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Our industry is in a tough situation. Local shows are disappearing, lots of one-horse classes; and new registrations are dwindling. It is time that we start thinking outside the box. We are lucky in this Club to have a group of innovative thinkers, but it will take all of us to make what we do viable. I ask myself what our organization and, now as your Club President, our Club can do for YOU and the ARABIAN HORSE.

In today's fast paced, social media driven, instant gratification world, there seems to be less emphasis on the personal sharing of ideas, thoughts and education. How can we as a group transcend this?

I look to you, our members, for assistance in your thoughts, not just on how to make our show better, but most importantly what we can do in our programs to make them of interest to you? I look forward to your help on these matters. I can be reached personally by email at bill_melendes@msn.com or by phone on 805-432-6873 any time! Let's strive to be innovators, not followers.



Bill Melendez

President

Schedule of Events

January 2016

22 - 24 So Cal Half Arab Club Show
LAEC Burbank, CA

February 2016

10 - 21 Scottsdale Arabian Show
Scottsdale, AZ

March 2016

3 RCAHA Board Meeting 7 pm
Green Acres Ranch, Temecula, CA

24 - 27 RCAHA/AHASJV Spring Show
LAEC Burbank, CA

April 2016

6 RCAHA Board Meeting 7pm

13 RCAHA Quarterly Dinner Meeting

2016 Show Dates

January 22 - 24 Southern California Half Arabian Club show at the LAEC, Burbank. (No SEAHA show this year)

March 24 - 27 RCAHA/AHASJV Region 1 & 2 Qualifier, Region 2 Sport Horse and Dressage Championships at the LAEC, Burbank

April 8 - 10 Fiesta Del Mar Show at the Del Mar Fairgrounds

May 18 - 20 Region 1 Championship Show at the Del Mar Fairgrounds

Bits and Pieces

Check out the new AHA website! It's gone live. You can find it at www.arabianhorses.org. The site has been revamped to make it more user friendly for members and for visitors to our breed. Lots of time has gone into it. If you have comments about the new website, please be sure to let your delegates and AHA know.

RCAHA Board Election Results

At the 2016 RCAHA Christmas Party, elections were held for our Board of Directors for 2016. The results are:

President - Bill Melendez

Vice President - Denise Nelson-Finster

Secretary - Vandi Reeves

Treasurer - Christian Cullen

Past President - Leslie Smith

Director - Debbie Moss

Director - Katherine Rich-Elzig

Director - Lynne Chevallier

Director - Kathy Callahan-Smith

The following people were elected as our Delegates to the annual AHA Convention:

Leslie Smith - 951-767-0282 or lesliesmith@wildblue.net

Kathy Callahan-Smith - 909-229-5459 or kcsequestrian@aol.com

Diana Bein - brokker@aol.com

Our 2016 Committee Chairs were appointed as follows:

Margaret Rich - Spring/Fall Horse Shows

Christian Cullen - HH2H

Diana Bein - July BBQ

Lynne Chevallier - Christmas Party

Victoria Hardesty - Newsletter

Vandi Reeves - Website/Breed Promotion

Brigitte Garrett - Membership

Debbie Moss - Programs

Leslie Smith - Bylaws

Vandi Reeves - Youth

This dedicated group of all-volunteers has a tough job. Please support them as much as possible!



From The Board

RCAHA BOD Meeting Minutes - January 6, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:07pm.

Board Members present were: President, Bill Melendez; Treasurer, Christian Cullen; Past Treasurer, Jim Sutton; Secretary, Vandi Reeves; Director, Debra Moss; Director, Katherine Rich-Elzig; and Director, Lynn Chevallier. **Committee Members present were:** Margaret Rich.

Absent were: Vice President, Denise Nelson-Finster; Past President, Leslie Smith; Director, Kathy Callahan-Smith; Delegate, Diana Bein.

The December minutes were presented by Vandi Reeves. A motion was made by Debbie Moss to accept the minutes as corrected, seconded by Katherine Rich-Elzig and approved by the Board.

Treasurer's Report: The 2015 November and December treasurer's reports were presented by Jim Sutton, accepted by the Board and filed for audit. Jim also took some time to familiarize the new treasurer, Christian Cullen, with the RCAHA financial information.

Committee Reports:

1. **Spring Horse Show Report** was given by Margaret Rich. The show will be held on March 24th to 27th 2016 at the LA Equestrian Center in Burbank. The judges will be Marjie Beker (Reg 1), Jacqui Dodd (Reg 2), Lisa Klink (Reg 1), Loris Henry (Reg 2), Eileen Fagan (Reg 1) & Creeky Routson (Reg 2).

2. **Youth:** RCAHA is currently looking for two members who will be willing to help run Youth Meetings on a monthly basis. Contact Vandi at 951-203-8144 if you are interested in volunteering.

3. **Programs:** Debbis Moss has agreed to continue as Programs Coordinator for RCAHA. Contact her at DebraGMoss@aol.com with ideas for program speakers for our dinner meetings.

4. **Newsletter:** Send your show results and photos to Victoria Hardesty at kcarabians1@msn.com

New Business:

1. The 2016 Board of Directors is as follows: President: Bill Melendez, Vice-President: Denise Nelson-Finster, Secretary: Vandi Reeves, Treasurer: Christian Cullen, Past President: Leslie Smith, Director: Debbie Moss, Director: Katherine Rich-Elzig, Director: Lynne Chevallier, Director: Kathy Callahan-Smith and Delegate Diana Bein.

