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## Region 9 Director's Message

The Region 9 Awards Extravaganza held January 22 was a great success and I thank all of you who attended the event this year. Sheila Varian's presentation was excellent and enjoyed by all. The "Ask the Trainer" Panel and the "Judges" Panel were well received and the members put forth lots of good questions to each panel. Later in the newsletter you will find a recap of the day's events, but I would like to thank each of our panelists for their valuable time to take part in the discussions. Thank you to Sandy Bentley, Kathy Braden, Debbie Cinotto, Kim Morgan, Stanley White, Jr. and Sheila Varian who formed our trainers' panel; and to Dawn Coons, Mark Himmel, Rick Maxson, Margo Shallcross and Lisa Skalski who sat on the judges' panel. We are so fortunate in Region 9 to have such talented individuals! Congratulations also to all the High Point Award winners, the Region 9 Horseman's Award recipients, and to Lynda Pool who received the Lifetime Achievement Award.

During the Region 9 Delegates Meeting it was decided that we would change "The Hand Gallop" to an electronic newsletter beginning with the June issue in order to save money in our budget. Members can still get a "hard" copy of the newsletter, but they will need to let the electronic newsletter editor, Bill Eash [region9aha@gvtc.com](mailto:region9aha@gvtc.com), know that they would like to have it mailed to them. This "hard" copy newsletter will be the last you will receive via postal mail service. More information regarding this transition can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. I would like to appreciate Kristen Fisher for all her time and efforts she has volunteered to the Region 9 newsletter over the last five years – we always had an outstanding product and I commend her for that! I hope you all will join me in thanking Kristen for a job well done!

I would like to encourage all of you to go to the AHA website – [www.arabianhorses.org](http://www.arabianhorses.org) – and check out the revised Arabian Breeders Sweepstake program. There are now four categories that Sweepstakes horses can win money in plus it is going back to the basics of being a "breeder" sweepstakes program. All rules, classes and payback information are now listed at the website. Important dates: April 15, 2011 is the extended deadline for 2011 Breeding Entry with no late fee; June 1, 2011 is the last day the Original Entry category will be offered. (Horses already enrolled as an Original Entry will remain eligible for Sweepstakes Prize Money.)

Finally, please remember that this is an election year for our Region. We will elect new Region officers to serve for the 2012-2013 years. If you, or someone you know, is interested in serving on the Region 9 Board please contact Charles Bass at [rebelcjb@yahoo.com](mailto:rebelcjb@yahoo.com) before April 25 to be on the ballot. The election will take place on Saturday, June 18, 2011, at the Region 9 Annual Meeting to be held in Fort Worth, Texas during the Region 9 Championship Show. The slate of candidates will be sent out in an E-Blast 30 days prior to the election and will be also posted on the Region 9 website.

Thank you,  
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# Region 9 Championship Show Update

By *Kristen Fisher, Show Manager*

We are pleased to confirm the following judges for the 2011 Region 9 Championship Show, June 15-18, 2011 at Will Rogers in Fort Worth, TX:

## Halter & Performance Judges

Kelly Elm Santa Ynez, CA

Robert Purtee San Jose, CA

Lisa Jo White Woodstock, IL

**Working Western Judge:** Connie Cole O'Brien, Winnemucca, NV

**Cutting Judge:** Kelly Graham, Weatherford, TX

Thanks to everyone who submitted feedback on the classes and schedule – we have been able to make the following changes to this year's show:

- We have had many requests over the years to provide adult amateurs with another opportunity to show their horse, so have added AATR classes in English, Country, Hunter, and Western for both Arabians and HA/AAs.

- We have reinstated the Western Pleasure 3 Year Old Futurity classes for both Arabians & HA/AAs.

- We have split the open and amateur reining classes so the open classes will take place on Wednesday morning, and the amateur classes will be held Thursday morning.

- We have removed all junior exhibitor classes from Friday night so the youth group can plan a social event at the show.

- We have added a Walk-Trot 10 & Under Trail class. The updated show schedule is posted at [region9aha.org/Regional\\_Show.html](http://region9aha.org/Regional_Show.html).

A few other important updates to the 2011 Region 9 Show include:

- The show office will open at 8:00am Monday June 13 [not Sunday afternoon as has occurred when the show began on Tuesday evening].

- There will be a \$25 no-show fee assessed to any exhibitor who fails to properly scratch themselves from a class [thus open checks will be required in the show office].

- Entry closing date is May 11, 2011.

Please be sure to thank the members of the 2011 Executive Show Committee [ESC] for their continued time and service in working to bringing you a fantastic Region 9 Championship Show: Pat Barton - Region 9 Director, Lisa Skalski - Class and Schedule Management, Kathy Braden - Working Western, and Diane Mack, New Member. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at [region9show@earthlink.net](mailto:region9show@earthlink.net). Thanks and see you at the show!



# Region 9 Sport Horse Championship Show Update

By *Bill Eash, Show Manager*

The show will be held July 14-17 in Waco Texas. We are looking forward to a good show again this year, since many of the qualifying shows have been up in numbers this year. The schedule has been altered slightly due to change of conditions and times. We have moved the Hunter Hack classes to Thursday evening replacing the Carriage Driving which we have discontinued this year. We have a 2011 SHN judge for SH and Dressage classes.

Anne Marie Henson will manage the silent auction this year. If you have any items that you would like to donate for the auc-

tion please notify Anne Marie at [a-mhenson@eccwireless.net](mailto:a-mhenson@eccwireless.net). We are also looking for more volunteers to help with the show. Please contact Bill [eash@gvtc.com](mailto:eash@gvtc.com).

The prize list will be included with the Region 9 Omnibus again this year and should be in the mail later this spring. We still have some advertising opportunities for the Omnibus (\$250 per page) and for the Show Program (\$150 per page). Please let me know if you would like to be a sponsor for our show or advertise your product or services and show your support. Thank you. Bill Eash [eash@gvtc.com](mailto:eash@gvtc.com).



