



SYVAHA Newsletter: Fall 2011

I hope you are all enjoying the last few days of summer! It's been a busy spring & summer for all of our club members. We started the year with a tremendously successful Scottsdale Show—our members brought home many prestigious awards and our SYVAHA Ranch Directory debuted to rave reviews. A month or so later we enjoyed a fabulous spring Wildflower Ride, graciously hosted by Joe & Katie Russell at their Hidden River Ranch in Happy Canyon. **This fall Carol Steppe has invited us to a late afternoon horse presentation at Daydream Arabians on Tuesday October 4th**As per our usual Club tradition, this will be a potluck appetizer BYOB event, and please do feel free to include non-Arab horse-people; see inside for RSVP information. **Also, a reminder, our Competitive Trail Ride is November 4-6th.**

We had an extremely productive discussion at our last board meeting regarding the state of the Arabian sector of the horse industry. We all came to the conclusion that although it's nice to think *globally*, it's far more important [from a club perspective] to *act locally*. With that thought in mind, we resolved to continue to do everything we can to make Santa Ynez Valley a true mecca for Arabian horse activity. More details will be forthcoming on that topic in coming months. **Please mark down Friday, December 16th for the SYVAHA Christmas Party—which will be held at the beautiful new SYV Equestrian Center Party Barn!** Also, our Club elections are just around the corner, so if you have an interest in being placed on the ballot, please contact the Nominating Committee, chaired by Sigi Siller, at 805.688.6958.

Our re-formatted SYVAHA Ranch Directory has been well received all over the world this year. We have distributed copies locally—they are generally available at the SY Feed Mill, upscale SYV hotels and various real estate offices—as well as at major California Arabian shows in addition to Arabian events in Arizona, Oklahoma, Kentucky, the Middle East and Europe. We have nearly run through our supply and are holding on to a few to distribute at Nationals. We will order a larger run next year and thus be able to supply the Solvang Visitors Center on a regular basis as well as provide extra copies to local farms who wish to distribute Ranch Directories to visitors. With that thought in mind---**it is time to begin thinking about your Ranch Directory advertising for 2012.** We will start sending out the forms and advertising guidelines in October, and plan to have it printed and ready by the *opening* of the Scottsdale Show in February 2012. As we now have our artistic director, templates, maps and so forth in place—this is quite achievable if we get the advertising in by early December. If you have thoughts and suggestions for editorial content—please let us know. **Additionally we are actively looking for fabulous photos for cover consideration as well as inside editorial**—we do not sell the cover, we make the cover decision based strictly on aesthetics. Our ideal cover photo showcases the beauty of the Arabian horse in Santa Ynez Valley....I KNOW many of you are sitting on some real gems in this genre—so please consider sharing!! E-mail your prospects to me at fairOakfarm@hughes.net

Looking forward to seeing all of you in October!

Nancy Eklund-Hunsicker



2011 Calendar of Events

September 28th-October 2nd Sport Horse Nationals Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, Kentucky

October 4th, 4:00 pm, Daydream Arabians, Horse Presentation & Club Get-together. 2065 N. Refugio Rd., Santa Ynez. Potluck appetizers & BYOB, RSVP to Tiffany daydreamarabians@hotmail.com or 805.245.4599

October 21st-29th US National Arabian & Half-Arabian Championships Tulsa Oklahoma

November 4th-5th-6th Competitive Trail Ride, Sage Hill info Kathy Stegman kkstegman@cs.com

December 9th-11th World Championships, Paris Nord Villepinte

December 16th 5:30 pm: SYVAHA Christmas Party & Election Results @ Santa Ynez Valley Equestrian Center Party Barn 195 N. Refugio Rd



Please join us!

At

Day Dream Arabians

2065 N. Refugio, Santa Ynez

Tuesday October 4th, 4:00 pm

Horse Presentation & Social

Potluck Appetizers/BYOB

Member-invited guests welcome & encouraged

RSVP by October 1st to Tiffany

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FOR SALE: Beautiful and intelligent 4-year old pure-bred mare. *CR Saqqara* (AHA#0628220), a dappled grey (14 hands) is the great granddaughter of Ali Jamaal (through Dakar El Jamaal and Mazkarade) and El Shaklan (through Sanadik el Shaklan and DA Alexandria). She combines great blood lines with a sweet temperament and has been trained by Jean-Charles Sarri under saddle with some jumping. Price: \$10,000.



