

ECAHS Newsletter

Eastern Crabbet Arabian Horse Society



ANNOUNCEMENTS



True Blue Arabians Open Barn

ECAHS' Lifetime Achievement Award Recipients for 2022

ARABIAN HORSE FARM OPEN BARN!

Saturday, November 12, 2022

FREE!!

12-3 pm

at

True Blue Arabians

537 Media Rd.

Oxford, PA

True Blue Arabians, a breeder of beautiful Crabbet Arabians, is opening their barn and inviting you and your family to a presentation of these beautiful horses.

Come out and discover what this beautiful and intelligent breed has to offer.

This family friendly day will include demonstrations, kids activities and refreshments.



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We are very happy to announce that [Abby Tymchakers](#) will present her twice 2022 National Champion, Gold Reflection at our open house.

3JFARM ENDURANCE ARABIANS

JODY BUTTRAM

RS Lady Empress (Bremervale Adronicous +++++// x AM Empres Elect) Completed her first 100 mile endurance competition in 7th place out of 17 starters. She was a go girl all day with A's on her card. This is her FIRST season of endurance.....she should have lots of fun miles ahead of her and awesome babies.

Via Facebook



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ECAHS' Horse of the Year

Gold Reflection++++//

86.48% ECAHS Certified

Owned and Ridden by Abby Tymchakers
Reading PA

From Abby via Facebook...

I have been chasing these roses since 2015 when Western Dressage Basic was just an exhibition class at Nationals. I went from 11th in 2017, Reserve Champion in 2021 and finally National Champion in 2022! Beyond proud of my 24 yr old pony!!! Never give up, even when your path gets rough!



Submit your Sport Horse Nationals stories to appear in the
next newsletter!

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ECAHS Honorees 2022

Lifetime Achievement Award

Bill, Sharon & Will Noonan

True Blue Arabians

Oxford PA

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Margaret & David Portman
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Faerie Court Farm News:

FCF Oberons Vanity schooling a few weeks ago during the peak foliage colors!!



At the USDF Green Mountain Horse Association Fall Show in Intermediare II



We are looking forward to getting him confirmed I2 in 2023!!! Then on to Grand Prix!

Exposing the wider horse world to Crabbet line Arabians is one way to help raise the profile of what these wonderful Arabians can offer in many different ways. I have often found a warm welcome from people who appreciate and admire Crabbet lineage Arabians in various corners of the sport horse world.

The American Trakehner Association held a Mare and Foal Inspection just 45 minutes from here at the historic Tylord Farm in Benson, VT on October 11th. Since FCF Oberons Vanity was approved for Trakehner breeding at the November 2021 ATA Annual Convention, I wanted to at least go to observe the Mare and Foal Inspection that was nearby. The site host needed a minimum number of mares in order to hold the inspection so I decided that I would present a three year old Arabian mare sired by Obie to help support the inspection. Presenting her would also let the ATA see an example of an Obie offspring. But as the inspection date approached, the young mare went through an awkward growth spurt so I decided to wait to present her until she is older and back in balance. I didn't want to leave the site host short of the minimum needed for the inspection so I decided to substitute my broodmare, FCF As You Wish (AAA Legend of the Seas). Wish had shown in USDF DSHB classes at Dressage at Devon as a young mare so had been trained to be presented on the triangle.

Since Wish's 4 ½ month old filly by Obie, FCF Winged Valkyrie, was still nursing, the mare would be presented with her foal at side. The ATA does foal inspections for Trakehner and part-Trakehner foals. ATA foal inspections are voluntary (not required for ATA registration), with the primary purpose to provide useful evaluation data on quality of offspring.

Since the inspection was small, I asked if the inspector would be willing to do an inspection for Wish's filly, Valkyrie, even though she isn't a Trakehner foal. The ATA office and the inspector agreed to do a foal evaluation on my Arabian filly.



