



Pennsylvania Arabian Horse Association

The Oasis

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Is it Spring yet?

Whether it's Punxsutawney Phil or Octarara Orphie, these rodents better get it right! Groundhogs are already the arch nemesis of most horse owners for destroying pastures. We hope you can do one thing right.



A tale of two PAHA members.....

As some of us have, PAHA director at large, Terry Grogan supplied a DNA sample to Ancestry.com in hopes of finding long lost relatives and doing a little family research. Well, Terry had a match!

Terry's results showed she and fellow PAHA member Sue Byorick are cousins. The two had known each other as youngsters but lost touch over the years. Unbeknownst to

each other, both had quite literally been at the same place and time over the past several years as they both showed their horses at some of the same events. Love for the Arabian horse does seem to be in one's blood.

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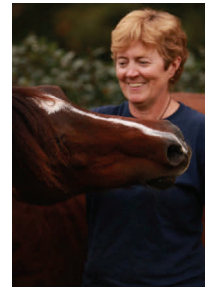
And the winner is...

Congratulations to Kriss Phelps for being named the 2018 PAHA Ambassador Award winner. Kriss received several nominations. In



her words...."it's easy to sell the Arabian horse when you believe in them." Well done, Kriss!. Keep doing what your doing to promote the Arabian horse.

Congratulations are also in order for South East District Director Jan Williams. Jan was nominated by immediate past president, Irvette Timms, for the 2018 AHA Club Level Volunteer Award. Jan works diligently organizing events in SE.



In memory of....

December 2018, saw the passing of Dr. Matthew Mackay-Smith. Dr. Mackay-Smith was a well-known and beloved veterinarian. He was instrumental in founding the Cheshire Competitive Trail Ride held in Chester County. His obituary can be found at the link below.

[Dr. Matthew Mackay-Smith obituary](#)

PAHA Youth Highlighted

SE member, Kobe Pielow, was recently highlighted in AHA's Arabian Horse Life. Kobe is currently attending Kutztown University, To read the complete article, click [here](#).

Going green....

At the February 24, PAHA BOD's meeting, there was discussion about possibly utilizing email for more of the club's business and notification of meetings, etc to it's members. Specifically, allowing the option of meeting notices to be sent via email. At present, the notification of the general membership meeting and the three regularly scheduled board of directors' meetings must be sent by United States Postal Service. To allow email as an option, would entail a by-law revision requiring approval of the general membership.

Not only would allowing email to be used for communications be a greener option, it could also save the club money. PAHA spends \$400 annually on average to mail meeting notices.

Any comments for or against are appreciated. Please email [Cricket Gates](#).

Ready, Set, Show....

On March 16, the NW Youth are gearing up for show season. National champion trainer, Tim Phelan, of Ryan Show Horses, in Gettysburg, will be conducting a day of clinics and lessons at C & G Ranch in Evans City, PA. Tim will be instructing the kids in all disciplines. Each session is \$60 and includes lunch and a T-shirt.

Contact [Tanya Brown](#) for more information. 256-466-1553. Space is very limited.

PA Arabian Games

If you haven't been to the Games recently, boy has it grown and changed. The show is now a dual qualifier for Regions 15 & 16. The show is also the host for the East Coast Off-Site Working Hunter Championships. The weekend still offers a day of clinics and lessons; this year's clinician is our own Sandy Young. The show offers a full slate of halter and performance classes plus sport horse, working hunter, dressage and western dressage. Classes are available for professionals, amateurs, and juniors plus all-breed un-rated classes. June 28-30, at the Centre Hall Grange Fairgrounds, Centre Hall, PA. Click [here](#) for the prize list.

Around the Oasis....

Feb. 28—Mar. 3, 2019—PA Horse World Expo. Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, PA. www.horseworldexpo.com

Mar. 16—

Mar. 17—Region 15 meeting, Dupont Equine Hospital, Leesburg, VA

Apr. 13, 2019—SC District Fun Show. Friendly Horseman's Club, 260 Kline Rd, Stevens, PA

Apr. 20, 2019—Wild & Wooly Open Horse Show. Hughesville, PA. Contact [Amy Rankenin](#)

Apr. 26—SC District meeting

Apr. 28, 2019—Cheshire Competitive Trail Ride & Region 15 Championship Trail Ride

May 11, 2019—SE District dressage schooling show

Jun. 28-30, 2019— PA Arabian Games I & II and the East Coast Off-Site Working Hunter Championships.

Aug. 1-4, 2019—Eastern Arabian Horse Show and the East Coast Championships, VA Horse Center, Lexington, VA