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Upcoming Events & Shows

Cow Horse Days
August 22-23 (tentative)

Fall Show
September 18-20

ATTENTION!!

The CAHC Board of Directors recently passed a resolution allowing participation in horse shows outside of CAHC to count for High Point Awards for Dressage/Hunter Jumper/Sport Horse. This action was precipitated by the recent cancellation of the One Day Show at Latigo which was the only CAHC show that included those classes.

The next page is a form that CAHC members can fill out to send in their participation credit to Angela Mannick: hockeyandhorsemom@gmail.com and Bliss Hancock: zephyrequine@gmail.com. Please note that we need the horse show secretary to sign off on the classes including the level and placing at the show. Please contact Steve Bishop stephenbishop@comcast.net, 303.378.2614 if you have any questions about this new opportunity.



COLORADO ARABIAN HORSE CLUB

Dressage/Hunter Jumper/Sport Horse Points

Verification of points earned at Dressage, Hunter/Jumper or Sport Horse shows outside of Colorado Arabian Horse Club (CAHC) sanctioned events.

SHOW INFORMATION

Name of Show: _____ Show Date(s): _____

Location (City, State): _____

Type of Show (Dressage / Hunter/Jumper / Sport Horse): _____

EXHIBITOR & HORSE INFORMATION

Exhibitor Name: Stephen J Bishop CAHC Membership #: _____

Horse Registered Name: Khasta Beajalais DT AHA Registration #: 1180765

Horse Barn Name (if any): _____

CLASSES & PLACINGS

DATE	CLASS NAME / DIVISION	LEVEL / HEIGHT	PLACING	POINTS EARNED (Office Use Only)
1.				
2.				
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Attach additional pages if more space is needed. email completed form to : hockeyandhorsemom@gmail.com or zephyrequine@gmail.com

SHOW SECRETARY VERIFICATION

I verify that the above information is true and correct and that the exhibitor and horse listed participated in and earned the placings shown at the above named show.

Show Secretary Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

Show Secretary Address: _____

NOTES (Office Use Only)



Thank you for supporting CAHC members in their equestrian goals!



Southern Division
New Officers are:

President - Lauren Payne

Vice-President - Mary Jo Hoepner

Secretary - Kathy Scott

Treasurer - Liz Wheeler

Directors: Kea Kerchival

Tracey Meissel

Kim Grove



Jim Porcher, show manager, is presenting the Jo-Anne Read Memorial trophy to the winner of the Arabian Sport Horse Under Saddle Championship class at Region 8.

Northern Division

President Trisha Swift
Vce President Shari McGinn
Secretary Jeanne Pertillo
Treasurer: Cathy Nelson

Katie Kosak (left) and Trisha Swift recently judged a regional competition for the Special Olympics in Florida





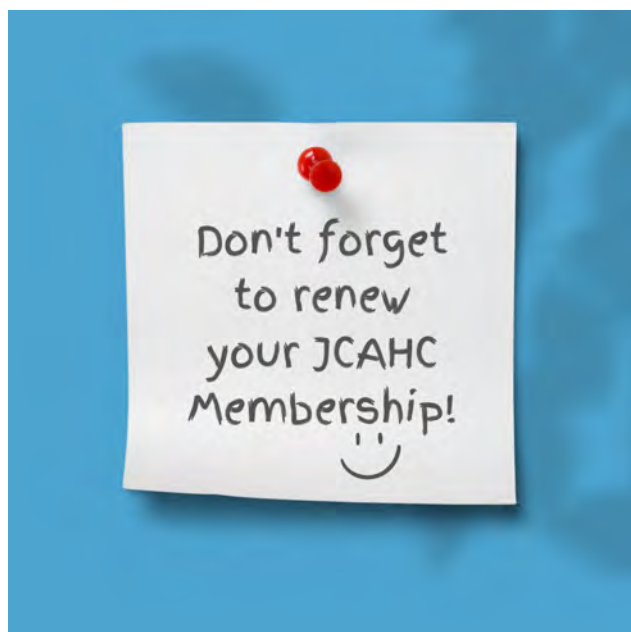
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Colorado Arabian Horse Club News

Get Involved!!

Don't forget to send in your entry forms and tell all of your 4-H friends about this year's 4-H Extravaganza and 4-H youth clinics.

Join us Friday evening, April 24th, during the Spring No Frills Classic Show to celebrate all of the CAHC 2025 Youth High Point Award winners!



JCAHC YOUTH SILENT AUCTION

We Need Donations



We are looking for silent auction donations to benefit youth activities and year-end High Point Awards!



Scholarship Opportunities

- **National Arabian Horse Judging Contest**

Contestants in the National Arabian Horse Judging Contest at U.S. Nationals in October have the opportunity to win \$7,000 in total individual and team scholarship awards across the three divisions: 4-H/FFA, Junior AHA, and Senior AHA/Collegiate.

- **Burr Betts Memorial College Scholarship**

Two scholarships of \$1,000 each to be awarded to two incoming college Freshmen or current undergraduate or graduate students, or to incoming or current students at a trade school or other post high school educational program of at least one year in length. Applicant must be a member of an AHA Region 8 affiliated club. Applicant must have completed at least 8 hours of volunteer service to Region 8, the affiliated club, or other equine organization in the year prior to application. **Deadline is May 1.**

- **Rise Up and Ride On**

Interested in attending youth nationals for the first time? Apply for our grant to help cover your entry fees! Offered through Region 9's Youth page, entries are **due by May 8th.**

You can reach Angela Mannick, JCAHC Youth Director, at 303-324-3507
or HockeyandHorseMom@gmail.com



Membership Application

For faster and more efficient Affiliate Membership processing, you can join Online at www.arabianhorses.org Please be sure to mark CAHC (Club #8033) as your Affiliate Club.

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ AHA #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Tel: _____ Email: _____

(Very important to receive club information, news and updates)

CAHC/AHA AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP – Affiliate Individual Membership (AHA Member with AHA, Region 8 and CAHC Benefits to include Voting Privilege in each)

Base Affiliate Membership without Competition Card

Adult 1 Year @ \$75.00 \$ _____

Adult 3 Year @ \$205.00 \$ _____

Youth 1 Year @ \$25.00 \$ _____

YOUTH BIRTHDATE: _____

Base AHA/CAHC Affiliate Membership with Competition Card & Insurance

Adult 1 Year @ \$110.00 \$ _____

Adult 3 Year @ \$310.00 \$ _____

Youth 1 Year @ \$50.00 \$ _____

CAHC ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP – Associate Individual Membership (Not an AHA member, or does not have AHA affiliation through CAHC: all benefits of membership except those specific to AHA and Region 8; no voting privilege in any organization). **Associate memberships expire 12/31 of each year.**

Adult 1 Year @ \$25.00 \$ _____

Adult 3 Year @ \$70.00 \$ _____

Youth 1 Year @ \$5.00 \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

DIVISION INTEREST (Check all that apply): MAIN CLUB NORTHERN SOUTHERN YOUTH

Areas of Interest:

Club Officer Director _____
Activities _____
Awards Committee _____
Youth _____

Horse Shows _____
Show Manager _____
Show Secretary _____
Barn Manager _____
Gates Manager _____
Hospitality _____

Other (List any area you would like involvement with: _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CAHC AND MAIL TO: Cheryl
McMahon, 21710 E. Heritage Parkway, Aurora, CO 80016 (303)
881-7203

Revised 05/27/21

In Depth:

CAHC HISTORY

Trisha Swift has generously donated a treasure trove of memorabilia related to the Colorado Arabian Horse Club. Her mother, who was a past President of the CAHC, collected these mementos over the years. I spent some time reviewing the items and thought that our membership would enjoy seeing some of the history of our organization which is now over 75 years old. I will start with a wonderful review of CAHC written by Barbara Mimmack who was the wife of Fred Mimmack MD, a noted psychiatrist and psychoanalyst in the Denver area for over 50 years. . Fred, coincidentally, was a supervisor of mine in my residency here at University of Colorado Hospital. Fred was the President of the CAHC just before I started my internship at University Hospital in 1978. Fred bred and trained Arabians down at his ranch in Parker for decades. Paul Tramp MD was another physician President of CAHC who preceded Fred Mimmack.