Everyone at the inspection was welcoming and appreciative of

Arabians. Most of them have experience with Arabians and there is a true appreciation for the qualities that Arabians possess. We groomed the mare and filly including braiding their manes and presented them

to the inspector. After getting measured, Wish was evaluated in-hand on the triangle.

The filly was then presented on the triangle:



Then both were let loose for the liberty phase.



Wish was in nursing mare pasture condition and still earned many 8s and 8.5s! The inspector complimented her on the correctness of her legs and excellent hoof quality. Wish exceeded the minimum scores needed and was approved! She was also the second highest scoring mare at the inspection!

Basics of ATA Mare & Foal Inspections

Mare Inspections include

- 1) Measuring the mare's height, heart girth, and cannon bone circumference
- 2) Presenting the mare on the triangle to evaluate her conformation and walk and trot in-
- 3) Liberty phase –mare is let loose in a ring and encouraged to walk, trot, and canter

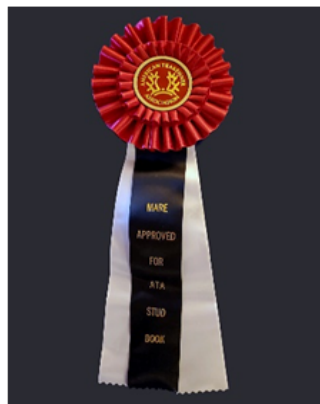
Mares are scored in 15 categories on a 1-10 scale (same scale values as in dressage): Type, Head, Neck/Shoulder, Saddle Position, Croup, Topline, Front Legs, Hind Legs, Hooves, Walk, Trot, Canter, Correctness of Gaits, Elasticity of Movements, Overall Impression.

For Approval, no score may be below a five and the total must meet or exceed an average of 6 for Trakehner mares and an average of 7 for Arabian, TBs, AAs, or Shagys because the ATA only wants to incorporate blood horses that can contribute exceptional genetics to the Trakehner base.

Inspectors also explain in detail WHY they awarded each score.

An average score of 8 designates a Trakehner mare as a "Model Mare"

Foal Inspections are simpler because foals may be at various ages so are only assessed broadly. There are three comprehensive categories: Type, Conformation, and Quality of Movement. The scoring scale is 1-10 with the same value descriptors seen in dressage. Trakehner foals that earn combined score of 24 (average 8) or higher are designated "Premium"



Even more impressive was the filly's evaluation. FCF Winged Valkyrie earned a 9 for Type (gender, breed, suitability for sport), 9.2 for Conformation, and 8.9 for Quality of Movement. The inspector commented that if she hadn't been butt high, she likely would have scored even higher for movement. The inspector also admired her confident demeanor and attitude. Her total score was 27.1 for an average score of 9.03! There have been several Trakehner foals earning Premium designation on this inspection tour, but FCF Winged Valkyrie, the purebred Arabian filly appears to the highest scoring foal of the tour!!!! Having her attain such high scores and positive comments validates that the FCF breeding program is on the right track for producing Arabians that meet the open world sport horse standards.



Valkyrie is going to be tall!!



Valkyrie enjoyed meeting everyone

Upon returning home, I was contacted by the ATA because FCF Oberons Vanity was the Reserve Champion Stallion of last year's 2021 ATA Inspection Tour. It's pretty cool that an Arabian was the second highest scoring stallion of the whole inspection tour!! The ATA folks were hoping I'd be at the ATA's Annual Convention in Tryon in early November to accept that award, but unfortunately I'm not able to attend. They'll ship the award to me soon!! (Since their inspection tours conclude at the convention, they give out the annual inspection awards at the following year's convention.)

After that exciting inspection experience, Thom and I are busy getting the farm ready for winter with various chores like fence repairs, filling the barn with hay, rotating manure piles, servicing the horse trailer, putting some things in storage while bringing other things out to use for winter. The fall foliage here in Vermont was extra spectacular this year, but the leaves have now fallen so now the landscape is all grays and browns until winter snows arrive.

--Dawn & Thom Jones-Low
Faerie Court Farm