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 Second Quarter - April 10, 2018
 Third Quarter - July 10, 2018
 Fourth Quarter - October 9, 2018

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ASHA Membership Fees	US Address	Foreign
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REGULAR Two-Year Membership	\$90	\$120
REGULAR Three-Year Membership	\$130	\$160
YOUTH Membership (due Dec 31st)	\$25	\$40
FRIEND of the Shire Membership	\$25	\$40
LIFE Membership	\$800	\$1,000
LIFE Membership (Annual Installments for Five Years)	\$175	\$215
CORPORATE Membership (Five-Year Membership)	\$275	N/A

Regular, Life, and Corporate membership allow 1 vote per person in general elections. All memberships receive access to the members section of the ASHA website and quarterly Newsletter.

Registration Fees	Member	Non-Member
Fillies/Colts up to June 1st of Yearling year (year of birth)*	\$100	\$200
Fillies/Colts/Mares/Stallions after June 1st of two year old year*	\$200	\$400
Geldings, any age*	\$100	\$200
Shire Sport Horses*	\$125	\$125
DNA Kit without Registration	\$100	\$100
Conversion of Blood Type to DNA**	\$40	N/A
DNA Filing SHS / CSHA Registered Horse	\$25	\$50
Transfer of Ownership	\$40	\$80
Transfer of Ownership within family	\$10	N/A
Bulk Registration of Transfer (submitted together)	10% Discount / 3 or more	
Prefix Registration	\$50	N/A
Lease (due every time lease is renewed with office)	\$40	\$80
Duplicate (Replacement) Papers	\$40	\$80
Five Generation Pedigrees	\$10 w/Reg - \$20 separately	

* Includes DNA kit for horse being registered

** Conversion available to non-members in conjunction with SSHR registration only (\$100)

~ Mission Statement ~

The mission of the American Shire Horse Association is to maintain the integrity of an accurate registry and to promote the Shire breed through excellence.



PRESIDENT

This is a very exciting time to be a member of the American Shire Horse Association. We are making great strides forward in many fronts. This progress is due to some outstanding board members that are putting their shoulder into the hames and moving this organization forward. It is very gratifying to see this kind of commitment from these board members. The cost to maintain an organization like ASHA and servicing the membership is always a concern. It dictates the action the association must take to continue to provide these services and still move forward.

Jan Baumgras, our Secretary has resigned as of May 3rd. She has served the association well and we appreciate her dedicated effort in serving as our Secretary.

Our association is making administrative changes to help provide better service to our membership. This has caused some major changes in how we move forward with our association's activities. The heavy horse phase of our program will be shifted to Janet Long and Sue Coulter will handle the secretary phase. All phones and or e-mails will be forwarded to the persons that can best handle your concerns. This transition will have some bumps in the road at first but it looks like a strong plan to service our members and update many of our procedures that need it.

We are looking at the possibility of moving some of our recording and maintenance duties into a program with the Percheron association that would allow us to function our association more efficiently with less cost.

Our financial books and record keeping has shown great progress. Our shows are strengthening in leadership and quality of stock presented. Our by-laws are being brought up to date and organized. The digital media phase of our association has been strengthened a lot during the past couple of years. We are reorganizing our Merchandizing committee and thanks to Karla and Lisa we are making great strides in that area. We are working on our Video and many other aspects of ASHA is being strengthened and is moving forward at a rapid pace.

We are assessing our Studbook and how it will be handled in the future along with how we can better service our membership. The Editor of our newsletter has been transferred to Missy Wade and we appreciate her acceptance of this large undertaking along with being the Chair of the Newsletter committee.

All these new innovative ideas need strong leadership from our board to progress and keep this association strong and viable. The leadership they are providing makes the future look bright.

What is most needed is the involvement of each of our members to spread the word about our progress and commit our selves to talking to past members to rejoin our organization and make a special commitment to talk to potential new members.

We need strength of membership from all geographic areas of the US. There are many members from both the Eastern states as well as the Western states that might not be aware of the progress we are making. I ask each of you to help spread the word to activate new memberships. We would like for them to join and help promote the Shire to the position in the equine world that it deserves.

With no heat in our barns we are shivering through the foaling season and getting ready for breeding. It is very rewarding to see a nice foal born as the result of a years work in the foaling process of this grand accomplishment.

Clark Jensen

A Message From Your

VICE-PRESIDENT

Hello fellow ASHA members, I would like to send a big Thank You! to Jan Baumgras for her dedication and service to the Shire horse and ASHA.

As we continue to move forward making improvements to the association I ask the membership to remain flexible and understanding in the coming months.

We are working on multiple projects and interim fixes as we transition the ASHA office. We are also working on launching a new website with many improvements.

As many of you know I have reached out to the members thanking you for your support and membership. I have learned that telemarketing has made this very difficult and I have had to leave many messages. If you have not received a phone call from me and you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me and I would be happy to talk with you.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication to the Shire horse.

Tom Greenlee

315-408-5406

Welcome

New Members

Chastity Beckham
DJ Bradshaw
Alan Bultman
Tom Greenlee, Sr.
Kathya Hammond
Michael Harmon
Daniel Holian
Brier Kicher
Josh Minshull
Jodi Moyer
Deborah Paulson
Julie Pflieger
Stephanie Phillips
Alaina Reitz
Hannah Ziegler

FROM YOUR EDITOR

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A Word From Your

TREASURER

Hello and Happy Spring to all Shire Members and Shire Enthusiasts,

It has been a hectic couple of months getting the budget together with all of the changes coming up for 2018. The budget you see will be reviewed monthly by the Finance Committee and given to the full BoD for updates at each upcoming quarterly meeting. This is the barebones of what the Association does and as things progress, so will our budget. I am very excited to see our Merchandise Committee evolving with Lisa Banga Graham and her expertise in marketing being added to our team. With the help of our long-time member and worker bee, Karla Stoner, we will see some real profits come in through a solid marketing of Shire Merchandise. (Not fully recognized in our budget yet of course!)

Our Media Committee, headed up by the never tiring Charity Greenlee, is working non-stop to streamline our Association even more with changes to our Web Site. These changes will mean not only more profit to ASHA, but also less work for individuals.

We have switched all banking and credit card processing to Wells Fargo and want to thank everyone for their patience as we bring our Web Site up to date with this banking change. It is amazing to me how every part of ASHA is now run by technology, which means all parts have to work in unison, or nothing works! So, again please be patient with us as we get the online payment back up and running.

Our overall picture of the chart of accounts has been designed differently to be more readable and user friendly. All income and expenses are being tracked together that relate to the same account so we can see exactly what we are making or (losing) in each category.