On May 9, 1948 a group of people, with a common interest in the Arabian Horse, had a get-together in North Platte, Nebraska during the Nebraska Stallion Show to discuss forming a formal Arabian horse organization. The original purpose of this organization was to operate an annual horse show for Arabians and to encourage all-breed shows to include Arabian horse classes in their shows. Those attending this meeting were: Dr. and Mrs. Glen H. Joder, Mrs. P. Dupertius, and Mrs. C. Morrill of Wyoming; Dr. Paul E. Tramp, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Moss, Alice Turner, Mr. Tom Sheppard and Elliott Huidekoper of Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. Lee Miles, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Osborn, N. W. Ladegard, Fred Gaibler, Paul Jenkins, Roy Welburn, Mrs. Ethel I Roberts, Miss Margaret Chamberlain, Floyd Bond and George E. Switzer of Nebraska; and V. E. Chesky, Jr. and F. Elliott of Kansas.

On August 21st of the same year the Arabian people again met, this time at Cheyenne, Wyoming during the Frontier Riding Club Show, and organized the West Central States Arabian Horse Association. This encompassed fourteen West Central states (North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, Idaho, Utah, Arizona and Nevada). The organization's newsletter "The Arabian Horse News" was written by Mrs. Anna Best Joder of Wyoming. We Arabian enthusiasts now recognize this publication as having grown into one of the large Arabian horse magazines in the country.

In 1949 the word "States" was dropped from the official title of the organization and on July 10, 1949 they sponsored their first all Arabian horse show, the forerunner of today's annual Colorado Arabian Horse Show at Estes Park, in Cheyenne, Wyoming under the leadership of president Dr. Glen H. Joder. Mrs. Lloyd Moss was Secretary-Treasurer. (The entry fees for the show were \$2.00 and there were 137 entries from 12 states.

IAHA was formed in March 1950 at a meeting in Utah and Mrs. Joder introduced the idea of having national Arabian horse classes at the Cheyenne show in August of 1950. This idea was not supported because the people present thought the time was not yet

right to introduce national champions, but it was held and was a success with only 100 horses. The project was not undertaken again until at Estes Park in 1958.

The very first annual meeting of IAHA (convention) was held here in Denver at the Brown Palace on January 20, 1951. There were 538 members of IAHA and 11 member associations. The West Central Arabian Horse Association representatives present at this meeting were: S. Watts Smyth of Big Horn, Wyoming; Mrs. Anna Best Joder, Cheyenne; Dr. Glen H. Joder of Cheyenne; Elliott Huidekoper, Fort Collins, Colorado; Mrs. Gerald Angeli, Cheyenne, Wyoming; Thomas S. Sheppard, Jr. Virginia Dale, Colorado; Russell Turner, Nunn, Colorado; Lee Miles of Nebraska and M. W. Osborn of Nebraska. In November 1970 the Colorado Arabian Horse Club again hosted the IAHA Convention at the Brown Palace Hotel in Denver.

The second Arabian show was held in Cheyenne, Wyoming on July 15 and 16, 1950; the third on July 20 and 21 in Greeley, Colorado; the fourth on August 19 and 20 in Greeley, Colorado and the fifth and sixth were held at the Stockyard Coliseum in Denver, Colorado on July 18 and 19, 1953 and then July 17 and 18, 1954.

In 1955 the Colorado people decided to form their own organization when the others decided they did not want to continue sponsoring shows, but just meet socially for dinner, drinks and good times. This was the beginning of the Colorado Arabian Horse Club and the late Mr. Thomas Sheppard was our first president. Vice president was Dr. J. A. Baird; Evelyn Timothy was secretary and Dr. Paul E. Tramp was treasurer. The annual Colorado All Arabian Horse Show was held for the first time in Estes Park, Colorado on August 20 and 21, 1955.

The late Curt J. Sommers was president of CAHC in 1956 and his vice-presidents were Richard E. Newman, Dr. Paul E. Tramp, and Reed Timothy. The secretary-treasurers were Helen Newman and Evelyn Timothy. That year the Estes Park show was August 18 and 19 and managed by Dick Newman. In 1957 the Club president was Wayne R. Smith from Fort Collins, the vice-presidents were Curt Sommers, Reed Timothy and Bob Ricketts, secretary-treasurer was Mrs. Cody Bonsall and the Estes Park show was managed by Wayne Smith and George Gates.

1958 was the first year that the Estes Park show dates were changed to incorporate the July 4th holiday. It was also the year that IAHA first sanctioned the National Championship Classes and they were held at the Colorado All Arabian Horse Show in Estes Park. The show manager was Burr Betts. President of our Club was Dr. Paul E. Tramp of Loveland; vice-presidents were Burr Betts of Denver and Wayne Smith of Fort Collins; secretary-treasurer was Helen Michael. The national championship classes were held at Estes Park for the next four consecutive years. insert for 1959

Burr Betts was president of CAHC in 1960 and his vice-presidents were Richard Newman, Harry Radford and Bob Ricketts. The majority of the get-togethers in the early years of the Club were trail rides. They were held on members' ranches and usually included a picnic during, or informal dinner following the ride.

In 1961 Charles Barrick was president, vice-presidents were Burr Betts, Floyd Reid and Carl Edwards, and secretary-treasurer was Mrs. Bob Farrell. The 13th Annual All Arabian Horse Show and the 4th National Championship classes were held at Estes Park and the show was rated an "Honor Show" for that year by American Horse Shows Association.

Floyd Reid was president in 1962; his vice-presidents were Charles Barrick, Curt Sommers and Paul Sweeney; his secretary-treasurer was Eleanor Smith. The Estes Park show boasted entries from 32 states and more than 10,000 spectators.

In 1963 the late William H. Horton was president, General H. H. Twitchell was vice-president and Evelyn Sandlas was secretary-treasurer--she also published the newsletter notifying members of each Club meeting. The first roster of the CAHC was published by Evelyn Sandlas this year and the official membership of the Club included ninety-five members.

Col. Russell Tarvin was president of CAHC in 1964, vice-president was Dennis L. Barrick and secretary-treasurer was Evelyn Sandlas. James R. Bowman was president in 1965, Dean Weaver was vice-president and Peg Heine was secretary-treasurer. In 1965 the Western Slope Division of CAHC was formed. Colorado's geographic obstacles and vast distances between members made it difficult for all interested Arabian horse owners to remain active in all activities of the organization and the Colorado enthusiasts

Richard E. Newman was president of CAHC in 1959. He later was president of the International Arabian Horse Association. His vice-presidents were Harry Radford, Dr. Paul Tramp, and Mrs. Russell Turner. Secretary-treasurer was Mrs. Burr Betts.

wished to remain one body.

In 1966 and 1967 Ivan Back was president of CAHC. His vice-president in 1966 was Mrs. Betty Rider and secretary-treasurer was Mrs. Peg Heine. In 1967 his vice-president was Dr. Fred Minnack, secretary-treasurer was Peg Heine and the new position of Newsletter Editor was established and Mrs. Peg Hunnicutt assumed this duty. The official CAHC emblem was composed this year and incorporated into a stationary letterhead and also used for the Colorado All Arabian Horse Show programs and the Club directories of membership. The Junior CAHC was formed in 1967.

Fred Minnack was president in 1968, vice-president was Van Holt Garrett, Secretary-treasurer was Mary McKnight and newsletter editor was Florence Wilder. Col. Russell Tarvin was Chairman of the Convention Committee and traveled to the IAHA Convention being held in Calgary, Canada to present an invitation from the CAHC to hold their 1970 convention in Denver, Colorado. The invitation was accepted by IAHA.

Van Holt Garrett was elected president of CAHC for 1969 and 1970. The vice-president for these two years was Edgar Jeffres and secretary-treasurer was Barbara Foss. The newsletter editor for 1969 was Ruth Johnson and in 1970 Rosemary VanVleet took on the job as newsletter editor. The Colorado Arabian Horse Club hosted the IAHA Convention at the Brown Palace in November of 1970.

