

Region 17 Fall Meeting
October 1, 2016
Wingate Hotel, Calgary Airport.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Present: Executive;
Terry Johnson, Director
Rob Calnan, Vice Director (Delegate for VIAHA)
Karen Caughell – Treasurer (Delegate for Aurora)
Sylvia Carruthers – Secretary

<u>Delegates</u>	<u>Club</u>
Sylvia Thacker	Parkland
Carla Jackson	Aurora
Gerald McDonald	Delegate at Large
Marlene Tomusiak	Aurora
Kimberley Toye	AAHABC
Nicki Muller	AAHABC
Berni Van Lieshout	AAHABC
Bob Ramsey	VIAHA
Laurie Mostowich	Calgary
Dee Lyke	Saskatchewan AHA

<u>Guests</u>	
Debbie Storey	Aurora
Pat Bigwood	VIAHA
Shelley Robertson	Aurora
Kerri Buksa	Aurora
Betty Jensen	Parkland
Emma Jensen	Parkland
Tom LeBlanc	VIAHA

The Region 17 Director Terry Johnson, assumed the chair and the Secretary of Region 17, Sylvia Carruthers acted as secretary of the meeting. A quorum of delegates being present in person at the meeting and all the delegates being sent notice as required, the Chair declared the meeting properly constituted for the transaction of business.

1) Host Club Welcome

Laurie Mostowich, the President of the Calgary Arabian Horse Association welcomed the delegates and the guests of Region 17 to Calgary. The Director thanked the Calgary club for the welcome party held the previous night.

2) Approval of Agenda

With the addition of a discussion of the High Point programme under 11. a, and the 2017 Region 17 Show Dates to be added as Item 18d.), the agenda as presented was approved.

3) Adoption of Minutes of March 19, 2016

Upon motion made by Bob Ramsey, seconded by Dee Lyke, and carried unanimously :

RESOLVED that the minutes of the March 19, 2016, meeting of Region 17, AHA be and the same are approved as circulated, with the correction of the date to 2016.

4) Director's Report

The Director of Region 17 Arabian Horse Association, Terry Johnson presented her report to the meeting. After thanking the Calgary AHA and congratulating the members of the Region for their successes at the Canadian National Arabian Horse Championships the Director provided the following information:

2017 Region 17 Championship Show

- Thanks to the Commission members Darlene Brouwer, Rob Calnan (who replaced Wally Goertz), Dee Lyke, Gail Tory, and Lorne Robertson for their work in running a very successful show, run on time and organized; Thanks to the Barn Stomp Committee, Kerri Burksa, Kathy Padgham, Shelley Robertson (who added extra benefits to the show from their fundraising; by providing the evening dinner with assistance from Gail Tory and AgPro);
- Thanks to the members who provided additional activities; to Marijke Kalisvaart, and Emmie Cor for organizing youth activities;
- additional activities could be promoted more strongly next year

Region 17 News

- congratulations to Kaitlin Payne on receiving the Region 17 Youth Scholarship; Sylvia Carruthers and Laurie Mostowich, as committee members commented on the excellent applications received and the difficulty in determining the successful applicant
- AHABC has been nominated for the Club Retention Award at Convention
- Encouraged clubs to sent their bios to AHA so anyone looking for a local club will have contact information etc.
- Encouraged Clubs to consider promotion, TAIL programme, clinics etc and noted that the banners are available from Gary Millar.
- shows under 100 horses can obtain special concessions to run the breeding classes by comparison and do not need to use the score sheets; need to contact Leslie at AHA for permission
- thanks to Millarcom for its contributions to the Directory

- encouraged clubs to contact members who joined AHA directly without joining clubs

AHA

- now on social media – LinkedIn, Facebook, Pintrest, Youtube
- all National Shows to date have been above budget; most have added classes; \$15,000 added prize money classes added to the schedule;
- Western Dressage becoming very popular but Show Horse Nationals having difficulty in accommodating interest as lacking space in show schedule
- Judges School – Dec 1-3, 2016- beneficial for exhibitors as well as prospective judges
- No refunds from AHA under \$ 25.00 USD unless requested
- Show personnel – we need more stewards and ringmasters
- Racing – if interested in this venue, partnership are available for purchase contact AHA
- Shoeing issue is becoming a hot topic, so members should be careful around the public as to comments; new push to deal with all high stepping horses in one broad ruling; could be a problem for the Arabian breed
- Community shows no longer available
- Youth are reminded that Foundation Scholarships are available and should apply to AHA
- at US Nationals as part of the “Horses on Parade” full size horse will be painted and be sold to assist the Horsemen’s Distress Fund