We are excited to add Sue Colter as our online QuickBooks expert who will work closely with the accountant and the Treasurer to see that all transactions, taxes, payroll is done in a proper and timely manner.

There are plenty of other changes happening within the Association, but I don't want to steal all their thunder in my report!

Look throughout the Bulletin, they will tell, the rest of the story!

Blessings to you all and remember to hug your Shire(s)!

Wanda Johnston
ASHA Treasurer

A Word From Your

SECRETARY

I want the ASHA community to know I have resigned as your Secretary. I have decided to pursue other opportunities. I have made many friends along the ASHA path just by communicating with you. Your personal stories as well as your horse tales have run the gamut of emotions. There will be changes in the office, but they will be for the betterment of the organization.
Happy Trails to All of You!

Jan Baumgras

2017 Book of Numbers

2018 Book of Numbers

As of 03/31

Registered

Stallions - 57 Mares - 56 Geldings - 14 Total - 127
SSHR Total - 18

Registered

Stallions - 9 Mares - 18 Geldings - 4 Total - 32
SSHR Total - 4

Transferred

Stallions - 44 Mares - 77 Geldings - 8 Total - 129
SSHR Total - 7

Transferred

Stallions - 12 Mares - 17 Geldings - 3 Total - 32
SSHR Total - 1

**26 registrations are incomplete and waiting for DNA at this time. Did you forget to send in your DNA sample?

2017 Membership

Annual - 204, Youth - 6, Life - 141, Corporate- 2,
Friend of the Shire - 4

Total - 357

2018 Membership

As of 03/31

Annual - 107, Youth - 5 Life - 140, Corporate - 2,
Friend of the Shire - 6,

Total - 260

Clare, Michigan

June 29th & 30th, 2018



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FINACIALS

Balance Sheet as of April 4, 2018

Budget Overview

ADOPTED 2018 BUDGET - FY18 P&L

January - December 2018

ASSETS	TOTAL
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
Alpine CD 48500 11/15/17	6,009.37
Alpine CD 48502 05/08/16	1,296.95
Alpine Checking #1414021818	1,726.96
National Show Fund	1,484.79
Regional Show Fund	234.38
Total Alpine Checking #1414021818	3,446.13
Alpine Life Member CD 48497 11/14/19	12,928.86
Alpine Life Member MM #1414715553	11,109.20
PayPal	0.00
Wells Fargo Checking 6219753933	2,863.43
Total Bank Accounts	\$37,653.94
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	-285.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$ -285.00
Other Current Assets	
Credit Card Receivables	0.00
Inventory	1,141.75
Uncategorized Asset	0.00
Undeposited Funds	500.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$1,641.75
Total Current Assets	\$39,010.69
TOTAL ASSETS	\$39,010.69
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Payroll Liabilities	0.00
Federal Taxes (941/944)	461.92
MI Income Tax	223.16
MI Unemployment Tax	186.00
Total Payroll Liabilities	871.08
Sales tax payable	0.00
Total Other Current Liabilities	\$871.08
Total Liabilities	\$871.08
Equity	
Retained Earnings	39,771.05
Net Income	-1,631.44
Total Equity	\$38,139.61
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$39,010.69

Income	TOTAL
Horse Shows	0.00
Membership	10,000.00
Other Income	645.00
Promotional Income	3,975.00
Registration	15,000.00
Total Income	\$29,620.00
 GROSS PROFIT	 \$29,620.00
Expenses	
Advertising	1,000.00
All-North American Contest	300.00
Annual Meeting	400.00
Banking	1,350.00
Bulletin/ Magazine/Newsletter	1,900.00
Digital Media	1,000.00
Dues & Subscriptions	550.00
Elections	400.00
Insurance	1,100.00
Legal & Professional Fees	750.00
Office Expense	1,520.00
Payroll	12,500.00
Renewal Notices	100.00
Travel and Entertainment	1,300.00
Total Expenses	\$24,170.00
 NET OPERATING INCOME	 \$5,450.00
NET INCOME	\$5,450.00



2017 ALL-NORTH AMERICAN SHIRE CONTEST

STALLIONS - 3 Yrs & Over



All-North American
Willow Lane Isaac's Lad
Dale & Maxine Campbell
Dawson Creek, BC, Canada



Reserve All -North American
Windcharger Duke
Lindsay LaRiviere
Stony Plain, AB, Canada

TWO YEAR OLD STALLIONS



All -North American
Crossingtons Tobias
Dr. Jeff Gower
Springfield, MO

YEARLING STALLIONS



All-North American
Eastoft Delegate
Dr. Jeff Gower
Springfield, MO



All-North American
RVF Buddy
Andrew W. Troyer
Millersburg, OH



Reserve All -North American
MacKenzie Emmet
MacKenzie Shires, LLC
Longmont, CO

STALLION FOALS

REGISTERED GELDINGS-Any Age



All-North American
Landcliffe Master
Arlin Wareing
Blackfoot, ID



Reserve All-North American
Pace Farm Mitt
Arlin Wareing
Blackfoot, ID



THREE YEAR OLD MARES

All-North American
RM's MT Lexi
Emile Castonguay
Turner, ME

2017 ALL-NORTH AMERICAN SHIRE CONTEST

TWO YEAR OLD MARES



All-North American
Illusion Farms Rustic Raina
Kim Smith
Burlington, ON, Canada



Reserve All -North American
Windcharger Destiny
Dale & Maxine Campbell
Dawson Creek, BC, Canada



All -North American
Illusion Farms Rustic Liberty
Emile Castonguay
Turner, ME

YEARLING MARES



Reserve All-North American
Dua He Chi's Angel
Arlin & Wayne Wareing
Blackfoot, ID



All -North American
GFS Scotch Bottom Rock Star
Charity & Tom Greenlee
Pine Grove, PA



Reserve All -North American
Windcharger Cherise
Dale & Maxine Campbell
Dawson Creek, BC, Canada

YELD MARES - 4 Yrs & Over



All-North American
Westwind Grand Emily
Dr. Jeff Gower
Springfield, MO



Reserve All -North American
RM's MT Autumn
Dr. Jeff Gower
Springfield, MO



First Honorable Mention
Metheringham Upton Tara
Dale & Maxine Campbell
Dawson Creek, BC, Canada

2017 ALL-NORTH AMERICAN SHIRE CONTEST

BROODMARES – 4 Yrs. & Over



All-North American
RM's Holly Goes Lightly
Charity & Tom Greenlee
Pine Grove, PA



Reserve All-North American
Northeast Aristocrat's Abbigail
Charity & Tom Greenlee
Pine Grove, PA