In 1971 and 1972 our Club president was Ed Jeffres, vice-president was Don Lavers, secretary-treasurer was Sandra Malson and newsletter editor was Rosemary VanVleet.

Don Lavers was president of CAHC for the years of 1973 and 1974 with vice-president John Low, Treasurer, Bill Eha, Secretary, Shirley James and newsletter editor Cindy Hale.

President of CAHC in 1975 was John Low with Jack Feurtado as vice-president. Bill Eha was treasurer, Shirley James secretary and Terry Myers newsletter editor. In 1976 Jack Feurtado became president, Dan Hale was vice-president, Tom Clark was treasurer, Marilyn Nancy Springer was secretary and Terry Myers was newsletter editor. By 1975 the membership in the Colorado Arabian Horse Club had grown to 471.

The present officers of the Club are Jack Feurtado, president; Tom Clark, vice-president; Ferman Ansel, treasurer; Doug Myers, secretary; and Betty Bell is our newsletter editor. Today CAHC has, in addition to the Parent Club, three divisions including the Western Slope Division, Northern Division and Southern Division with junior chapters in each division for youths 17 and under. The Colorado Arabian Horse Club is proud to boast that their Junion Judging Team has swept the top National Judging Competition for two consecutive years in 1975 and 1976. Our juniors are one of the strong factions of our organization.

We hold meeting once each month except during June, July and August when show season comes to Colorado. Each year we sponsor training clinics, several trail rides (including the VanVleet Memorial Trail Ride and the Deer Park Trail Ride), and many horse shows (Including the Colorado All Arabian Horse Show, the CAHC Spring Horse Show, the CAHC Half Arabian Horse Show, the Western Colorado All Arabian Horse Show and the Colorado Arabian All Amateur Horse Show). This year for the second consecutive year we will host the national trail ride for IAHA in Grand Junction, Colorado.

This history was compiled with the help of several members of the Colorado Arabian Horse Club by Barbara Mimmack, Administrative Assistant of the Colorado Arabian Horse Club.

Done about 1976

Certificate of Honor

We express our sincere gratitude

to

F r e d e r i c k W. M i m m a r k

for serving as President

of

the Colorado Arabian Horse Club

during



Date November 20,
1976

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President

Dana E. Meyer
Secretary

PAUL E. TRAMP, M. D.

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LOVELAND, COLORADO

914 West Sixth Street

October 26, 1976

Mrs. Barbara H. Mimmack
16619 East Easter Avenue
Denver, Colorado 80232

Dear Mrs. Mimmack:

In reply to your letter, I have compiled some information on the origin of the Colorado Arabian Horse Club up to 1955.

The first meeting, or preorganizational get together, occurred at North Platte, Nebraska, May 9, 1948, in conjunction with the Nebraska Stallion Show. Those attending were as follows: Wyoming - Dr. and Mrs. Glen H. Joder; Colorado - Dr. and Mrs. Lloyd Moss; Nebraska - Mr. and Mrs. Lee Miles, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Osborn, N. W. Ladegard, Fred Gaibler, Paul Jenkins, A. L. Johnson, Jr., Mrs. Mac Flienor and son, Roy Welburn, Mrs. Ethel I. Roberts, Miss Margaret Chamberlain, Floyd Bond and George E. Switzer.

August 21st of the same year the Arabian people again met, this time at Cheyenne, Wyoming, and organized the West Central Arabian Horse Association. This encompassed 14 of the West Central States.

The first show was held July 10, 1949, in Cheyenne, Wyoming, under the guidance of Dr. Glen H. Joder, President. Mrs. Lloyd Moss was Secretary-Treasurer.

In 1953 the name was changed to Western Arabian Horse Club, since so many States involved in the original fourteen states organization had organized their own show program. Then in 1955 this latter name was again changed to Colorado Arabian Horse Club.

We had approximately 100 members with an estimated 250 horses owned by the membership. During the year a meeting was held once per month, with the location of the succeeding meeting decided upon by the members present. This varies among the towns or cities, mostly on the eastern slope.

Usually one to three meetings are rides in the mountains, starting from the ranch of a member or friend. One show is held annually at Estes Park, Colorado. The National Championship Mare and Stallion Classes, sanctioned by the Arabian Horse Association International, are now being held in conjunction with that show, having been held for the first time July 7, 1958.

Officers for 1958 were: President, Paul E. Tramp, M.D.; Vice-Presidents, Wayne R. Smith, Ft. Collins, Colorado, and Burr Betts, Denver, Colorado; and Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Helen Michael.

Yours truly,

Paul E. Tramp, M.D.
Paul E. Tramp, M.D.

Other Wyoming enthusiastic early ones:

John + Marge Lunnari; Kilmier + Schlottman, Mr + Mrs

Donald Angell, Mr + Mrs Jack Hammann, all of

Wyoming.



November 15, 1976

Mrs. Barbara Mimmack
16619 East Easter Avenue
Denver, Colorado

Dear Barbara,

Late as usual and I am sorry. It was so nice of you to ask me to add my bit to the history of the club.

Everyone remembers differently, but as I recall Tom Shepard was most active in forming the Colorado Arabian Horse Club and the first meeting was held in Ft. Collins. We had a small group for quite a while and very informal meetings. We had several long and beautiful trail rides, one was at Shepards Table Mountain Ranch, one at Estes Park in the Fall when the aspen were turning, one above Evergreen, I can't remember the name of the Ranch, but it was a lot of fun. We tried to support Arabian classes in open shows and it usually took all day on the phone to scare up four or five entries for a pleasure class. The most important activity was the All Arabian Show. There were two held in Cheyenne, two in Greeley, two in Denver and then Estes Park. Colorado belonged to the West Central Arabian horse club during some of the earliest shows.

I'm afraid I can't think of anything very important except that it has always been fun to be associated with the Arabian horse and the nicest thing about it has been the great people I've met over the last thirty three years.

I wish I could be at the meeting, but we are having a Dressage clinic in Greeley.

Sincerely,

Alice

Alice Pollock

P.S. Hope I'm not too late
to have our name in
the directory



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THE COLORADO ARABIAN HORSE CLUB HONORARIUM WAS STARTED IN
ORDER TO RECOGNIZE OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUALS FOR THEIR
CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAHC AND THE ARABIAN BREED AS A WHOLE.

RECIPIENTS OF THIS PRESTIGIOUS HONOR ARE:

Lu and Burr Betts, Parker, CO - Estes Park Show, 1981

Elliot "Huide" Huidekoper, Ft. Collins, CO - Estes Park Show, 1981

Anna Best Joder, Boulder, CO - Estes Park Show, 1981

(actually presented at Joder Arabian Ranch on Anna's 80th birthday)

Marie Welch, Wellington, CO - Estes Park Show 1981

Paul Tramp, Loveland, CO - Estes Park Show 1983

(actually presented at his home in Loveland)

Eleanor Dunn, Estes Park, CO - Estes Park Show 1983

Ken Crooks, Elko, NV - Estes Park Show 1988

(actually sent to his home in Elko)

Van Vleet Family - Wayne Van Vleet, Englewood, CO - Estes Park Show 1988

Alice Skoog, Boulder, CO - posthumous - Estes Park Show 1995

CAHC hosted an internationally renowned horse show in Estes Park beginning not long after World War II and lasted over 50 years. The show was akin to The Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show in its' day, including four of the original AHA national championships back in the 1950's. As can see, Chuck Mangan was the CAHC President the year of the 50th anniversary of the Estes Park Show.

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F. J. Leonard, Ride Sec.-Treas.

