WOW, where did the time go! Wishing all of you good things for 2018, with lots of happiness, health and fun with your horses.

Our year started with our first meeting held on Saturday, January 6th at Hodell’s Restaurant in Bakersfield. Thank you to our Vice Director, Nancy Goertzen for chairing the meeting as I was down and out with the flu. It is my understanding that the attendance was very good (23 I was told) with several new delegates joining in…thank you to all for coming and participating….we need all of you.

Our Budget for 2018 was approved, discussion and decision made on the Scholarship that will be in place for this year for the first time in a while, Nominating Committee established (Gordon Walter, Jan Dunlap and Stephanie Bennett), meeting dates confirmed (July 14 and November 3rd) and Nancy Goertzen will be heading up a committee to plan an event for the Region sometime during the year. The Nominating Committee will be in the process of asking for suggestions for nominees and will present the slate of officers for election at the July 14 meeting. Should you be interested in running for an office, please contact one of those on the committee…and, check out the By-Laws and Operating procedures on our web site to see if you qualify for any of the elected positions. All good things. Nominees for an elected position are required to be a delegate for one year prior to election.

One item I want you to be aware of is that Lindsay Smith (a new Region 2 member and delegate) has taken on the responsibility of putting information out on social media about all events, rides, club meetings, stories, photos, etc….please read her article in another section of this newsletter for her contact information – it is free, use it!

Upcoming AHA Board meetings will be held in Denver March 8-11, August 3-5 and at the Annual Convention November 14-17. Be aware that if you have any information that you want brought forward to the BOD meetings, be sure to get it to me prior to the meeting.

As I look forward to 2018, we have lots to work on to get our Region “out there” and it comes with all of the activities and interaction with others that we know in our own community. There are lots of shows and clinics that are available to you to participate in and enjoy – ask a friend, invite a 4H Club, have an open barn – anything.
Motions Passed at the January 6, 2018 Region 2 Delegates’ Meeting

Shawna McCune, Secretary

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from July 15, 2017, by Annette Wells, seconded by Lorry Wagner, passed unanimously

Motion to accept the 2017 financials by Lorry Wagner, seconded by Dory Kline, passed unanimously

Motion to change the inflow line of the 2018 budget to $3000 in order to include the donation from R2 July meeting and for a variance to put $2150 in the scholarship fund line of the proposed budget expenses, by Kelly Elm, Seconded by Penny Wardlaw, passed unanimously

Discussion opened and delegates agreed that the nominating committee would be Stephanie Bennett, Jan Dunlap and Gordon Walter. They will produce a slate of nominees no later than 30 days before the election meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:00p.m., by Kelly Elm, seconded by Jay Greenburg, motion passed unanimously

Region 2 Bylaws
Lorry Wagner, Chair

After some confusion on proposed 2018 budget issues at this meeting, the Bylaws Committee agreed to address this area by the next Delegates’ meeting to clarify how these areas are to be handled in the future.

2018 Region 2 Championship Show

Joyce Schroeder, Region 2 Director
Penny Wardlaw, Show Manager

The Region 2 Corporate Commission shared the charge of this Commission with the Delegates. Emphasis was made that the main focus and responsibilities of this commission are to oversee contract commitments, all areas of Region 2’s government requirements and legal obligations and exposure and other general areas of Region 2 Corpora-

tion responsibility. For example but not limited to California Statement of Corp. Status, Federal and State Annual Tax Returns, oversee R2 Audit function, etc. In addition, the 1099Misc forms for 2017 have been mailed as of January 11 and preparation of 2017 Income Tax Return is in progress.

2017 AHA Convention

Reported by Ray & Chick Cerniga
A few things that I was impressed by at convention.

The placing of "Goldie" in the lobby by the registration booth, so that all of the people, not just Arabian enthusiasts, could see the statue of a horse.

Ann Judge's enthusiasm in signing all of the pictures of the Arabian horse, Thunder, at the start of the Saturday session. Both of the two ladies that spoke of their love and display of Thunder at functions other than at a football game, and the videos of them working together as a team that was shown prior to their respective talks to the group that was congregated there in the auditorium.

It was great that Joyce had secured a small suite so that we could have an early coffee and snacks during the days. It made for a great opportunity for the delegates to visit and not having to be in a restaurant for visits, etc.