Contact Penny Knowles, 686-4640 or Penny2CA@aol.com



Dick & Nan Walden with Deuce & Gracie after their Scottsdale wins!



Lori Walters, Ann Pejsa & Katie Russell with Ann's "David" after his Scottsdale Hunter Championship; Katie was Reserve Champion in the same class!



Katie & Joe Russell, our Wildflower Ride hosts & Katie with Jill Contreras & Friends



Nancy Eklund-Hunsicker on her horse with-ahem-some Arab SOMEWHERE in his pedigree. Really.



Claire Hanssen with guest Kate Rosecrans Another gorgeous day in Santa Ynez.....

HORSE SHOW HAPPENINGS – SUMMER UPDATE

By Katie Russell

Summer is almost over, along with the Regional Championships, Youth National Championships, Canadian National Championships and The Southern California Arabian Futurity/Maturity Fall Championship Show. Many of you participated in those shows and have won numerous titles. Let me share with you some BRIEF results from the above mentioned shows. I know that I am missing some results, but we wanted to get this newsletter out quickly and I try to share with you as many of your achievements as I can. You have been very busy and extremely successful and sometimes it is hard to keep track of all your wins! You can help by emailing me your results. Just send me a quick note to: katierussell1239@yahoo.com.

SANTA BARBARA FALL SHOW AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FUTURITY/MATURITY CHAMPIONSHIPS



Flora ElmColone and Psychic Power+++/ continued their winning ways (incidentally, they just graduated from walk trot to the “big leagues” of the incredibly competitive 13 & Under Division.) I had the pleasure of watching Flora and Psychic Power show and was so impressed, what a beautiful team they are!

1st Place Hunter Pleasure JTR 13 & Under

2nd Place Hunter Pleasure JOTR 13 & Under

AB Centre – Ali Brady:

Ali Brady and her team of talented riders came home with 3 Championships and 2 Reserve Championships at the Fall Show.

Our own **Nan and Dick Walden** continued their winning ways and had two champions at the show: **BeneditoBey SMA** – Unanimous Champion Western Pleasure Maturity **Calypso PE** - Champion Hunter Pleasure JTR

Russell Arabians – Katie and Joe Russell:

Allectri Phi CF – Champion H/A Hunter Pl. Senior Maturity w/**Cynthia Burkman**& Champion H/A Hunter Pl. AATR w/**Katie Russell**

Big Time DDA – Unanimous Champion H/A Hunter Pleasure Maturity w/ **Cynthia Burkman** and Reserve Champion H/A Hunter Pl. Maturity AATR w/ **Katie Russell**

YOUTH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS – ALBUQUERQUE, NM

AB Centre:

Our own **Jade Creek Arabians (Manny Lawrence)** had a National Champion at Youth: **Jake Jamaal JCA** – National Champion Western Pleasure 13 & Under w/Natalie Dixon

Calypso PE (owned **by Nan and Dick Walden of Rancho Sonado**) won Reserve National Champion Hunt Seat Equitation 14-17.....**Ali's** riders brought home 2 additional Reserve National Championships and 4 Top Tens. Great show, Ali!



[Wolf Springs Ranch:](#)

Anna Redmond of **Wolf Springs Ranch** brought home FIVE National Championships and TWO Reserve National Championships in Albuquerque –WOW!

CJ Psyncinati Kid – Nat'l. Champion Western Pl. JOTR 13 & Under

Khajun Wind WCF – Nat'l Champ H/A West. Pl. JOTR & JTR 13 & Under

ROL Trade Secret- Nat'l. Champ. PB Country English Pl. 13 & Under and

Nat'l. Champ. PB Show Hack JTR 13 & Under

Dream Maker- Res. Nat'l. Champ. H/A Country Pl. JTR 13 & Under

LD Tsunami – Res. Nat'l. Champ. PB Reining Horse JTR 13 & Under

NW Beaudacious – Res. Nat'l. Champ. PB Western Pl. JTR 14-17 w/ Eva

[Burkman Centre](#)

Cynthia Burkman and her exceptionally talented group of young riders garnered THREE National Championships and FIVE Reserve National Championships at Youth Nationals. Congrats, Cynthia!

