



EMAA

Eastern Michigan Arabian Association

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2018 SHOW DATES

EMAA II - June 22 - June 24
MSU Pavilion

EMAA III - July 13 - July 15
Shiawassee County Fair

EMAA IV - Sept. 7 - Sept. 9
Ingham County Fairgrounds

YEAR END BANQUET
November 3rd, 2018

President's Letter

Hello EMAA,

Our final show is right around the corner . We will be following the same logistics as we did at EMAA I. Any questions please see the show office or any board member.

Please remember to bring any traveling trophies in the box/packaging it was given to you at the banquet to the show office. Any Darrin Miller nominees should be sent to the board at emaapresident@gmail.com by October 3rd.

The banquet will be here before we know it . Take advantage of buying tickets for a discount at the last show.

There are several open board positions to be voted on at the banquet. The term of President, Secretary and two Director at Large will need to be filled. I highly encourage members to give back by running for a position.

Danielle Hawes, President

Congratulations to all of our 2018 graduates!



Congratulations, Brianna!

We are so incredibly proud of your academic and athletic achievements over the past 4 years. We have watched you grow into a beautiful, hard-working, dedicated, and caring young woman. We are so excited to see what the future holds for you, but can only imagine that the sky will be the limit! We wish you nothing but the best!

Much love,
Mom, Dad and Morgan

Congratulations Dora Cassar.
We are all so proud of you and Wizard!

Love,

Mom Dad and your best sisters.



Introducing: **Taryn Carter**



I've been into horses my whole life, started riding on a neighbor's horse at age 2 and progressed to pony, trail rides and finally shows at the public stables. I got my first horse at 15 and I later got my first Arab at 17, intending to compete in the jumper classes offered on the Michigan Arab circuit at the time (1977!). However, I was dealing with the traumatic loss of my first horse, and although my new Arab started winning over fences at local shows right away, my heart wasn't in it and I sold him a few months later. He, "Beaujangles", went on to be champion jumper at regionals with his new owner. It was too soon for me to start fresh with a new horse after the really sad fate of my first horse, and I took a couple years to decide if I even wanted to continue on with horses.

When I decided to get another horse, the jumping classes had been discontinued on the Arab circuit, and since jumping is my passion and I wanted to ride on a breed circuit, I turned to Appaloosas, since their Michigan circuit had a thriving hunter jumper division. Throughout most of the 80's, my horse was always in the ribbons. Highlights being a top 5 in non-pro working hunters at the '86 nationals and qualifying him to compete at Appaloosa Worlds for both jumpers and saddle seat pleasure in the same year, 1982. We also competed that year in jumpers at Worlds. There was one more trip to Nationals in 1988, where the heat (104 degrees!) and his age got the better of him.

I didn't show in the '90's and was supporting my retired show horse on a shoestring budget, and since I was still boarding at public stables, could only afford one horse. By the 2000's, I had my own farm, and showed lightly on a couple rescues I had. I had become increasingly disillusioned with the state of the stock breed pleasure division, and after a couple attempts to return to that circuit, I made the decision to return to Arabs. In 2014, I was given my NSH, Politically Correct. I took saddle seat lessons on a Park Morgan when I was 12, and hung out on that circuit with a friend who showed saddle seat, thus developing my admiration for fine saddle horses. When I got a chance to get a real saddle seat horse after all these years, I couldn't walk away!

Finally, I have recently acquired a Baske Afire daughter, CF Shes Afire Burnin, who I plan on training for hunter over fences with the goal of showing at SHN next fall! I also am looking forward to showing her in the 50 and over division hunter pleasure classes on our EMAA circuit. I really like this circuit, everyone is SO friendly, and I love the traditional show ring line ups for awards presentations and how all the big stables still have hospitality stalls and curtains, just like I remember from my youth. Looking forward to 2019!

