year on behalf of the Region, our Committees and our clubs.

The show will continue to be held at Earl Warren Showgrounds in Santa Barbara. The dates are the 9th and 10th of May. Lori Conway is our judge. The primary goal of the show is to provide our members and exhibitors with a Region 2 qualifying show that is affordable, fun and easy. We are looking for volunteers to man gates and to run cards. There will be six sessions in the show. Please let Penny Wardlaw know if you are willing to help – if just for a single session. These jobs do not require any experience, are fun, and the Region would appreciate your time and energy! We hope that those of you who show will bring your horses and compete. (Cont'd. next page)



Director's Message, continued:

Finally, on a sad note, Patricia Kline passed away last week. Pat was a long time member, sometimes delegate and the wife of one of our current delegates, Dory Kline. She was a fixture for years as ring steward for several R2 shows and the Championships. Dory and Pat's daughter Kathleen has shown horses and also has attended R2 Board meetings. Please join me in offering our condolences to Dory, Kathleen, their family and friends.

That's it for now. Talk to you again in April.

Jay Greenberg, Director, Region 2



Motions Passed at the January 10, 2015, Delegates' Meeting

Vicky Rich, Secretary



The Minutes from the November 1, 2014, meeting were corrected and approval moved to the March 28 meeting since a quorum was

not present.

Emergency Meeting called January 22, motion by Vicky Rich, seconded by Lorry Wagner: In a separate email, to be returned to Vicky Rich at vr10531@aol.com, you must cast your vote: AYE for approval of the attached 2015 Region 2 budget as submitted, or NO for disapproval. The deadline to cast your vote is 11:59PM, Sunday, January 25, 2015, but it will make it much easier if you submit your vote as soon as possible. Motion passed.



Sister Regions' Newsletters

New service on our "Calendar of Events" list. We now list the web address for the newsletters produced by other Regions who, in turn, give us a reciprocal link back to our Region 2 Newsletter listing on our website.



Region 2 Corporate Commission

Lorry Wagner, Chair



Lorry reported that she had sent a "follow-up" letter to IRS on December 14, 2014, asking for update on the status of the original filing on back tax returns. In response, IRS contacted her by telephone the

evening before the January 10 meeting and confirmed that everything had been received, cleared and Region 2 is in good order with IRS. A letter to this effect has been received and is now on file.

All other Region 2 Corporate business is up to date and in good order.



New Region 2 Class "A" Show

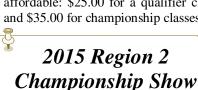
Penny Wardlaw, Chair/Manager

A May, Region 2 qualifying show will be held May 9 and 10 at Earl Warren Showgrounds. With the decreasing numbers of Region 2 Clubs being able to produce the qualifying shows needed to give our exhibitors ample opportunities to qualify for the Region 2 Championship Show, Region 2 is producing the Class A show.

Lori Conway will be our judge and premiums will be available soon. We want this to be a great show for our exhibitors. We will be offering several entry-level classes as well as a contingent of open classes. A very limited number of TBA classes may be available but if you know you want a class held, contact Penny now as the class list is being assembled. We will certainly try to add sponsored, requested classes.

Requests have been received for showmanship and trail classes on Friday so the additional day may be added, with the provision that those classes would have to be sponsored by those interested.

REGION 2 encourages both first-time and experienced volunteers to help. To volunteer, please contact Penny (phwardlaw@aol.com). Don't be surprised if you are called and asked to help but better yet, let the Region know that you want to keep this show going by your actions! This is a great opportunity to learn. Clubs, individuals and businesses...please support this show! Class sponsorships are very affordable: \$25.00 for a qualifier class and \$35.00 for championship classes.



Joyce Schroeder, Chair/Manager



The 2015 Region 2 Show is quickly approaching and plans are underway to provide both exhibitor and spectator a great opportunity to spend quality time with your friends, family, and those amazingly beautiful Arabian horses.

The Pre Show will be held on June 17 and 18, with Gretchen McDaniel judging and Championship Classes judged by John Ryan, Josh Quintus and Gary Dearth held on the 19-21st.

