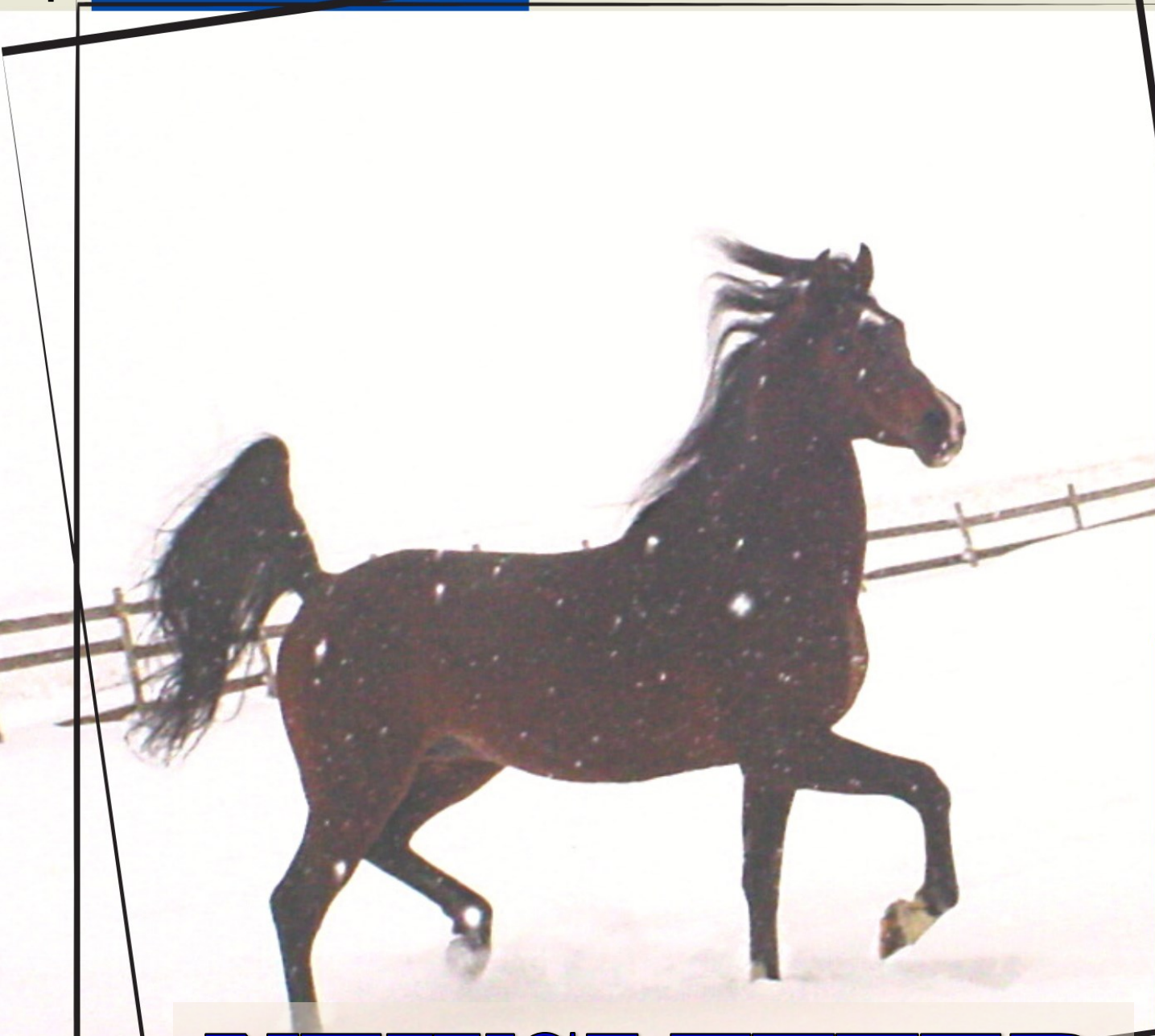


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DATES TO REMEMBER

January 1, 2023:

Ambassador/Hands & Hooves Programs start

March 25, 2023: Potluck/Meeting/Ambassador and Hands & Hooves Awards, Green Roof Area Center, Paynesville, MN

April 22, 2023:

Potluck/Meeting, Green Roof Area Center, Paynesville, MN

May 15, 2023:

Royalty Applications Deadline

May 20 & 21, 2023:

NMAHA Value Shows, R & J Arena, Verndale, MN

June 3, 2023:

NMAHA WCSA/OEIP Show, Meeker Co. Fairgrounds, Litchfield, MN

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President's Perspective

Thoughts from my perspective...

Along with the start of shedding horses, comes the anticipation of spring! We welcome longer daylight hours each day. Our thoughts are taken up by planning ahead to showing, breeding and trail riding season.

Our January virtual meeting brought discussion about our two upcoming shows in 2023: Our back to back Value shows at Verndale in May and our OEIP / WSCA show in Litchfield in June. Seeking or donating sponsorships is something we can all do to help insure that these shows are able to be successful. Volunteering is also a fun way to get involved and meet new people.

