

2018 SHAGYA-ARABIAN DISTANCE NATIONALS

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What a success!!! The Performance Shagya-Arabian Registry congratulates all of the horses and riders that participated in the first Shagya-Arabian Distance Horse National Championship held in conjunction with the



Arabian Horse Association. October 26 – Oct 27, 2018 over 100 horses and riders came from all around the country to compete and have fun at the Spook Run ride in Henryville, Indiana.

To be eligible to compete in the 50-mile Championship, Shagya-Arabians had to be at least 6 years of age. Both horse and rider must have successfully completed a minimum of 200 lifetime miles including at least two AERC endurance rides of 50 or more miles. To compete in the 100-mile championship the horse had to be at least 7 years old and both the horse and rider must have successfully completed a minimum of 300 lifetime miles. All of the Shagya-Arabian competitors far exceeded these criteria.



PShR is excited to report that it's all over except the drying out and resting up. The Shagya-Arabians that participated in these first National Championship endurance rides strutted their stuff!!! In this special report the riders share their stories and we thank our generous sponsors for their support and encouragement.

2019 Distance Nationals, Shagya-Arabian Division sponsored by PShR * October 25-27, 2019 * Vinita, OK

Lily Creek Rhythm

Ridden by Sherry Aune

Lily Creek Bataan (ShA) x Lily Creek My Secret (Anglo/Trak)

PShR Shagya Sporthorse Mare

PShR 50 Mile Champion

PShR 50 Mile Best Condition

AERC Open 50 Mile 4th overall out of 30



Kristen Warning Photography

The 2018 AHA Distance Nationals along with the first ever PShR Distance Nationals was held October 26-28. It was a weekend to remember and a true Championship Ride with a difficult trail and horrible weather conditions on Friday. Pictured here is me on Lily Creek Rhythm coming in from our first loop. Rhythm went on to be the PShR National Champion and Best Condition for the 50-mile ride, an accomplishment of which I am very proud. My thanks go out to Bill Wilson, Lois McAfee, AHA, the vets and all the volunteers who helped make this ride happen. Despite the weather, it was an awesome weekend! By Sherry Aune

WineGlass Sherry

Ridden by Olivia Rudolphi

*Budapest (Book I ShA) x WineGlass Voodoo AV

PShR Book I Shagya-Arabian/AHA Half-Arabian Mare

PShR 50 Mile Reserve Champion

Half-Arabian 50 Mile Top Ten

AERC Open 50 Mile 14 overall out of 30

Talk about the little engine that could. Sherry is not just the engine, she is the whole train. This mare has a heart of gold, but once you put your foot near the stirrup you better be ready to go! We pulled Sherry out of retirement this summer and gave her the job to go for a second AHA Half Arabian Championship. In 2013 she was the AHA Half-Arabian Competitive Trail Champion. No one told Sherry she was retired and 20 years old. Despite the rain, she powered through just like her old self. The weather and trail was a true test and I couldn't have asked for more from our little war mare. Maybe we will hold off on that second retirement for a while. By Olivia Rudolphi DVM



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H. WineGlass Sangria

Ridden by Lucy Stafford

***Budapest (Book I ShA) x H. WineGlass Sonoma (Hungarian Felver)**

PShR Shagya Sporthorse/Hungarian Felver Mare

PShR 50 Mile 3rd Place

AERC Open 50 Mile 16 overall out of 30

With a day of rain and cool temps in the forecast for the Shagya-Arabian 50 mile Endurance Championship, I packed my merino wool and rain slickers and headed to Southern Indiana. The weather lived up to expectations with rain the entire day causing the conditions to be a bit treacherous. My Shagya sporthorse mare Sangria handled the trails like a pro, what a brain! She knew exactly when she needed to walk and moved out when it was safe. This was only Sangria's 3rd 50-mile ride and we were happy to finish 3rd place and receive high vet score. Looking forward to next year in Oklahoma. By Lucy Stafford