Our Youth led by Flora ElmClone will be planning some fun activities for both adult and youth who will be attending and sponsoring the Ice Cream Social again to raise funds for Youth activities. I hope that whatever is planned, that all will participate to support this worthwhile part of the Region. Should there be any Youth members in your Club, I encourage you to have them contact Flora and become involved and to join us at the show. We love volunteers!

The Trading Post will return this year and give exhibitors a chance to "exchange" prizes for items they may prefer, the Exhibitor Dinner will return with maybe a new "twist", Patron Program will be available for both full Patronships and a Mini Patronship, Vendors will be on site for those of you who love to shop.....so, please mark your calendar, get your horse (s) ready, and come join us for some "Fun in the Sun" in Santa Barbara.

A Show is only as good or successful as those who work to make it so....we NEED

your help as a volunteer in many areas...please think about what you might be able to do and when and contact Stephanie Bennett to sign up for a job and a time slot. Even if you are showing, maybe you could give a few hours providing support

Should you have questions, please contact any of your Board or a member of the Show Committee.

See you there, Joyce Schroeder, Show Chairman



Region 2 Endurance Challenge

Marci Cunningham



The 2014 Endurance Challenge had 29 participants but not all completed the required number of rides to get an award. Fourteen riders reached the Platinum Level by completing at least 10

rides. This was 2 less than last year. Their award choice consisted of an embroidered fleece or cotton sheet blanket, crew bay, half bale bag, Delux Hay Sac, or large duffle bag. The Gold Level was attained by 3 riders (8 to 9 completions) who could choose between an embroidered jacket, medium duffle bag and a 4 row trailer organizer. One rider reached the Silver Level (6 to 7 completions) and selected a 3 row trailer organizer and 2 riders were Bronze Level (4 to 5 completions) recipients and could choose between an embroidered sweatshirt, a 2 row trailer organizer and hanging flake/grain feeder. With the exception of the horse blankets, recipients were able to choose the color of their award.

As in previous years, some don't renew their membership but one who didn't participate last year renewed her membership for 2014. I sent Endurance Challenge flyers to a ride last October to be included in rider packets and am also sending them to a January Ridgecrest ride. The Endurance Challenge is explained on our website under the Regional Events tab if anyone has questions about how it works.

All who participate in the Region 2 Endurance Challenge are very appreciative of the region's support of endurance riding. The 2015 AERC Convention is in Reno this March so I will be attending and advertising our program at the AHA booth. For an average endurance rider who is already

paying \$75 annually for an AERC membership it can be tough to sell the value of a Region 2 AHA membership. Our Endurance Challenge program provides value for their membership since many don't participate in other AHA programs. I am happy to continue managing the challenge as long as it has the support of Region 2.

At the January Region 2 meeting it was decided not to require a competition card for participation in the Endurance Challenge. This will be a savings of \$35 for participants however if they are enrolled in AHA programs that require a competition card such as Achievement Awards, Sweepstakes or Distance a competition card is still required.



Region 2 Youth News

<u>Kelly Elm</u>, Region 2 Youth Committee Chair



Reported by Flora ElmColone, Region 2 Youth Director

In November, 2014, I attended the Arabian Horse Youth Association's (AHYA) board meeting and the Arabian

Horse Association's (AHA) Convention in Denver.

I'd like to give a big thank you to Region 2 for donating a Region 2 patron package to our AHYA Silent Auction. The silent auction is our second biggest fundraiser, second only to the Shadow Trailer Raffle. We accomplished a lot at our youth meeting, including the theme for Youth National and Youth Convention, 2015, which is "Horsing Around the World." We also elected new committee chairs and I am excited to be serving as the new Equitation and Showmanship vice chair. I have tried to reach out to the Region 2 youth through e-mail multiple times without much success. I will continue to send updates, information and try to connect through social media which I have found is the most effective method. Our Region 2 Instagram has 493 followers and our Facebook has 347 likes.