1219 California Street, Denver 4, Colo.

Phone: Keystone 7229

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Newsletter Editor	Barbara Wiater

CAHC ESTES PARK SHOW OFFICIALS

Show Manager	Linda Kleca
Show Secretary	Linda Hardman
9262 Apache road, Longmont CO 80504-5411	
Assistant Show Secretary	Ron Harden
Ring Secretary	Russ Brown
Barn Manager	B.J. Randle
Announcer	Bob Kuehne
50th Anniversary Celebration Committee	Eldon Savage, Chairman
Advertising/Printing/Sales Manager	Estes Park Show, Committee
Concession	Estes Park Lions Club
Cutting Coordinator	Tom Horne
Dressage Coordinator	Norm Brown
EMT	Estes Park Medical
Farrier	Dick Williams
Hospitality	Joan Lemmel
Paddock Manager	Jon Hardman
Patrons	Estes Park Show Committee
Photographer	Peter West
Program	Val Manning, Donna Brown and Trisha Brown
Reining Coordinator	Terry Wegener
Ribbons & Trophies	Diane Alderson
Ring Master	Jane Patton
Security	Ron Ball
Sponsorships	Estes Park Show Committee
Trail Course Designer/Crew	Estes Park Show Committee
Veterinarian	Rick Dill, DVM (970)586-6898
Video	Action Video
Volunteers	The CAHC Northern Division

SHOW OFFICE TELEPHONE: (970)586-6104

Judges	Mr. Jim Havelhurst, Oregon City, OR Ms. Francine Dismukes, Luling, TX Debbie Riehl-Rodriguez, Golden, CO
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AHSA Steward	Rosalind (Jodi) Zeier, Lafayette, CO
IAHA Judge's Commissioner	Michael D. Brown

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Harry Schlotfman, Lakewood, Colo.

RINGMASTER
Harry Schlotfman, Lakewood, Colo.

VETERINARIAN
Roger L. King, D.V.M.,
Broomfield, Colo.

BARN MANAGER
ASST. BARN MANAGER
S. Watts Smyth, Big Horn, Wyo.
Bill Baker, Big Horn, Wyoming

PHOTOGRAPHER
Jack McNeerney, Denver, Colo.
Fritz Hartley, Longmont, Colo.

HORSE SHOW JUDGES

Col. John K. Brown, San Pedro, California... Halter, English, Equitation
(Western and English), Dressage
Claude L. Bates, Bristol, Oklahoma... Western Gymkana

HIGH POINT PERFORMANCE HORSE

ESTES PARK MAYOR'S TROPHY

The Estes Park Mayor's Trophy will be presented to the High Point Performance Horse of the Show. Award will be based upon accumulated points for the entire Show. Halter, Junior Equitation, and Egg Marathon Classes will NOT be considered for point accumulation. Points will be earned on the basis of 5 points for 1st place; 4 points for 2nd place; etc., through 5 places in all Classes, including Junior Division Classes, except Championship Classes. In Championship Classes, 8 points for 1st place; 7 points for 2nd place; etc., through 8 places.

NOTICE

ENTRIES CLOSE, ABSOLUTELY, JUNE 6, 1964
Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated. Point entries will be accepted at double fee up until 2 hours prior to beginning of afternoon or evening performance session (not class), in which entry is made. If, for any reason, you wish to cancel your entries before June 6, all fees will be refunded. No refunds after June 6, 1964.

Send Entries to:
LOUISE MARSH, HORSE SHOW SECRETARY-TREASURER
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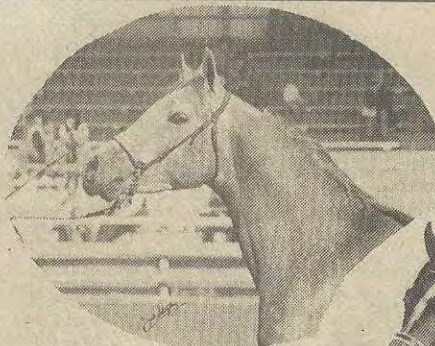
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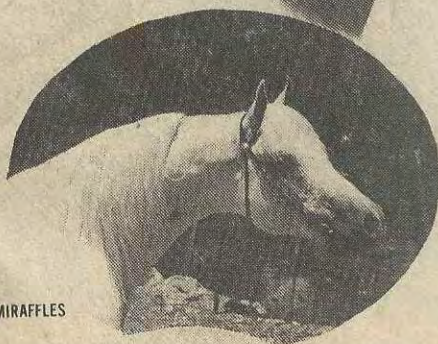
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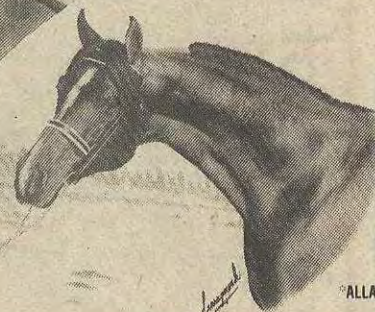
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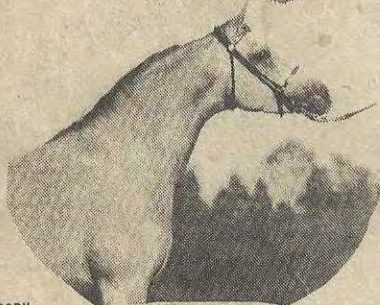


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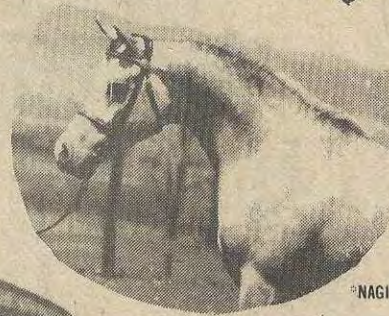
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HEAD OF A WINNER--Arabian stallion Ben Amigo sticks his head over the stall door for a better look at what is going on. Ben Amigo, owned, trained and ridden by long-time Parker resident, Winnie Hale, won 13 championships and 14 reserve championships in 12 shows this summer and after a fall trip to Florida for three shows was named as the American Horse Show Association horse of the year in the English class for Arabians.



CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM--Winnie Hale, up on her Arabian stallion, Ben Amigo, is all smiles as she is presented with the trophy signifying Ben's having been named as the American Horse Show Association's horse of the year in the English class for Arabians. Ben won the award by amassing points for winning in the shows Winnie entered him in. (Special Photo)



CLIPPING THE CHAMP'S WHISKERS--Owner Winnie Hale uses electric clippers to trim the whiskers and the mane of her prize-winning stallion, Ben Amigo.



WALL OF AWARDS--Parker horsewoman Winnie Hale talks about the wall full of ribbons and the bevy of cups, plates, plaques and other awards that her horse Ben Amigo has won over the last two years.

Fingers Crossed for Ben

By MARY WENRICH

Denver Post Zone Writer



Winifred Hale has her fingers crossed and will keep them crossed until mid-January. That is when she should learn if her Arabian horse, Ben Amigo, has been named English Horse of the Year.

Ben Amigo was leading contender for the trophy and in the running for the King Saud award before Mrs. Hale trailered him all the way to Florida for the year's last big circuit of three all-Arabian horse shows.

THERE, Mrs. Hale said, Ben Amigo placed in almost every class. "I think he won five firsts, three seconds, plus thirds and fourths.

He was outstanding "despite the high humidity — it was 100 per cent and should have been raining — which he was accustomed to."

Before going to Florida, Ben Amigo had 14 championships on his 1976 record, all earned since May. The show circuit for most horses in contention starts early in the year.

Three trophies are awarded yearly by the American

Horse Show Association. One goes to the top English horse, one to the top Western and one to the top Park horse (a specialty class of high-type English riding).

Of the three top horses, the one with the most points over all wins the coveted King Saud trophy.

MRS. HALE entered Ben Amigo primarily in English events, but also in Western.

"In English competition," Mrs. Hale explained, "you ride with a flat saddle, use four reins, double bits and a full bridle. In Western, the saddle has a horn and the rider uses two reins."

"Ben has a fantastic disposition," Mrs. Hale said of her 5-year-old Arabian. "Every once in a while you get a combination that works. I guess Ben and I are it. He's extremely good natured and he will work for me."

For competition criteria, she lists a quality horse, proper training, and a trainer and rider who can present him to the judges.

