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# The Hand Gallop

**Region 9 E-Newsletter**

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Jeremy Harper

## Director's Message

Dear Region 9 Members,

The year is drawing to a close as is my term as your Region 9 AHA Director. I want to take this time to once again thank everyone in our region for your support and hard work throughout the years that I have served as your director.

The end of July I was in Denver for an AHA board meeting and many improvements have been done on the AHA building. The AC and heating equipment has been redone, new computer stations for the staff are in place and parking issues have been resolved. The staff works very hard for you and every meeting I attend it becomes more and more apparent that AHA has many dedicated people working for them - many for years. When you call AHA sometimes take a moment to thank them, most are not at the higher end of the pay scale and many love the Arabian horse as much as you do.

We are approaching the last National show which will take place in Tulsa, OK on October 23-31. I hope to see many of our Region 9 members in attendance. We will also be in Tulsa for our AHA Convention, Nov. 17-22. Clubs should have their delegates signed up by Oct. 1 to take advantage of the Early Bird discount. All the information you need for the convention can be found at the [AHA website](#). It would be wonderful to see each of our clubs have representation this year since the convention is in our region. Please contact AHA if you are available to help at convention this year and I have heard BINGO will be back this year, loads of fun for everyone and a great way to connect on a National level.

The Rolex Central Park Horse Show in New York will be



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#### NEW AD RATES FOR THE HAND GALLUP

*Authorized by Region 9 Board  
May 27, 2014*

**Full Page \$50.00**

**Half Page \$30.00**

**¼ Page \$20.00**

**Business Card \$10.00**

*Any extra e-blast from clubs  
to advertise their upcoming  
shows will be charged at  
\$30. Each region 9 club is  
allowed two free e-blast to  
advertise their show per  
year.*

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the AHA Website, Please  
download the form and  
return.**

**[download AHA club bio  
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represented by a select group of top Arabian horses on Sept. 23-27. The show will take place in Central Park and it is quite an honor that Arabians are included in this special event. AHA has worked very hard to help make this show a reality for our breed. We will be showcased with the top International Dressage, Hunters and Jumpers in the world.

The inaugural show took place in 2014 and this year the Arabians are included. The coverage for this show will be nationwide broadcasting. The Arabians will be on Wednesday, Sept. 23 at 6 PM, visit [www.centralparkhorseshow.com](http://www.centralparkhorseshow.com) for more information.

Next year Youth Nationals will also come to our Region and AHA will be looking for volunteers to help at this very exciting show. I know this year many of our members attended the last Youth Nationals in New Mexico and also many worked at the show. It takes a lot of staff and volunteers to make these shows as successful as they are. Our Region is always very involved with Youth Nationals and I want to congratulate the winners from this year's show and also the Sport Horse and Dressage riders that attended this year's Nationals.

We will once again have our High Point luncheon in January and information will be forthcoming next month. Karen Campbell has done a tremendous job in keeping this program active for Region 9.

After convention Mark Himmel will replace me as your new director and I ask for everyone's support as Mark steps into office. Please welcome all the new Region 9 Board at convention this year and make plans to attend the Region 9 meeting at the convention in Tulsa.

Thank you again for a great four years.

Margo Shallcross  
Region 9 AHA Director

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## Canter Across The Region

Region 9 Competitive Trail  
By *Carla Bass*

The Region 9 Competitive Trail Championship will be held Oct 17-18 at the LBJ Grasslands, Decatur, TX. The ride will be held in conjunction with the Grasslands Gamble NATRC ride. For more information, please contact Carla Bass at rebelcjb@yahoo.com with R9 CTR in the subject line. Hope to see you there either riding or volunteering :)

## Gulf Coast Arabian Horse Club

By Judy Stubblefield, Publicity Secretary, GCAHC

### AUTUMN CLASSIC SHOW

Wow! It's hard to believe that the Autumn Classic Show is less than 3 weeks away! The show promises to be a good opportunity for our trainers and exhibitors to show their beautiful horses at a great facility and have a good time with friends. Here are some things to know about the show:

- Entries close on September 10<sup>th</sup> (post entries will be accepted and a post entry fee will be charged).
- The schedule, entry forms, and the prize list are available on the website at [www.gulfcoastarabians.com](http://www.gulfcoastarabians.com)
- Buy-a-classes are limited but still available if you need a class.
- Class sponsorships are available: \$15 per regular class and \$20 per championship.
- Farm sponsorships are available: \$200 - New Farm Sponsor; \$150 - Renewal, previously a Farm Sponsor.
- A dinner will be provided in the Hospitality Room on Wednesday evening for early arrivals to the show (sponsored by Alan and Judy Stubblefield).
- Lone Star Arabians and GCAHC is sponsoring a Pizza Party, and we mean P-A-R-T-Y, for all participants on Saturday evening. Come relax and avoid the traffic and crowd in town leaving the Aggie football game. Music will be provided by Nancy Switzer, our announcer and a professional DJ. There is room to scoot a boot if you're in the mood. (See, we said "party!")
- The Aggie Alumni Rodeo will be using the south arena for their annual rodeo on Saturday evening, if you would rather grab your pizza and go watch some amateur rodeo.
- Vendors for the show are:
  - Bit-O-Tack (Call them at 972-962-4572, if you want them to bring 'special' tack for the show.)
  - Moonfyre Photography, Kristie Puckett, 832-971-8886. Photos will be available to view at the show.
  - Paddock Productions, Michelle Gilmore, 832-724-6554, if you want to ensure you get a quality video of your class.