Introducing: **Marilyn Zurek**

I have been an EMAA member off and on for at least 20 years, but my involvement with Arabian horses and horses in general goes back way farther. I first fell in love with a picture in a book of a beautiful grey Arabian horse when I was about 6 or 7 years old. For some reason it captured my imagination and from then on having my own Arabian horse was always a dream of mine. When I was 16 my dream finally came true when my parents bought me a 3 year old, green broke, Half Arabian/Half Saddlebred gelding who I named Sham after another childhood book, King of the Wind. I rode Sham saddleseat and soon started showing him on the Arabian Horse Association of Michigan Class A circuit. Back then we showed every weekend it seemed, always outdoors and all over the state. I also showed in a circuit called the Eastern Michigan Horse Show Association, which was all breeds. One of the people I showed EMHA was with our EMAA treasurer Sharon Sullens Murch!

I had Sham through high school, college, marriage and the births of my 3 children. My daughter Stacie rode him for the first time when she was 9 months old – with Dad hanging on to her of course – and later learned to ride him on her own. He lived his life with our family on our farm until he died at the age of 28. After I had kids and started raising a family, I didn't seem to find the time to ride my own horse, but I was still very involved as my children all rode and showed. We have had many horses and ponies through the years. I was a 4-H leader for many years. We showed 4-H, then LMHA – which I am a founder of – and when Stacie was 11 we started showing EMAA with a little grey mare named Zaahart. "Zee" got passed down to Stacie's sister Katie and we got another horse for Stacie to show – GT Mahogany Flash+/. Flash was an amazing horse. Both Stacie and Katie showed him. He won almost every class he went in. He died in 2016 and is buried in our backyard. Meanwhile, since this is supposed to be a story about me – after not riding for 20 + years, I decided to give it another try. I really missed it. Stacie had gotten another new horse, Gai Bombay, and she was considering selling her previous show horse PA Hi Voltage aka Sparky. Since I can never bear to sell our horses, I made a bargain with her. She would give him to me, but I had to overcome my acquired fear of getting back on a horse, and re-learn to ride and perhaps show him myself.

Well I have been riding Sparky now for the last 4 years and I think we are doing pretty well. It took a while but I finally feel very comfortable being back in the saddle.



I realize how much I missed riding and showing all those years and I am so grateful that my daughter gave me the opportunity to relive my dreams and passion once again.

This summer I got to realize another dream when we entered my 3 year old grandson Hunter in Leadline for the very first time. Sparky was a rock star with him just as he is for me.

As for the part of my life that doesn't involve horses—

I've been married to Mike for 34 years! He loves hunting and fishing probably as much as I love horses. We have 3 children. Stacie has an accounting degree and works for Mercedes Benz financial. She is also a very accomplished horsewoman. My middle child is my son Zach. He likes hunting and fishing-like his dad. He's married and has one child, my amazing grandson Hunter. Zach is an attorney. Both Stacie and Zach live in Howell, as do Mike and I. My youngest, Katie is currently living in Rochester, Minnesota where she is a 2nd year resident at the Mayo clinic. To keep involved with horses, she started taking reining lessons at a farm near her and really loves riding reining horses now. She plans on getting a horse once she is through residency and working in the real world.

Mike and I like to do most anything outdoors. We ski downhill and cross country. We love camping, hiking and we recently took up kayaking. And we have a love/hate relationship with golf! Mike enjoys training retrievers, a byproduct of his love of hunting. We have 2 Labs, Jazz and Cash. He runs them in hunt tests and field trials and they are both AKC titled Master Hunters. I love watching the dogs work, doing the job they are bred to do. It's a lot like horse showing.

I love horses and the world of horse people and showing. Many of my friends today are people who I met when I was a teenager showing horses. Others are people I've met through the years through 4-H and LMHA. Several of them are EMAA members.

I plan on continuing to ride and show for as long as I can as well as sharing this passion with my 2 daughters who also seem to have inherited my "horse gene". In October Stacie and I will be traveling to Tulsa, OK and she will be showing Bombay in the US National show there. And I plan on being back at EMAA in 2019, showing Sparky!