"You have to project to the judges and know how to

turn out your horse and yourself. He has to be spotlessly clean. You fluff out his tail, just like you tease hair. You put baby oil or vaseline around his eyes and nose. You even put shoe polish or dressing on his hooves. You have to bring out his strong points.

"Ben has good strong legs. He has action; he moves well."

Even if Ben Amigo doesn't finish among the top three, the trip to Florida will remain etched in the memory of Mrs. Hale, a sixth-grade teacher at Eugene Field School in Littleton.

"Transporting Ben more than 2,000 miles to Florida and knowing I was on my own was a challenge." She was assisted by a friend, Jane Mills.

Just two women at that level of competition is practically unheard of.

"When people learned of us, they would come over and ask, 'Just you and Jane? No trainer? No groom. Well just nobody does that.'"

Denver Post Photos by JOYCE COOK

ARABIAN HORSE EXPRESS 89 OCTOBER

Profile of a Colorado champion

Each state has it's champions and of course, Colorado is no exception. Immediately one can think of a horse or person that has won distinctive honors throughout their area and at each championship show.

It's time however to recognize another type of champion. One who has spent years promoting, loving, showing and honoring Arabians.

An individual who has never won a championship ribbon, but who has done more than most, contributing in special ways, so that the breed would develop and prosper.

By placing magazines in offices and libraries, he has brought many to admire and finally own Arabians. Helping youth groups in 4-H to breed and show their resulting foals at a minimal cost has been a favorite and rewarding pastime.

His name isn't listed as "president" in any of the directories, but he was a helpful member in other ways. He rode in the first Cheyenne Show in 1949, and continued actively in the "Grand-daddy of Shows - Estes Park."

Thirty-five years later, in 1983, he entered and received a special blue. (PURPLE)

He is a philanthropist giving

freely to many throughout the community and to his church.

His style is not blatant and flashy, just honest and true. In that same way we thank him for being so much an integral part of our lives.

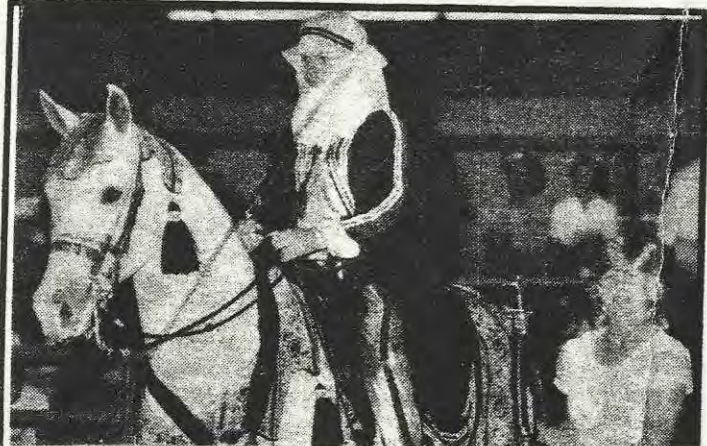
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Taken in 1978 at the Estes Park All Arabian Show's 30th anniversary, this group represents the farms and individuals who attended the first show in 1949.

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Van Vleet Arabian horses galloping around the show corral.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN MEMORIES / by Frances Melrose

Arabian horses had

Avesta Mauzey of 3405 W. 32nd Ave. writes to ask for information on the Arabian horses that were bred and trained on what later became the Caribou Ranch near Nederland, Colo.

Dear Mrs. Mauzey:

When the Arabian horses were romping through meadows at the foot of snow-covered peaks, the ranch was known as the Lazy V-V.



The property, four miles outside Nederland, was owned by Lynn W. Van Vleet, president of the Trinidad Bean and Elevator Co.

Van Vleet didn't neglect the bean business, but the horses were his first love.

He became fascinated with the beauty and endurance of Arabian horses, and he wanted to try raising them in the United States. When his romance with the Arabians began, he purchased what had been the Tom Tucker Ranch for Boys. His son, Wayne Van Vleet, recalled:

"When we first brought the Arabs to Colorado in the 1930s, there were none, and people were desirous of seeing them. In the period from 1908 to 1938, there were fewer than 2,000 purebred registered Arab horses in the United States. Now there are close to 400,000.

"Most of the horses in those days were from famous mares and few people worked them. We worked ours on cattle and used them on trail rides. They were bred by desert tribesmen to be useful, not just ornamental."

Van Vleet started his Arabian stud ranch in 1938 with 29 horses. By 1951, he had 285 horses, and they were sold to buyers all over the United States, Canada, Mexico and South America.

Because his neighbors and Denver friends were curious about the handsome horses, Van Vleet in 1939, started free Sunday shows.

Van Vleet built a show ring rimmed with log rails to present the horses and put in bleachers for an audience of 2,000.

Within 10 years, the crowds at the Sunday horse shows had grown to about 3,500. Celebrities who came to view the horses included Emir Abdul Ilah, regent of Iraq.

The show featured the horses in dressage exercises, plus cutting, and pulling buggies. Van Vleet nearly always presided at the microphone, describing the horses and explaining their stunts. One of the most famous performers was a stallion named Rifage, Van Vleet's personal horse.

The finale was a colorful make-believe desert raid, with riders wearing Arabian costumes and carrying spears urging the horses into full gal-

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A cowboy and his purebred Arabian horse gently urge a small Hereford family across a swollen creek on the old Van Vleet ranch northwest of Nederland.

Arabians in the Rockies



THE MYSTERIOUS BEAUTY

Kathy Newman in appropriate apparel rides Pied Piper, one of the Arabian horses owned by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Newman, 15601 W. 72nd Ave. (See photos, story on Page 10)

A SMALL crowd had gathered along a Colorado and Southern railroad siding near Boulder to watch the unloading of 29 purebred Arabian horses destined for the Nederland ranch of Denver bean magnate Lynn W. Van Vleet.

The beautiful animals with strong, arched necks and regal bearing drew murmurs of appreciation, but there was some head shaking, too.

Arabs in the Colorado mountains? Didn't Van Vleet know these horses were bred for the desert?

"He may know something about beans, but he don't know beans about horses," said an onlooker, and everyone enjoyed a laugh at Van Vleet's expense.

That was in May 1938. Within two years, nobody was laughing. The "desert" horses thrived on the lush Colorado mountain pastures and the Arabian Stud (a group of brood mares and stallions) at Van Vleet's Lazy VV ranch became the talk of the western horse world.

"The Boss," as Van Vleet was known to workers at the ranch and Denver's Trinidad Bean and Elevator Co., died in 1961. Long before that he had created a new image for the storied Arabians.

Although the exact origin of the Arabian horse is lost in antiquity, some authorities trace its more immediate ancestors to about 1,000 B.C., in Libya. The breed was said to have been introduced in Europe by no less a figure than Julius Caesar, and the Moors used Arabians in the conquest of Spain.

The first horses on the North American continent were Arabian-blooded animals brought to Mexico in the early 1500s by the Spanish Conquistadores. These became the foundation stock for Indian horses and the mustang of the western cowboy.

Arabia's Bedouins prized their purebreds beyond riches and did much to establish their modern reputation as horses of great stamina and courage. Experts know Arabian stallions were the progenitors of the English Thoroughbred, Morgan, American Saddle and virtually all other light horse breeds.

Van Vleet first became interested in Arabian horses on a vacation trip to the Middle East in 1928. His father in Michigan had raced trotters, and the younger Van Vleet had a fine appreciation of horseflesh. The Arabs' stately carriage, fine conformation and handsome coat would have attracted anyone, but Van Vleet

saw them as something more than showpieces.

He reasoned that the same blood which made the Arabs great on the desert would make them great anywhere — even in the rarefied air of the Rockies. Van Vleet turned the aristocratic Arabs into cow ponies — and what cow ponies they were! Intelligent, responsive, strong and tireless, they learned their new trade quickly and well.

A list of working stallions on the old Lazy VV spread read like entries in an equine social register. Leading the list was Egypt-bred Zarife, whose dam Mahroussa was widely regarded as the world's most beautiful Arabian. Rifage, Van Vleet's personal favorite, was the son of two international champions. Both Rifage and Kabar were grandsons of Skowronek, for which Lady Wentworth of England once refused an offer of \$250,000 from the Russian government.