# Region 9 Hand Gallop is going electronic

By *Bill Eash, New Region 9 Newsletter Editor*

The Region 9 delegates voted at the January Delegate's meeting to use an electronic newsletter system. This new system, Constant Contact, is in use by some of our clubs now and is a partner with AHA. The system offers some nice features such as tracking the opens, bounces, opt-in, opt-out and provides some good looking templates for newsletters and other notices. The newsletter will be produced and sent to the email list that we have on file and a .pdf file of the newsletter will be created and uploaded to the Regional website, [region9aha.org](http://region9aha.org) so the newsletter will remain available. The publication schedule dates will be four times a year, June 1, September 1, December 1 and March 1. The first issue will be published June 1. The deadlines for submission will be seven days prior to the publish date. Please email your articles in .doc, .txt or .pdf format and pictures in .pdf or .jpg format and sent to [region9aha@gvtc.com](mailto:region9aha@gvtc.com).

We are asking each of the Club Presidents to provide a spreadsheet of your current members with their members name and email address. An email will be sent to the address asking for an "opt-in" which will confirm the address and confirm that you do want to receive the email. If by June 5th you have not received the Hand Gallop by email please contact me so I can research why you have not received the newsletter.

We intend the electronic version content and format will continue to be similar to the hard copy version that you have been receiving, with the exception that we can include color photos. We encourage you to send mug shots of the authors of articles and pertinent photos if authorized by the photographer and human subject. We will continue to accept advertising and of course the ads can be in color.

Director Barton will continue to send eblasts as she has in the past. Thanks, and call or email me if you have a question. Bill Eash [region9aha@gvtc.com](mailto:region9aha@gvtc.com) or 830-980-3188.



# Region 9 AHA Stallion Service Auction and Awards Extravaganza

By Pat Barton, Region 9 Director

The Extravaganza was held January 22 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel South in Fort Worth, TX. Members from all four states in the Region gathered for a day of education, information, and recognition of fellow members who received High Point and Horseman's Awards. The day started off with guest speaker, Sheila Varian of Arroyo Grande, California. Sheila gave an informative power point presentation of her life as a breeder, trainer and lover of Arabian horses. She started at the very beginning of her involvement and took us through the various years and stages of her fine breeding program all the way up to the present time. Everyone enjoyed seeing the photos she shared with us of her journey. She gave each of us a copy of her "Ten Commandments of Breeding" which is something all of us that breed would be wise to follow. (If anyone would like a copy of these, please e-mail Pat Barton at patbarton1@msn.com and she will send it to you.) Sheila spend the whole day with us taking part also in the "Ask the Trainer" panel, visiting with members one on one throughout the day, and giving out our Horseman's Awards at the evening banquet. We thank this remarkable woman for taking part in the Region 9 Extravaganza.

Next came the High Point Awards luncheon which Jane Ann Godsey, High Point Chairman, handled. We had about 115 people at the luncheon this year and appreciate the individuals that work so hard to get these awards. The list of winners can be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

After the luncheon a Q & A session was held with a strong panel of trainers sitting on the "Ask the Trainers" Panel. The Region 9 trainers included Sandy Bentley, Kathy Braden, Debbie Cinotto and Stanley White, Jr. Sheila Varian volunteered to sit in on this panel and add her vast experiences to the responses. This is the first time we have offered this trainer panel and it was very well received by the attendees.

Following that panel was the "Judges' Panel" with Dawn Coons, Mark Himmel, Rick Maxson, Margo Shallcross, and

Lisa Skalski fielding questions from the crowd and responding with strong knowledge of their jobs as well as a little humor! Region 9 is quite fortunate to have such a strong army of qualified trainers and judges that yields such high caliber panels. Everyone who participated came away with a new appreciation of these professionals. Thanks to all of them for their time and expertise!

Later that day the Region 9 meeting was held – see minutes elsewhere in newsletter.

That evening the Region 9 Stallion Service Auction and Horseman's Awards banquet was held. After a fabulous dinner, Cathy Christiansen and Steve Buddin auctioned breedings to 30 different stallions. The breedings that did not sell that night are still available until April 1, 2011 at 50% of the advertised stud fee. The list of sold and available stallion breedings is posted at the Region 9 website. Remember, half the money raised from the stallion breedings goes to the Youth Foundation scholarship fund and the other half goes to the Region 9 Yearling Futurities.

The Region Director, Pat Barton, recognized Debbie Himmel and Carrie Woolverton as AHA Regional Volunteer Service Award recipients and Alexa Nichols as being the first runner-up for 2010 AHA Youth of the Year. The Region 9 Lifetime Achievement Award was announced as Lynda Pool and Cathy Christiansen presented the award to Lynda's daughter, Jane Ann Godsey, since Lynda was unable to attend. Congratulations to Lynda!

The Region 9 2010 Horseman's Awards were announced by Karlan Downing and Sheila Varian graciously presented the beautiful trophies to each recipient. Almost all recipients were at the banquet so everyone got to share in their excitement of receiving this prestigious award. The list of winners can be found in this newsletter.

This was a fun filled day and evening for all and the Region thanks everyone who took the time out of their busy schedules to attend. Hope to see you all back again next year!



## Winners of 2010 Region 9 Horseman's Awards

By Karlan Downing

Congratulations to all of this year's winners. The call for nominations for 2011 candidates will be announced in an upcoming Hand Gallop!