I have a lot of new ideas for fundraisers and activities for 2015 about which I am

very excited! I have spoken with my vice director, Stacie Mercado, and we are looking forward to putting together a Region 2 YouTube channel. My idea behind this is to make videos at horse shows of some of the activities we do...youth having fun...and maybe a few victory passes from the youth classes. Our hope is that these videos will show people how much fund the youth have at Region 2 and draw in some new members. I have also spoken with Joyce Schroeder (2015 Region 2 Show Chair/Manager) about a possible Youth scavenger hunt at our 2015 Show as well as a Region 2 Youth Silent Auc-One simple fundraiser that worked for a lot of other regions is having a spare-change jar in the show office during horse shows which can actually raise a significant amount and is very easy. This month's Arabian Horse Times had a 6-page article on our very own Region 2 group entitled "Taking the Reins!"

I look forward to this 2015 show year and am excited to continue as Region 2 Youth Director.



AHA of San Joaquin Valley

Nancy Goertzen, Reporting

Rancho California and San Joaquin Valley Arabian Spring Show in Burbank, CA March 19 – 22, at Los Angeles Equestrian Center premium book is n o w o n l i n e a t www.horsenumbers.com. If you would like a hard copy, please email Nancy Goertzen at goertzenarab@gmail.com and she will be happy to send you one. This show also includes the Region 2 Offsite Sport Horse and Dressage Championships! The show schedule has been improved with the addition of English Trail, Adult Showmanship, and back by popular demand - Breeding and In-Hand classes!!! If a trainer brings 8 horses - they receive a free stall! If an amateur brings 2 horses they received a free class! If a horse in entered in performance – they can enter 1 main ring halter class! We are offering 8 - \$500 Hi Point Awards! We look forward to seeing you at the show!



This information is also available on the AHA web site: www.arabianhorses.org

Half-Arabian Investigation Updates

Following an investigation by the Arabian Horse Association's Registry Services Department under the leadership of Debbie Fuentes, AHA's Registrar, the Half-Arabian Registration Papers for JOHNNY NITRO and QUINTESSAA were cancelled after determining the horses had no Arabian parent as indicated in their registration applications and subsequent Certificates of Registration. Susan and Terry Hatfield had registered the two horses in December of 2009. As a result of the investigation, a Notice of Charges for violating the Arabian Horse Association's (AHA) rules, Chapter 10, Section 102 was issued to the Hatfield's.

The case was heard by AHA's Registration Commission in November of 2014. Both Terry and Susan Hatfield were found guilty of the charges. The Registration Commission permanently suspended all the Hatfield's registration privileges. The Commission also ordered that the parentage be verified for any horse(s) currently owned by the Hatfield's and for any horse that had been registered by the Hatfield's.

The two (2) horses participated in AHA recognized competitions while under the Hatfield's ownership. They also competed while in the ownership of a subsequent owner. At the time of the competitions, the horses were registered and eligible to compete. However, the Hatfield's had knowingly competed with fraudulent entries. AHA nor the competitions were aware of the fraudulent registrations at the time of competition.

The titles earned in 2010 while shown by the Hatfield's have been stripped. A subsequent owner, who showed the horses on later dates, was unaware. After consultation with both legal counsel and other breed associations, it has been determined the titles earned while shown by the new owner will remain in place as the horses had been shown under valid Certificates of

Registration at the time.

Upon review of the case and findings, Glenn T. Petty, AHA's Executive Vice President, stated "As for the awards and prize money won while the horses were under the Hatfield's ownership, a request has been made for the return of those fraudulent winnings. Upon receipt of these awards and prize money, redistribution will take place."

AHA began random testing of Half-Arabians at U.S. Nationals in 2012. This was continued in 2013 and 2014 and will be done in coming years also. No problems were detected through random testing to date. In 2014, the Registration Commission also changed the requirements for registering Half-Arabians that are two years or older to require verification of parentage to the Arabian parent.

Cynthia Richardson, AHA President, praised the work of all involved in this exhaustive investigation and expressed pleasure at the work and actions conducted to insure the integrity of AHA's registration certifications

AERC 2014 Awards to Region 2 Participants

Submitted by Marci Cunningham

Marci Cunningham's Fire Mt Zoom-finished in first place for the lightweight rider division of the AERC National Pioneer Awards with 1,215 miles. Zoom's overall total miles in 2014 was 1,365 putting him in second place for the AERC National Mileage award and also second place in the AERC Pacific Southwest Regional Lightweight rider division. Marci was first place in Pacific Southwest Region Rider mileage with 1,415 miles riding 2 horses.

