

# *ECAHS Newsletter*

OCTOBER 2023



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



### **Call for Nominations**

A call for nominations for Officers and Directors was made. The Board of Directors will be meeting soon to discuss the outcome. Everyone will be notified of the date and time of this meeting and are welcome to attend.

### **Be a Top Contributor on Friends of Eastern Crabbet Arabian Horse Society's Facebook Page**

Great historical information along with current and past ECAHS members are being highlighted through Facebook posts. Lonny Hitchens, Jim Robbins, Dawn Jones-Low, The Noonans to name a few of the top contributors.

### **Fundraiser Project Update...**

Jane Peple and Bracken White have developed a list of ideas that will be presented to the ECAHS Board. We hope to get approval of some or all of the recommendations and move forward soon. If you have ideas, please forward them to Jane or Bracken (jimpeple@hotmail.com, brackenwhite@gmail.com).

***We are about three-quarters of the way there to cover the cost of printing and mailing.***

**Still looking for participants or donations!**

### **2022/2023 ECAHS Directory**

We need members to help with publishing our next membership Directory by purchasing an ad or making a donation. We appreciate your help and know that we cannot do this without you. *Due to family health issues, the Directory has been delayed. Also, unless we have enough ads and/or donations to cover the cost of printing and mailing, we will not be able to pull this together.* If you are interested in participating, please contact Vivian Mack at [Vivian@vivianmack.com](mailto:Vivian@vivianmack.com).

Please support ECAHS with your ad. Rates are as follows:

<b>Membership Directory</b>	<b>B &amp; W</b>	<b>Color</b>
Business Card	\$25	\$45
Half Page	\$55	\$85
Full Page	\$95	\$145
Inside Front Cover (Full Page) <b>Sold</b>	\$115	\$165
Inside Back Cover (Full Page) <b>Sold</b>	\$115	\$165
Back Cover - <b>Sold</b>	\$130	\$180

## **Officers-Directors-Advisors**

**President**-Buzz Moore

**Secretary/Treasurer**-Vivian Mack

**Vice President**-Pat Bobb

### **Directors**

Lisa Littrell-#1 (2022-2023)

LoAnn Haines (2021-2022)

Susie & Bob Hammond (2021-2022)

Dawn Jones-Low (2022-2023)

~~Randy Stoneback~~-(2021-2022)

### **Alternate Directors**

Patty Gerdes-#2

### **Advisors**

Sherry Crow

Rosemary Doyle

Jennifer Neemann

Jane Peple

## *ECAHS Honorees 2022*

### *Lifetime Achievement Award*

Bill, Sharon & Will Noonan  
True Blue Arabians  
Oxford PA

### *Hall of Fame*

Margaret & David Portman  
Sheridan Madison County MT

Richard & Helen Newman  
Connifer 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 Tymchakers  
Reading PA





# The Eastern Crabbet Arabian Horse Society

Promoting the use and preservation of Crabbet Arabian bloodlines around the world since 1994!

The Eastern Crabbet Arabian Horse Society was formed in late 1994 for the expressed purpose of promoting the purity, beauty, utility, tractability and versatility of Arabian horses descending from the Crabbet sources.

## Membership Application

*January 1-December 31, 2023*

(Check One)

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|--|--------------------------|
| One Year Family/Farm Membership - \$45 - two votes         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Three Year Family/Farm Membership - \$125                  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| One Year Individual Membership - \$30 - one vote           | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Three Year Individual Membership - \$85                    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| One Year Youth Membership - \$10 - no vote                 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Introductory Membership - \$15 - no vote - First Year Only | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Farm Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_


Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Web Site: \_\_\_\_\_

**If you are interested in serving on a committee, check any that interests you:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Show    | <input type="checkbox"/> Futurity    | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity    | <input type="checkbox"/> Fund Raising        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter   | <input type="checkbox"/> Archives            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> By-Laws | <input type="checkbox"/> Nominating  | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership   | <input type="checkbox"/> Certification       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Honoree | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth       | <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Crabbet Celebration |

Make checks payable to: **ECAHS** or send your payments via

 to EasternCrabbetArabianHorseSoc@gmail.com

Send completed form & check via mail to: **Vivian Mack**  
**Secretary/Treasurer**  
**22371 Courthouse Road**  
**Yale, VA 23897**