- Breeder of the Year - Tracy Caruth
- Coach of the Year – Kathy Braden
- Halter Handler Male – Michael Byatt
- Halter Handler Female – Kim Morgan
- Saddleseat Trainer – Male – Chase Harvill
- Saddleseat Trainer – Female – Kat Stevens
- Western Pleasure Trainer – Male – Stanley White III
- Western Pleasure Trainer – Female – Kathy Braden
- Hunter Pleasure Trainer – Male – Blake Krohn
- Hunter Pleasure Trainer – Female – Wendye Gardiner
- Adult Amateur – Male – George Wiley

- Adult Amateur – Female 18-39 Years– Amanda Purdin
- Adult Amateur – Female 40 Years & Over - Annette Rohde
- Select Rider – Male – Dick Waddell
- Select Rider – Female – Sherri Youngblood
- Jr. Exhibitor 10 & Under Walk/Trot – Abigail Trowbridge
- Jr. Exhibitor 11-13 Years – Juliette Dell
- Jr. Exhibitor 14-17 Years - Male – Grant Krohn
- Jr. Exhibitor 14-15 Years - Female – Logan Chisholm
- Jr. Exhibitor 16-17 Years - Female – Kathryn Knebel
- Working Western Trainer - Kathy Braden
- Working Western Amateur – Logan Chisholm
- Dressage Competitor – Debbie Cinotto
- Sport Horse Competitor – Lisa Eberhardt
- Distance Rider – Kristen Fisher



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## 2011 Region 9 Lifetime Achievement Award Winner

By Cathy Christiansen

The 2011 Lifetime Achievement Award winner for Region 9 is Lynda Pool. Lynda has been involved with horses and putting on horse shows for all her life. Raised in Nacogdoches, TX, she started out riding Saddlebred horses with her dad and local vet Dr. C.C. Young. She showed and rode everything she could get her hands on, and grew up helping put on the "Biggest Little Show on Earth" as the Nacogdoches horse show was named by Saddle and Bridle during the shows days. As Lynda got older, she started doing the secretarial work for the show back in the day when all the information was written on class cards. She became involved in putting on the Arabian Horse Club of Texas Spring Show held in the same facility, and many old-timers remember her working there including even dragging the arena.

About 45 years ago, Lynda became involved with the Arabian horses further when she started helping the Kurths of Lufkin. Lynda was helping Judi during the time she was riding Eskabor (3 time National Amateur Champion Park Horse). This was the beginning of the Pool family involvement with Arabian horses. Lynda's husband, Eli, came from a working horse background. Back during these days, people frequently rode their show horses to do other things too, so the Arabians became the natural horse for the Pool family.

Not only did Lynda produce horse shows, but she assisted her daughters with the growing group of horses. Jane Ann is

still involved with the horses, and sister Lisabeth lives in Austin. Both girls showed while in high school. Jane Ann picked the horses back up after college and worked for many years with the horses the family raised. Lynda has always been around to encourage Jane Ann with the horses. Even today, she wants to know how the horses are working and what shows Jane Ann is planning on attending.

The remarkable thing about Lynda Pool is the amount of time and the number of years that she has spent as a volunteer working to put on Arabian shows. At various times, she has put on the AHCT Spring Show in Nacogdoches, the State Fair of Texas, and also a fall show that was in Lufkin. Most people who attended those shows remember the times she served as barn manager, in-gate coordinator, and all around cheerleader. Lynda wasn't just a cheerleader for the shows though, she was always providing kind words and helpful hints especially to those who were new to the shows. There are many people who have been encouraged to enjoy the horses and the shows by Lynda Pool.

Lynda was not able to make the trip to receive her award due to some recent "knee" issues. Jane Ann received the award for Lynda and thanked the Region for honoring her mother in such a manner. The Arabian horses and the people associated with the horses have been such friends for Lynda, and she hopes to be back at some of the shows in the near future.



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## AHA News: AHA One Day Show Program

The AHA One Day Show concept is simple. It provides areas of the country with lower show horse populations, and/or smaller clubs an opportunity to hold AHA qualifying shows that should be financially feasible for their circumstances. These shows are meant to be for shows with 25 to 100 horses and will still require approval of the Region Director. Fees and expenses are to remain low for the club or group sponsoring the show, so they can in turn pass

on the savings to the exhibitors. Facility requirements need not be that of the "typical Arabian show", and may not even have stalling. The outcome is a more affordable way for many of our Arabian exhibitors to show their horses, receive qualifications, and remain involved with the breed. Go to the AHA website – [www.arabianhorses.org](http://www.arabianhorses.org) – to download the Rules and Guidelines, One Day Show Applications and all other information you need to put on this new type of show.



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## AHA News: Arabian Breeder Sweepstakes Program

AHA announced on February 12th that the big U.S. National payout for which the Arabian Breeders Sweepstakes (Sweepstakes) program has long been known is back – and in a big way! U.S. Nationals Champions can now earn \$10,000 in certain classes, which hasn't been paid since 2005. Getting back to basics as a breeding program was the push behind the new changes. The Breeders Sweepstakes Commission has re-established the breeder as first priority, and they've selected classes to pay out that showcase the breeding of exceptional horses.

Now more than \$1.4 million is available every year through Sweepstakes. Up to \$25,000 is available for Arabian and \$15,000 for Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian per Sweepstakes designated classes at the 2011 U.S. Nationals in Tulsa, Oklahoma from October 21-29, 2011. See AHA website for more information.

In addition to the prize money now offered at U.S. Nationals,

other Sweepstakes program changes include:

- Nominated Sire fee reductions
- Fast payouts of allocated prize money mailed within 60 days of completed results after Regional and National shows
- Four ways to earn prize money broken into categories for clarification
- Recognition of breeding success through yearly payouts to both Nominated Sire owners and breeders
- Elimination of the Original Entry after July 1, 2011, leaving the Breeding Entry as the only route possible to winning prize money (Original Entries previously nominated will continue to receive Sweepstakes prize money)
- Limited special enrollment fees available for Original entries until July 1, 2011

Call the AHA Competition line at 303-696-4500 #4 or check [www.arabianhorses.org](http://www.arabianhorses.org) for more details.