STALLIONS - 3 Yrs & Over

3rd: **Howell Brothers Opie**
Arlin & Wayne Wareing
Blackfoot, ID

STALLION FOALS

3rd: **GBR Defenders Chrome Cassanova**
Tim Julius
Vale, CO

TWO YEAR OLD STALLIONS

2nd: **Kutenai Highbrow Flint**
Dale & Maxine Campbell
Dawson Creek, BC, Canada

REGISTERED GELDINGS-Any Age

3rd: **3C Beau's Captain Jack**
Melissa Alexander
Germantown, OH

YEARLING STALLIONS

2nd: **MacKenzie Miles**
MacKenzie Shires, LLC
Longmont, CO

TWO YEAR OLD MARES

3rd: **XS Heart Black Pearl**
Tom & Charity Greenlee
Pine Grove, PA

YELD MARES - 4 Yrs & Over

- 4th **Illusion Farms Jersey Girl**, Lynn Baker & Marc LeClerc, Arundel, ME
5th **Squantum Samantha**, Jerry Cournoyer, Jefferson, MA
6th **Hickory Hill Eleanor**, Charity & Tom Greenlee, Pine Grove, PA
7th (tie): **Illusion Farms Spring Song**, Lynn Baker, Marc LeClerc & Kathleen Hathaway, Arundel & Fryeburg, ME
7th (tie): **Shire Valley's Annabella**, Tom & Charity Greenlee, Pine Grove, PA

YEARLING MARES

- 3rd **RVF Julie**, Andrew Troyer, Millersburg, OH
4th **Tally Ho Simone**, MacKenzie Shires LLC, Longmont, CO
5th **Windcharger Electra**, Dale & Maxine Campbell, Dawson Creek, BC, Canada

FILLY FOALS

- 3rd **MacKenzie Bijou**, MacKenzie Shires LLC, Longmont, CO
4th **GFS, Aurora's Shining Glory**, Charity & Tom Greenlee, Pine Grove, PA
5th **GBR Defenders High Hope**, Kimberly Julius, Vale, CO

Congratulations! Thank You To All Who Participated.

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2018 ASHA Annual Meeting

By Charity Greenlee
Media Digital and Print Chair

The American Shire Horse Annual Meeting and Members' Meeting was held in Tampa, Florida at the Ramada Westshore Tampa Airport Hotel from February 9-11, 2018. Attendance was up from previous years with four new members attending, Mr. DJ & Jeannie Bradshaw from Georgia and Mr. Shane & Chastity Beckham of Florida. The weather was kind and the hotel staff was very supportive. The Board of Directors heard from each of the committees and had many good discussions regarding the way ahead for the ASHA Newsletter, Membership, Rules, Shires under Saddle, the National Show, Digital Media, All North American, ASHEF, and Finance. The Board appointed two new Directors, Mr. Dean Jenson of Nebraska and Mr. Wayne Wareing of Idaho to fill vacancies on the board. Both of these gentlemen bring fresh ideas and energy to the Association and we are pleased to welcome them to the Board.

The Board decided to focus on business during the 2018 Meeting and all excursions to off-site locations were cancelled. In this light, the Education Day featured the Executive Director of the Percheron Horse Association of America (PHAoA), Mrs. Stacie Lynch as the guest speaker. Mrs. Lynch spoke to the gathering about the opportunity to be a part of the future of Draft Horse Registries with the program Digital Horse. The PHAoA started using Digital Horse in January 2018 to welcomed reviews. Powered by the software licensed to Dr. Joseph Massey and widely used in the Beef and Swine Industry, Digital Horse allows user level herd management, transfers, leases, registrations, membership renewal, and many more features. The PHAoA and the ASHA BoD are working to bring Digital Horse to the members of the ASHA in the very near future. The Board appointed Mr. Tom Greenlee Jr. as the ASHA BoD liaison to work with the PHAoA on this exciting opportunity.



Tom Greenlee, Stacie Lynch, Clark Jenson

The Members Meeting enabled our new members to share their perspectives and ideas with the Board. We look forward to their continued involvement in the Association and welcome them with open arms. The Members Meeting included the President's Report given by Mr. Clark Jenson and the Secretary's Report given by Mrs. Jan Baumgras, where the emphasis of both reports was membership. The Members' Meeting continued after lunch with a Lifetime Recognition of Mr. & Mrs. Gene McCaffery for their dedication and lifetime involvement with the Shire Horse and the American Shire Horse Association. The Board presented the McCaffery's with a beautiful blanket emblazoned with their farm name "Ox Kill Shires" and their late gray stallion Metheringham Upton Isaac who stood over 19 hands tall and was a main stay in the draft horse community for the past two decades. Gene has attended every Annual Meeting since 1972 and has served on the Board numerous times; both Gene and Vicky have served on many ASHA committees over the years. The Members Meeting wrapped up with an update on the ASHA Hall of Fame project presented by Mrs. Karla Stoner.



The Annual Meeting and Member's Meeting was a huge success and is a high point event in the yearly calendar of the American Shire Horse Association. If you missed the Annual Meeting, please consider joining us for the National Shire Show at the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines, August 12-14, 2018. Most of the Board of Directors, Shire exhibitors and enthusiasts, and some of the premier horses in the country converge to celebrate the most wonderful and gentlest of draft horses at a world class venue. Last year's exhibitors meeting (which is open to all members and supporters of the Shire) was a huge success and we hope to have an even larger gathering this year. Please register to attend the Exhibitor's Meeting with the National Shire Show Coordinator, Ms. Lisa Graham at (814) 429-3798.

LIFETIME RECOGNITION AWARD



As read and presented by Melissa Restifo at the 2018 Annual Meeting:

Gene and Vicky McCaffrey need no introduction to many of you, as they have been your friends, and contributors to the promotion and advancement of ASHA and the Shire horse for decades. Over the last 44 years, Gene and Vicky and the farm they call home, have become staples not only in our tiny NY community, but in the Shire community and of course, in ASHA. From the time they imported their first mare, *Alneland Countess* from England in the Spring of 1974, and despite their busy professional careers as a wildlife biologist and a small animal veterinarian, there seemed to be no other path for them but to submerge themselves in Shires and in the ASHA. It was almost immediately after Countess' purchase that both joined ASHA, becoming life members, and by 1976 Gene was elected for the first time to the ASHA Board. Later, they also became life members of SHS in England, and Gene is also a lifetime member of CSHA.