Johnnie Quest – National Champion Native Costume JTR & JTR 14-17

TFA Zim it Up – National Champion H/A Hunter Pl. JTR 14-17

Hot WheelzGM ,**Maverick Afire** ,**Mamma Mia LOA** and **Capt Jack Sparrow PGA** (2) won Reserve National Championships.

[REGION TWO CHAMPIONSHIPS – SANTA BARBARA](#)

Evergreen Arabians – Harold and Liz Green: **Harold Green** and his exceptional reiner, **TR Dun This Dun That**, were quite the stars at Region Two. The two of them won the Region Two OPEN H/A Reining Championship (yep, Harold beat all the trainers!) and he also won the Region Two



H/A Reining AAOTR Championship. Way to go Harold! Are you giving up your amateur status soon???

Harold and **EVG Megyn** also were named Region Two Reserve Champion PB Western Pleasure AAOTR 55 & Over. I know that Harold had many other wins at the show, but these were the standouts that I observed.

Burkman Centre:

Cynthia Burkman and her outstanding group of riders and horses had an amazing Region Two. They came home with trunks full of tri-colors!

They won the following:

17 Regional Championships

9 Regional Reserve Championships

24 Top Fives

Three of our horses (**Joe and Katie Russell**) were part of that esteemed group:

Khalid Kid- Region Two Champion PB Hunter Pl. AAOTR & AATR 40+

Allectri Phi CF – Region Two Champion H/A Hunter Pl. Open w/ Cynthia

Res. Champion H/A Hunter Pl. AATR and AAOTR 40 & Over w/Katie

Big Time DDA – Reg. Two Res. Champ. H/A Hunter Pl. Jr. Horse w/Katie

Ann and Tony Pejsa:

Ann and Tony Pejsa's beautiful gelding, **David B JCA** was named

Region Two Reserve Champion PB Hunter Pleasure Select AATR and Region Two Top Five PB Hunter Pleasure AAOTR 36-54.

AB Centre:



Ali continued her winning ways at Region Two and won SIX Regional Championships and THREE Reserve Championships, along with FIVE Top Fives.

Jade Creek's Jake Jamaal JCA – Reg. Two Champ. West Pl. JTR 13 Under

Nan and Dick Walden's horses brought home the following wins:

Neiman JCA – Region Two Champion West. Pl. AATR 40 + w/ Dori Lowe

Benedito Bey SMA – Reg. Two Top Five Western Pl. Jr. Horse

Congratulations to all of you on all of your many successes this summer. Next stop is Tulsa for the National Championships. I am looking forward to seeing you all there and spending time with you and our incredible Arabian horses.

Scottsdale Show Report

By Katie Russell

The desert sky in Scottsdale was blazing brightly with our Santa Ynez Valley Arabian stars. As a matter of fact, it is pretty fair to say that our own SYVAHA horses dominated the winner's circle at the 2011 Scottsdale show this past February! Scottsdale was HUGE this year, 2,262 horses were shown. It was wonderful to see so many spectators at the show, and to see the arena seats FILLED with fans. The Scottsdale Arabian Horse Association has done a wonderful job promoting the show (which exposes potential new Arabian enthusiasts/owners to our beautiful breed.) And, the show commission has made the show financially attractive and lucrative to the exhibitors with significant prize money. It has truly become a top honor to win the coveted blue or tri-colors at the Scottsdale show in February-- the competition keeps getting deeper and tougher; rivaling the U.S. Nationals.