# Winners of 2010 Region 9 Amateur High Point Awards

By Jane Ann Godsey

## Western Pleasure

Champion: Kelsi Foucheaux-Halima Rishan SS  
Res Champ: Sara Altman-Vallejo Perfect Moon  
Top 5: Allison Buffington-TFA Bay Editions+  
Top 5: Angie Finn-Crac-R-Jac  
Top 5: Marg Woodruff-KN Rio Tuff

## Equitation

Champion: Kelsi Foucheaux-Halima Rishan SS  
Res Champ: Chloe Peterson-CA Steppin High  
Top 5: Allison Buffington-TFA Bay Editon+  
Top 5: Madeleine Davis-Psychic Moun  
Top 5: Kelsi Foucheaux-Cimmarron Sundae

## Reining

Champion: Crizta Goslin-Absolute MSC  
Res Champ: Crizta Goslin-Millineum Magic

## Trail

Champion: Marg Woodruff-KN Rio Tuff  
Res Champ: Chris Kornegay-CBA Polaris  
Top 5: Allison Buffington-MM Cherokee Warrior  
Top 5: Brooklyn Jensen-Only Perfect  
Top 5: Chris Kornegay-CBA Lightning

## Games (Barrels/Poles/etc)

Champion: Erica Craig-SV Triumph  
Res Champ-Brooklyn Jensen-Only Perfect  
Top 5: Marg Woodruff-CN Rio Tuff

## English/Country

Champion: Jane Ann Godsey-Atlanta Rose  
Res Champ: Jane Ann Godsey-Blockbuster

## Hunter Pleasure

Champion: Chloe Peterson-CA Steppin High  
Res Champ: kelsi Foucheaux-Cimmarron Sundae  
Top 5: Bridget Conley-KL Painted by Magic  
Top 5: Tracy Caruth-LC Napdancer  
Top 5: Marg Woodruff-CN Rio Tuff

## Training Level

Champion: Karen Campbell-Ansa Gallen JJ  
Res Champ: Koral Kornegay-CBA Lightning  
Top 5: Sara Craig-LA Gabrielle's Magic+/  
Top 5: Chris Kornegay-CBA Polaris  
Top 5: Chris Kornegay-CBA Lightning

## First Level

Champion: Sara Craig-LA Gabrielle's Magic+/  
Res Champ: Carol Purdy-Confettis Ricochet

## Second Level

Champion: Emily Craig-Khemos Drama++/

## Sport Horse

Champion: Chris Kornegay-CBA Lightning  
Res Champ: Karen Campbell-Anza Gallen JJ  
Top 5: Koral Kornegay-CBA Lightning  
Top 5: Sara Craig-LA Gabrielle's Magic+/  
Top 5: Carol Purdy-Confettis Richochet

## Halter-Geldings/Stallions

Champion: Cynthia Cook-EK Royal Red  
Res Champ: Karen Campbell-Ansa Gallen JJ  
Top 5: Madeleine Davis-Psychic Moon  
Top 5: Bridget Conley-KL Painted by Magic  
Top 5: Carol Purdy-Confettis Ricochet

## Halter-Mares

Champion: Chris Kornegay-CBA Polaris  
Res Champ: Chris Kornegay-CBA Lightning  
Top 5: Ryan Christiansen: KA Kochise  
Top 5: Brooklyn Jensen-Simply Perfect  
Top 5: Patricia Parmley-Almirah

## Show Hack/Side-Saddle/Costume

Champion: Kelsi Foucheaux-Cimmarron Sundae  
Res Champ: Halima Rishan  
Top 5: Tracy Caruth-CA Boomerang  
Top 5: Marg Woodruff-Rock N Rose

## Competitive Trail:

Champion: Sherry Rosser Carroll-TA Rodansk

## Select Rider

Champion: Marg Woodruff-KN Rio Tuff  
Res Champ: Karen Campbell-Ansa Gallen JJ  
Top 8: Angie Finn-Crac-R-Jac  
Top 8: Patricia Parmley-Almirah  
Top 8: Marg Woodruff-Rock N Rose

## 40 and Over

Champion: Marg Woodruff-KN Rio Tuff  
Res Champ: Chris Kornegay-CBA Lightning  
Top 8: Tracy Caruth-CA Napdancer  
Top 8: Karen Campbell-Ansa Gallen JJ  
Top 8: Sherry Rosser Carroll-TA Rodansk  
Top 8: Angie Finn-Crac-R-Jac  
Top 8: Chris Kornegay-CBA Polaris  
Top 8: Marg Woodruff-Rock N Rose

## 18-39

Champion: Koral Kornegay-CBA Lightning

## 14-17

Champion: Kelsi Foucheaux-Halima Rishan SS  
Res Champ: Kelsi Foucheaux-Cimmarron Sundae  
Top 8: Bridget Conley-KL Painted by Magic  
Top 8: Cynthia Cook-EK Royal Red  
Top 8: Emily Craig-Khemos Drama  
Top 8: Erica Craig-SV Triumph  
Top 8: Chloe Peterson-CA Steppin High

## 13 & under

Champion: Sara Altman-Vallejo Perfect Moon  
Res Champ: Madeleine Davis-Psychic Moon  
Top 8: Makale Gerdes-Amarone  
Top 8: Makale Gerdes-GR Formal Attire  
Top 8: Crizta Goslin: Absolute MSC  
Top 8: Crizta Goslin: Milleneum  
Top 8: Brooklyn Jensen-Symplee L E Gant  
Top 8: Brooklyn Jensen-Only Perfect

## Walk-Trot

Champion: Allison Buffington-TFA Bay Edition+  
Res Champ: KMA Christis Victory  
Top 8: Allison Buffington-MM Cherokee Warrior  
Top 8: MeKenna Aguilar-A'Gin Moonstruck  
Top 8: MeKenna Aguilar-Buckita Mia  
Top 8: Ryan Christiansen-KA Kochise  
Top 8: Caroline Davis-Lucky Dude

Thanks to all who participated in the awards program this year! Look for more information in the next newsletter and current forms will be e-blasted out as soon as possible.