The year after Countess' purchase, she would produce their first home-bred foal *King*, and he would be followed by approximately 75 foals raised by Gene and Vicky in the subsequent years. The following summer, they also began attending shows, which started a tradition of exhibition of the breed that has continued each year since. Their show endeavors took them, along with a variable number of horses and human helpers, all across the United States and Canada. This even included a 2,300 mile journey in 1985, to participate in the 100th Anniversary of the National Shire Show in Blackfoot, Idaho. Throughout the late 80's and 90's Gene and Vicky's show string became a force to be reckoned with in the feathered halter and hitch classes, and over the years the horses became ambassadors for the quality and versatility of the breed at many competitive and non-competitive events, often to those who had never even heard of a Shire.

Their first stallion, *Folly Farm Grey Forrester*, also arrived in 1976, and was the first in a line of many successful gray stallions to call Ox Kill home. Sharon and Brit McLin recall hunting for their first registered mare that year, at which time Gene and Vicky were one of only four advertised breeders of Shires listed in the *Draft Horse Journal*.

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Since that time, both have served on countless committees, including Gene's somewhat permanent position on the rules committee, and Vicky's years of service to the show committee. Gene also served as chair of the committee tasked (1984) with the investigation and ultimate integration of parentage verification via blood type analysis into the requirements for registration with ASHA, a daunting task considering email, internet, and fax were all yet to become commonplace. Gene has served dozens of times on the ASHA Board, including terms as Treasurer and President, and they have both been instrumental in the support and development of local and regional draft horse shows, including Shire only halter and hitch classes.

What many of you may not know, is that in addition to their dedicated service to ASHA over the last 4-1/2 decades, Gene and Vicky always found time to share their love of horses and farming with impressionable youth. In addition to raising quality Shire horses Gene and Vicky have helped raise and develop countless young people through their farms' internship program. This residential work study program teaches its participants life skills and work ethic, as well as farming, fundamental horsemanship, and small animal husbandry. They have hosted young people from all over the U.S., as well as Canada, Holland, and Germany, several of whom have gone on to own or promote Shires, and even serve ASHA as committee and board members. One even appeared one day 22 years ago and never left (me)!

While countless horses have come and gone from their lives over the decades, there is no horse who holds a place in Gene and Vicky's hearts and memories like *Metheringham Upton Isaac*, who arrived from England in 1996, and called Ox Kill home for 20 years before being laid to rest in 2016. The success of Isaac's show record, which includes dozens of Grand and Reserve Championships, and multiple American and Canadian National Championships, is only surpassed by the great joy he brought to both of their lives, and the legacy he will leave behind in his over 70 registered children and grandchildren, many of whom bear the Ox Kill prefix.

While there are many platforms that Gene and Vicky share different opinions on, their love and pride for Isaac was united and unwavering, and many of my fondest childhood memories are impressed with the smiles and booming cheers elicited by them both as that massive gray stallion accumulated accolade after accolade during his lifetime. They have provided many, many years of service to ASHA and to the Shire horse, and it is with great honor, that ASHA presents them with this Lifetime Recognition Award, and token of appreciation embossed with the memory of Isaac, for their dedication to the breed and the organization that provides each and every one of us common ground.

Spring Is The Time For Babies!!!

Congratulations to Melissa Restifo and Rich on the birth of their baby daughter, Ruby Evelyn Gant. She was born on April 3, 2018 at 6:07 PM, and was 8 lbs and 21.25 inches long.



Send your foal or any other Shire pictures to ShireEditor@gmail.com

OUR MEMBER ADVERTISERS HELP SUPPORT THIS NEWSLETTER

United States Dressage Federation

By JoAnne McAlister
Shires Under Saddle Committee Chair

This article is intended to share what opportunities are for riders competing in dressage and how we can expand the breed into the riding discipline, specifically dressage. The ASHA is participating in two USDF programs in 2018. The programs are the **All Breeds Award** and the **High Score Breed Award**. Please refer to the USDF website for any other clarification on how these two awards are achieved.

The **All Breeds Award** - all scores are collected at all recognized competitions and scores are sent directly to USDF. Scores are categorized in either Open or Adult Amateur. Scores are collected at multiple levels starting at Training Level through Grand Prix. Below are the scores that need to be achieved in each division to qualify:

- TL through 4th: 8 scores from 4 different judges, 4 different shows
 - 60% or higher from the highest test
 - 60% median score
- PSG, I1, I2, GP: 4 scores from 4 judges, 4 shows
 - Median 60%

Riders have to fill out an All Breeds Declaration Form and send a copy of registration papers to the USDF. USDF supplies the award if achieved.

This High Score Breed Award is a great advertisement opportunity for ASHA. There are 5 areas that USDF will advertise the ASHA participation in the High Score Breed Award.



1. USDF Website
2. Social Media
3. Program at the US Dressage Finals
4. List at the award booth
5. Award on display at the booth

Riders must place at regional shows, then move onto US Dressage Finals in September. Riders must earn 2 qualifying scores from two judges, at two shows to show to qualify for Regional show in September. Only scores from dressage finals qualify you for High Score Breed Award. It is broken up into 9 regions which can be viewed on the USDF site. Rider has to apply with intent to win a High Score Breed Award and there are four awards potentially available.

1. Two for Adult Amateur
 - National levels : TL - 4th = 1 award
 - FEI level: PSG-GP = 1 award
2. Two for Open
 - National levels : TL - 4th = 1 award
 - FEI level: PSG-GP = 1 award

Visit

<https://www.usdf.org/awards/all-breeds/important-info.asp>
for more information.

Shire Horse History In America

By Arlin Wareing

Chapter 1 Part 2 ~ The Early Days

These articles are not intended to be a study in English history, but the happenings in the country, or world at the time tend to give a clearer understanding of the breeds development. Surely the story of the Shire of a hundred years ago would be different than today, even though it covers the same subject.

Historians give high marks to Queen Elizabeth I for her world military accomplishments. They tell of her personal life, and her accomplishments in various aspects of English life. Mr. Chivers goes in detail regarding the development of the draft horses during her reign. Her desire for bigger horses to pull rather than carry a load started the true beginning of the English draft horse. King James I unity with Scotland had little direct effect on the horses, but his dream of the complete draining of the Fen's gave rise for his successor King Charles I to begin the task in 1630.



Belgian Blacks-Friesians

claims; 1635 is the true beginning of the Shire. He indicates those were the dominant breeds in the development of the Shire. Sir Walter Gilbey, author of the book, *The Great Horse* written in 1899, states a similar opinion. Mr. Gilbey was one of the founders of the Shire Horse Society, and was the first president.