As I mentioned, our valley breeders and owners were extremely successful at the show. Let me share some of their accomplishments with you:



[Jade Creek Arabians](#)

Manny Lawrence's Jade Creek Arabians were huge winners at the show. His two national champion stallions, **Jake Jamaal JCA+/
and Brandon Bey JCA** dominated the Scottsdale Signature Stallion Performance Futurities with EIGHT TOP TENS in Hunter and Western Pleasure including ONE RESERVE CHAMPIONSHIP and SEVEN TOP FIVES! It was especially impressive when they were calling out the TOP FIVE in the Hunter Pleasure Maturity. **Jade Creek** had bred THREE of the Top Five including the **CHAMPION, Brando JCA!** Way to go, Manny - keep on breeding those beautiful horses that also excel in performance! **Jake Jamal JCA+/
went TOP TEN in the Open Western Pleasure with Cynthia Burkman in a gorgeous class of 26.**

[Rancho Sonado](#)

Nan and Dick Walden's Rancho Sonado continued their winning ways at Scottsdale. As you probably remember, **Nan** and **AGRACIE GIRL V** were crowned National Champions in Tulsa in October in Purebred Trail AAOTR. At Scottsdale this year, Nan won the H/A Trail ATR Championship with **STARS and STRIPES SF++.**

Dick and Nan also went Top Ten with **AGRACIE GIRL V +++/
FLOWER GIRL V, BREEZE V and CALYPSO PE.**

In addition to Nan and Dick's successes above, they had many more honors bestowed upon their horses in the Hunter Pleasure and Western Pleasure divisions:

NEIMAN JCA+++: Res Champ West. Side Saddle w/ Ali Brady

BENEDITO BEY SMA: Top 5 SS West. Pl. Futurity w/Ali

Congratulations Nan and Dick!

[Burkman Centre](#)

Cynthia Burkman's horses and riders took home a trunk full of blues and tri-color championships at the Scottsdale show. Her junior riders, adult amateurs and her open horses all were winners! Here are just a few of her champions from the show (too many to list in my article.)

AFLAIR CF and Cynthia won the H/A Hunter Pleasure Open in an extremely deep and competitive class. There were multiple National Champions in the class, including the reigning National Champion.

BRANDO JCA– Champion SSS Hunter Pleasure Maturity.

Jullyana – Champion SSS Hunter Pleasure Futurity and Reserve Champion Hunter Pleasure Jr. Horse

HS Triftens Trinket – Reserve Champion H/A Hunter Pleasure Jr. Horse

KHALID KID+//- - Top Ten Hunter Pleasure Open

Toi Bask – Reserve Champion Show Hack Open

Captain Jack Sparrow PGA – Multiple Championships



Ann and Tony Pejsa

Two of the happiest winners at the show were ***Ann and Tony Pejsa***. Their very accomplished gelding, **David JCA**, won the Purebred Hunter Pleasure AATR Championship. It was a great win and so well deserved! Ann was grinning from ear-to-ear and Tony was right there with her beaming proudly. ***Manny Lawrence*** bred **David** and it was fun to see him there with the Pejsa's enjoying and sharing their victory. **David JCA** also went Top Ten in the Hunter Pleasure Open with trainer ***Tammy Bowles***.

Gallun Farms

The horses of **Gallun Farms** won multiple championships in the halter arena at the Scottsdale show. **BARZAN AL SHAHANIA** was named Scottsdale Jr. Champion Colt. **TFROYAL SHAHBAZ** was named the International Breeder's Classic Champion Stallion. **RA PRINCESS JAMMAL** was the Champion SS 2 Year Old Filly. **SS ENDORAH** was crowned the International Breeders Classic Champion Filly. **EVG GHISLENNE** (owned by ***Evergreen Arabians, Harold and Liz Green***) went Top Ten in the International Breeders Classic 3, 4 & 5 year old mares. ***Evergreen's*** **EVG GIOVALE** also went Top Ten in the 2 year-old Colts-Jr. Division.

AB Centre

Ali Brady's **AB Centre** had a terrific show. Ali continued her winning ways in the Ladies Western Side Saddle, this time with ***Nan and Dick Walden's*** beautiful **Neiman JCA**.

The pair won the PB Western Ladies Side Saddle and they were also crowned Reserve Champions.