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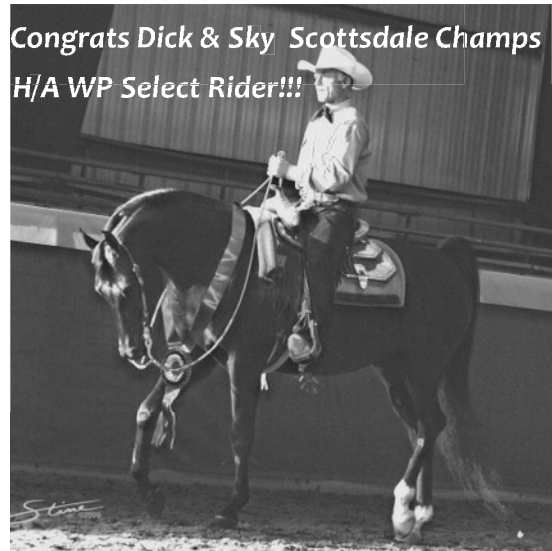
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# Minutes of Region 9 AHA Delegates Meeting

September 11, 2010, Dallas, TX

1. Call to order. Pat Barton called the meeting to order at 1:02pm.
2. Region officers and delegates roll call was done by Jane Ann Godsey. All officers except Oklahoma State Representative were present, and quorum was established.
3. Meeting Agenda approval. Charles Bass made the motion to approve agenda. Seconded, and approved by voice vote.
4. Recess. The Region 9 AHA BOD meeting was recessed at 1:13pm.
5. Youth Foundation Region 9, Inc meeting was started at 1:13pm with a report given by Cindy Savage. Financials were presented, and Cindy also noted that silent auction items were needed. Motion to approve the minutes by Bob Barton and seconded by Mark Himmel. Approved by voice vote.
6. Call Region 9 delegates meeting back to order by Pat Barton at 1:19pm.
7. Motion to approve June 12, 2010 delegates meeting minutes was made by Karen Meites, and seconded by Margo Shallcross, and approved by voice vote.
8. Treasurer's report was given by Cindy Savage. See attached. Motion by Charles Bass to approve, seconded by Mark Himmel, and approved by voice vote.
9. Financial Planning Committee-Report presented by Charles Bass
  - a. AHA request for donation of flags-Board approved \$200.00 for this project
  - b. AHA request for convention sponsorships-No sponsorships approved by board.
10. Region 9 Show Committee Report was given by Kristen

Fisher. Show had a profit of approximately \$25,000.00. The budget called for 600 horses and 533 were actually shown.

11. Suggestions for judges and class input will need to be returned to Kristen by mid-October. Exhibitor parking fees paid by the show were partially offset by a decrease in security cost.

12. Region 9 Sport Horse Show Committee report was presented by Bill Eash. The show was down in horses from 78 to 76, and the financial numbers are yet to be finalized.

13. Committee reports were presented.

a. Awards Programs

i. Horseman Awards-Debbie Black (nominations being finalized)

ii. High Point Awards-Jane Ann Godsey reported the program had active participation, and that more entries were usually obtained at the end of the year.

b. January Awards Event-Pat Barton reported the event would be January 22, 2011, and there would be a guest speaker and other items.

c. Region 9 Stallion Service Auction-report was presented by Cathy Christiansen who

i. was working on stallion donations.

d. Distance Riding. Charles Bass noted for Carla Jo Bass that there was no report.

e. Youth Activities-Mark Himmel reported on the many youth activities for Debbie Himmel.

f. Other Committees-the Texas Horseman's Bill was reported on by Carrie Woolverton.

14. AHA One Day Show-information available

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## Arkansas Victory Challenge May 13-15, 2011

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Four States Fairgrounds, Texarkana, AR

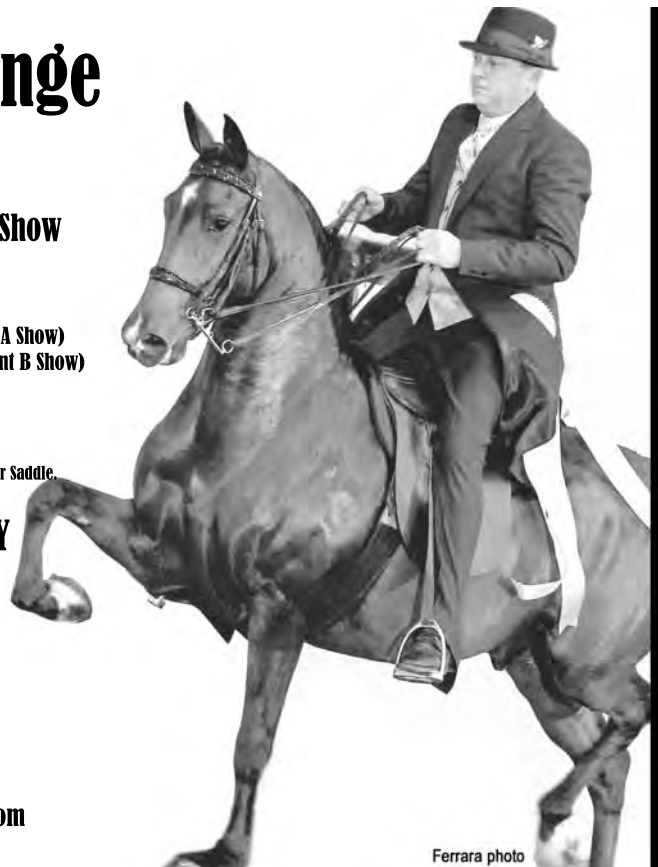
Lori Conway, Chatfield, MN - Halter and Performance Classes (Concurrent A Show)  
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Qualifying AHA Region 9 Championship, Ft Worth, Texas  
Class A Purebred Arabian, Class A Half-Arabian,  
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15. AHA Regional Boundary Ad Hock Committee Study Discussion-information available

16. Future Region 9 Delegates Meetings

a. AHA Convention Caucus-November 18, 2010 at 7:00pm in Orlando, Florida

b. Region 9 Annual Awards/SSA Event-January 22, 2011 in Fort Worth, Texas

c. Annual Meeting and Election of Officers-June 18, 2011

at Regional Show

17. Unfinished Business - none.

18. New Business - 2011 will be an election year – the election committee will consist of Charles Bass, Chair; Mark Williams (Texas), Karen Meites (Oklahoma), Debbie or Mark Himmel (Louisiana), and Cathy Christiansen (Arkansas)

19. Adjourn at 2:45pm

These minutes approved at the November 18, 2010 Regional meeting held in Orlando, FL.