The Shire was a mixture of horses, with the Flanders/Arabian, (Norman horse or Percheron War Horse) already in the country, plus the large number of horses coming from Flanders, the Friesians coming from the Netherlands, and a smaller number of High Almaines coming from Germany.

These horses were a cross between the Flemish horses and horses from Italy and other Mediterranean countries. The biggest and most powerful of those new imports were the Flanders, followed by the Friesian known in England as the Belgian Black, and latter called the Old English Black, Chivers simply called them The Black Horse.

Those farmers were located on the eastern coastal counties of Suffolk and Norfolk. They were firm believers in the use of the Flemish horses, those horses were later known as the Suffolk Punch breed. That steadfast belief has changed those horses very little over the past 400 years.

King Charles I was well aware of the fact the English horses were incapable of doing the job, mainly being too small. There had been limited imports from the continent since the Norman Conquest, but the need for bigger and better horses was evident. A good horse-man himself, he encouraged, and helped import large numbers of heavy horses; however his ability as a king was not as good. A civil war took place which also required more horses. He was later convicted of treason and was beheaded. Work stopped in 1638 on the Fens, but began again in 1665. The dye however was cast; Flanders, Friesian, and High Almaine horses came to England in large numbers. This is the reason Chivers



Suffolk Punch

England as the

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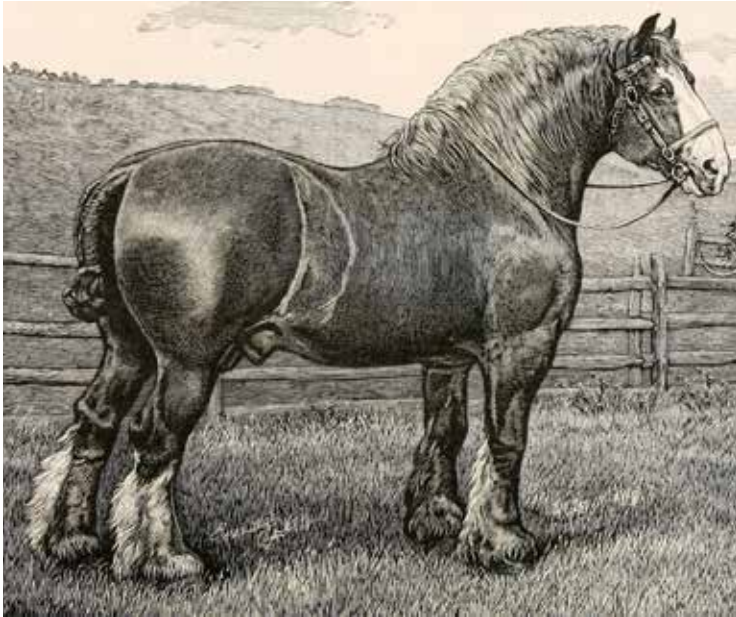
Shire Horse History In America *Continued*

Chivers believes the black horses had a bigger influence on the development of the Shire than was once thought. The German High Almaine was less used but popular in the south, and London area. They were of a lighter frame, but good road horses.

I believe we can get a picture from those breeds as how the Shire horse came about. The Flemish horses must not have been feather legged. The Percherons were never known to have feather. The well known grey color in the Arabian became common in the Percheron / Great War Horse, and then in the Shire. The Suffolk doesn't have feather nor does the Belgian. Many feel that the ASHA Logo which is a picture of Honest Tom looks like a Belgian. This is not intended as a history of the Belgian breed; however a closer look at those early horses may be of value regarding the Shire. As noted previously the Belgians claim to be a direct descendent of the Horse of Flanders, as does the Brabant. Some historians believe the Belgians were of Flanders descendent through the Brabant, because they both come from the country of Belgium, which is the Flanders of old. The Friesian horses which have feather originated in the Netherlands. The two countries are side by side. Friesian horses were taken to several European countries including Belgium and England. It seems reasonable to believe this is where the Shire, Brabant, and some of the other European breeds got their heavy feather. If this were the case the Belgian and Brabant are separate branches of the Flemish horse. This makes the Shire, Suffolk, and Belgian closely related in those early years. It would also explain why Honest Tom would resemble a Belgian.

In 1910 a Belgium bred colt by the name of Farceur was born. As a two year old he was exported to the US by William Crownover. This horse was considered to represent the best of Belgium breeding. In 1915 he was sold at auction to C. G. Good in Ogden, Iowa for \$47,500.00, which today would be equal to nearly a half million dollars. I believe this was the most money ever paid for a draft horse. Farceur is considered the grandfather of the modern day Belgian in this country. Please note the pictures of Honest Tom and Farceur. Some of the German High Almaine horses were noted for having a white stripe in their face, which was called bald faced. Several famous German stallions were acclaimed as having white legs. I believe it was through these High Almaine horses that provides the marking in the Shire. The Hanoverians were developed from a cross between those German horses and the English Thoroughbred, some also have white markings.

The Percheron, Belgian, and Suffolk all had a rather simple straight forward beginning, but the Shire/Clyde were a mixed bag which reflected a varied appearance for many years. We will look at the development of the breed in Chapter 3.



Honest Tom



Farceur



A little over a year ago Jeannette Beranger, the Senior Program Manager for The Livestock Conservancy, contacted me about a grant they had applied for. If selected, they were going to host a summit bringing together critically endangered equine owners from all over the country, and world, to brainstorm.

The Livestock Conservancy's mission is "to protect endangered livestock and poultry breeds from extinction." They understand that once genetics are lost, they are lost forever. We may never fully understand the true impact of that loss until we need those genetics to keep our animals healthy.

The National Endangered Equine Summit was held at Texas A&M University (February 9-11, 2018). Sixteen panelists were invited to speak, and 88 attendees joined in on the brainstorming.

The first day-first half, panelists were invited to speak on myriad topics; the diverse groups talked about DNA preservation, technological advancements, and marketing techniques. I was a panelist for the Marketing & Outreach: Major Challenges & Possible Solutions.

The first day-second half, we all broke into small groups based on our expertise discussing key issues endangered horse owners face. The 8 topics were: Building Interest/Demand for Breeds; Developing Marketing Skills for Owners; Improving Communication Between and Within Breed Associations; Improving Member Engagement Within Breed Associations; Addressing Genetic Diversity Challenges Within Breeds; Increasing Availability of Technical Advice for Breeders and Owners; Exploring Collaborative Marketing Between Breeds and Associations; Creating a National Semen Repository/Collection Program. After collaboration, each group presented their ideas to the entire room. I spoke for my group identifying the number one problems we saw with each of the topics. It was interesting to hear each group present; some of the same issues came up again and again while other new issues were identified.