We are excited to present our members with their awards from the Ambassador program and the Hands & Hooves program at the upcoming March meeting in Paynesville. I am very happy with those who chose to participate. NMAHA is proud to give back to our members!

Your membership is important to us. As we strive to grow our club and share our love for the Arabian horse, please think of others who you may encourage to join us. Horse ownership is not a prerequisite for membership.

I would like to thank Lee Ann Mueller for her years of service to NMAHA as she steps off as a board member. We have always appreciated her thoughts and ideas. NMAHA welcomes back Darcie Michaelis to the board. Her past efforts are responsible for several of the programs we have in place.

Jean Liestman
NMAHA President

Meeting Minutes

January 2023

The meeting was held via Google Meet on January 21, 2023. President, Jean Liestman called the meeting to order at 1:01. Members present were: J. Liestman, L. Frenchick, K. Frenchick, J. Liestman, M. Beecroft, V. Temp, M. Lieser, D. Michaelis, L. Lock, M. Smith, R. Gilbert and L. Mueller.

There was a motion made to approve the minutes as published in the last newsletter by Roz G. and a second by Mary S.

Treasurer Report:

Prior to the meeting, Valerie emailed reports to the officers and board. She reviewed the report at the meeting.

- Valerie reported that two checks that NMAHA paid out were returned to NMAHA and reissued to the individuals, still are “uncashed”.
- The WSCA dues were paid.
- The deposit for R & J was paid.
- The two \$50 checks from our December Christmas party have cleared the bank.
- Jaime L. was reimbursed for some of the Ambassador/ Hands & Hooves Awards.

Roz G. made the motion to approve the Treasurer’s report and Kaitlyn F. seconded the motion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

May Value Shows:

Mary S. and Roz G. gave an update on the shows.

- Awards -the same budget can be used from last year to go off of.
 - The show committee is open to ideas about award variety.
 - Mary and Roz will meet the beginning of February to discuss options.
 - Kaitlyn F. will order the Highpoint buckles.
- Judges
 - Danny Thompson and Kira Harkins are the two judges hired.
- Showbill/Prize List
 - Kaitlyn F. will add that we have a photographer for Sunday’s show.
- Volunteers
 - Google sign up will be available.
 - Lisa Berhow from Wisconsin is not available to assist in the show office.
 - Kaitlyn F. will reach out to a couple individuals regarding being a scribe and ring steward.
- Sponsorships
 - These are always beneficial to helping with the cost of our putting our shows on.
- Patrons
 - Kaitlyn F. and Mesa L. will work together again this year to assemble the baskets for our patrons.

Meeting Minutes Continued

Committee Reports Continued:

June Show:

Lynda F. gave an update on the June show.

- Judges -Clara Bushal and Stacey Busswitz have been hired.
- Volunteers—We need volunteers to help make this show run as smooth as possible.
 - Rick Beecroft will possibly be accepting of the announcer position again,
- Sponsorships— encourage our members and businesses to sponsor a class or two.

Ambassador Program:

Jean L. reported on the Ambassador and Hands & Hooves Programs.

- Finalizing the awards for the 2022 participants
- Start Date for Hands & Hooves
 - Originally the program came to surface in April during the midst of covid. The date will be changed to January 1st each year to start logging time spent with your Arabian or Part-Arabian. This will be matched up to the Ambassador Program.
- Competitive Ride Point System
 - Valerie hasn't had a chance to discuss this with Rachel yet, but will soon.
 - Perhaps there needs to be several categories/points since there are different divisions and allotted time for each distance competed.

Royalty Program:

Jaime L. gave an update on the Royalty.

- Missy Beecroft and Lily Schlangen were crowned at the previous meeting as our 2023 Queen and Jr. Queen.
 - The articles introducing our recently crowned royalty along with photos will be in the next newsletter.
- 2024 Royalty
 - The updated Royalty Application along with the ad for the 2024 Royalty will be sent to Lynda F., so she can add it to our website.
 - Application deadline is May 15, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

Membership Update:

- Member Spotlight
 - Jean L. will interview Jan Peterson for our first member spotlight.
 - Valerie T. will see about interviewing her father.
- New Members
 - Welcome Laura Loch and Sara Charles to our club.
- Current Membership
 - We currently have 36 Adult members, 7 Youth members and 1 Associate member.

Meeting Minutes Continued

OTHER:

Meeting Dates:

March 25, 2023: Green Roof Area Center, Paynesville, MN —Potluck @ Noon, Meeting @ 1:00 PM followed by the Ambassador and Hands & Hooves Awards

April 22, 2023: Green Roof Area Center, Paynesville, MN —Potluck @ Noon, Meeting @ 1:00 PM

August 19, 2023: Reflection Farm, Litchfield—Trail Ride in AM, followed by Potluck @ Noon and meeting @ 1:00 PM

October 14, 2023: Residence of Kaitlyn F., St. Cloud— Potluck @ Noon, Meeting @ 1:00 PM

December 9, 2023: Green Roof Area Center, Paynesville, MN—Potluck @ Noon, Meeting @ 1:00 PM followed by the Royalty Crowning

Darcie M. made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:42, with Missy B. seconding that motion.