We're excited and looking forward to seeing you in Bryan for a fun time!! For additional questions, contact Betty Bechtold, Show Committee Chair, at 281-744-5700 or Judy Stubblefield, Co-Chair, at 713-806-7399.

### FALL FLING OPEN HORSE SHOW

The second annual Fall Fling Open Horse Show will be held on Saturday, November 21, at The Lone Star Convention & Expo Center in Conroe, TX. The facility's website is [www.lonestar.org](http://www.lonestar.org). The arena is covered and there is a concession stand available for snacks and lunch. This is a no pressure super fun show with classes for all breeds with junior/adult rider classes offered in various disciplines. The schedule and additional information are available on the Gulf Coast Arabian Horse Club website [www.gulfcoastarabians.com](http://www.gulfcoastarabians.com).

### SADDLE UP FOR SIRE RIDE-A-THON, OCTOBER 17

The Saddle Up for SIRE Ride-a-thon is the premier fundraiser to support the 300 special need clients and 34 therapy horses. Nearly 500 horses hit the trail at the 7iL Ranch last year and enjoyed music, a made on the site barbeque lunch and prizes. The ride starts at 10am and ends at 4pm at 7iL Ranch, 5389 Mill Creek Rd., Cat Springs, Texas 78933.

The SIRE Ride-a-thon benefits SIRE Therapeutic Horsemanship, a non-profit 501(c)3 charitable organization. All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Anyone with Arabian horses, or who just likes Arabian horses is welcome to join the team that the Gulf Coast Arabian Horse Club sponsors "Arabian Spirit Riders". If you wish to help us to help all SIRE riders you are welcome to join us by donating or by riding on October 17th. We are raising money this year to help Emileigh Marsh become the Trail Boss for the Saddle Up for SIRE Ride-a-Thon. She loves horses, arts & crafts, painting, camping/fishing, and her cat Patches. Riding at SIRE has helped her improve flexibility, balance & coordination, helps her with frustration, and makes her muscles feel relaxed. She particularly likes being in the barn where she helps groom, feed, and turn out the horses. She is 8 years old and has multiple disabilities.

Pat Roddy, Gulf Coast Arabian Horse Club Treasurer and SIRE volunteer has created a fundraising page for our team, Arabian Spirit Riders, at <http://www.firstgiving.com/team/301569> For event details go to <http://www.firstgiving.com/SIRE/2015-saddle-up>

Below is the thank-you note from Emileigh to our club. (It shows a horse jumping over the entrance to 7iL Ranch where the trail ride is held).



## Legacy Arabian Horse Club

By Debbie Cinotto

SAVE THE DATE -- March 17-20, 2016: Legacy AHC of Texas will have their 32nd Cowtown Classic at the Will Rogers Memorial Center, Fort Worth, Texas. We will offer a full compliment

of main ring classes as well as reining, sport horse & dressage classes (both Classical & Western Dressage). For more information please contact Debbie Cinotto, [windcrestdc@aol.com](mailto:windcrestdc@aol.com), 817-319-9815.

## North Texas Arabian Horse Club

By Kristen A Fisher

### 2015 NTAHC Shootout

**NEW DATE: December 3-6, 2015**

*Somervell Expo Center, Glen Rose, TX*

Due to the 2015 US Nationals schedule that concludes Oct 31, 2015, we have elected to move Shootout from its originally scheduled weekend of Nov 5-8 to the next available facility date, **Dec 3-6, 2015**. We hope all our exhibitors will attend!

We will still offer all the same classes and great amateur/youth friendly environment as usual - you will just need your new USEF membership card for the 2016 competition year. And, we have some new special surprises in store!

To help you plan ahead, the premium will be out at the usual time of mid-September. See you there!

Kristen Fisher, Show Manager  
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## Lone Star Arabian Horse Club

By Sharon Behringer, Media Manager

September 19

Mystic Acres ~ 6558 FM 2578, Terrell, TX 75161

Show office will open at 8:00 AM ~ Show starts at 9:00 AM

This is our 24th ANNIVERSARY SHOW with CASH PRIZES and as always our classes remain only \$5.00 and \$10 for Championships.

This is a double judged show so you will get points for two shows in one! Our double judged class fees are only \$10 each (\$20 for Championships) for double the points! All of our Open classes will earn cash prizes as shown below and as always, PARKING IS FREE!!! No extra fee for for horses tied to trailers. Don't forget that we also offer a Concession stand featuring delicious food and friendly service. At our Lone Star shows, our business is to provide top notch judges while still keeping the costs low. Come out and show with us for all of our entire Fall Series. Dates - October 10 & October 31 (Added Halloween Classes)

All Open Classes will only cost \$5.00 and our senior judge will preside over all Open Classes. In addition, all Championship Winners will receive \$10 Gift Certificates which can be used at the ON SITE TACK SHOP, Bit O Tack, or to pay your bill with Lone Star.

WINNER TAKES ALL IN ALL OPEN CLASS W/T AND W/T/C as well as Open Trail and Open Sport Horse in Hand.



This will be our second Double Judged show of the year with an Exciting Addition to this show! ~ ALL OF OUR OPEN CLASSES WILL PAY CASH PRIZES IN EACH DIVISION - Winner takes all.

- \* The walk/trot Anniversary Open class winner will receive \$50 in each division.
- \* The walk/trot/canter Open Anniversary class winner will receive \$100 in prize money in each division.
- \* In addition, our Grand Champion Halter horse will win \$100
- \* Anniversary Open Trail winner will receive \$50.
- \* Open Anniversary Sport Horse in Hand will pay \$50.

Don't miss this opportunity to put a little extra money in your pocket and help us celebrate our 24th year!

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