# ECAHS Newsletter

ASTERN CRABBET ARABIAN HORSE SOCIERY



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# **Announcements**



#### Plans underway to support Randy Stoneback and Laura Anderson \*

At the present time, Randy has been sent home with hospice care. We are hoping to make donations to them through the Horseman's Distress Fund. Buzz is in the process of working out the details. If you have any questions, you are welcome to call Buzz at 804.586.6512.

### Congratulations to McKenzie Blake and Isaiah Roeder

McKenzie and Isaiah were married on May 11 at Mayhem Farm. McKenzie and her parents are long time friends and past members of ECAHS. We wish them many years of happiness together.

### Condolences to the Rossini Family

Rocky Rossini past away on May 13, 2022. A service will be held in the future when his son can come in from Texas.

Bill Noonan commented:

We lost another fantastic Crabbet breeder and horseman last Friday! Rocky Rossini of PatRock Arabians. Rocky was a leader of the Azraff Ferzon group. A fun person who would help anyone. He owned legendary stallion Lea Gai Azada. We were proud to have one of his sons True Blue Zada. Our son still owns the best mare a young boy could have, given to him by Rocky, Desert Fantasi. We will always miss you Rocky. God bless you Pat.

Carolyn Hasbrook wrote the following:

#### Remembering our friend "Rocky" Rossini!

I don't remember what year we first knew of Rossinis, but it would have been at the time Rocky was purchasing Lea Gai Azada from Dick and Jo Ellis. They were very impressed with both Patty and Rocky and mentioned them often. Dick H. liked to tease the Ellises that they were dealing with the Italian Mafia. Yes, Rocky is of proud Italian decent - Mafia not!

On one of our many phone conversation we were discussing food and being Italian he couldn't believe I didn't consider spaghetti/tomato sauce a major food source. He said he so enjoyed tomatoes that he would eat one right out of the garden like an apple.

Back to phone conversations - I think it's safe to say we have spent hundreds of hours over the past years and that I will gravely miss. Our conversations covered many subjects, but most centered on horses, our sons and our grandchildren. Sometimes Patty got to join in, but mostly just Rocky and I. We both had long conversation with Raoul Baxter and enjoyed sharing those thoughts. The activities at the Stoneback farm was always a source of interest as we both had horses there.

Rocky was very proud of his Arabians and especially Azada. When he reached the point where he didn't want to handle a stallion any more, he went to Randy Stoneback's and then later on to Francie Schermerhorn. He was most proud of how the stallion produced foals on these farms. We are very happy with the Azada grand get that we have on our farm.

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As much as he loved Arabians, he loved the "Palomino" color and used to joke about wanting to own a "Trigger". I know he contacted several Palomino breeders across the country, looking for the right horse.

Rocky was active in our Azraff/Ferzon breeders group, always supported our directory and the booth we had at the US National. Our group had so much fun together and hated when it ended when the Nationals were no longer held in Louisville.

In 2007 Rocky and Patty decided to attend the Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show and allowed us to tag along. I so appreciated being transported to and from the show and other site seeing we did. Later I went with them to Dick and Jo Ellis' in Sedona. Time I treasured with both families.

Again I don't know the year, but they suggested I fly to Cleveland, then we could drive down to Stoneback's for a visit and see the horses. That in itself was great, but I also got the grand tour of that part of Ohio.

It's been fun to remember our times together, but sooooo sad to have lost our friend.

Dick and Carolyn Hasbrook



Rocky & Patty



Rocky Rossini, Dick Ellis, Adam Edmunds 2007 Scottsdale

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# ECAHS Honorees 2022

# Lifetime Achievement Award

Bill, Sharon & Will Noonan True Blue Arabians Oxford PA

# Hall of Fame

Margo Portman Dick & Helen Newman Sheridan Madison County MT Conifer CO

# Benefactor of the Breed

Georgia Cheer Chuck & Judy Kibler Valerie Kanavy

# Horse of the Year

Gold Reflection++++//
86.48% ECAHS Certified
Owned and Ridden by Abby Tymchak
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### Eastern Crabbet Arabian Horse Society

#### **ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS 2022**

# The Eastern Crabbet Arabian Horse Society



Promoting the use and preservation of Crabbet Arabian bloodlines around the world since 1994! Ecahs.org Facebook.com/ecahs

ECAHS is gearing up for another year of achievement awards in 2022. Look for entry forms on the event websites, ecahs.org or contact vivian@vivianmack.com. The following events will be included:

