## 2023 John W. (Jack) Sims Youth Challenge & Senior Scholarship



**Purpose:** Create an ongoing program, known as the John W. (Jack) Sims Youth Challenge that will encourage youth involvement with Crabbet Arabian horses and reward them for their accomplishments.

**Requirements**: Open to any youth up to age 19 - the youth must have an adult mentor who is an ECAHS member. Any youth, who wishes to participate but does not know or have an ECAHS mentor, may contact the Challenge Committee and the Committee will assist the youth in finding an appropriate mentor.

Youth participants must develop a project plan, in writing, which they will submit to the John W. (Jack) Sims Youth Challenge Committee. The project must be age appropriate and include:

- 1. A Crabbet element or connection that will increase his/her knowledge of and interaction with Crabbet Arabians\* and/or in some manner, impact and benefit the promotion and preservation of the Crabbet horse.
- 2. A description of the project and the reason it was selected.
- 3. A project objective, how they plan to conduct the project and how they plan to use their experience with the project in the future to continue their involvement with Crabbet Arabians and ECAHS.

The project can entail research and a paper, documenting some task or objective involving people and/or horse(s), or some combination of both, the participant is only limited by his or her imagination (and may include the use of any medium, i.e., PowerPoint presentations, video, audio tapes, posters). The execution of the project plan must require a minimum of 30 hours effort on the part of the youth to complete. The project may involve the efforts and actions of other people, but the youth applicant must be the project director. The mentor for each youth should ensure that the plan is carried out as defined but may not actually perform the activities required to complete the project.

The Youth Challenge Committee will review all submitted projects and may offer changes or suggestions. If the project is accepted by the Youth Challenge Committee, the youth will be awarded a one-year youth membership in ECAHS.

Each participant will submit a final report to the Youth Challenge Committee. Included in the final report, the youth will be asked to state whether this project stimulated their continued interest and what they would like to accomplish next in their relationship with Crabbet horses. Mentors are also required to participate with a written report on the level of commitment and quality of effort by the participant.

If the Youth Challenge Committee finds that the youth has satisfactorily completed their project, the youth will be awarded as follows:

Junior Division (12 years old and under): 1st place \$100, 2nd place \$75, 3rd place \$50.

Senior Division (13 through 19 years old): 1<sup>st</sup> place is a \$1,000 scholarship that may be used for college tuition in the equine field, Horse camps, Horse symposiums, Horse conventions, Horse championships, Non-riding based horse competitions and other areas approved by the Youth Challenge Committee, 2<sup>nd</sup> place \$250, 3<sup>rd</sup> place \$125. Each participant will receive a certificate of completion.

In the event that two or more youth enter one project, the award will be divided equally among the entrants.

All projects completed by August 15 of each calendar year will be divided between Juniors (ages 12 and under) and Seniors (ages 13 through 19). Within each age group, the projects will be collectively evaluated on its merit, and the winning project in each group, will be awarded the John W. (Jack) Sims Youth Challenge Junior/Senior Award for that calendar year.

If the Committee finds that the completion is lacking in some element, they may encourage additional work or modification, and resubmission of the results. Each project will be collectively evaluated on its merit. Awards will be presented at the upcoming Crabbet Celebration.

Two or more youth may enter a single project jointly, but the project will be judged based on its merit and not the number of youth participating, as a single project. The participants will choose which division, either Junior or Senior, the project will be placed in. Completion prizes will also be based on the project.

Timeline: Entries for 2023 must be completed and submitted to the Youth Challenge Committee no later than September 30, 2023. The Youth Challenge Committee will review and approve projects as submitted.

Entries should be mailed to: Susie Hammond, 103 Lynbrook Road, Paoli, PA 19301.

\*You do not have to own a horse to participate.

**Note:** The definition of a Crabbet horse may be found online @ http://crabbet.com/a-definition-of-100-crabbet-straight-crabbet-pure-crabbet/; by contacting any Youth Challenge Committee member; or in the ECAHS Membership Directory.

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## John W. (Jack) Sims Youth Challenge & Senior Scholarship Entry Form 2023



**Instructions:** Projects do not have to be written in detail on the entry form, an outline or general description is all that is needed. Entries will be judged on objectives met, creativity, documentation, Crabbet element, ECAHS element and individual interviews.

Examples of projects may include (1) Training a weanling/yearling, (2) Learning horsemanship (care, safety, riding), (3) Researching pedigrees, learning to certify Crabbet Arabian percentages, (4) Creating a pictorial of a horse detailing the parts of a horse, etc.

\*Age: Age as of January 1 will be the age used throughout the current year.

Project Completion Date: September 30, 2023

Name: _		
Phone No: _		 *Age:
Senior Participants should specify what the 1 <sup>st</sup> place funds will be used for:		

Baseline of Knowledge: (To be completed by Mentor) i.e. level of knowledge	
and prior experience with horses	
Project Description:	
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Outline how the	
project will be conducted:	
Explanation of how	
this project will improve the	
participant's	
knowledge of Crabbet Arabians:	

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Report Outline – To be used by ALL participants.

The following is the minimum required outline for the project:

- 1) Introduction: I chose this project because...
- 2) Documentation of project (body of project) Notes on a calendar, etc.:
  - a. Give dates
  - b. Hours spent
  - c. Lessons learned
  - d. These topics are a minimum requirement but do not limit you from adding additional information if you wish.
- 3) Conclusion of project
  - a. Explain how this project improved the participant's knowledge of Crabbet Arabians
  - b. List all references. References may include people, books, magazines or other sources.