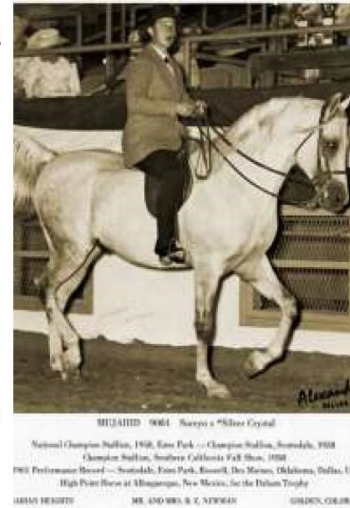


Fourth in a series of 2022 Honorees  
 Richard & Kathleen Newman (Hall of Fame)  
 Arabian Heights  
 “The Home of the Blues”  
 By Kyle Newman

The Newman family bred, showed and trained Arabian horses under the banner of “Arabian Heights.” Richard (“Dick”), Helen, and their six children were all involved in the Arabian ranch. The star of their breeding program was Mujahid 9084 (Sureyn x \*Silver Crystal), foaled July 28, 1954, bred by John M. Rogers of Walnut Creek, California.

The Newmans saw Mujahid as a yearling on a visit to California and knew he was something special. Helen was smitten. The Newmans tried to buy Mujahid, but the answer was no. Later that year John Rogers offered Mujahid to the Newmans. Mujahid would become Helen’s soulmate and the foundation stallion of Arabian Heights. Nicknamed “Blue” he became the centerpiece of Arabian Heights.

At the first U.S. Nationals in 1958 at Estes Park, Colorado, Dick Newman showed Mujahid to become the first U.S. National Champion Stallion at Halter. Mujahid won the Legion of Merit in 1962. He sired 135 foals. The principle that the Newmans operated Arabian Heights under was to make beautiful and athletic Arabians with a mild temperament. Arabian Heights was a labor of love and never a profession for the Newmans. The cool temperament of their Arabs may have been due to six kids always on the go and being around the horses. Like many Arabians of the era, there were no specialists in the Arabian Heights herd. The offspring of Mujahid were a reflection of his versatility, winning halter, pleasure, driving, formal driving, park, formal combination, English pleasure, western pleasure, and native costume. Helen showed Mujahid in park classes when “Sixteen Tons” by Tennessee Ernie Ford became a hit and Helen loved to tell stories of “Blue” showing off his park gait to the beat of “Sixteen Tons.” But it wasn’t only “Blue” that excelled. Star Sapphire was twice a Top Ten and 14 times a champion or reserve champion and Legion of Merit recipient. Royal Blue was Top Ten and a 4-time



Courtesy of Arabian Horse Year Book  
 1961 by way of AHA DataSource

champion gelding. Blue Spark was 3 times Top Ten (English Pleasure, Western Pleasure and Native Costume), twice a halter champion and a Legion of Merit recipient. Rhapsody in Blue excelled in driving, English pleasure and costume to receive the Legion of Merit. Rhapsody's campaign in 1973 included a championship in Costume and a reserve championship in English pleasure as well as "winning the hearts of all who saw him because he's a ham!". Rhapsody was trained and shown by Kathy Newman. SacreBleu recorded 18 championships in his first two years on the show circuit culminating in a US National reserve championship in western pleasure. Blue Knight excelled in the show ring and in Endurance and Competitive trail riding, completing the Tevis Cup with Helen onboard. One of the last "Blue" offspring was Blue Steel, who was a versatile ranch horse, winning the only competitive trail ride in which he competed.

Sharman demonstrated that the Arabian Heights "junior" stallion (Sharcoal) was no slouch either. Sharman went on to a US Top Ten Native Costume as well as US top Ten Ladies Side Saddle.

The Newmans got involved with IAHA to help IAHA promote the Arabian breed. Dick Newman was the IAHA 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President in 1964 and 1965, and IAHA President in 1966 and 1967. He said that his major accomplishments while President of IAHA were increasing income for IAHA, implementing youth programs, and promoting the National Championships. While he was IAHA President, the family owned an average of 30 Arabians. The name Arabian Heights reflected the wish of Dick and Helen Newman to bring the Arabian breed to new heights.

The "Arabian Heights" banner still hangs in the barn of one of the Newman children as a reminder of the wonderful years the family spent with their Arabian horses.

