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President's Message

Claire Hanssen

Dear Membership,

Well, Spring has Sprung! With Spring has come many beautiful foals and great additions to our Arabian families.....And Summer is on it's way with plentiful sunshine and balmy nights. I wake up everyday and thank my lucky stars that I am able to live in the Santa Ynez Valley, surrounded by natural beauty, big mountains, rolling pastures, horse farms and great people!

A lot has happened in the Arabian Horse World since our last newsletter. We've had several major shows including the new Las Vegas Show which was a great success, Pacific Slopes, Region I, and the Egyptian Event in Lexington, Kentucky. Some of us are on the ready to head out to Region II Championships in L.A. and hoping to bring home more glory for Santa Ynez....or at least have a great time showing our beautiful Arabian horses! The Helen Logan River Romp, spear headed by Henry Logan, Sylvia Beverly and other hardworking members, was a great success this year and raised some funds for the club's benefit. These folks work hard, put on a great event and we're hoping to have more club participants next year. Personally, for next year's romp I will be busting out my new Gelding "Om El Aziz Dream" (DreamcatcherSMF X Om El Akiva) and going to give it a go! Always focus on winning...but planning to have fun first!

Some good news is the addition of a major Arabian Horse Farm to the Valley. Wolf Springs Ranch and the Tom Redmond family are moving their performance horse training operation, lock stock and barrel, from Scottsdale to Santa Ynez at the end of this year. It is with great excitement and enthusiasm that we welcome Wolf Springs Ranch, owners Tom and Carmen Redmond, their 4 children, trainers Tyson and Sally Randall and their two children, and the entire Wolf Springs staff to the valley. We hope they will enjoy our area and become active members of the SYVAHA soon.

On a more somber note, we want to extend a heartfelt condolence to Bill and Barbara Porcher for the loss of their most fabulous stallion "Hermoso". The winningest Western Pleasure Stallion ever...he was also their best friend and a part of the Porcher family.

In this newsletter, we've tried to put in some show results, a birds eye view of the Las Vegas event and a word on the Egyptian Event to keep you all in the loop. Please feel free to send any information you feel you would like to share with other club members. Send it to me at claireh@syv.com and we will try to get it in. We hope to have an event over the summer and more news for you in August.

See you on the Trail.

Sincerely,

Claire Hanssen
President, SYVAHA



Hermoso



SYVAHA wishes to extend condolences to Bill and Barbara Porcher for the loss of their wonderful Champion Stallion and friend "Hermoso".

"He was our best friend, a huge part of our family, and we miss him terribly...Hermoso enjoyed 19 years of great health, and 9 fabulous years of showing with Bill. "Sunny" had a huge heart, and of course the beauty, talent and presence that we all strive for in an Arabian horse". This stallion is a loss to all of us in the breed as Hermoso was named the "Winningest Arabian Western Pleasure Horse of All Time" in a recent article. Hermoso will always be remembered for his Triple Crown win in 1998. Hermoso was humanely euthanized on May 9, 2007 after a brief illness.

Bill and Barbara Porcher wish to express their appreciation for all of the prayers, cards, flowers, and words of encouragement during this difficult time.

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Bill & Barbara Porcher
Bill Porcher Pleasure Horses

Some Highlights from the Shows

Region 7

Congratulations to:

- Buckshot Dun It and Cori Sampson-Vokoun's Reserve Champion in AAOTR
- "Buck's" Reserve Champion with Bill in HA Jr Horse
- Cori returned to the ring on Scimaron after taking the year off to have adorable twins, Alexander and Reagan. She and Scimaron qualified at the pre-show and were Top Five in the PB 18-39
- Psyclone+ and Kim Grant placed in the large amateur classes, qualifying for Region 7
- Conquistador VF (owned by Pullara Arabians) was Top Five in PB Junior Horse, and Flash White(owned by Dr. Lyn Standish) qualified at the pre-show and was Top Five in HA Open

Fiesta Del Mar I and II

Congratulations to:

- PB WP AAOTR Champion Psyclone+ and Kim Grant - Psyclone+ has earned his Legion of Honor!
- Remember Me (owned by Frank Desiderio) placed in large HA Junior Horse classes at his first show in open competition
- Spanish Khisses (owned by Lynne and Arlyn Olson) placed in the PB Junior Horse class
- Flash White in HA WP Open and AAOTR with Dr. Lyn Standish
- Symbolic (owned by Fred and Marilyn Ainsworth) in his first PB WP Open class

**GOOD LUCK
TO EVERYONE AT
REGION II AND SUMMER SHOWS**

Ann and Tony Pejsa, Rancho La Vista, would like to share the news of their newly born 1/2 arab colt by "The Invitation" (AQHA leading sire of Western Pleasure horses and Hunter under saddle out of Algova, a polish bred mare).