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## Minutes of Region 9 AHA Delegates Meeting

*November 18, 2010, Orlando, FL*

1. Call to order. Pat Barton Called the meeting to order at 7:15PM

2. Pat Barton did region officers and delegates roll call. All officers present except Jane Ann Godsey, Secretary and Cindy Savage, Treasurer.

3. Motion to approve Meeting Agenda. Carolyn Mikulec made the motion to approve agenda, second by Dale Harvill and approved by voice vote.

4. Motion to Approve Minutes. Bob Barton made the motion to approve minutes, second by Dale Harvill and approved by voice vote.

5. Treasurer's Report presented by Pat Barton for Cindy Savage. Charles Bass made the motion to accept treasurer report, second by Dale Harvill, motion accepted by voice vote.

6. Financial Planning Committee Report presented by Charles Bass. Youth Committee funds are handled by the youth but we use the funds to balance the budget. Financial committee is Bob Barton, Bill Eash and Charles Bass. Lisa Skalski wanted to know what happens in June if funds are different than the budget reflects for the Region 9 show, Charles Bass stated the funds could be used as needed. Debbie Himmel wanted to know if the youth needed Executive Committee approval to use their funds. Charles Bass stated that the Youth funds do not need any delegate or committee approval but the Financial Committee should be made aware of the use of these funds. The youth may want to sponsor a Championship Jacket for Youth Nationals. Herb Meites asked what number was used to come up with the Region 9 Show budget. Pat Barton said they used 575 horses to set the budget. More was discussed on the Financials for the Region. Bill Eash opened up discussion on the newsletter. He recommended that we could save money by reducing our Region 9 newsletter, which is presently a large expenditure. Bill proposed we go to more of our news being issued by electronic means. Charles Bass asked if Bill proposed to amend the budget and Bill said not at the present but would like to revisit this issue at the January 2011 meeting. Karlan Downing questioned why it cost more for the Newsletter if we had more ads. Pat Barton responded that there were more cost with more ads due to printing, paper, etc. and the Region only gets a small amount of the ad money. Bill Eash stated there would be no increase in more ads on an electronic newsletter. Bill suggested a survey to see what the regional members would prefer. Pat also stated that we will have a new cost with the Newsletter of 10 cents per label from AHA. Motion by Dale Harvill, second by Mark Himmel to approve the budget,

approved by voice vote.

7. Committee Reports:

a. Youth Committee Report by Debbie Himmel

b. Youth would like to have a meeting in January at the Extravaganza.

8. 2011 Region 9 Stallion Service Auction and Awards Event Report by Pat Barton and Cathy Christiansen. Pat stated that the name would be 2011Region 9 AHA Stallion Service Auction and Awards Extravaganza. Will be held January 22, 2011 at the Radisson Ft. Worth South (soon to be Crowne Plaza) 100 Alta Mesa E. Blvd., Ft. Worth, TX (I-35 West/South of I-20), hotel recently renovated. The hotel rate is \$85, must book by January 7, 2011. Reduced prices for meals due to Region 9 putting money in budget to help with this cost – luncheon will be \$15 per person, banquet will be \$30 per person, \$10 for youth 12 years old and under. Tentative format: Youth Foundation Silent Auction

a. Guest Speaker in the morning

b. High Point Awards Luncheon

c. Judges panel & Ask the Trainer

d. Region 9 meeting

e. Stallion Service Auction and Horseman Awards Banquet

Contact Cathy Christiansen for Stallion Service contracts and Bob Barton for information, forms for mare nominations. Cathy stated that Tamara Hanby says this is the best-kept secret in Region 9 as she has won a lot of money on this event. Information needs in immediately. Bob Barton said the payout over the years has \$250,000 in scholarships from the Foundation. Bob gave a recap on how the Stallion Auction worked and the money was awards. It will be a Live Auction for 2011. Horseman Awards Bios will be on line for the people up for awards. Two pages will be in the newsletter for voting ballot for awards.

9. AHA Convention Resolutions for discussion:

a. Lisa Skalski asked Pat Barton what is happening with the possible Regional realignment. Pat responded that in August the BOD voted to table until 2011, but the BOD said it had to be revisited and referred to committee for review at the AHA April 2011 meeting. Dale Harvill said it would require a 2/3 delegate vote to pass, it is a bylaw change. Karlan Downing spoke to the issue that this could decrease our Directors and put more power in the hands of Director's at Large. Pat stated that it is going back to committee. Pat felt we had no worry that any change would take place for years to come and all this was done as a research project required by

the AHA bylaws.

b. Resolution 43-10 asked by Cheryl McCally to be discussed. Dale Harvill addressed that it is improper for the delegates to override a BOD motion and would be ruled out of order so this resolution will probably be withdrawn.

c. Resolution 1-10 - Question was asked about the cost to AHA if this passed. Dale Harvill responded that it could cost as much as \$120,000 if passed.

d. No further discussion on resolutions.

10. Next delegate meeting will be January 22, 2011, 3.45 PM in Ft. Worth, TX

11. Unfinished Business:

a. Charles Bass will be Chair of the Nomination Committee, which consists of, Mark Himmel, Mark Williams, Cathy Christiansen and Karen Meites.

b. All Positions on the Board are open

c. Election will be June 18, 2011 at the Region 9 Meeting around 11AM

12. No New Business

13. Motion to Adjourn at 8:10PM

These minutes were approved at the January 22, 2011 Regional Meeting in Fort Worth, TX.

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## Unapproved Minutes of Region 9 AHA Delegates Meeting

### *January 22, 2011, Fort Worth, TX*

1. Call to Order. Pat Barton called the meeting to order at 4:03pm.

2. Region Officers and Delegates Roll Call. Jane Ann Godsey called the roll, and all officers were present, and after the delegate roll was called, a quorum was established.