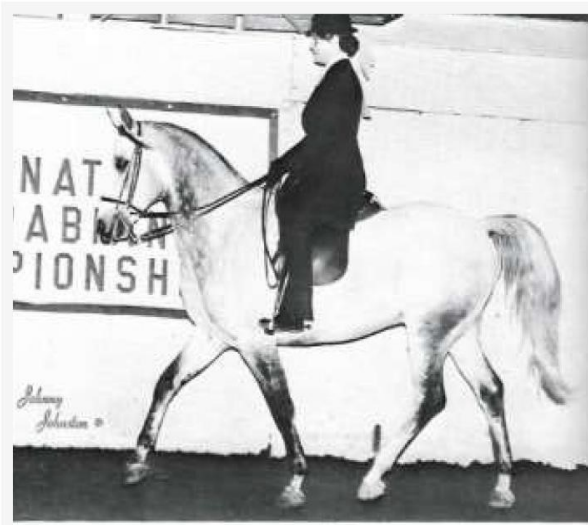


STAR SAPPHIRE 16982

Mujahid x Bishara

Shown at ten  
Class A, All Arabian  
Shows in 1965:

1 Regional Champion  
Reserve Mare  
2 Grand Champion Mare  
7 Reserve Champion Mare  
2 Championship Stakes  
36 Ribbons in English  
and Western Classes



RHAPSODY IN BLUE 32611 Mujahid x Bishara

Ridden & Shown by: Kathy Newman Klosser


Shown in five Shows in 1973 and won as follows:

One Championship  
Three Firsts  
Twenty Ribbons

*"and the hearts of all who saw him, because he is a ham!"*

ARABIAN HEIGHTS  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard E. Newman Golden, Colorado

Courtesy of Arabian Horse Yearbook 1973  
by way of AHA Datasource



BLUE KNIGHT 28810  
Mujahid x El Wicu Hasifa

First year in show ring  
Four Championships  
Three — First Place  
Six — Second Place

We are very proud  
of Blue Knight.

ARABIAN HEIGHTS GOLDEN, COLORADO

Courtesy of Arabian Horse Yearbook 1968 by way of AHA DataSource



**ECAHS Supporter achieves an almost unbelievable level of excellence and success**

**Chrystal Coffelt Wood used to visit, train and even work at Amyr Arabians as a youngster. She was in love with horses, especially Arabians. She eventually was able to purchase True Blue Goldmine+++/-. This was a match made in heaven. Goldmine was spirited and had a mind of his own at times. Goldmine helped Chrystal develop her equestrian skills.**

**After graduating from Oxford High School, Chrystal attended and graduated from Kutztown University where she also excelled on the University Equestrian team. She graduated into becoming a coach for both Kutztown and Penn State Universities. She also held summer camps for her students at Blue Goose Farm and Training Center in Oxford Pa. Her training and teaching skills along with unbelievable drive and focus kept moving her forward to become an excellent young equestrian.**

**Shortly after this, a unique opportunity became available to Chrystal. Grier School in Tyrone Pa. offered Chrystal the opportunity to lead their equestrian program. This was a wise decision on the part of Grier. It may have been an even wiser decision on Chrystal's part to accept this challenge. Chrystal and the Grier equestrian team have achieved unbelievable levels of excellence. With Grier's excellent facilities and a never-ending group of young ladies who are willing to push themselves to meet Chrystal's standards, this program has become one of the top, if not the top, High School equestrian programs in the USA.**







Lady Aislinn +++++// and Taylor Allen  
 HS Khozmik Enkhanted +++++ // Anleigh Ahlert on the left

TB Bin Bintu Britni +// Catie Reachard on the right

**Under Chrystal's leadership, Grier has been winning high school National Championships and individual championships for years. This year, Grier achieved something that had never been accomplished before. Grier became the first team to be national champions in all three divisions! IEA National Champion Upper School Western, IEA Upper School Hunt Seat, and IEA upper school Dressage finals.**

**One interesting aspect of the Grier program is that Chrystal maintains a fair number of Arabians in her program. This is a little unusual for IEA programs. They naturally go after the best horses to suite them in each division. With Chrystal's vast experience and love for Arabians, she has managed to find many instances where their versatility can make contributions to the program.**