Ali and her riders had 8 Top Tens & Top Fives:

Calypto PE – Top 10 H/A Hunter Pleasure Open

Josephine JCA – Top 10 SSS Hunter Pl. Futurity

First Place Hunter Pl. 3 & 4 Yr. Jr. Horse

Brandi JCA – Top 10 Hunter Pl. SSS Maturity ATR

First Place Hunter Pl. Jr. Horse Mares

Vargas JCA - Top Ten Western Pl. AATR 40 & Over w/ ***Dori Lowe***

BeneditoBey SMA – Top 5 SSS Western Pl. Futurity

Jady JCA – Top 5 SSS Western Pl. Maturity ATR & Top 5 SSS Hunter Pl. Maturity ATR

Om El Arab



SigiSiller and **JaninaMerz** continued their winning ways in the halter arena with their spectacular colt, **Om El Sanadeed**. **Om El Sanadeed** came home a double Scottsdale Champion. He won the coveted Scottsdale International Arabian Breeder's Classic Jr. Champion Colt title!

Crimson Farms

Susanne Mackrell's Crimson Farms came home with two Scottsdale Championships. **Countdown To Fame** was named Champion H/A Stock Hunter Gelding JTH. And, **Allectri Phi CF** won the H/A Hunter Pleasure AATR 40 & Over Championship (Unanimous!) with yours truly in the irons. I was elated when Susanne asked me if I would like to ride **Allectri Phi** at Scottsdale and, I fell in love with him so much that Joe bought him for me as our 25 -year anniversary present! (**Ed. note: CONGRATULATIONS KATIE!!!**) He is a spectacular horse and we are thrilled to be his proud new owners. **Lizbeth Bowen** (Susanne's trainer at Crimson, along with her husband, **Wes Bowen**) also rode **Allectri Phi** to a Top Ten in the H/A Hunter Pleasure Open.

Russell Arabians

Khalid Kid +// and I won the PB Hunter Pleasure AAOTR 36-54 Championship. He was such a good boy at the show. He had taken the year off in 2010, so Joe and I were thrilled to see him come back so strong at Scottsdale. **Khalid** also went Top Ten with **Cynthia Burkman** in the Hunter Pleasure Open Championship

Coldplay Kid- Reserve Champion PB Hunter Pleasure AATR 40 & Over Championship.

Allectri Phi CF – Unanimous Champion H/A Hunter Pleasure AATR 40 & Over

It really was exciting watching and cheering for all of you "valley-ites" in Scottsdale this year. You all were amazing--beautiful horses, wonderful venue, tons of competition and great friends! This show provides such a fantastic stage to showcase our spectacular Arabian horses. I look forward to sharing your further successes as the show season progresses. Please, please, please...do not be shy, let me know your wins (I know I have forgotten or missed some of you)...I really don't want to miss anyone. Email me at: katierussell1239@yahoo.com and I will be sure to include you.

Peace and Good Luck,

Katie Russell

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Additional EHV-1 Cases Confirmed in California

by: **Erica Larson, News Editor**
(Reprinted from THE HORSE.com)



Two additional California horses have tested positive for neurologic equine herpesvirus-1 (EHV-1) after an Oldenburg mare was **diagnosed with the disease** on Aug. 23. The most recent cases were confirmed on Aug. 24, according to a statement from the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA).

The only clinical sign exhibited by the most recently confirmed cases was a fever, the statement noted.

"The affected premises is under quarantine and the 13 other horses currently on the property are being monitored," the release said. "Current epidemiologic investigation findings indicate minimal risk of disease spread from this closed premises."

Further, the CDFA indicated that this case has "no direct link" to the **widespread EHV-1 outbreak** that took place in the western United States and Canada in May and June of this year.

Although it's not transmissible to humans, EHV-1 is highly contagious among horses and camelids, and it is generally passed from horse to horse via aerosol transmission (when affected animals sneeze/cough) and contact with nasal secretions. The disease can cause a variety of ailments in equines, including rhinopneumonitis (a respiratory disease usually found in young horses), abortion in broodmares, and myeloencephalopathy (EHM, the neurologic form). Myeloencephalopathy is characterized by fever, ataxia (incoordination), weakness or paralysis of the hind limbs, and incontinence.

The CDFA relayed Monday (Aug. 29) that no further cases of EHV-1 had been confirmed as of that time.

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