3. Meeting Agenda-Corrections were made to the agenda (Annalise Himmel will present Youth Committee report, the Election Committee report should read Nomination Committee Report, and Bill Eash will speak on the newsletter). There was a motion to approve the agenda by Herb Meites, seconded by Linda Abston, and approved by delegates.

4. Recess Region 9 Meeting. Recessed at 4:08pm.

5. Youth Foundation AHA Region 9, Inc. Meeting opened at 4:09pm by Cindy Savage. Cindy reviewed the Youth Foundation Balance sheet and profit and loss statement. Motion to accept report, seconded, and approved. Sandy Bentley gave a reminder concerning the Region 9 scholarship, and the application deadline is February 1st. She requested that the clubs report that there are downloadable forms on the website. Three director positions are available and Sandy Bentley, Karlan Downing, and Cindy Savage were nominated to positions. There was a motion to cease nominations and these individuals were elected unanimously. There was discussion of the silent auction items, and there was a motion to adjourn the Youth Foundation meeting at 4:14pm.

6. Call Region 9 Delegates Meeting to Order. Pat Barton called the meeting back to order at 4:14pm. Pat discussed thanks for attending of meeting, and talked about Sheila Varian's presentation.

7. Approval of November 18, 2010 Delegates Meeting Minutes-There was discussion that the minutes should have specified "Orlando", and with that correction, there was a motion to approve as corrected.

8. Treasurer's Report. Cindy Savage gave the treasurer's report. Charles Bass moved to accept the report, and Linda Abston seconded the motion. The treasurer's report was approved by the membership.

9. January Event.

a. Awards Programs-Horseman and High Point. The Horseman's awards program had a high level of participation this year. The High Point program enjoyed a nice awards luncheon with a bit of a decrease in participation for the year.

b. Stallion Service Auction/Futurities. Cathy Christiansen

reported that there were 30 stallions this year with some new stallions and some returning stallions. The auction would be conducted as a live auction this year.

c. Extravaganza-Pat reported that there were 115 present for lunch, and there would be about 160 present for dinner. Approximately 100 persons were present for Sheila Varian's presentation.

10. Region 9 Show Committee Report. Kristen Fisher reported that the committee for the 2011 show was comprised of herself, Lisa Skalski, Pat Barton, Kathy Braden, and Diane Mack. The show will be back on the normal weekend this year of June 15-18th. This year there will be a requirement that open checks be left in the office, and there will be a \$25.00 fee for class "no shows" without a proper scratch. The closing date will be May 11, 2011. This year's judges will be Kelly Elm, Lisa Jo White, Bob Purtee, and Connie O'Brien will judge the working western. The tentative schedule was on-line, and comments were received, and the show committee addressed comments to tailor the show to the exhibitors. AATR classes have been added, some age splits combined, and one class is tentative depending on if it becomes a US National Class. WP futurities will be added back in the Purebred and Half-Arabian divisions. Additionally, the open and amateur reining will be split to different days. The Youth wanted Friday evening off and are discussing fundraising also. Also, the walk-trot will be 10 & under. The premium book will be out by March 15th. The ad deadline will be 2/10 for commitment with the art work due by 2/20.

11. Region 9 Dressage/Sport Horse Championship Show-Bill Eash reported the show will be 7/14 to 7/17 in Waco. Sue Mendes (US National judge) will be judging. With regards to the classes, the carriage driving must have a sponsor to continue. Sport horse under saddle junior horse has been added. Friday has been tightened up by 40 minutes. The show committee is Lyn Watson, Debbie Cinotto, Rose Marie Eash, Karen Campbell, Bill Eash, and Linda Stoutamyer. An ad was done to advertise the show in the Cowtown premium book, however, two shows that were qualifiers were accidently missed. Those additional qualifying shows are the Green Country show and the Arkansas Victory Challenge. Don Stine will be the photographer.

12. Youth committee. Annalise Himmel reported on the Youth. Taylor Kraft is the current Youth Director and other officers are Grant Krohn, Lauren Burke, and Skye Williams. The

elections for the Youth will be at their regional meeting. Region 9 qualifier t-shirt sponsorships are available for \$150 for larger text, and \$75 for smaller text. Alexa Nichols was 1st runner-up for Youth of the Year and won a \$500 scholarship. Ideas for a fund-raiser for Regionals are being discussed. On the national level there was a donation from the youth of \$500 and they were a t-shirt sponsor too. The youth of Region 9 had the most delegates at the AHYA convention.

13. Nomination Committee. Charles Bass reported there was a short meeting at convention, and all spots are filled, and some have multiple nominees. The committee will meet again after the regional meeting is over, and the names will be submitted to the secretary 30 days prior to the June 18th meeting per bylaws.

14. Other Committee Reports.

a. Financial planning committee requests that 1/2 of the stallion service auction go to the Youth Foundation, and 1/2 goes to fund the futurities. Charles made the motion, Lisa Skalski seconded, and approval was unanimous.

b. Carrie Woolverton reported on Texas Horse.

c. There is a yellow sheet for people to sign up for committees or volunteers, which include the Extravaganza, Regional volunteers, and other committees.

15. Future Region 9 Delegates Meetings

a. June Annual Meeting/Election-June 18th at Region 9 Championship Show 11am

b. September meeting to be determined

c. November Convention Meeting-November 17th at 7pm in Vancouver, B.C. Canada

16. Unfinished Business: Newsletter-Discussion was held about the newsletter. Bill Eash noted that the newsletter and e-blasts could be done by using Constant Contact. This could help contain costs. There was a motion to do this by Bill Eash and seconded by Jane Ann Godsey to have an electronic newsletter done on Constant Contact four times a year. Discussion took place afterwards with questions about ad rates and a couple of other items also. It was noted that electronic surveys could also be done. After discussion, the final motion was that the region would have one more newsletter as it has been, and that after that, we would start with the electronic newsletter and pay for that, storage, and other fees. Bill Eash will serve as the editor. The vote was 23 yeses and 1 no. The motion carried. Pat thanked Kristen Fisher for serving the region as newsletter editor.