Jaime Liestman,

NMAHA Secretary



NMAHA
2023
QUEEN



Beecroft

Greetings!

My name is Missy Beecroft and I am proud to be serving as your NMAHA Queen for 2023! I currently own 2 half Arabian mares: Red, who is a 10 year old Arabian/Saddlebred and Rita who is 2 year old black and white pinto Arabian. I have been involved with and loved Arabian horses most of my life thanks to my aunt Paula who worked and boarded with Jean and Jaime Liestman at Reflection Farm in Litchfield where I also board my own horses. I have also served as NMAHA Queen in the past and always make an effort to lend a hand at our two shows.

My plans for my horses this year are to get to at least a couple shows and to spend some time on the trails under saddle with Red, and to get Rita exposed to things in hand. With this I hope to continue to be ambassador for this amazing breed!

I look forward to seeing and meeting many of you at meetings and shows this year!



NMAHA
2023
Jr. Queen



Vily Schlungen

Hello, I am Lily Schlungen and I am the NMAHA Jr. Queen this year. I have been a member of NMAHA for 5 years and been part of the royalty each year since I joined. I am 15 years old. I love doing art and hands-on projects as well as reading and writing. If you haven't guessed, my favorite subjects in school are Art and English. My life pretty-much revolves around horses, dance and school. I make time for friends too, but mainly hang out with them at school or in sports and activities from school. I spend time with my family on weekends and holidays.

I have been going to Reflection Farm taking lessons for 8 years. I worked as an apprentice there last summer, and plan to do it again this summer. My horse's registered name is RF Pitch Perfect, but her barn name is Perfect. She is mainly a trail and leisure riding horse due to a previous injury to her shoulder. I plan to do participate in In-Hand classes in the Litchfield show this year and maybe the next.

In dance I do kick, jazz, hip hop, and lyrical (which is coming next season). I want to go to the U of M and double major in graphic design and journalism, as well as be on the dance team.

I look forward to participating in a fun and exciting year as NMAHA Jr. Queen.





Member Spotlight

DR. JAN PETERSON, DVM



N How long have you been involved with the Arabian Horse?

J I've been involved since 1972. I bred *Warbaby* to *Sir Ferzon* to produce *Lady Ferdawn*, a part-bred filly foaled in 1975. My 3/4 Arabian mare, *Taney* was bred to *Ibn Raffon* to produce one of my early winning show mares, *Taan Raffona*, who was foaled in 1976. It is difficult to pinpoint a favorite Arabian or Part-Arab horse that I've been involved with or have owned. The mares, *Taan Raffona*, *PA Shetanna*, *PA Sunday Silk (Silky)*, *PA Silken Rose (Rose)*, *PETS Troubled Rose (Trouble)*, the gelding *PETS Silk Illusion (Louie)*, and of course my stallions, *Ramachis*, *PA Baloo Velvet (Velvet)* and *PA Rhapsodynbaloo (Rhapsody)*. But I will choose *PETS Troubled Rose*, since she is the only one still alive. She also won the most money.

N What is your favorite part of working with or owning an Arabian or Part-Arabian Horse?

J When you raise them yourself, you know what you've got. If you treat them right, they treat you right. They are so trusting.

N What is your current involvement with NMAHA?

☐ Volunteer ☐ Show Exhibitor ☐ Trail Ride ☐ Board Member
☒ Programs (Royalty, Ambassador, Hands & Hooves) ☒ Other (Please Explain)

J Long time member.

N What has your past involvement been with NMAHA?
____ Volunteer ☒ Show Exhibitor ____ Trail Ride ____ Board Member
☒ Programs (Royalty, Ambassador, Hands & Hooves) ☒ Other (Please Explain)

J I have supported the shows with showing or having my horses shown for many years. My horses have been in Futurity classes almost every year, back when they were a pretty big deal. I was also the official show veterinarian for the rated show for a number of years. Recently, my yearlings have been shown in the Yearling Jackpot classes at the Community/OEIP shows.

One of my most memorable show experiences was when Ross Danielson saw my mare, *PETS Troubled Rose* in Iowa. He told me to take her home! He said he couldn't beat her and didn't want to try. She had won her Yearling Sweepstakes class. Deb Hennington was standing next to me. She asked if I thought she would be second or third, since Ross always won everything. I didn't say that I thought she was the best horse in the class. Deb's horse was second behind *Trouble*.

N What three (3) words would you use to best describe NMAHA?

J Loved past futurities.

FUN FACT: According to AHA Datasource, Jan is shown as having owned 52 purebred and part-bred Arabians and is shown as the breeder of 33.