Helen Eustice riding DW Hardrock aka Rocky finished second in the AERC Pacific Southwest Regional Featherweight rider division.

Laurie Birch riding Scudd Run finished first in the AERC Pacific Southwest Regional Middleweight rider division, first in the middleweight rider division of the Pioneer Awards and her horse finished fifth in the National Mileage award with 1.105 miles for the season.

Ann Kratochvil riding GF Brazil's Envy finished first in the AERC Pacific Southwest Regional Lightweight rider division, fourth in the National Mileage division and second in the Pacific Southwest Region Rider mileage division with 1,225 miles riding 2 horses.

Cheri Briscoe's MMF Thunder's Echo+/ finished in first place in the Jim Jones Stallion Award with 910 miles. She also finished in third place in the AERC Pacific Southwest Featherweight rider division.

Robert Bischoff riding Kenlyn's Navigator finished second in the AERC Pacific Southwest Middleweight rider division and Nina Bomar on Mershann finish third in the same division. Kenlyn's Navigator tied for seventh place in the AERC National Mileage award with 1,005 miles.

Suzanne Ford Huff on SD Expressa finished fourth in the AERC West Regional Featherweight rider division.

Dave Rabe riding White Cloud finished first in the AERC West Regional Middleweight rider division and also fourth riding Cheys Cocomoe Joe. He was first in the West Region Rider Mileage division riding these 2 horses for a total of 2,380 miles. White Cloud was the first place horse in the AERC National mileage award with 1,710 miles for the year.

Ann Kratochvil's GF Brazil's Envy was the AHA Distance Horse of the year for 2014. During her nine years of competition, Envy has completed 8,600 miles through the end of the 2014 ride season. While high mileage is important for this award recipient, Envy has other monumental accolades including 12 first place finishes, 105 Top Ten awards and 15 Best Condition Awards.







Amateur, Gordon Walter

Awards, Chick Cerniga

Bylaws, Lorry Wagner

Corporate Commission, Lorry Wagner

Combined Training/Driving, Vicky Rich

Distance Riding & Endurance, Marci Cunningham and Dory Kline

Dressage, Vicky Rich

Equine Stress, Ray Cerniga

Hunter/Jumper, Vicky Rich

Internal Audit
Gordon Walter
Lorry Wagner
Annette Wells

Membership, Penny Wardlaw

Newsletter, Lorry Wagner

Professional Horsemen, Kelly Elm

Region 2 2015 Show, Joyce Schroeder

Sport Horse/Anglo Arab,, Annette Wells

Ways & Means, Open

Website, Jay Greenberg

Working Western, Chick Cerniga

Youth, Kelly Elm

Other Region 2 Activities:

Endurance Challenge,

Marci Cunningham Region 2 Class "A" Show Penny Wardlaw

Region 2 members are encouraged to contact any of the above Committee/Commission Chairs for information, concerns and/or input.

NOTE: For those receiving this via U.S. Mail, the above are hot links...contact Lorry Wagner for email address if you wish to send any of the above an email.



Calendar of Events

AHA 2015 BOD MEETINGS, www.arabianhorses.org:

March 13 & 14, 2015 July 31/August 1, 2015 November 17, 2015, at Convention

AHA 2015 EVENTS AND DEADLINES, www.arabianhorses.org:

June 30, 2015, deadline for all Clubs to send membership/delegate/alternate information to AHA for convention

July 18, 2015, Arabian Horse Youth Association Convention, Albuquerque, New Mexico

July 18-25, 2015, Youth Nationals, Albuquerque, New Mexico

August 16-22, 2015, Canadian Nationals, Bandon, Manitoba, Canada

September 15-20, 2015, Sport Horse Nationals, Lexington, Virginia

September 10 - 13, 2015, Distance Nationals, Orenna, Idaho

October 23-31, 2015, U.S. Nationals, Tulsa, Oklahoma

November 18-21, 2015, Convention, Denver, Colorado

REGION 2 SHOWS:

March 19 - 22, 2015, Los Angeles Equestrian Center, contact Nancy Goertzen, goertzenarab@gmail.com

April 3 - 5, 2015, Fiesta del Mar, Regions 1/2 Qualifier, Del Mar Fairgounds, contact Desert Arabian Horse Association, 626-355-9101, www.desertaha.org

May 9 - 10, 2015, Back to Basics Arabian, Half/Anglo Arabian Horse Show, Santa Barbara, contact Penny Wardlaw, phwardlaw@aol.com
June 17 - 21, 2015, Region 2 Pre-Show & Region 2 Championships, Santa Barbara, CA, contact Joyce Schroeder:
joyce18089@sbcglobal.net

REGION 2 DELEGATES' MEETINGS:

March 28, 2015, Bakersfield, Region 2 Quarterly Delegates' Meeting, contact Vicky Rich, Secretary, vr10531@aol.com
August 8, 2015, Santa Inez Area, Region 2 Quarterly Delegates' Meeting, contact Vicky Rich, Secretary, vr10531@aol.com
November 7, 2015, Bakersfield, Region 2 Quarterly Delegates' Meeting, contact Vicky Rich, Secretary, vr10531@aol.com

REGION 2 CLUBS, MEETINGS AND NEWSLETTER LINKS

Arabian Horse Association of San Fernando Valley, Monthly Board Meetings, website: www.ahasfv.org

AHASFV Newsletter: www.ahasfv.org/newsletter.html

Arabian Horse Association of San Joaquin Valley, Monthly Meetings, contact Jan Dunlap, ddreambabies@earthlink.net

Arabians of the Desert Horse Association, for information contact Dawn Newell, indianfallsranch@yahoo.com

Association of Ridgecrest Arabian Breeders, Meeting Dates Announced on ARAB website: www.arabaha.org

ARAB Newsletter: www.arabaha.org/newsletter.html

Central Coast of California Arabian Horse Association, Board Meetings 1st Tuesday of each month, General

Meetings 3rd Tuesday of each quarter, website: www.cccaha.org

CCCAHA Newsletter: www.cccaha.org/NEWSLETTER.html

Conejo Valley Arabian Horse Association, for information contact Vicky Rich, vr10531@aol.com

CVAHA Newsletter: www.cvahba.bizland.com

Crescent-Midstate Arabian Horse Association, General Meetings every other month, website: www.cmaha.org

Drinkers of the Wind Arabian Horse Club of Tehachapi, contact haremar@wildblue.net

Golden Empire Arabian Horse Society, Monthly Meetings, website: www.geahs.org

GEAHS Newsletter: www.geahs.org (link to newsletter appears on front page)

Insallah Arabian Horse Club, Monthly Meetings 2nd Monday, Meeting Room on the Internet: www.insallah.org

IAHC Newsletter: www.insallah.org/fileroom files.html

Los Robles de Oro Arabian Horse Association, contact: Diane Copelan, chesigal@juno.com

Santa Barbara Arabian Horse Association: contact: Penny Wardlaw, phwardlaw@aol.com

Santa Ynez Valley Arabian Horse Association, website: www.syvaha.com

SYVAHA Newsletter: www.syvaha.com/newsletter/index.html

Sierra Valley Arabian Horse Association, contact: Dale Raymond, raymondedi@aol.com

SISTER REGIONS:



Region 12 Newsletter: www.aharegion12.com/october-newsletter/

Calendar of Events Continued



ARABIAN RACING at Los Alamitos:

For specific dates go to the ARAC website at www.arac.org or contact the ARAC office, 714-820-2817

Please send information on events to be included on our Calendar! Listings must relate to the Arabian horse. Region 2 reserves the right to reject any inappropriate requests.

Send to lorrysda@gmail.com



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All others will be considered as "Classified Ads" and will be charged as indicated above.

To contact Region 2 to submit your information or for further inquiries email

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Further contact information is available on the Region 2 website:

http:www.ahareg2.org

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