#### The Biltmore Challenge

May 6 and 7 biltmoreendurance.com

# Old Dominion Equestrian Endurance Organization Ride

June 9 and 10 olddominionrides.org

### Coates Creek Challenge

July 3 octra.on.ca

#### The Tevis Cup

July 16 teviscup.org

#### **East Coast Championships**

August 4 thru 7

# AHA Distance National Championships

September 30 thru October 2 arabianhorses.org/competition/national-events/distancenationals

#### Biltmore Challenge Endurance Ride **ECAHS Achievement Awards Results**

The 2022 Biltmore Challenge took place on May 6 and 7 on the grounds of the beautiful Biltmore Estate. There were 20 horses entered in the ECAHS Achievement Awards (two of which did not meet the Crabbet percentage of 25% or more). Our largest group yet!

Congratulations to everyone.

Steven Hay, who won the ECAHS Achievement Award for the Friday 50-mile ride commented: BR Satevis (Tevis who contrary to common belief is not named after the famous endurance ride on the west coast, but, Satevis in astrology, is one of the Royal Stars of Persia), had a great ride in the 50, after having a year off from a soft-tissue injury early in 2021. I've had Tevis since he was a two year old (he's 15 now), and he's really grown to be one of my favorite horses to compete, he's a bit of a goof around the farm, but is a no-nonsense get down the trail competitor, who loves his job, so getting him back into the endurance scene after a year off, at one of my favorite rides, was just a blast.



Steven Hay on BR Satevis



Robin Schadt on RAL Sorceress (Chloe)

Robin Schadt had the following to say about her ride. The Biltmore 100 has been on my bucket list. Fortunately my work schedule allowed Chloe and me to participate this year! It was truly a wonderful experience! All facets of the ride were spectacular. Ride management, veterinarians, the BEC staff and the fellow riders. The trail was gorgeous despite the rain. Chloe and I rode a majority of the 100 miles alone. The miles traversed during the dark are truly magical. Chloe is a remarkable mare who enjoys the trail and takes great care of herself eating and drinking both in camp and along the trail. I feel fortunate to be offered the experience of exploring the beautiful Biltmore Estate landscape through the ears of my awesome equine partner, Chloe. Rachel and Chole were the 100 Mile ECAHS Achievement

Award Winner

Rachel Land won the 75 mile ECAHS Achievement Award and her experience went like this: The Biltmore is one of my favorite rides. It is always very well organized, wonderfully marked, and with plenty of water on trail for the horses. My friend and mentor, Christo Dinkelmann, had asked me to ride Matla in the 75 mile distance. We started the day off at a slow and easy pace. The trails were a bit muddy from the rainstorm the day before, but started drying up well later in the day. Matla was forward and happy all day, eating and drinking well in camp and on trail. Matla is a special horse and a joy to ride. He loves going down the trail. He



Rachel Land on HF Hot Chocolate

carefully picked his way through the mud, rocks, and roots all day. Unfortunately, four miles into the last loop as we were heading out in first place, he pulled a shoe. Other riders came up behind me and graciously loaned me a boot to borrow to get him to the finish line. It wasn't a perfect fit, but helped us finish sound in 4th place. I am so proud of this horse and how far he has come in the last few years. I am very thankful to Christo for giving me the opportunity to compete on Matla for him.

Matla won Best Condition and the High Vet Score of 490.

Here is how they placed:

Friday 30-mile ride (Five Senior riders started, and One Junior rider) Senior Rider: Patsy Gowen on Atlaas, 45.41% Crabbet Junior Rider: Sophy Cline on PW September Hero+/, 49.21% Crabbet

Friday 50-mile ride (One Senior rider started, no Junior rider) Steven Hay on BR Satevis, 33.94% Crabbet

Saturday 25-mile ride (Two Senior riders started, One Junior rider) Senior Rider: Maggie Houston on Carolina Crownn, 25.99% Crabbet Junior Rider: Sophy Cline on PW September Hero+/, 49.21% Crabbet

Saturday 50-mile ride (Six Senior riders started, One Junior rider) Senior Rider: Tom Hagis on Indian Reinman, 66.70% Crabbet Junior Rider: Brinkley Lang on AM Mighty Hector, 79.16% Crabbet

Saturday 75-mile ride (One Senior rider started, no Junior rider) Rachel Land on Matla (HF Hot Chocolate), 38.22% Crabbet. **Saturday 100-mile ride** (Two Senior riders started, no Junior rider) Robin Schadt on RAL Sorceress (Chloe), 50.97% Crabbet

Hopefully we can get some comments from our Junior riders soon!