We never saw Penny as she was doing her thing at agenda and bylaws, etc.

I was personally pleased that I was re-elected to the EPRB for another 3 year term. This means that I will planning to go to Reno in 2020 providing the powers that be allow this to happen. At least, Chick and I can drive over vs. taking a plane. Ha Ha. NO security pat downs.

Fortunately, any schism regarding the lawsuit between AHA and the Trust was not apparent, which is good for the system. This issue should never have had to happen.

Other than that, it was a good convention, and we both had a good time visiting with some more aged friends, and meeting some new ones.

Chick enjoyed the presence of the Denver Broncos mascot, Arabian horse Thunder, the Region 2 hospitality room and congratulates Joyce for doing such a good job.

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Region 2 2017 Endurance Challenge

Marci Cunningham

We had 24 participants in the 2017 Endurance Challenge and 20 riders received awards by completing the required number of rides. Fifteen riders achieved the Platinum Level by finishing at least 10 rides. One rider reached the Gold Level with 8 completions, one Silver Level rider finished 7 rides and three Bronze Level riders finished at least 4 rides. As in previous years, riders could choose from a variety of awards including rain sheets, fleece coolers, bale bags and hay feeders depending on the level of achievement. The Endurance Challenge program is appreciated by all the participants.

The 2018 AERC convention is in Reno and Region 2’s endurance challenge will be promoted at the AHA booth.

Submitted by Marci Cunningham

Region 2 2017 Endurance Ride

This ride was cancelled by the hosts due to some unexpected problems.

Region 2 Scholarships

Katie Russell, Chair

“Region Two will be awarding one or two $2,000 scholarships in 2018 to a deserving Region Two youth member. The "type" of school of continuing education should be accredited and may be, but not limited to, one of the following examples: University, State College, Community College, Vocational School, Trade School, Farrier School, etc. Our desire is to encourage and financially assist in the promotion of continuing education of our youth beyond the high school level.

Please see the Region Two website www.ahareg2.org under the Youth section for details on Eligibility, Criteria and Requirements. DEADLINE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF COMPLETED APPLICATIONS IS APRIL 2, 2018.

Please contact Katie Russell at katierussell1239@yahoo.com for any questions”.

Region 2 Youth Committee

Meaghan Shaffer
Region 2 Youth Director
meaghan8380@gmail.com

Region 2 Committee Chairs

Amateur, Gordon Walter
Awards, Open
Bylaws, Lorry Wagner
Corporate Commission, Lorry Wagner
Combined Training/Driving, Open
Distance Riding & Endurance, Marci Cunningham and Dory Kline
Dressage, Annette Wells
Equine Stress, Ray Cerniga
Hunter/Jumper, Annette Wells
Internal Audit Gordon Walter
Lorry Wagner
Annette Wells
Membership, Penny Wardlaw
Newsletter, Lorry Wagner
Professional Horsemen, Kelly Elm
Region 2 2017 Championship Show Joyce Schroeder and Penny Wardlaw
Region 2 Spring Qualifier Show Janet Dunlap

Sport Horse/Anglo Arab, Annette Wells
Region 2 Youth Director Meaghan Shaffer
Ways & Means, Open
Website, Mark Anderson
Working Western, Open
Youth, Meaghan Shaffer

Other Region 2 Activities:
Endurance Challenge, Marci Cunningham

Region 2 members are encouraged to contact any of the above Committee/Commission Chairs for information, concerns, volunteering your help and/or input.
Important Sweepstakes Updates for Distance Nationals

The Sweepstakes Commission has decided to separate Arabians and Half-Arabian/ Anglo-Arabians for Sweepstakes payout at both the Regional and National level, effective January 1, 2018. They have also increased the payout to $1,500 available for Nationals, and $600 available for Regionals. Below is the payout schedule:

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Payback Schedule:
National: $1,500
- Champion $400
- Reserve Champion $300
- Top Ten $100

Regional: $600
- Champion $250
- Reserve Champion $120
- Top Ten $75

We have a wonderful group of delegates and lots of resources within our region to draw from...tons of experienced trainers, vets, photographers – let’s use them! Let us know what you want us to do – it is your Region.