These and many others became prime operational assets on the Van Vleet ranch, where they developed an uncanny talent for finding stray whiteface cattle in the timber.

Their agility and almost human understanding made them exceptionally good cutting horses. Watching an Arab at work in a ranch cor-

ral, a cowboy once made the homely observation that the horse "could cut the bakin' sody out of a biscuit without disturbing the crust."

Other horses at the ranch would droop noticeably after a day of wrangling. The Arabs pranced into the barn at sunset as though the day were just beginning. Van Vleet's son, Wayne, who now runs the stud and the Denver-based bean firm, recalls his early attitude toward the Arabians.

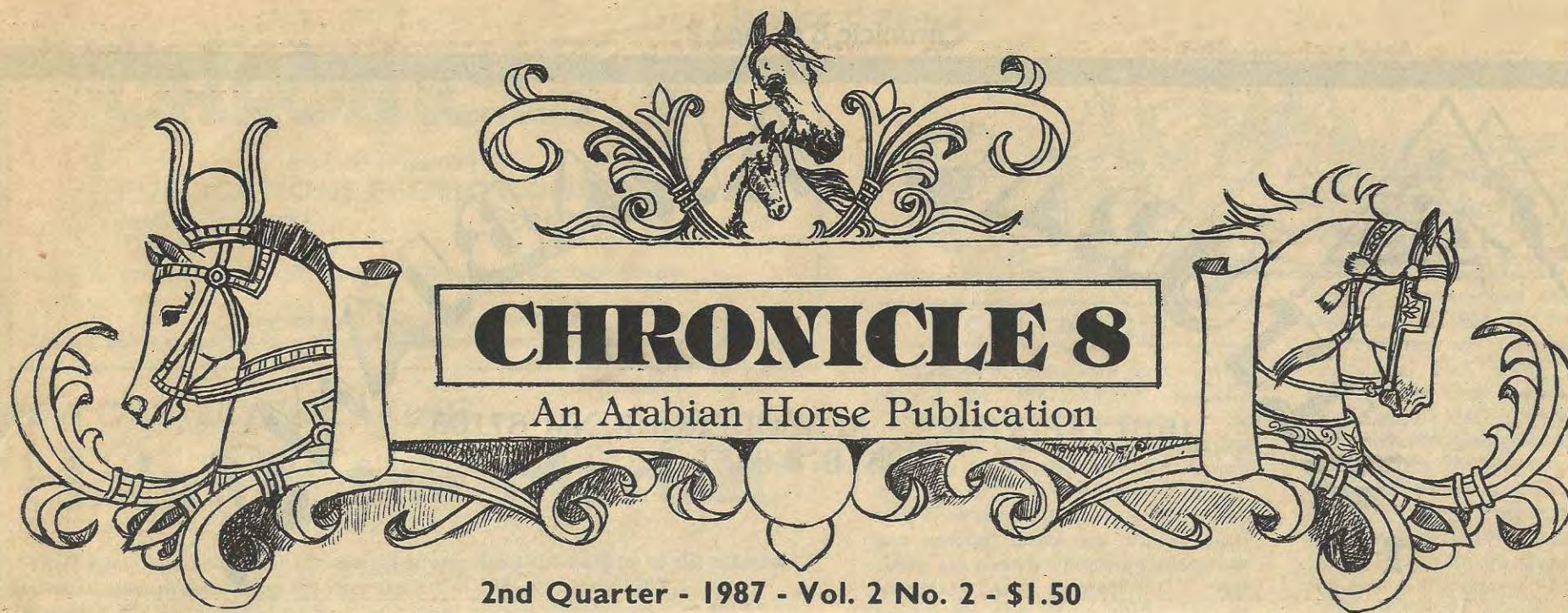
"I didn't see how my Dad could take these expensive horses and expose them to the hazards and hard work of a cattle ranch," he says. "That was before I knew just how rugged they were."

The Van Vleet cattle were moved frequently on the 16,000-acre ranch that covered elevations from 8,500 ft. to above timberline, and it was customary to rest a horse after a day's work. One day, Van Vleet told his son to take Kabar on an extended roundup. When Wayne asked which horse to use the following day, his father answered:

"Just stay with Kabar, if you can."

"I worked that horse for 10 straight days," Wayne recalls. "He never slowed down."

Not the largest of the Arabs, Ri-



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CHAMPIONSHIPS PLANNED

Region 8 Show Update

JUNE 18-19, 1987 - PUEBLO, COLORADO

The July Regional Show, being produced in Pueblo, Colorado, by the Colorado Arabian Horse Club is well on it's way!! Planning sessions have produced a format for a top notched show. The Regional Show will have the usual lead-in show followed by the two day Championship show.

The Lead-in show, July 15 & 16, will be judged by Jean Blackstone and Jim Havelhurst, two very well known judges who have judged at the National level. Entry deadline for this show is June 15, 1987. Mrs. Lewis (Peggy) Quigley of Beulah, is the show secretary for both the lead-in and the Regional Championships.

The Championship Show, July 18 & 19, Peter Cameron, Judy Warner and Mark Kerr, judging, will have 49 classes at this show. These three judges are well known and liked, each having many years of experience in the show ring as well as in training of show horses. Judy Warner and Mark Kerr are

secretary.

The shows are being held at the horse area of the Colorado State Fair in Pueblo. The facilities include a very large outdoor main ring and an outdoor ring. The Colorado facilities also include 500 permanent stalls and an additional 800 portable stalls will be

National Championships

OCTOBER 17-24, 1987 - ALBUQUERQUE

Albuquerque, New Mexico and Tingley Coliseum - No, not the Miss U.S.A. Pageant but rather our own Equine Beauties, strutting their stuff on the same stage for the 1987 "United States Arabian and Half-Arabian National Championships."

The scene is being set and commercial booth space is now for sale and hotel reservations are starting to roll in, promising that this year's show will be bigger and better. The Albuquerque Convention and Visitors' Bureau has ordered good weather, plenty of promotion, great food and wonderful sight seeing and buying trips are being packaged to attract visitors to our Region.

Region 8 is tuning up potential champions for a multitude of qualifying shows that will ensure that this region is well represented at the National Horse Show.

Those of you in Region 8 that are interested in a commercial exhibit, should contact I.A.H.A. to reserve your space. You can be assured that there will be plenty to see and do during the National Show along with the more than 1,800 Horse Show entries that are expected. Don't forget to also visit the stabling area of the show where most stalls will be decorated, creating a scene right out of the story, "A Thousand and One Arabian Nights."

NOTES FROM WEST CENTRAL REGION

R. T. Westre, who operates the Westre Pharmacy at Wessington, S. D., sent in both charter membership and charter subscription for himself and Mrs. Westre. They have two Arab studs, Nikke, 2647, and Senikke, 3828, as well as the mares Schmira, 1417, Valmira, 3277, and Myrnikkem, 4462. Then there is Nimra, a two month old filly, not yet registered and five seven-eighths Arabs, two three-fourths Arabs, and four half-Arabs—all the latter being registered in A. R. A.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Bidwell of Pocatello, Idaho, send in a charter subscription and say that they enjoyed the NEWS from "cover to cover" and they add that they own five Arabians. Their stallion, Al Samar, 2825 bred by the Van Vleet Arabian Stud, is now four years old. Two of their three mares were purchased from Mr. Harris. One stud colt was foaled in 1948.

Idaho was also heard from when Carleton Cummings wrote from Moscow, correcting us on the statement that his mare Direyn, 2123, had sired a stud colt (see item under THE MAIL BAG). Besides Direyn, he owns the following Arabians: Fersata, 4111; Kifaza, 3494; Abu Alla Altair, 3770; Alla Ghazi, who was sired by Alla Amarward and out of Ghaziniga; Alla Skowronek, 4511, a full sister of Abu Farwa; and Nijm Raseyn, 4649, who was grand champion of a show at seven weeks of age. Mr. Cummings makes note that all have Skowronek blood.