They have high hopes for his future.

"Lodes of Fun" was a great Easter present as he was the 1/2 arab Western Pleasure Open Championship at Del Mar. His first time in the ring with Cynthia Burkman riding!

Arabian Breeders World Cup - Las Vegas 2007

Update from Christie Metz

On Friday April 20th through Sunday April 22nd Henry and I attended the first ever Arabian Breeders World Cup hosted in Las Vegas, Nevada. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves from the moment we arrived until the last moments of the show. Having attended many Arabian horse shows in Europe and in the Mideast we have always wondered why the American show ring did not adopt their gracious style of showing Arabian horses. We are delighted to see this is now happening in the USA.

Our hats are off to the bold group of breeders, trainers and owners that have chosen to lead the way by changing to a more entertaining style of showing Arabians as well as one that benefits the horses we love.

In Las Vegas the enchantment began with the music which was dynamic and exciting (under the guidance of Ursula Poth of Germany) announcing the entry into a show ring with an actual established course for moving the horses at a trot. The center ring was beautifully appointed with life size sculptures of Arabian foals by bronze artist Judy Nordquist surrounded by greenery and flowers. In addition there were four huge TV screens hanging from the center of the arena ceiling so that visibility was excellent from anywhere you chose to view the show. The lovely way of presenting the horses on a loose line and moving freely allowed for an incredible display of Arabian spirit, there was no mistaking that these were very special horses and purebred Arabians! The stand up pose in the middle for the judges was a much softer version of the usual pose seen in the American ring, a welcome change. Each day the show for breeding horses was held for about five hours and the evening was reserved for the performance horses. A very civilized approach and very refreshing!

Around the center ring tables of sponsors, owners and breeders moved about freely visiting with one another, it was a truly gracious time with plenty of social interaction altogether a very non commercial atmosphere. Breeders celebrated wins by breeders other than themselves and admired different programs. The horses were of exceptional quality, exotic in their beauty with big dark eyes, well dishd heads, curving necks carried high and proudly. Their movement was a forward motion with tails of almost all the horses carried as if they were flags. There were many winners from our valley and we can be very proud of this representation. Henry and I encourage you to attend next years event, you will enjoy it!

Tell Us Your News

Share Your Farm and/or Arabian Horse News
in the upcoming SYVAHA Newsletter.

We want to hear all about it!

Club Members may e-mail information that they
would like to have included in the newsletter to:

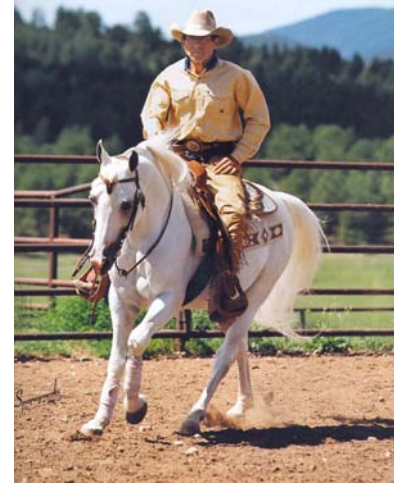
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(Be thorough, but be brief, please!!)

A Warm Welcome....

The Santa Ynez Valley Arabian Horse Association is particularly glad to welcome to our area the owners of the renowned Wolf Springs Ranch, Tom & Carmen Redmond.

Tom Redmond decided to move the training operation of Wolf Springs Ranch from Scottsdale, AZ to the Santa Ynez Valley for several reasons. The weather, natural beauty of the area, presence of other horse farms and ranches, and the lack of major development were all factors in their decision to relocate. They will be arriving sometime after the holidays with their beautiful daughter, Anna (9) who already shows Arabians with great



Tom Redmond riding "Jaborrs Impak"



Tyson Randle and Purebred Arabian champion Reining Stallion "What It Takes"

success. Tom and Carmen also have their hands full with adorable 13 month old triplets, Jong, Ping, and Mei.

Wolf Springs Ranch head Trainer will be Tyson Randle. Tyson is considered tops in his field training Reining horses. Wolf Springs will most likely be concentrating on Reining and Western Pleasure horses. This will make a fabulous addition to

the equestrian community here in the valley rounding out our already incredible roster of professional trainers in all disciplines. Tyson will be joined here in Santa Ynez by his wife Sally, who is also a performance trainer of all disciplines, and their children Peyton (7) and Cash (1½). Welcome to Wolf Springs!

We ask those of you who know Tom and his family, and to those who have shown with him and enjoyed his contributions to the Arabian Horse world, to give him a warm and receptive welcome to the Santa Ynez Valley.