

**Blue Ridge Arabian Horse Association
Annual Spring Open Horse Show
Open to All Breeds
Saturday, April 11, 2009
Harford Equestrian Center, Bel Air, Maryland**

We personally invite you to the Annual Blue Ridge Arabian Horse Association Spring Open Horse Show. Our main goal is to have fun and provide an atmosphere that is enjoyable to all, regardless of your breed of horse, riding style, or level of expertise. Our show will be held at the Harford Equestrian Center in Bel Air, MD. We would greatly appreciate your support in sponsoring a class or classes. Advertisement will be provided for all class sponsors. We look forward to seeing you at the Blue Ridge Arabian Horse Association Open Horse Show.

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NOTE: Liberty – Limited to the first 10 entries
Sport Horse Division – Limited to the first 40 entries-Must Be Pre-Entered

Show updates can be seen at www.4braha.com

GENERAL INFORMATION: The show will begin 8:30 Saturday morning, April 11, 2009. All classes, except those designated as Arabian classes, are open to all breeds of horses, registered and/or unregistered. These classes are identified as open classes. All classes designated as Arabian classes are open to registered Purebred and Partbred Arabian horses, except halter and sport horse classes. Purebred and Partbred Arabian horses will compete separately in their Arabian halter classes. Purebred and Partbred Arabian horses will compete separately in their Sport Horse classes. Purebred and Partbred Arabian horses will compete together in all Arabian under saddle classes and halter handling/trail. Horses participating in walk trot classes are also eligible to compete in walk-trot-canter classes.

PRE-ENTRIES (REQUIRED FOR SPORT HORSE): Must be postmarked by March 28, 2009 in order to enter at the pre-entry price.

STALLS/ARRIVAL TIME: Stalls will be available Friday afternoon at 5:00. The cost for your stalls is \$25.00. You are responsible for bringing your own bedding. Only straw may be used for bedding. NO SHAVINGS OR SAWDUST!! If sawdust is used you will be charged \$50.00 for the stall. If you desire to be stalled next to certain individuals, please make sure that you include that information with your entry. Pat Clifford will be handling stall assignments – 410-356-7465

DIRECTIONS: I-95 North to Exit 77 – Route 24 North, Bel Air, 5 miles to left on Business Route 1, ½ mile to right on Tollgate Road, ¾ mile to Equestrian Center on left.

MOTELS: At I-95, Exit 77: The Best Western Inn (410-679-9700), Sleep Inn (410-679-4700) and Comfort Inn (410-679-0770)

USED TACK SALE: Once again this year BRAHA will host a “tack sale”. Tables will be available at \$15/table (\$10.00 for BRAHA members) to sell your used tack/horse gear. Take the time for that spring cleaning in the barn, and let someone else appreciate your treasures. Bring yours or buy ours! (for information or to reserve a table, contact Rhonda at 410-529-5449, e-mail: ourwalthouse@hotmail.com)

HALTER CHAMPIONSHIPS: Horses placing first or second in classes 2, 4, 6, 8 will be eligible to compete in the Arabian Halter Championship (class 14). A grand and reserve champion will be awarded. Horses placing first or second in classes 9 and 10 will be eligible to compete in the Half Arabian Halter Championship (class 15). Horses placing first or second in classes 1, 3, 5, 7, 11 and 12 will be eligible to compete in the Open Halter Championship (class 13). Horses competing in class 1 are eligible to compete in other halter/conformation classes. Horses in Arabian halter classes will be shown Arabian style. In the conformation classes, horses will be asked to enter the ring at a walk. You will pick up a trot and line up in the middle of the ring. Once each horse has entered the ring, the judge will approach each horse and evaluate conformation. Next, you will be asked to walk to the rail, turn around, and trot back passed the judge. You will then return to your place in the line up.

UNDER SADDLE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES: Championships are offered in the walk-trot, western, and hunter pleasure divisions for open and Arabian horse participants. In order to participate in these championship classes, you must ride in at least one corresponding class in that discipline. Arabian horses (purebred and partbred) must ride in at least one Arabian class in that division in order to participate in the Arabian Championship. In these championship classes, a champion, reserve champion, and third thru six place ribbons will be awarded.

HUNTER JUMPER DIVISION: Two classes will be offered (20 & 21). You will jump two fences and then ride against one another on the flat. Class 20 is walk-trot and Class 21 is walk-trot-canter. Cross entering is permitted between classes.