Future State of AHA – presented by Gerald McDonald

- Website under construction ; member section will be next changed; 3 to 4 years for completion yet; plan is to make website more simple and consolidate all programmes
- New accounting system still ongoing;
- Currently 13 different shopping carts- plan is to go to 1

5) Correspondence

- No correspondence to report
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6) Regional Show Commission Report

In the absence of Darlene Brouwer, Rob Calnan presented the Region 17 Show Commission report. The following information was provided:

- Show Commission met on September 30, 2016
- 2016 Show very successful; Darlene Brouwer received 9 emails and 4 handwritten notes thanking the Commission for a great show
- Horse number was very close to budget, class entries increased from 2015;

- 20 classes without horses – last year 33
- 33 classes with 1 horse- which was a slight increase from last
- 26 classes with 2 horses – a decrease from 2015
- Profit expected in the area of \$ 15,000.00 but final numbers not yet available
- Facilities; no complaints; increased warm up area, good bathing facilities, good footing, staff good- some issues with noise, food concessions noted by commission; some inconsistencies re RV parking and entrance passes; good response on the flash floods; generally every year is better
- Photographer- Show commission met with Amanda Ubell and proposes to use her for the show next year; for a \$ 15.00 fee added to the entry fee for each horse, an exhibitor will get a reduction of \$15.00 off their photo purchases; no costs to Commission and Ms. Ubell will provide own lodging and food; no opposition when members asked
- Hotels- used same as other years, but will ask Lorne Robertson to find replacement for Days Inn.
- Stewards Report – was positive
- Judging Panels – both Sport Horse and 3 judge panel were efficient, fair and fun;

Show Commission Appointments

- The following were acclaimed as the new Show Commission
 - Darlene Brouwer, Debbie Storey Dee Lyke, Lorne Robertson, Gail Tory, Tom LeBlanc

2017 and 2018 Region 17 Show

- Contract is a 5 year contract with one opt-out year in either 2017 or 2018; permission obtained from Calgary Stampede to use 2018 if we wish
- After considerable deliberation Show Commission recommends 2017 in Calgary and 2018 at Thunderbird at Langley, BC
- Discussion followed: If in Calgary, Calgary AHA will again run the pre-show; has been financially successful in Calgary;

Upon motion made by Rob Calnan, seconded by Silvia Thacker and carried unanimously:

RESOLVED: The 2017 Region 17 Championship Show be held in Calgary Alberta and the 2018 show be held at Thunderbird, in Langley, subject to negotiations with Thunderbird, and the Show Commission be authorized to begin negotiations with Thunderbird.

- show dates for 2017 are July 25th to 29th
- delegates are asked to bring options for the rotation of the show between various locations to the spring meeting for discussion as the former rotation schedule is no longer in effect and the Show Commission is asking for guidance

The meeting adjourned for a mid morning break

The meeting resumed at 10:00 am MDST

- discussion followed on the wishes of the sport horse exhibitors, as there appears to be some issue with the current schedule being expressed by some, although it is believed that the majority of exhibitors appreciate having their classes in one grouping; noted that to intersperse sport horse classes among other classes would require additional cost for both the sport horse judges and the 3 member judges panel; further inquiries will be made

7) Treasurer's Report-

The Treasurer's report was presented by the Treasurer, Karen Caughell. She reported that:

Report highlights:

- Profit of approximately \$ 19,000.00 from 2017 Region 17 Championship Show, but not finalized; Sponsorships are a major contributor to success; this year they were \$ 16,000.00;
- The directory showed a profit of \$1877.26 for 2016; thanks go to Millarcom for looking after shipping ; directory could use more advertisers
- Stallion Service Auction- \$ 37,237.17 in the segregated account for this initiative
- While GIC has matured, we need to keep sufficient funds to pay the pre-show deposit to the Calgary Stampede
- Youth are to a large part self-sustaining and have their own fundraising and thanks go to Youth Director, Marijke Kalisvaart for her successful efforts in this regard
- Shelley Robertson is now donating her time to provide bookkeeping for the Region; books being kept on the cash basis; Shelley will convert to accrual as required; additional detail will be added to the accounts;
- CRA refund still pending; but need to have 10 years of filing; we need 3 more years; is probable that before refund, that CRA may complete audit so important that our books are correct
- Each committee, club and the executive asked to prepare a budget for their area before the March meeting in order that a considered budget be presented
- Thanks to all involved in working on the financial records – Gerald, Shelley and Karen

8) Directory Report

Karen Caughell provided the Directory Report. See attached.

- Newcomer's guide has been suggested by Gary Millar; 7 to 8 pages; could be in directory as well as on website; could become the most distributed document
- Kerri Buksa volunteered to work with Gary on information to be included; needs to be finished by October 31st ; committee established of Kerri Buksa, Sylvia Carruthers, Karen Caughell, Rob Calnan
- Cost of full page ad, \$ 300.00. same as before
- Have reduced the numbers of directories printed
- We now have booklets that go to non-AHA events; directories go to AHA events
- Suggestion that local farms could be included in the booklet;
- Note that the Galleries in Lexington give out a postcard promoting the Arabian horse; note that each Region pays \$ 100.00 towards this project

Our thanks to Karen for her work on this committee

9) Youth Report

- Youth Activities; The report on Youth Activities was deferred as the Youth representative was not present, but the youth were congratulated on the many activities at the Region 17 Championship Show; but more youth needed to assist with these
- Youth Teams Report – teams are needed by February 1st of each year; clubs are encouraged to get their youth involved;
- High Point Awards –see report attached; all categories now sponsored; all entries must be made by December 1st of previous year

10) Canadian Breeders' Report

No report was received

11) Canadian National Show Report

Gerald McDonald presented the Canadian National Show Report

- Canadian National Championship Show had 714 horses, highest since moving to Brandon; lot of new exhibitors; class entries up
- Many good comments about show
- More improvements to the facility each year
- New building still on the books but financing still an issue so on hold
- Contract extended through 2017 as it is the 60th anniversary of the show; National Show Commission will then go for bids as required
- Some concerns from commercial exhibitors; Show Commission looking at this ; potential move for commercial exhibits to increase traffic
- Some discussion about safety concerns in Westman Ring

12) Region 17 Select Stallion Auction

- Nicki Mueller provided a verbal report in addition to the report attached
- leftover funds from this year will be distributed in other years
- programme will run in 2017
- suggested that the programme extend the 2016 deadline to March 21, 2017 for this year only or change the cycle to include purchases in the spring, rather than require purchases in the prior calendar year as often breeding choices for a calendar year are made in the spring;
- announced that Camille McDonald will assist as the web person with Wendy Don's retirement.
- Many thanks to Wendy Don for her work
- Some thoughts about taking the sheets for the Stallion Auction to the Barn Stomp in March 2017 and to the shows

13) Breed Promotion

- Sylvia Carruthers gave a brief report on the web blasts in support of the Regional Show and thanks Ashley Toye for her work in this regard.; no funds were requested by any other party for breed promotion in 2016
- Deborah Charnuski reported on various events undertaken by the Calgary AHA – see report attached
- Rob Calnan indicated that he could put some information in the AHA email blasts and asked clubs to provide information to him
- No formal decisions have yet been made about the Scottsdale Booth – last year we sent directories and some information

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Upon motion made by Berni Van Lleshout , seconded by Gerald McDonald and carried:

RESOLVED: IF the Canadian Arabian Horse Registry has a booth as the Scottsdale show, Region 17 support this project by providing an amount of \$500.00, Canadian funds as in the past.