Announcements:

1. The 2016 Calendar of events can be found at www.RCAHA.org.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Debbie Moss, seconded by Vandi Reeves and approved by the Board at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Vandi Reeves, RCAHA Secretary



Thunder, the Denver Broncos Mascott, serves as Arabian Horse Ambassador at Super Bowl 50!

Thunder's hoofbeats pounded across the grass as he led the Denver Broncos onto the field at Levi Stadium for Super Bowl 50. Thunder and Ann Judge, his rider and trainer, led the team when they came rushing out of the Super Bowl tunnel. After each touchdown, Thunder and Ann were seen cantering from one end zone to the other in celebration of the score. Thunder is owned by Sharon Magness of Magness Arabians. His registered name is "Me N Myshadow". Thunder is expected to make an appearance in Denver at the Victory Parade and Celebration when the team returns with their trophy to their home base.

April Dinner Meeting

Mark your calendars early! Our next RCAHA General Dinner Meeting will be held at Richie's Diner in Murrieta on Wednesday, April 13th at 6pm. Richie's Diner is at 40651 Murriet Hot Springs Road at the corner of Hancock and Murrieta Hot Spring Road. Their phone number is 951-696-5504.

Debbie Moss has arranged for our guest speaker to be Scott Selland who is an equine dentist and horseman. His program should be of interest to all of us.

For more information or to suggest a guest speaker for one of our dinner meetings, please contact Debbie at DebraGMoss@msn.com.

See you there!

Christmas Party

By Leslie Smith

We had a nice time at Green Acres with us combining our party with theirs due to a mix up in our Glen Oaks use plans. The food was good and everyone brought an appetizer or dessert so there were lots of goodies to choose from. Green Acres provided the food and RCAHA provided the raffle prizes. Everyone attending got a raffle ticket and there were about 25 prizes. Thanks to Marsha Bustin and company for getting those.



Show Sponsorships

With our Spring Show fast arriving, we are again making a plea to our membership to help us with the cost of this show by sponsoring a class or two. Your sponsorships help make or break our show! Show your appreciation by sponsoring your favorite class this time. If you sponsor one regular class, you will receive one ticket in the raffle for a brand new GO PRO camera. If you sponsor a championship class, you will receive two raffle tickets! Think of how it would be to trail ride using a brand new GO PRO Camera on your helmet. How fun would that be??!! And you are helping your club at the same time. Talk to the people you buy your feed and supplies from too. Our show can use all the help we can get to make this a successful show for 2016!

More photos of Ann Judge and Thunder in action



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Arabian Horse Association
 of San Joaquin Valley

Spring Arabian Horse Show

Los Angeles Equestrian Center, Burbank, California

MARCH 24TH-27TH, 2016

Region 1 & Region 2 Dual Region Qualifier

<p>Championship Class Sponsorship: \$40 (2 entries to win)</p> <p>Regular Class Sponsorship: \$30 (1 entry to win)</p>
<p>Program Advertising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ★ Back Cover: \$150 ★ Full Page: \$100 (7.5" x 10") ★ Half Page: \$60 (4" x 7.5")
<p>Gold Patron Package: \$500 Silver Patron Package: \$350 Bronze Patron Package: \$250</p>

Name: _____

Business: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Announcement: _____

Requested Class: _____

Region 1 or Region 2: _____ (please select one)

I would like to support RCAHA & AHASJV with my purchase of the sponsorships for the following classes:

All class sponsorship announcements will be made throughout the day as the classes perform or you may specify a particular class for your sponsorship. Join the team, be a sponsor and be recognized.

Deadline for listings in the program : March 7th, 2016.

Please submit camera ready advertisements to: Nancy Goertzen goertzenarab@gmail.com

Class Sponsorships will be taken at any time up to the show date.

Contact Tamera Tozer-Wald at 951-775-1663 for sponsorship questions and requests.

Full payment must be included, please make checks payable to RCAHA.

Mail sponsorships to: RCAHA PO Box 1847 Temecula, CA 92539



Advertising

We've reviewed our advertising rates for 2015.
Since going Digital, we are also offering
Full Color!

Full Page Ad one time only - \$50/issue
Full Page Ad 2 or more times - \$35/issue
Half Page Ad one time only - \$25/issue
Half Page Ad 2 or more times - \$18/issue
Quarter Pg Ad one time only - \$15/issue
Quarter Pg Ad 2 or more times - \$10/issue
Business Cards - 12 issues for \$25/year

YOUR AD COULD BE HERE!



For more information on advertising, or to get something into the newsletter under "Bragging Rights" or anything else you think is news worthy, please contact:

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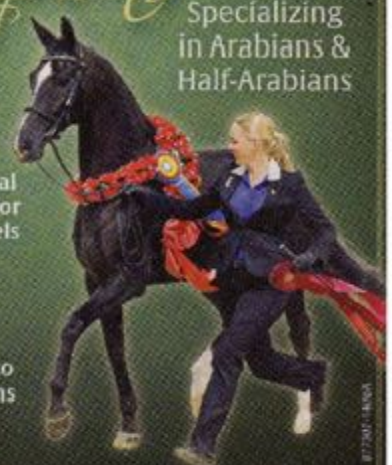


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