Idaho, like Utah, is going to become eligible for the West Central Arabian Horse Association with the enthusiasm of the Bidwells and Mr. Cummings to push things. And now Nevada is also heard from in the form of a very enthusiastic letter from Mrs. Jay Strode of Wells who sends a charter subscription and wants to get enough Arab breeders interested so that Nevada can be in the Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Strode became interested in Arabians several years ago after seeing the horses perform at the Pomona Remount Station. Last March their dream of owning an Arabian came true when they purchased Saark, 4116, from Draper's Jedel Ranch near Richmond, California. They made a trip to California and visited several of the Arabian breeders: H. H. Reese, T. R. Ranch, San Simeon besides the Drapers. Their main comment was on how grand the Arab breeders were to take time to visit and talk about horses.

The Bidwells in Pocatello, Idaho, own an Auto Court at 1304 South 5th Avenue. This is a point to remember when some of the rest of us are traveling around as it will be fine to patronize our fellow Arab enthusiasts. Along this line we should also remark that Frank Elliott, another Arab owner, has a tourist court at Marysville, Kansas.

The October Ranch Feature Issue of the Western Livestock Reporter gave a good report of the Arabian meeting and the organization of the West Central Arabian Horse Association last August. Bit and Spur, Back in the Saddle, American Horseman-Sportologue, and Popular Horseman gave fine reports on the Cheyenne show and Arabians at the State Fair.

Join West Central Association

The above map shows the states that lie within the boundary of the West Central Arabian Horse Association. In order to make a state eligible, there must be three members with dues paid in the association. Each state is represented on the board of directors with three members. To date the following states have become eligible: Nebraska, Wyoming, Montana, Colorado, South Dakota, Kansas, and Utah. From indications shown by enthusiastic letters, Nevada and Idaho will soon be eligible. Breeders and owners in the other states need to take some action.

There are many in the eligible states who have not become members and these are urged to do so soon so as to be listed in the directory of members which will be published in the next issue. Co-operative advertising has been started and only those who are members will be named in lists sent out when inquiries come in from these ads.

Dues are to be sent to Mrs. Lloyd Moss, Sec.-Treas., 501 Locust, Fort Collins, Colo., and the dues are as follows:

Charter Membership	\$5.00
(Charter membership to be accepted up to March 1, 1948, only)	
Family Membership for 1949	15.00
Individual Membership for 1949	10.00

Membership is limited to those owning Arabs or half-Arabs and living within the boundaries of the states in the above map. Associate members (fees the same) will be accepted from those outside the West Central boundaries and associate memberships are available to those who do not own Arabs.

As a part of the co-operative advertising plan, small ads for the West Central Arabian Horse Association have appeared or will appear soon in the following journals: Popular Horseman, American Horseman-Sportologue, Western Livestock Journal, The Western Horseman, Back in the Saddle, Bit and Spur, The Pony Express, Horse Lover, Western Livestock Reporter, and Texas Livestock Journal. Larger advertisements will be used as soon as funds permit—this means that

West Central Arabian Horse Association



your membership is needed to carry on this work.

Send in to Mrs. Moss or Dr. Joder, the list of Arabs you have for sale and the stallions you have at stud. Two lists are being prepared to send out in answer to inquiries on these ads—one list "FOR SALE" and the other "AT STUD." Be sure you are represented on these lists.

ALL ARABIAN SHOW

The West Central Arabian Horse Association will sponsor the first annual All Arabian Horse Show at Cheyenne on Sunday, July 10, 1949. After preliminary surveys, there seems to be plenty of enthusiasm for having such a show and the opinions were unanimous for Cheyenne as the site with its central location and its fine facilities. This will round out Cheyenne's summer horse show season since the Frontier Rodeo is the last full week in July and the Frontier Riding Club annual horse show is the middle of August.

Dr. G. H. Joder, president of the West Central Arabian Horse Association, has approached the Cheyenne Chamber of Commerce about the plans for the show and met with much interest and enthusiasm. Dr. Joder feels that to insure the success of the show, there must be promises of at least 75 entries—there should be more—but if 75 entries are promised now, then definite plans can be made. Please fill out the following or list on a post card and send your entries at once.

I will enter purebred Arabs and part-Arab horses in the All Arabian Show at Cheyenne July 10, 1949. (State name, number and age of the horses you plan to enter).

I suggest the following "at hand" classes:

I suggest the following performance classes:

Mail at once to 227 Hynds Bldg., Cheyenne, Wyoming.

The West Central Association invites entries from California, Oregon, Washington, the Mid-West Association, the Eastern States, and elsewhere—let's make it a real NATIONAL show.



Raddan, A.H.C. 3337, Arabian stallion, owned by Fred Gaibler of Eustis, Nebraska. Bred by Ross Arabian Stud of Lee Summit, Missouri. Raddan is three years old and a half-brother to Jedran, 900, at Pomona Remount Depot. (Cut by courtesy of BIT AND SPUR.)

ALLIFAH—Companion Extraordinary

● by Laul Lyday

The most coveted award of the "most exclusive Western riding club in America," the President's Horsemanship Trophy of the famous Roundup Riders of the Rockies, this year went to a rider on a little purebred Arabian mare.

This Roundup Riders' trophy is presented each year to the best all-around horse-and-rider team to make the eight-day annual mountain trail ride. The horse was a 900-pound mare named ALLIFAH, which means in Arabic "A friendly companion," and she was all this and more to rider Wayne Van Vleet.

The 6th Annual Trail Ride of the Roundup Riders of the Rockies took place this year on July 12 through the 18, and one of the competitions set in advance of the ride was that for the President's Horsemanship Trophy (this year there were some ninety horses and men on the trek) and were automatically in the competition.

Any horse or rider who left the ride for half a day or more for any reason was eliminated. A rider that did not ride the same horse throughout the ride was eliminated unless there was a just reason for the change of mounts.

A Horsemanship Committee, headed by Brig. Gen. Wayne O. "Sage" Kester, head veterinarian for the USAF, and consisting of six other men, all top-flight judges of horses and riders, selected the winner, Wayne Van Vleet and ALLIFAH on the following point system: HORSE—Manners and suitability for purpose and rider—40 points; Conformation and soundness—30 points; Condition—30 points. RIDER—Riding, trail and camp manners—50 points; Horsemanship and horsemastership—40 points; Condition and care of tack and equipment—10 points.

One judge scrutinized each of the six foregoing departments to insure that each horse-and-man team received complete consideration. The Chairmanship Committee coordinated all judging and final selection was made on the last day of the ride by the committee as a whole based on the highest aggregate score in all departments. The final selection was Wayne Van Vleet and his companion extraordinary, ALLIFAH.

Wayne Van Vleet is a big man, 220 pounds of him, and his saddle and equipment would add another 75 pounds. Every day for a week this 900-pound Arabian mare had carried one-third of her weight over mountain trails through the rugged country of the Continental Divide.

Each day's ride lasted from seven to eleven hours, averaging nine tough hours. Riders more than eight miles from the

Divide. The ride started from Estes Park, Colorado, and wound up some 120 "crow flight" miles away at Elmer Berg's Elk Falls Ranch. And through this rugged, grinding, grueling ride ALLIFAH emerged like the purebred she is . . . the top horse among four score and more of top horses.

ALLIFAH is registered with the A.H.C.R., No. 2035, is gray in color and was foaled April 24, 1941. Her sire was ZARIFE, a stallion imported to this country in 1932 from the Stud of H.R.H. Prince Mohamed Aly of Cairo, Egypt.

The dam of ALLIFAH is SAHALLI, still in the broodmare band at the Van Vleet Stud—and highly prized. At the age of 21, she foaled a stud colt on July 4 of this year.

ALLIFAH, too, has produced some splendid foals for the Van Vleet Stud, seven in all. As we said earlier, she is a small mare, standing 14.1 and weighing less than 900 pounds.

The only training ALLIFAH ever received was for western pleasure riding, and that nine years ago when she was only three years old. She was ridden extensively during that summer of 1944, but was also bred for a 1945 foal. She produced foals every year thereafter, through 1951, and so was ridden very little from 1945 to 1952.