- Dee Lytle reported that at the Saskatoon Equine Expo that the Arabians competed in the Battle of the Breeds with a successful showing from a relatively new group , the youngest of whom was 11 years old; next year they expect to have a full team with returning members
- It does not appear that the Mane Event is occurring in Chiliwack this year as we have not had an communication in this regard

14) Equestrian Canada

Terry Johnson reported on the following:

- new rules were rolled out on September 30th, 2016
- note the new name
- pages 1 to 39 set out the new provisions for the Arabian rules
- the Hunt Seat tests now align with the USEF rules
- there are changes in policy as well as governance
- note that there is an Equestrian Canada Saddle Seat Medal that can be given at our shows in addition to the AHA one you need to plan at least 60 -90 days ahead to order the medal and Cooler
 - each province can apply to host a Saddle Seat provincial Champion contact Breed Sport Canada or Terry Johnson
 - there is an EC High Point Award; applications must be in by December 1st for that year; it is presented at EC Convention
 - contact Saddle Seat Canada if interested in the Saddle Seat Internationals in Georgia in April, 2017
 - EC is working on the rider levels which should be completed soon and can be used for lessons' Certificate available from EC

15) Old Business

- No old business to discuss

16) New Business

a) Barn Stomp

- Kerri Buksa presented the report, a copy of which is attached
- 160 participants, band, food; 50/50 draw
- Morgan Association assisted so committee members helped then in return a their fall show
- Profit of \$2400.00 went entirely to the Regional Show for the dinner
- To be held again, March 18, 2017
- Other clubs and groups are encouraged to try something of this nature as an outreach
- A challenge was presented to others by the Committee!

b) Club Membership- Forms should be taken to the Barn Stomp to encourage membership

c) Non-Club Members- As some members join only AHA, Club membership secretaries should review this list and contact these people to see if club membership can be encouraged; Terry Johnson has the list of these members

d) Show Dates 2017

- AHABC Classic- May 4-7; Fall Frolic Sept 15-17, Thunderbird
- Aurora- June 8-11th
- VIAHA – June 17, 18
- Parkland- May 19-22
- Spring Fling All Breed Show – April 21-23
- Saskatchewan AHA – Jun 4, 5; Sept 9, 10
- CAHR Pre-Show – July 24th
- Canadian Nationals Aug 13-19th
- Region 17-July 25-29

e) Club Gift for Cynthia Richardson – as Cynthia Richardson is retiring this year, Rob Calnan suggested a basket of Canadian items be provide at Convention. Sylvia Carruthers offered to contact Region 18 to see if they would join us on this project.

17) Next Meeting – Date and Location

Upon motion made by Rob Calnan, seconded by Laurie Mostowich, and carried unanimously:

RESOLVED that the spring meeting be held March 18, 2017 near Edmonton, Alberta

It is hoped that this will encourage members to attend the Barn Stomp.

18) Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned on motion by Carla Jackson and seconded by Berni Van Lieshout, and carried.



2016 Region 17 Fall Meeting Directory Report

We printed and distributed 1000 directories and 100 promotional booklets in 2016. (down from 1500 and 500) They were distributed at Aurora, Breeders, Region 4, 17, Scottsdale, Canadian Nationals, US Nationals and the AHA Convention

In 2016, we had 30 ads for an income of \$9935.00. The cost of printing was \$7983.00. Thank you to Millarcom for looking after the shipping costs to the clubs. There were mailing costs of \$64.42 for the Directories that had to be mailed. There were also Visa and MasterCard fees of \$10.32. That left a profit of \$1877.26. GST is charged on all ads.

The directory information was emailed out to all the Club Presidents on September 4th. The information is also on the web site and was sent out in an eblast.

Once again, the clubs will have to pay \$50.00 plus GST (\$52.50) for their club page to help offset the costs.

It was decided at the spring meeting in 2012 to instead produce a booklet with all the ads and the club pages for promotional use. These booklets will be sent to other shows and events instead of the entire directory. The only membership information that will be included will be what is on each club page for their Executive members.

The deadline of the ads and club information to reach me is November 18, 2016. We are aiming for a mid January distribution date.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Region 17 Directory Chair
Karen Caughell
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Region 17

2016 Fall High Point Report

The program was changed in 2012 to 7 divisions. A huge Thank You to the sponsors for their support of the High Point program. Rae Dawn Arabians - Halter, Royden Arabians - Junior, Willow Acres Equestrian Center - English, McLean & Shaw Insurance - Western. Their continued support of Region 17 and the High Point program is very much appreciated. We are still looking for sponsors for the Hunter, Sport Horse and Adult divisions.