#### Honorable Mentions go to:

Donna Thibedeau and Aul Aly Binis, 65.53% Crabbet (Did not start)
Stagg Newman/Clarke Martin on Syrocco Tanka, 56.75% Crabbet
Cheryl Newman/Marbie Kollath on Shahkir Al Shaqab, 27.33% Crabbet
Lisa Littrell/Alyse Brewer on Ansa Fair One, 72.10% Crabbet
Jody Buttram on RS Lady Empress, 68.93% Crabbet
Robert Ribley/Melissa Ribley on DWA Superman, 9.23% Crabbet
Alaina Slivinski on MMD Mann Aafire, 34.53% Crabbet
Debra Gilbert on Najran Al Shaqab, 35.65% Crabbet (Did not start)
Barbara Kurti on Kulta, 30.74% Crabbet
Rachel Land on DCM Wrobel, 16.65% Crabbet
Taylor Thomason on Koubtan Al Meenah, 27.74% Crabbet
Unhui Moore/Kathy Peery on MHF Prodigious, 84.07% Crabbet

Photos generously provided by Becky Pearman Photography

#### **Skatrud Arabians**

This was the first time competing at the Region 11 Sport Horse Championship in Springfield, Illinois. It is a beautiful facility and the show staff were great.

We are proud to report that Skats Kash Investment +++// was the Champion in SHUS Open Dressage Type and Reserve Champion in SHIH Geldings 3 Yrs & Older Open Hunt Type. He placed Top 5 in: 1st & 2nd Level Dressage Open, and Top 5 in SHIH Open & ATH in Dressage Type. Kash was shown the previous week at the Sorenson Park Dressage Show and won the High Point Score of the show with a score of 66.190, the first time showing in Level 2.

Skats Magnum Star+++// aka Sprite, earned the Championship in Sport Horse Show Hack Open and Reserve Champion in SHIH Stallions ATH, Dressage Type. He placed Top 5 in 3eh & 4th level Dressage Open, and Top 5 in SHIH Stallions Hunt Type Open & Amateur & SHIH Stallions Open Dressage Type.

Sprite's first foal, Skats Star Sensation, will be making his debut in Dressage later this year.

This year we have bred two mares: Skats Star Airebella to Malik El Jamaal and Skats Reddd Courage to Skats Magnum Star.

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#### Faerie Court Farm News from Dawn & Thom Jones-Low

On May 31<sup>st</sup>, FCF As You Wish (AAA Legend of the Seas x Rieba) delivered a bay filly by FCF Oberons Vanity (AF Vanitys Repeat x Brumarba Callisto). This is the third foal from this cross and we are delighted that each one has been excellent!

Continuing the Norse mythology naming scheme of the first two from this cross, we are considering naming this filly FCF Winged Valkyrie.











FCF Oberons Vanity only competed in one class at one show in 2021 due to his trainer getting injured. His trainer is fully recovered and they've been working hard on developing very advanced dressage including piaffe, passage, and one-tempi changes. Obie attended his first show of 2022 in Saugerties, NY at the end of May where he competed at Intermediare 2. I was at home on foal watch so couldn't be at the show. These photos are courtesy of Q2 Photography.

Obie is getting more confident at this challenging level so we are looking forward to his development over the season. He is scheduled to do some riding clinics in June with Bill Warren, and FEI4\*and USEF S Judge and with Barend Heilbron, an accomplished FEI trainer from the Netherlands.



We've been focused on getting several horses trained. FCF King of the Fairys (AAA Legend of the Seas x FCF Titanias Vanity) is progressing well at the same dressage training barn where our stallion, FCF Oberons Vanity, lives. King is impressing everyone with his laid back personality and clear athletic talent. This is King demonstrating the classic Crabbet willing and kind temperament the first time he had a rider on his back. King is going to be Dawn's personal riding horse.



One of the horses getting prepared to go under saddle here at home is FCF Thors Valor (FCF Oberons Vanity x FCF As You Wish), the 5 year old gelding who is the eldest of three full siblings. He's a very fancy youngster and we hope to sell him to a dressage home as an upper level prospect once he has been started under saddle.



We've got one more foal due in early July –our mare, FCF Titanias Vanity (AF Vanitys Repeat x AM Tawny Britania) was bred to an outside stallion, Aur Elijah (FV Shizam x FV Naziah).

Warmest wishes to all our ECAHS friends. Dawn & Thom Jones-Low