17. New business-none noted.

18. Motion to adjourn by Bob Barton and seconded by Jane Ann Godsey at 5:27. Unanimous support for adjournment.

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## Canter Across Region 9: News From Across the Region

We encourage ALL REGION 9 CLUBS to submit items of interest! The next newsletter will be EMAILED June 1, 2011, so all information should be submitted to [region9aha@gvtc.com](mailto:region9aha@gvtc.com) by May 25, 2011.

### LOUISIANA

**Louisiana Arabian Horse Association** – The Magnolia Classic will be held April 1-2, 2011 at the Lamar Dixon Expo Center in Gonzales, La. We are offering Arabian, Academy and Saddlebred Classes. Judges are Lori Shroeder-Ross (US Nationals) and John Lambert (Reg 12). This is a Concurrent Show (Double Points). For more info: [www.laarabians.org](http://www.laarabians.org) or email [laarabians@hotmail.com](mailto:laarabians@hotmail.com). LAHA will hold a general membership meeting and progressive barn party Sat Afternoon after classes end (approx 4:30pm). We will also have a silent auction, items needed if you have something you want to donate. For more information, please contact Beth Walker at [Laarabians@hotmail.com](mailto:Laarabians@hotmail.com).

### OKLAHOMA

#### **Green Country Arabian Horse Association**

• GCAHA Arabian Classic Show May 5 & 6th 2011 & Open Dressage Show May 7 & 8th, 2011 (Dressage Contact [www.showsecretary.com](http://www.showsecretary.com)). Contact Art Byrd Arabian Classic 918 363 7747 Expo Square, Tulsa, Oklahoma [www.gcaha.org](http://www.gcaha.org)

• GCAHA Tulsa State Fair Show September 29 & 30, 2011. Contact Art Byrd 918 363 7747 Expo Square, Tulsa, Oklahoma [www.gcaha.org](http://www.gcaha.org)

• Competitive Trail Ride - May 27, 28, and 29, 2011, John Zink Ranch, Skiatook, OK. Cost: \$75:00; Open to all breeds (horse doesn't need to be registered). Horses must be 4 years or old. Coggins and Health Papers required Jr rider events available: jrs must wear regulation helmets. Horses will be vet

check. Please refer to: NATRC website for additional information [www.NATRC.org](http://www.NATRC.org) Region 4. Contact: Art Byrd 918 625-9754

• GCAHA Stallion Service Auction - Breedings at 1/2 price & Snacks - September 30th, 2011 Expo Square Tulsa, OK [www.gcaha.org](http://www.gcaha.org). Please come by and visit our booth, enjoy snacks May 6, 2011 at the Arabian Classic Show and October 30, 2011 at the Tulsa State Fair. The 2010/2012 Stallion Service Auction sponsored by Green Country Arabian Horse Association (Tulsa, OK). The breedings were donated by the stallion owners at half their listed fee. The weanlings produced by the breedings will compete for the proceeds from these sales in the Tulsa Fair September 2012. We offer four classes; purebred colt, purebred filly, half-Arabian colt, and half-Arabian filly. The classes are AMATEUR TO HANDLE classes and average about \$20,000 total prize money. We accept all breeds of stallions. If the breeding to a stallion sells, the owner of that stallion is entitled to show a corresponding foal in the futurity. It's a great way to advertise your stallion, be part of a show that is a lot of fun, can be very profitable, and show off your foals giving them more marketability. By purchasing breedings at half the listed fee for the stallions, there is a wonderful opportunity to produce foals with a wide range of pedigrees, including those of some top sires in the industry. You will find information about all of the stallions on this web site along with pictures. To purchase a breeding or receive additional information please contact Barb McCalip 918 855-3239/

### TEXAS

**Legacy Arabian Horse Club of Texas** – The Annual Cowtown Classic is scheduled for March 17-20, 2011 at the Will Rogers Equestrian Center in Fort Worth. Our judges are Brian Scoggins for Western and Jim Lowe for English, Sally

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O'Connor for Sport Horse/Dressage and Chris Benedict for Cutting. The premium book (as well as some corrections) is listed on our website at [www.legacyarabianhorseclub.com](http://www.legacyarabianhorseclub.com). The new dressage helmet rule will be in effect for our show, effective 3/1/2011.

Come on down to Fort Worth and join us in show casing our beautiful Arabians or come cheer on your fellow exhibitors. For more info call Larry Nace 254-835-4752 [tolaroaks@aol.com](mailto:tolaroaks@aol.com) or Debbie Cinotto 817-319-9815 [windcrestdc@aol.com](mailto:windcrestdc@aol.com).

**North Texas Arabian Horse Club** – Mark your calendars for the 2011 MayFest Challenge April 29 – May 1, 2011 at Will Rogers Memorial Center in Ft. Worth, TX! Our judge will be Mary Jane Brown of Newberg, OR. We will be posting the updated 2011 schedule by March 7, 2011.

We will once again be offering National Show Horse classes so plan ahead – come get qualified for NSH championships by exhibiting at 2011 MayFest Challenge.

We are updating our Friends of MayFest sponsorship packages and will be reaching out to past and future Friends to ask for your support of the 2011 MayFest Challenge. If you have questions, please contact Kristen Fisher at [ntahc\\_mayfest@earthlink.net](mailto:ntahc_mayfest@earthlink.net).

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## SPECIAL NOTICES

### Region 9 Delegates Meeting

The next meeting of the Region 9 Delegates will be held at 11:00 am June 18, 2011 at the 2011 Region 9 Championship Show in Fort Worth, TX.

### Region 9 Hand Gallop is Going Electronic

Beginning with the June 2011 newsletter, the Hand Gallop will only be published electronically. An email will be sent to your AHA email address on file, asking for an “opt-in” which will confirm the email address and confirm that you do want to receive the newsletter. Members can still get a “hard” copy of the newsletter, but they will need to let the electronic newsletter editor, Bill Eash now at [region9aha@gvtc.com](mailto:region9aha@gvtc.com).