In 2016 is the 11th year that we have had the High Point program. In 2015 there were 48 horse and rider combinations. The previous years had:

- 2014 had 48 entries
- 2013 had 58 entries
- 2012 had 29 entries
- 2011 had 42 entries
- 2010 had 36 entries
- 2009 had 44 entries
- 2008 had 36 entries
- 2007 had 51 entries
- 2006 had 41 entries.

At the 2011 Fall meeting, the delegates voted to change the program. There will now be 7 divisions instead of 4. There will be only a Champion and Reserve for each division. They will be Western, English/CEP, Hunter, Halter (main ring only), Sport Horse, Adults and Juniors. They not be split into purebred and partbreds. Also changed was that to be eligible for a Region 17 High Point award, it was MANDATORY to show at the Region 17 Championship show.

For further information, contact Karen Caughell.

Region 17 Select Stallion Auction & Futurity Report

October 2016

The committee welcomes Tammy Hayward as a new member. She joins Nicki Muller, Candace Oakes, Sandra Nielsen and Stacey Langen. Wendy Don has now resigned. There are more than enough tasks for any new volunteers who would like to join!

The committee is currently making plans for the 2017 Select Stallion Auction.

2015 Auction

A total of 13 breedings have been sold and Mare Nomination forms have been sent to everyone who is eligible. The nomination fees will be added to the 2015 Auction Fund total.

Futurity Classes at the 2016 Regional Show

There was 1 entry for the Halter Futurity for Yearlings born as a result of the 2013 Auction, and the owner (and also the breeder) of the winner received a cheque for \$1,169.64. This leaves \$4,028.76 in prize money for the Performance Futurity division for this foal crop.

The Performance Futurity for 4 Year Olds born as a result of the 2010 Auction had a total purse of \$8,568. There were no entries for the Yearling Halter division for this foal crop, and there were no entries for the Performance division. The breeders of the eligible foals were all reminded this spring to get the kids ready to show.

Rule Changes

This time of year the committee reviews the rules to improve the auction and futurity. Suggestions are welcome.

The committee is considering modifying the rules to use the \$8,568 not distributed as planned to top up the prize money over the next few years.

Auction Year	Nominated Stallions	Breedings Sold	Mares Nominated	Auction Fund *	Halter Year	Performance Year
2009	36	20	18	\$18,110	2012	2015
2010	36	17	14	\$9,520	2013	2016
2011	32	20	17	\$13,650	2014	2017
2012	34	18	15	\$12,610	2015	2018
2013	18	7	7	\$5,776	2016	2019
2014	21	8	7	\$5,425	2017	2020
2015	29	13		\$6,300 +	2018	2021

* 90% of the Auction Fund is paid out, 10% is used for Administration & Promotion

+ Mare Nomination fees will be added to this Auction Fund

March 15, 2016

Region 17 Arabian Horse Association

Hall Party, March 12, 2016

Ardrossan Rec Center

Organizers: Kathy Padgham and Kerri Buksa

We had a 160 people in attendance for the hall party. Our guests enjoyed a live band, 'Dam it Jim', light lunch at 10pm, silent desert auction, 50/50 draw and some great door prizes donated by Gail Tory from McLean and Shaw, Greenland Garden Center, Courier Park and Brenda Engler. We had 4 Morgan Club members help us out at the bar and the liquor tickets sales. Kathy and I are going to have to trade services with them for their show in September. Would be great if some other members of our club could help at this show as well if they are available.

Total money rec'd at event	\$7521.00
160 tickets x \$25.00 = \$4000	
Liquor Sales \$2693	
Silent Desert Auction \$398	
50/50 \$430	

Total costs for the event were:	(\$5121.22)
Hall \$1415.07	
Band \$1400	
Insurance \$120	
Liquor \$908.94	
Food \$1157.21	
Misc Expenses \$120	

Profit	\$2399.78
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Money still to come in from the bottles but not a significant amount to hold up the report for the meeting. Kathy Padgham will submit in bottle refund once she has done it.