About three weeks before the Rancheros Visitadores Trail Ride was to start last year, it was determined that ALLIFAH would have no 1952 foal and Wayne decided he would like to ride her on the California trek. Although given only three weeks' conditioning, she came through in her usual fine shape.

Inasmuch as she was not having a foal this season, Wayne again rode her on the Rancheros Ride followed by the ride of the Roundup Riders of the Rockies.

In addition to ALLIFAH, there were five other horses of pure or "part" Arab blood on the Roundup Ride. These were:

RIZIKA, A.H.C.R. 4091—6 year old mare—Owned and ridden by Claude Shortman of Topeka, Kansas.

SALULAH, A.H.C.R. 4643—5 year old mare—Owned and ridden by Dr. Howard E. Lamb of Denver, Colorado.

RAKUS—3 year old gelding—Owned and ridden by Harry E. Short of Denver, Colorado.

HANRAH, JR.—5 year old gelding—Owned and ridden by Elmer C. Berg of Denver, Colorado.

SI-BAN, A.C.H.R. 2847—5 year old gelding—Owned and ridden by Burr Betts of Denver, Colorado.

On July 19, just one day after the conclusion of the 3R's long trail ride, Wayne brought ALLIFAH into the show ring of the All-Arabian Horse Show, being held in Den-



Wayne Van Vleet of Denver and his Arab mare, ALLIFAH 2035 (*Zarife-Sahalli), after a week of riding in the Colorado Rockies with the Roundup Riders of the Rockies. They won the coveted Horsemanship Trophy.

ver's Stockyard Stadium. Spectators noted that the man looked weary, but that the horse was alert, curious and apparently "ready to go."

And probably this was true. For this was no ordinary horse, this 900-pound Arabian mare that had carried 300 pounds of man and equipment over seven days of tough mountain trails. This was ALLIFAH, companion extraordinary.

BACK ISSUES

From our many years of experience in the newspaper and magazine editing game we know that many people who come in with subscriptions later will want to go back and buy up some of the issues that have been missed. Most of our popular magazines can't be bothered with this and will not start a subscription back but will send only the current issue and sometimes you'll have to wait until the next issue. Not so with us, we like to start you back with earlier issues. We know that the issues of the "News" will serve as a historical record of the Arab horse for many years to come. With this forethought we have printed more copies than we need for the current mailing list. This entails a real hardship for us as it means more costly printing bills—but we are doing this for the sake of our new subscribers. It would help if our new readers would take advantage of this now and buy up the back issues they need.

We still have plenty of all the issues of this recent Volume V. Individual copies are 50¢ each. We also have a few complete sets of Vol. IV—priced at \$5.00 and eight issues of Vol. III priced at \$4.00.

●Paul Lyday of Denver is "Tally Boss" for the Roundup Riders of the Rockies.

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The Bronco Mascot Rides Again

Exclusive Interview with the Horse Who Leads the Cheers

by Karen Karvonen

They call him "Crusher." When he thunders down the end zone, he brings the crowd to its feet. But he has never scored a single touchdown and has yet to don an orange helmet and player's uniform.

Crusher, alias Aba Bahabas + +, who stands at Spring Tree Farms in Longmont, Colorado, is a 21-year-old white Arabian stallion. For the past season and a half he has been the Bronco's official mascot.

How does Crusher or Ab, as he is affectionately called by his Boulder owner, Gordon Prall and exhibitor and manager, Lisa Hardy, handle all this attention?

"I just take it all in stride," says the silver steed who retired from the show ring in 1976 after winning the Legion of Merit (the highest cumulative award an Arabian can receive) in 1973. "I'm a real ham and like nothing better than a cheering crowd. Of course, I know they are really not cheering for me. But when I dash down the side of the field with placards waving, snowballs flying and the crowd hooting and hollering, I like to pretend the fans are all chanting, 'Go, Crusher, go, Score a Denver goal.'"

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Ab, who was born on the famous Gainey Arabian Farm in Minnesota, made a lasting impression on his handler Ken Crooks.

"I saw him when he was six hours old," says Crooks, "and I knew I had to have that horse."

When Crooks accepted a trainer position with Van Vleet Arabian Farms in Boulder, he brought Ab with him. Prall first saw the stallion at an open English Pleasure class at the old Pow Wow Grounds around '66.

"I thought I knew all the prominent stallions in the area," says Prall a former equitation teacher for the University of Colorado. "But when Ab stepped into the arena, I was struck by what an incredibly beautiful animal he was. I kept seeing this



Crusher, alias Aba Bahabas

"It's his super personality," says Hardy, his rider who has also successfully shown and trained her own Arabians since 1978. Prael, who has been in a wheelchair since a rock climbing accident eight years ago, has been Hardy's riding instructor.

"He is the smartest horse I've ever ridden. He is almost human. And he's so sensible. Gordon has put 9- and 10-year-olds on his back and he doesn't do a thing to upset them. It takes a real special horse to put up with the noise of the crowds and the general mass confusion that sometimes prevails."

"You see Ab and I wait inside the small tunnel or alcove where they keep the equipment to prepare the field. Sometimes it gets real cramped like the Monday night when we played Green Bay in a blizzard. All the cameramen kept huddling inside the tunnel to keep warm, but Ab didn't blink an eye even when they were moving cameras and tripods all around him."

"During a game, Ab stands on a rubber mat and relaxes while we watch the game on a monitor. When the Broncos score a touchdown or field goal, my two assistants Mark and Meredith Buckley yell. 'Lisa' and old Ab perks up and starts

From Colorado Horse Council

Our entire equine community is mourning the loss of G. Marvin Beeman, DVM. He dedicated his life to everything horse, and we were blessed to have him as a longtime board member of the of the Colorado Horse Development Authority in conjunction with the Colorado Horse Council. Andrea Raschke, current president of the Colorado Horse Council, was honored to attend one of his final speaking engagements.

On April 20, 2026, Dr. Beeman, “The Mane Man,” spoke at the senior living facility where he and his beloved wife had lived for just over a year. He shared how he was born in what is now Highlands Ranch in a house that had no electricity or running water until 1947. It was an exciting place to grow up with his father, mother, and sister because his father was the huntsman and responsible for the horses and hounds for Lawrence Phipps, Jr. who reactivated the Arapahoe Hunt Club in 1929. He said that his life had been wonderful, and he owed his entire career to horses starting at 3-years-old when he knocked heads with a Shetland pony. He was also asthmatic and allergic to everything in the barn (from the dust to the hay) except he was not allergic to the horses. He would ride to the two-room schoolhouse in Louviers with wonderful teachers who prepared him well for veterinary college. He learned to play polo and had the privilege of breeding and raising good horses (and hounds) along the way. Ironically, he acknowledged that he was an anomaly because he had fallen from a horse so many times (with lots of broken bones and twice in his neck) that he was fortunate to be alive and not paralyzed.

Dr. Beeman’s lifetime achievements are more numerous than any of us can ever fully appreciate. But what about his aspirations? When asked what advice he would give to those of us who want to protect and promote our horse industry, his answers were succinct and on point:

- Get horses out in front of the public in a positive light as often as possible and be proactive about anything potentially negative.
- Educate everyone about the many benefits of horses.
- It’s imperative to find ways to get and keep youth involved.
- University admission requirements must be changed (but not lowered) to allow for more graduating veterinarians who will stay working with large animals.
- Self-regulate the equine industry and try to avoid legislation.
- Horses must continue to be classified as livestock and not pets.
- Most importantly for horses to survive, they must have value:
 - with jobs while they are alive (entertainment, recreation, therapy).
 - as a commodity when they are no longer alive (every part of the horse can be repurposed).

Horses matter. Per Dr. Beeman, horses have learned how to adapt with humans throughout history, and the entire world relied on them before mechanization. Horses also continue to prove themselves to be the greatest athletes of all because not only can they do what they do, but they can do what they do while carrying a rider at a full gallop. Godspeed, Dr. Beeman. We will take the reins now and continue to advocate on behalf of the legacy you’ve set forth.