The second day was about finding solutions to all the problems identified. We separated into groups again. Each identified problem had to have a solution and a detailed plan. When I presented our plan for Marketing strategies, I also pledged to make video tutorials for The Livestock Conservancy on how to generate more leads through Social Media Marketing!

At the close, each person signed an "I Pledge To" form. This form allowed each person to identify their specific talents and how those talents can be used by the entire group to move forward! The Endangered Equine Alliance has been created, a Facebook page is being developed for more collaboration, the American Horse Council and the National Animal Interest Alliance are both willing to help! The Livestock Conservancy is going to be the umbrella organization for this endeavor. Each breed association has a representative liaison (I am representing the ASHA). We are moving forward!

As a group, we are focused on 6 main goals:

1. Develop marketing skills of owners and share best practices that succeed
2. Work within breed associations to build new interest and demand within the horse community and by creating hands-on opportunities for the non-horse public.
3. Establish regional ambassadors and collaborative marketing initiatives among breeds and with sport disciplines.
4. Use DNA analysis to identify genetic diversity and secure it within each breed
5. Establish a national equine semen collection to preserve genetics for an unknown future
6. Improve availability of breeding and genetic advice for equine breeders and owners

As the ASHA Endangered Species Committee head and the liaison for the ASHA with The Livestock Conservancy, if you are interested in helping in this endeavor, please contact me!

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THE AMERICAN SHIRE HORSE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

2017 Year End Financial Report

Checking/Savings Balance		Funding and Expenses	
Donations Deposited	\$3,834.25		
Interest Earned	\$1.13	1/2 Horse Progress Days	\$150.00
		Shire Promotional Video	\$500.00
		Draft Horse Youth Congress	\$500.00
		Equine Affair - OH	\$125.00
		DHJ 2018 Pocket Calendar Ad	\$200.00
		Bank Fees	\$130.00
		Ablright Etc, (accountant)	\$250.00
Total	\$3,835.38	Total	\$1855.00
Ending balance 12/31/2017			\$1,980.38

*ASHEF sincerely thanks the following people who donated in 2017:
Dawn Wikel, Hubbell Farm Partnership/Dan Hubbell, Putman Farms, Jenson Shires,
Karla Stoner, Bill Weber, Heinz Naef, Xcel Energy/Danelle Kinney, Northeast Shires*

2018 Budget – in review. To be finalized and approved at the next board meeting.

ASHEF Board Member Updates: Thank you to Travis Howell (1st term completed 2/18) and Danelle Kinney, Secretary (3rd term completed 2/18), who are leaving the board. We appreciate the dedication and time you've given to ASHEF!

- At the 2018 ASHA annual meeting, Wayne Wareing was approved as the 4th ASHA board representative and Karla Stoner was approved as a regular ASHEF board member to fill the current vacancies on the ASHEF board. Their willingness to serve ASHEF is greatly appreciated.
- Jim Edmiston regretfully resigned his position on the board due to time conflicts with his regular job which did not allow him to attend board meetings. We sincerely thank Jim for his service to the ASHEF. The search for someone to fill Jim's position is in progress.

2018 Planned Projects

- Shire promotional video – After the long process of collecting sufficient video and still photo material, ASHEF has accepted a bid from Dobbs Productions of Bar Harbor, ME to produce the video. Production is in progress and we plan to formally debut the finished product at the National Show in Des Moines, IA in August.
- Sponsorship for 2018 Draft Horse Youth/Novice Congress – This event, managed by the Clydesdale Breeders of the USA, will be held July 19-22 in conjunction with the Dane County Fair at the Alliant Energy Center in Madison, WI. ASHEF is in communication with the Clydesdale association about another sponsorship for this event.

Cost share on 2018 Shire promotional events- ASHEF will be covering 50% of the 2018 costs for ASHA booths at Equine Affaire and other similar events.

Sale of Deighton Commodore Frozen Semen

The late Vern Stark donated a supply of this semen to ASHEF. We will be offering it for sale this year. See the ad in this bulletin or visit draftsforsale.com

ASHEF Board of Directors – as of 4/10/18

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The board shall have not less than eight (8) directors nor more than twelve (12) directors, four (4) of which number shall be directors of ASHA and the remainder of which shall be members of ASHA. (Bylaws, Article 4 Section 2)

All foundation projects are for the promotion and preservation of the Shire horse and are funded entirely through donations. Help support the Shire breed through your donations to the American Shire Horse Educational Foundation.

The American Shire Horse Educational Foundation

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THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee is in place for the fall 2018 Elections for the Board of Directors. There will be 3 positions available. Tom Greenlee was appointed to replace a board member who had to resign during or at the end of the first year of their term. Since more than 2 years of each of these terms remains, Tom may run for re-election in 2018, but may not run again in 2022. Dean Jenson was appointed to replace a board member whose term expires this year, so Dean is eligible to run. Clark Jenson is finishing up his first term and is eligible to run again. ASHA will be electing 3 new directors this fall.

Please take a few minutes to read through this list of top 10 reasons YOU should run for the ASHA Board!! As compiled by Kim Parrington-Murchison in 2016 Spring Bulletin.

1. Learn Life Lessons

As an ASHA board member, you learn valuable life lessons about working as a team. You learn to share your interests and responsibilities with others, and at the same time, you understand the importance of valuing others' opinions before making decisions. Learn Leadership Skills.

2. Serving on the ASHA board can teach you more than what you imagine. It gives you a chance to hone leadership and organizational skills, take charge of issues and work with others to fix them.

3. Give Back to the Association

One way to give back to the Association is to serve on your association's board, which allows the opportunity to make good decisions that will have a positive impact on the Shire horse.

4. Meet Fellow Shire Owners and Enthusiasts

An ASHA meeting is the best place to meet other members and to know more about them. It gives you a chance to socialize and make friends with others who share your passion for the Shire horse.

5. Protect Your Association

One of the top priorities of every Shire owner is to protect the value of our Shires in the market place. Being involved with the ASHA will put you in a better position to promote and market our amazing Shires to the public.

6. Focus On What Is Best For the Shire Horse

How do we grow our membership? How do we satisfy our current members? How do we promote our Shires to potential buyers?

7. Gain Better Understanding of the Rules and Guidelines

Volunteering as a board member will make you well-versed in rules and guidelines related to the ASHA and its maintenance. It will also give you a good grasp of finances and budgeting.