We have some large plastic bowls and tongs that we needed to purchase. I will keep these on hand if we need them for another hall party or Regionals in Calgary.

Yes, Kathy and I are already talking about another hall party for next year and ways that we could do things more efficiently to maximize the return. We are not 100% committed to doing one yet but at least we are talking about it. It would be good to have a little more help from our members at the next one, Kathy and I were pretty tired Saturday night.

Cheers,

Kerri Buksa
780 720 6567

**Calgary Arabian Breed Association
Breed Promotion Report
Calgary Stampede Parade & Horse Haven**

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In addition to assisting the Parkland Arabian Horse club in hosting the Mane Event breed promotion booth held annually every April, the Calgary Arabian Horse Association organizes and participates in two premiere events held in Calgary, Alberta each year – the Calgary Stampede Parade and Horse Haven in the Agricultural building.

The Calgary Stampede Parade 2016

Once again Deb Charnuski and Jill Stephenson organized the Calgary Arabian Horse Association entry into the Calgary Stampede Parade, held on Friday, July 8, 2016. Our entry is favoured by the Stampede Parade Committee, as the majority of our entry is riding in Mounted Native costume, which is unique to the Arabian breed and naturally eye-catching. We also have Jill Stephenson driving Cinnamon in Native Costume, which we fondly refer to as the “Harem Cart”. Michael Hansen, who comes all the way from Hay River in the Northwest Territories to ride, rides Western

We invariably do well in the Mounted Colour Parties individual Colour Party judging and this year was no different. The 2016 edition of the parade saw 250,000 people line the parade route, in addition to the event being televised, both nationally and internationally. It provides a great deal of breed exposure for the Arabian breed, and our entry is always a crowd pleaser. Our Arabs this year really enjoyed showing themselves off.

Results:

Mounted Colour Party (Group Judging) – Calgary Arabian Horse Association - 3rd Place

Individual Colour Party

2nd – Kirin Leask and Shai

3rd – Candace Oakes and MV Mattah Khara

4th –

Honorable Mention – Maylene Pollard and Belle

Special Mention -

Horse Haven and the Hooves of History Show

As part of the Calgary Stampede, held from July 8-17th, 2016, the Calgary Arabian Horse Association sets up an Arabian booth at Horse Haven, located in the Agricultural building on the Stampede park grounds, each year for the last 5 days of the Stampede. Both Deb Charnuski and Jill Stephenson organized. This year the Arabian booth was active from Wednesday, July 13th through to Sunday, July 17th. Many thanks go out to Jill Stephenson, Kirin Leask and Michael Hansen for bringing horses for the booth, as well as all those who volunteered in the booth during the 5 days. Our table was filled with breed information supplied by the Arabian Horse Association, and our horses were extremely well behaved and accommodating for all those who wished to stroke and pet them. The smiles on the faces of those who interacted with our Arabians made the whole effort worthwhile. Though the rainy weather was not appreciated by most, it did have the positive effect of driving people to the inside displays such as ours. As a result our traffic was up considerably. There is an activity book for the children, which they

have stamped by all the breeds. Breed demos are held daily in the Northern Lights arena, just adjacent to the agricultural building, to which we had Arabian horses participating in Western, Trail and Mounted Native costume disciplines.

In addition to the booth, we participated in the "Hooves of History" show in the new Agrium arena. The show ran on the weekends of July 9th and 10th and July 17th and 18th respectively. Our horses were outfitted in Mounted Native Costume and were introduced as the foundation of the light horse breeds. We had two horses in the ring on the first weekend. Thanks to Kirin Leask and Shai and Belle and Jill's pony club riders. We had three horses on the second weekend, with the addition of Say Hey Kid and rider Candace Oakes. Thanks to Say Hey Kid's owner Deb Bartelen for hauling him in for the show. Again, we were very well received by the crowd who watched the shows, who expressed their appreciation through enthusiastic applause.



Kirin Leask and Shai



Candace Oakes and Say Hey Kid



Jill's Pony Club Riders and Belle