**True Blue Arabians salutes Chrystal and Grier as benefactors and supporters of the Arabian breed. Whenever possible, Chrystal and Grier also support Arabian Horse Shows. Chrystal took 7 horses and 7 talented young ladies to this year's Summer and Youth Nationals in Oklahoma City with spectacular results as shown below:**



**TB Bin Bintu Britni +/- Diana Julian**

#### **2023 AHA Youth Nationals**

**Grier brought home 13 National Championships, 8 National Reserve Championships and 45 Top 10 finishes with 8 riders and 7 horses.**

**Highlights include:**

**Catie Reachard**

**Champion PB Hunt Seat Equitation 15-18 riding Khozmo**

**Champion HA Hunt Seat Equitation 15-18 riding Tazi**

**Reserve Champion HA Mares Hunt Type handling Lena**

**Reserve Champion HA Mares Dressage type handling Lena**

**Reserve Champion Working Hunter Ponies riding Britni**

**Reserve Champion PB Working Hunter JTR riding Britni**  
**Reserve Champion PB Sport Horse Under Saddle JTR riding Britni**

**Anleigh Ahlert**

**Champion Working Hunter Ponies riding Khozmo**  
**Champion PB Working Hunter JTR riding Khozmo**  
**Champion HA Sport Horse Under Saddle Open riding Lena**  
**Champion PB Hunter Hack Open riding Khozmo**  
**Champion HA Working Hunter JTR riding Drama Queen**  
**Reserve Champion PB Hunt Seat Equitation on the flat riding TA Europe**  
**Top 10 PB Working Ponies riding Legend**  
**Top 10 PB Working Hunters JTR riding Legend**  
**Top 10 Hunter Hack riding Legend**

**Aahana Latker**

**Champion Hunter Hack JTR riding Khozmo**  
**Champion PB Sport Horse Under Saddle JTR 15-18 riding Khozmo**  
**Reserve Champion HA Sport Horse Under Saddle JTR riding Lena**  
**Top 10 Training Level Dressage 15-18 riding Khozmo**  
**Top 10 Dressage Seat Equitation 14-18 riding Lena**

**Taylor Allen**

**Champion First Level Dressage 15-18 riding Lena**  
**Champion Training Level Dressage Open riding Lena**  
**Champion Training Level Dressage 15-18 riding Legend**  
**Top 10 Dressage Seat Equitation 15-18**  
**Top 10 Training Level Dressage 15-18 riding Lena**  
**Top 10 Training Level Dressage 15-18 riding Casmir**

**Diana Julian**

**Top 10 Hunt Seat Equitation 15-18 riding Britni**  
**Top 10 Western Dressage Intro riding Britni**  
**Top 10 Hopeful Working Hunters riding Britni**  
**Top 10 PB Hunter Hack riding Casmir**

**Sofi Jones**

**Top 10 HA Sport Horse Under Saddle riding Tazi**  
**Top 10 Training Level Dressage 14 and under riding Tazi**  
**Top 10 Hopeful Working Hunter riding Tazi**



**Samantha Wood**

**Champion Hunt Seat Equitation 10 and under riding Lena**  
**Reserve Champion Intro Dressage 10 and under riding Khozmo**  
**Top 10 Working Hunters 10 and under riding Khozmo**  
**Top 10 Sport Horse Under Saddle 10 and under riding Lena**  
**Top 10 Intro Dressage 10 and under riding Lena**  
**Top 10 Intro Dressage 10 and under riding Khozmo**

**Holly Schnader**

**Top 10 Hunter Hack AATR riding Casimir**  
**Top 10 Training Level AATR riding Casimir**  
**Top 10 Training Level AATR riding Stella**  
**Top 10 HA Sport Horse in Hand Mares Dressage Type handling Stella**  
**Top 10 PB Sport Horse Under Saddle AATR riding Casimir**  
**Top 10 PB Sport Horse in Hand Geldings AATH handling Casimir**  
**Top 10 HA Sport Horse in Hand Hunt Type handling Lena**



**Impressive collection of hardware**

**Thank-you Ladies and Chrystal for this superb achievement.**

**Sharon Noonan is very fortunate to be planning to attend this year's Sport Horse Nationals with Chrystal and her team. *Brit says she is going along too!***

**True Blue Arabians**

**William Noonan**