8. Have Fun Experiences

Taking on some of your association's task does not have to be boring. It can be fun, especially when you get to socialize, work with fellow ASHA members and come up with creative ideas

on how to make your association run better.

9. Communication With Our Membership

Through face-to-face meetings, written reports, and media outlets we strive to keep our members informed of our progress and challenges.

10. To Have Fun Accomplishing Things in Our Association Together with other members. Being on the Board can be a positive, fulfilling experience.

ASHA members wishing to run for the 2018 BOD election must contact a Nomination Committee member in writing by USPS or by e-mail by July 21, 2018.

The 2018 ASHA Nomination Committee is chaired by Janet Long and composed of the following members (From East to West):

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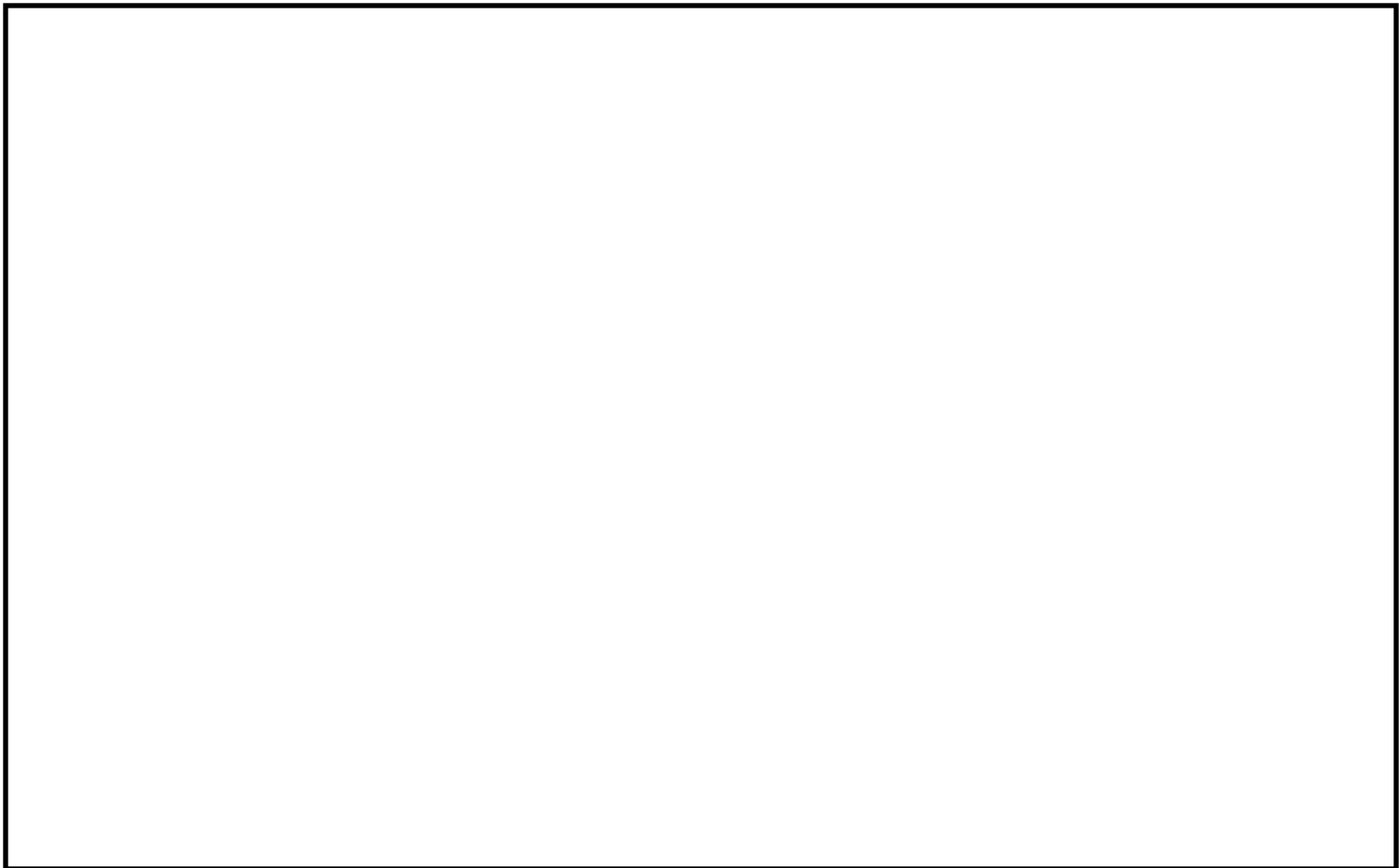
New Member Spotlight

Pink Feather Farms

Pink Feather Farms is owned and operated by Jeannie & DJ Bradshaw, along with their son, Wyatt. They are located in the Southern Appalachian Mountains of Northeast Georgia. Jeannie has owned draft horses since 2003, but added their first Shires in the winter of 2017 when two fillies, Northeast Classic Massey and Northeast Ritzy Ferguson was purchased from Janet Long of Northeast Shires.

At less than a year old, the fillies started their show career. Both fillies placed well their first time out. Wyatt has taken to Northeast Ritzy Ferguson and had a successful show.

Currently DJ is serving on the Rules Committee, while Jeannie is serving on the Election Committee. Pink Feather Farms looks forward to growing with their Shires, as well as ASHA, and seeing what the future holds.



2018 BREED PROMOTION EVENTS

2018 Completed Events:

- Illinois Horse Fair, Springfield, IL – March 2-4. Jenson Shires promoted the breed and ASHA/ASHEF with their gray stallion, Loud Bridge Louis. Brochures were available.
- Virginia Horse Festival, Doswell, VA – March 23-25. Missy and Geryl Wade took Shires and ASHA information to this event.
- Small Town Farm, Oquawka, IL, handed out Shire / ASHA information to about 150 youth attending the annual fund raiser for their rescue operation on March 31st.
- Iowa Horse Fair, Des Moines, IA, State Fair Grounds – April 6 – 8. Jenson's Diplomat Sandy was presented in breed demos at this event to promote the Shires and ASHA.
- Mid-West Horse Fair, Alliant Energy Center, Madison, WI - April 20-22. Jenson's will have Loud Bridge Louis at this event. They will be joined by MN member Scott McKinster who is bringing 4 of his Shires. All will be in breed demos and other activities.
- Minnesota Horse Expo, State Fairgrounds, St. Paul, MN – April 27-29. Jenson Shires will be taking horses to this event to promote the breed and ASHA / ASHEF. Kudos to the Jenson family, four breed expos in four states from March through April!!