I will not go into lots of numbers from the November Convention as there is a Convention Report also located in this month’s newsletter, so check it out...we did have a good time, learned a lot, and enjoyed each others friendships...maybe you will consider attending in 2018!!

Happy New Year

Joyce Schroeder
Director, Region 2, AHA

NEW!
Region 2 Face Book Page
Lindsay Smith

ATTENTION:
Region 2 Clubs and Members,
Our Region 2 Face Book page is ready to support your events and promote your activities! We’d love to hear about them and share in your successes. Region Two is an incredible region full of members, exciting stories and events. Let’s show everyone what we’re up to! We are here to help get the word out to grow our community and involvement. This could be anything from a youth fundraiser, an upcoming trail ride, a success story (especially one involving a new member/ introduction to the Arabian), an upcoming show, anything! The sky is the limit. Please send us pictures after the fact as well. Everyone loves to see them!

Information and pictures can be sent to Lindsay Smith at:
LindsayESmith80@Gmail.com

AHA 2017 Convention Resolutions

If anyone would like a .pdf copy that has all 2017 AHA Convention resolutions and their outcome compiled in a single document, please send your request and e-mail address to Lorry Wagner at the below e-mail:
lorrysda@gmail.com
INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

ECAHO INTERNATIONAL shows, meetings, news including a list of past shows and results. Go to the following web site: www.ecaho.org/

WAHO CONFERENCES: The 2019 WAHO Conference will be held February 2 - 8, 2019, at the beachside resort of Terrigal, Australia. For more information and updates, www.waho.org/waho-conference-news/

U.S.A EVENTS

All U.S.A. shows are conducted under USEF Rules which can be found at http://www.Usef.org

AHA 2017 BOD MEETINGS, www.arabianhorses.org:
March 8 -11, 2018, August 3-5, 2018
AHA Convention, November 13-17, 2018, Hyatt Regency Tulsa, Tulsa, Oklahoma,

AHA 2018 EVENTS AND DEADLINES, www.arabianhorses.org:

REGION 2 SHOWS:
January 19 - 21, Region 1-Region 2 qualifying show in Burbank, Los Angeles Equestrian Center, hosted by AHASan Fernando Valley and the Southern California Half Arabian Association. Contact Nancy Harvey at Nharvey440@aol.com for more information.
March 29 - April 1, Region 1-Region 2 qualifying show in Burbank, at Los Angeles Equestrian Center, hosted by AHA San Joaquin Valley and Rancho California Arabian Horse Association, Contact Janet Dunlap at Janet.Dunlap4@gmail.com
March 31 - April 1, Region 2, Arabian Horse Association of San Joaquin Valley and Rancho California Arabian Horse Association hosting the Region 2 Sport Horse and Dressage Championships in Burbank at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center. Please contact Janet Dunlap for more information at Janet.Dunlap4@gmail.com
May 5 - 6, Region 2 Spring Qualifier Show, Burbank at Los Angeles Equestrian Center. Please contact Jan Dunlap Janet.Dunlap4@gmail.com or call 559 786 6488.
June 19 - 24, Region 2 Open show and Region 2 Championship, Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara, CA, contact Joyce Schroeder, joyce18089@sbcglobal.net or Penny Wardlaw, phwardlaw@aol.com

REGION 2 DELEGATES’ MEETINGS:
July 14, 2018, Hodell’s, Bakersfield, contact Region 2 Secretary Shawna McCune, smccune@bak.rr.com
November 3, 2018

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, dreambabies@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, vrich10531@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

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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
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

SISTER REGIONS:
Region 12 Newsletter:  www.aharegion12.com/

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
Classified Advertising:
Per insertion $0.10 per word for Region 2 Members
$0.15 per word for all others

Advertising (includes 1 picture):**
- Quarter Page per insertion $15.00
- Half page per insertion $30.00
- Full page per insertion $50.00
- Additional pictures $3.00 each
- Region 2 Club Activities Limit of one (1) page per issue at no charge

**If pre-designed layout is submitted:
1. Please submit in .pdf format if possible
2. If your ad does not fit into the size selected, advertiser will be contacted to resolve the issue.

Newsletter Calendar of Events:

WAHO, AHA, Region 2 Clubs, AHA Clubs and other Organizations may list their Arabian-horse related event dates on the Newsletter Calendar of Events at no charge for this service.

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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