Kathy Voyer Photo

H.S. WineGlass Pik George

Ridden by Nicole Mauser-Storer

***Budapest (Book I ShA) x HS Lilly (Hungarian Sportlo)**

PShR Shagya Sporthorse/Hungarian Sportlo Gelding

PShR 50 Mile 4th Place

AERC Open 50 Mile 25 overall out of 30



Kristen Warning Photography

George had a goal this year (ok, I had a goal for George) to reach 1000 miles in endurance competition and finishing the 50 mile ride at PShR Nationals was the ride that was going to put us over the top. With that goal in mind on a wet, muddy trail we set a comfortable pace that would earn a completion without risking a pull because of the conditions. I was thrilled when we finished the day in great shape and reached the 1000 mile goal. We weren't in the front of the pack at this ride, but we reached all our goals this year! By Nicole Mauser-Storer

Congratulations to HS WineGlass Pik George and Nicole Mauser-Storer! In addition to completing 1,000 career miles of distance riding in 2018 they were awarded the USDF All-Breed Award at First Level and are the recipients of the *Budapest Memorial USDF All-Breed award. A great demonstration of the versatility of the Shagya-Arabian breed.

H WineGlass Syrah

Ridden by Olivia Rudolphi

***Budapest (Book I ShA) x H. WineGlass Sonoma (Felver)**

PShR Shagya Sporthorse/Hungarian Felver Mare

PShR 100 Mile Champion

PShR 100 Mile Best Condition

AERC Open 100 5 overall (3rd LW) out of 20



Kristen Warning Photography

From the beginning, Syrah has been a driven, athletic mare. She has tested our patience (a few times) but won our hearts. There is no “off” switch, which is why she persevered so well through her first 100-mile ride. The day was cool and dry, but because of the continuous rain the previous day, the trail was a mix of Indiana deep mud, strenuous hills and beautiful overlooks of fall foliage. All day, I felt her get stronger and stronger. She knew we were on a mission and powered on until the 100 miles were complete. Syrah amazes us with her talent and gives you the ride of a lifetime every time you hop in that saddle. By Olivia Rudolphi DVM

Royce

Ridden by Sarah Whitlock Hunt

***KS Rubin (Book I ShA) x Misstyyx Rose AV**

PShR Book I (pending) Shagya-Arabian/AHA Half-Arabian Gelding

PShR 100 Mile Reserve Champion

AERC Open 100 13 overall (3rd FW) out of 20

I am grateful to the many folks who helped at ride camp and to the wonderful and inspiring company who rode with me through the mud and muck into the wee hours of the morning while I piloted Royce to his first 100 mile start and completion. Royce was honored with Reserve Champion! I am so tickled with his effort for the day! He really challenged my fortitude as he grew more energetic and more opinionated with each successive loop. Much appreciation to everyone who made this event possible. It was my first AHA/PShR championship and I look forward to attending many more. By Sarah Whitlock Hunt



Kathy Voyer Photo

Rainierr

Ridden by Sarah Whitlock Hunt

*KS Rubin (Book I ShA) x Wiktorias Moment AV

PShR Book I (pending) Shagya-Arabian/AHA Half-Arabian Gelding

After completing the 100-mile ride with Royce at about 5:30 in the morning, I grabbed a shower, a meal and a 20-minute cat-nap before mounting back up Sunday morning with Rainierr for the AHA CTR Championship. We rode two 20-mile loops through the same mud and muck. He was wonderful and handled the conditions well but I opted to withdraw about halfway through the 2nd loop. No way we were going to make the cut off time without pressing for more than I felt was safe at his current level of base. I was so proud of how well Rainierr handle the challenging trail conditions. By Sarah Whitlock Hunt



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What a success! The 2018 Shagya-Arabian Endurance Championships, sponsored by the Performance Shagya-Arabian Registry, were held on October 26 – Oct 27, 2018 in conjunction with the Arabian Horse Association and the Spook Run Distance Horse National Championship in Henryville, Indiana. This event saw over 100 riders from around the country come to compete and have fun.

On behalf of the entire group, I want to extend a heart-felt thank you to our sponsors for their commitment to making this event so successful. As we continue to grow, please know that your partnerships with our members are vital to the success of our group.

Lucy Stafford PShR President