Upcoming Events:

- 25th Annual Horse Progress Days – Clare, MI June 29 - 30 - This event showcases draft animal power as possible, practical and profitable. It is a very unique and informative experience with lots of good food (see ad in this issue). Information booth: Dan Hubble, dan@hubbelfarm.com, Jan Baumgras: secretary@shirehorse.org . Horses: TBA. ASHA/ASHEF will share the booth with the Northern MI Draft Horse group.
- National Shire Show – Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, IA. August 12-14 - Along with a lot of great Shires, ASHA/ ASHEF will have an information booth at the show. Karla Stoner; bloomforge@peoplepc.com.
- Keystone International Livestock Exposition – Harrisburg, PA, Farm Show Complex - Oct. 4-6. In addition to the eastern Regional Shire Show, there will be an ASHA /ASHEF information booth at this event. Karla Stoner: bloomforge@peoplepc.com.
- Equine Affaire - Massachusetts – W. Springfield, MA, TENTATIVE Eastern States Exposition Grounds. Nov. 8 – 11 - ASHA/ASHEF information/merchandise booth and breed demos. contact: Vicky McCaffrey; oxkill@capital.net (horses) . Karla Stoner; bloomforge@peoplepc.com (booth).

ASHA sincerely thanks everyone who is making the time and effort to promote the breed by taking Shires to these events. The public exposure for the breed is invaluable.

If you have an upcoming promotional event with Shires or recently participated in an event, we would like to publicize it in the Members' Bulletin. So, please send us information for any upcoming event or a short report and pictures for a recently completed event.

We can also help with Shire, ASHA and ASHEF information for display and handout. Contact Karla Stoner (bloomforge@peoplepc.com) with reports or requests for handout material.

2018 SHOW SCHEDULE

Qualifying codes for the All North American Contest:

(AA) show: 1st – 4th

(A) show: 1st – 3rd

(B) show: 1st or 2nd

(C) show: 1st only

THE 2018 NATIONAL SHIRE SHOW AT THE IOWA STATE FAIR - August 12 – 14

(AA) halter show – 08/13)

Pre entries due July 1st

Judge: Larry Honsberger, Ohio

Coordinator: **Lisa Graham:** 815-429-3798 or gatheringmeadows@sisna.com

JULY 30 - AUGUST 3

Ohio State Fair, Columbus, OH, ASHA Regional Show, (B) www.ohiostatefair.com/osf/osf3.htm#OpenHorse Halter TBA.

Entry deadline July 1. Late entries accepted w/ additional fees. Premium book on line in May. Judges : TBA

Coordinator: **Karla Stoner:** bloomforge@peoplepc.com

AUGUST 30 – 31

Colorado State Fair, Pueblo CO, ASHA Regional Show, (A) www.coloradostatefair.com Halter: 08/30 @ 6PM. Hitch: 08/31 AM start. Check website for premium book & entry info. Late entries accepted w/ additional fees.

Coordinator: **Victoria Hauser:** victoria@hoofnet.com

AUGUST 18

Skowhegan State Fair, Skowhegan, ME, (B), <http://skowheganstatefair.com>, Check website for entry info, late entries accepted. Show Secretary: Hope Ricker, hersec96@aol.com.

Coordinator: **Emile Castonguay:** emile.castonguay@maine.edu

OCTOBER 4-6

Keystone International Livestock Exposition, Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg, PA, ASHA Regional Show (A). www.keystoneinternational.state.pa.us. Halter Fri. 10/05 AM.

Judges: Mark Ryburn, PA. Class list & online reg: May. Early Entry: 09/08. Late entry 09/29 or as space allows.

Coordinator: **Karla Stoner:** bloomforge@peoplepc.com

OCTOBER 18-21

Michigan Great Lakes International, Battle Creek, MI, (B) www.mgli.org, phone: 517-240-6730, dmoodymgli@hotmail.com

Additional information will be in the summer Bulletin.



Other qualifying shows for 2018 All North American Contest

Canadian – All Levels

JULY 5 - 11

CSHA National Shire Show, Calgary Stampede, Calgary, Alberta, (AA), Judge: TBA. Entry deadline June 8th

<http://ag.calgarystampede.com/event/726-2018-calgary-stampede-heavy-horse-show.html>. Check website for entry info.

JULY 11-14

Lloydminster Colonial Days, Lloydminster, Saskatchewan, (C), <https://lloydexh.com/colonialdaysfair/>

JULY 26-28

Vermilion Fair, Vermillion, Alberta, (C) <https://10times.com/vermillion-fair>

AUGUST 8-12

Dawson Creek Exhibition, Dawson Creek, British Columbia, (C), www.dawsoncreekfair.com, email: info@dawsoncreekfair.com.

U.S.A. - C Level

JULY 23 – 29

Olmsted County Fair, Rochester, MN, www.olmstedcountyfair.com. Premium book available

mid-May, Coordinator: **Danelle Kinney**, haugenhill@hotmail.com

AUGUST 7 - 11

Addison County Fair, Middlebury, VT. Premium books: Kathy Kennett, 1716 VT Route 22A, Panton, VT 05491 or email: kkenett@together.net.

AUGUST 24 – SEPTEMBER 3

Nebraska State Fair, Grand Island, NE, www.statefair.org, draft show date: TBA. Check website for entry info.

AUGUST 22 – SEP 3

New York State Fair, Syracuse, NY, www.nysfair.org Halter: TBA – mares & stallions, TBA – geldings & youth.

TBA – Hitch. - TBA Website premium book or call Naomi Blumenthal; 315-682-1933. Coordinator: Vicky Mcaffrey, oxkill@capital.net.

SEPTEMBER 30 - OCTOBER 7

Fryeburg Fair, Fryeburg, ME, www.fryeburgfair.org, halter: TBA. Entries close: TBA. Phone: 207-935-3268, email: info@fryeburgfair.org.

This show would love to have more hitches!

2019 Shows

JANUARY 12-27, 2019

National Western Stock Show, Denver, CO, Show dates: TBA, www.nationalwestern.com, phone: 303-296-NWSS.



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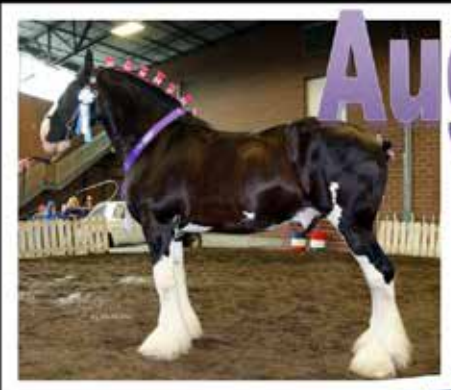
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