AGED CLASSES: All junior classes are for exhibitors who are 17 years old and younger as of January 1. All senior classes are for exhibitors who are 18 years old and older as of January 1. In the walk-trot division, juniors will be furthered divided: 13 and Under and 14 to 17. The Leadline class is open to children who are 9 years or younger. The Walk class is open to children who are 12 years and younger. Leadline and Walk class entries may enter classes 17, 18, and 19. Assistants may stay beside the horse in class 18 but may not lead the horse.

GREEN CLASSES: Horse and rider combination that have not competed more than two full years together in that discipline.

MAIDEN CLASSES: Horse and rider combination may not have won more than one blue ribbon in that discipline.

NOVICE CLASSES: Horse and rider combination may not have won more than three blue ribbons in that discipline.

HALTER HANDLING/TRAIL: Halter Handling is a trail course beside your horse (unmounted). Horses will be led over and through various obstacles. Both the trail and the halter handling classes are in the Schooling Ring, and you will have a 3-hour period of time to enter the ring and take your horse(s) thru the obstacles. Starting time will be no earlier than 12:00 noon. You may lead horse over obstacles tacked up in the halter handling class. Ribbons will be awarded shortly after the last horse is presented. Championship and Reserve Championship ribbons will be awarded to the two highest scoring open halter handling horses based on scores in classes 71, 72, 73, 74 and 75. Championships and Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded to the two highest scoring Arabian halter handling horses (purebred or partbred) based on scores in classes 76 and 77. Championship and Reserve Championship ribbons will be awarded to the two highest scoring open trail horses based on scores in classes 78, 79 and 81. Championships and Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded to the two highest scoring Arabian trail horses (purebred or partbred) based on scores in class 80.

GO AS YOU PLEASE CLASSES: Horses will enter the ring at a walk and then will be asked to “Go As You Please” (trot/jog, canter/lope) both ways of the ring.

JUNIOR HORSE CLASSES: Open to horses that are 5 years old or younger.

LIBERTY: Open to purebred and partbred registered Arabians. We will accept the first 10 entries. Six ribbons will be awarded. You must supply your own music. You will have 2 minutes to present your horse at liberty and 2 minutes to catch your horse. Failure to catch your horse within a 2 minute period will result in a disqualification.

DIVISIONS:

ENGLISH PLEASURE – Saddle seat attire is required and English style saddle must be used.

WESTERN PLEASURE – Western style clothing is required and a Western style saddle must be used. Chaps are optional.

HUNTER PLEASURE – English style clothing and an English style saddle must be used. Riding helmets are recommended for all under saddle classes. Cross entering is allowed between divisions. Walk-trot entries may enter classes that require a canter.

FUN CLASSES: Test your skills – or just enjoy:

TACK/FREE STALL WALK - Walk in by yourself, or on or beside your horse. Find a spot and the person/horse closest to a pre-designated spot will win horse tack and free stall at the show.

OPEN WALK RACE - Horses line up side by side at the end of the ring and then WALK to the other side across a finish line, placing the first through sixth horses who do not break at the walk.

SPORT HORSE: Pre-entries are due March 28, 2009. All sport horse classes must be pre-entered.

Classes may be limited to the first (approximately) 40 horses. Times for classes will be assigned. Classes will be held in Ring 3. Horses will be shown in hand at the walk and trot on the triangle. For this show, bridles or halters may be used when showing your horse in the sport horse classes. The sport horse class is scored as follows: 60% movement, 30% conformation, and 10% general impressions. Horses will be individually judged on the triangle. A champion and reserve champion ribbons will be awarded to the sport horses that score the highest number of points in classes in Open, Arabian and Partbred Arabian sections. Ribbons will be presented at the completion of the sport horse classes. There will be NO Sport Horse Under Saddle classes offered.

TRIANGLE: – The triangle measures approximately 30 meters on the long side and 22 meters on each of the short sides. When called by the Ring Master, present your horse at “A” for conformation judging. Upon direction, follow the procedure as diagramed below:

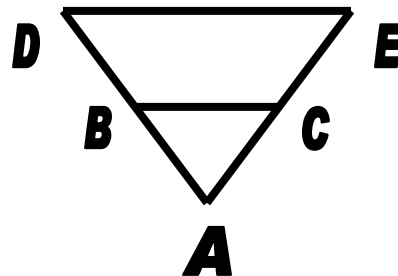
WALK SMALL TRIANGLE

A-B-C-A

TROT LARGE TRIANGLE

A-D-E-A

LEAVE JUDGING AREA PROMPTLY



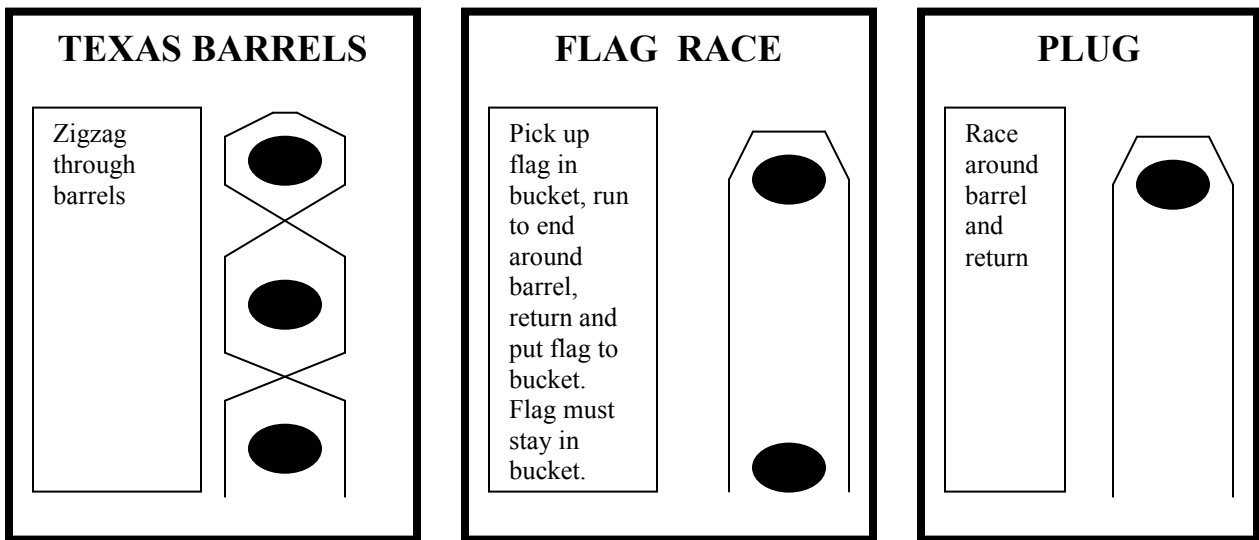
TIMED CLASSES: Those who enter the speed barrels, flag race & plug classes cannot enter the walk/jog races and those entering walk/jog cannot enter the speed races. Tiedowns, splint boots and two hands on reins are allowed in all classes. Helmets are required for all riders in all classes. No practice time is allowed once the barrels are setup. A western or english saddle may be used in both walk/trot and open speed classes

In the Walk/trot classes, horse must remain at a walk or jog during the entire pattern. If the horse breaks into a lope or canter, rider has 3 strides to bring horse back to walk or jog, or a 5 second time penalty will be added to ending time.

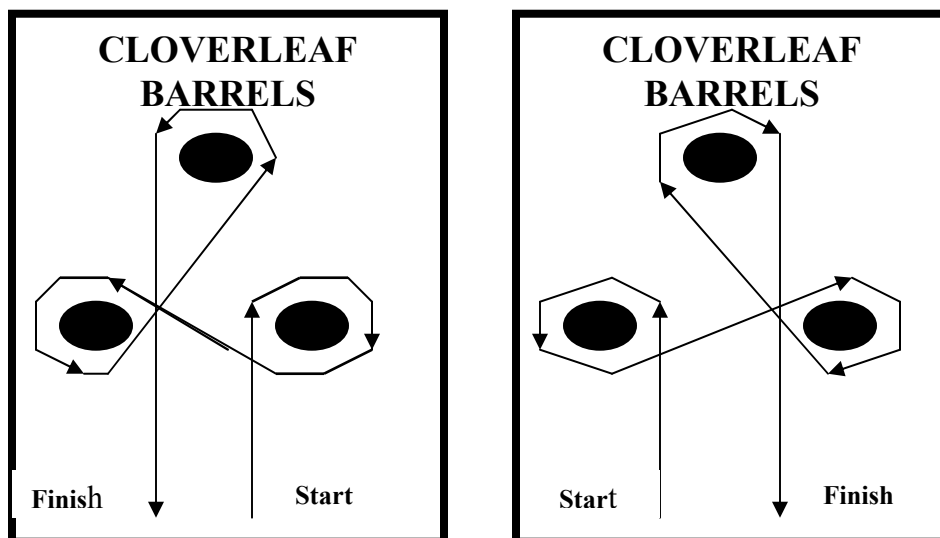
A 5 second time penalty will be added to a rider's ending time if a barrel is knocked over in any speed event class

In the flag race, flag may not be used as a crop. If used as a crop, rider will be disqualified.

SPEED EVENT PATTERNS



You may start on either side for Texas Barrels, Flag Race and Plug



Go around closest barrel, either left or right. Then go to opposite barrel. Finally go to last barrel at end of ring and return to finish line.