Board of Director Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2018 EMAA Board Meeting • In attendance: Danielle Hawes, Larissa Lincoln, Sharon Murch, Dani Maser, Patricia Cole, Kelly Beaubien, Jennifer Edwards, Markus Lincoln, Shelly Henderson, Tyffany Brauer. Absent: Kim Winger, Rebecca Rett, Kristan Sayers. Meeting called to order: 703pm

Old Business:

Logo/Shirts contract with 3BL reviewed, Danielle will be signing contract and moving forward with production of EMAA merchandise by September show.

Banquet theme winner: Kentucky Derby

Camping report: Both tents and trailers are the same price as there is no way to monitor who is plugging in.

Shipshewana Facility: Currently looking into options for future shows.

Electronic votes:

6/14/18 approved dressage ring rental for Saturday only at MSU

6/26/18 approved \$100 Gold Sponsor for Go Show Midwest

7/6/18 Motion denied on derby inflatable

Secretary Report:

June minutes reviewed and approved.

President's Report:

Newsletter articles are due to Kait for publishing by Friday 7/20/18.

July Board member bio: Sharon

Danielle spoke with lawyer for quotes on reviewing bylaws, will be around \$130-275 per hour.

Use of EMAA logo on photos taken at EMAA shows by the professional photographers, deemed okay for member use.

2018 Graduates may put in free advertising in next newsletter. Newsflash to be sent.

Larissa will be heading up "Meet a Member" articles to be included in the newsletters beginning September/October 2018.

Treasurer's report:

- Chase balances:
 - **June 1 - 29: \$43,187.52 - \$57,146.55**
 - Deposits - \$41,252.23
 - Withdrawals:
 - Paymentech fee - \$68.75
 - INK CC payments - \$1066.19
 - Debit card - \$79.30
 - Checks paid - \$26,158.26
 - Chase NSF fees = 0

Board of Director Meeting Minutes Continued

• June 30 – July 11: \$56,289.70

• Recent Transactions:

- Paymentech fee – \$612.84
- Cleared checks – \$296.01
- Deposit – \$152.00

• Pending bills: Treasurer – \$150, Webmaster – \$175

• Outstanding (uncashed) checks: \$1799.91

• 2018 Memberships: 41 Family, 3 Family w/additional child, 86 Individual, 34 Youth

• Results of EMAA II (June 22–24, 2018)

- Mason (EMAA II) – June 22 – 24, 2018
 - Profit \$8,620
- Concessions = \$131
- Per Rebecca: \$94 remains to be collected
- Based on Office Fees, EMAA II 2017 had 202 horses and 2018 had 197 horses

EMAA II	Expense	Revenue
General Show	\$ 11,043	\$ 14,020
Office Fees	\$ -	\$ 985
Main Ring	\$ 2,991	\$ 9,387
Trail/Gym	\$ 407	\$ 1,812
Dressage	\$ 2,637	\$ 3,316
Misc Show	\$ 852	\$ -
Concessions	\$ 131	\$ -
Ribbons	\$ 2,840	\$ -
Prize Drawing	\$ -	\$ -
Sponsor	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ (20,900)	\$ 29,520

Summary of 2018 Shows

	EMAA I Expense	EMAA I Revenue	Profit	EMAA II Expense	EMAA II Revenue	Profit
General Show	\$ 10,073	\$ 13,982	\$ 3,909	\$ 11,043	\$ 14,020	\$ 2,977
Office Fees	\$ -	\$ 955	\$ 955	\$ -	\$ 985	\$ 985
Main Ring	\$ 3,313	\$ 9,572	\$ 6,259	\$ 2,991	\$ 9,387	\$ 6,396
Trail/Gym	\$ 354	\$ 1,938	\$ 1,584	\$ 407	\$ 1,812	\$ 1,405
Dressage	\$ 2,312	\$ 3,180	\$ 868	\$ 2,637	\$ 3,316	\$ 679
Misc Show	\$ 583	\$ -	\$ (583)	\$ 852	\$ -	\$ (852)
Concessions	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 131	\$ -	\$ (131)
Ribbons	\$ 2,840	\$ -	\$ (2,840)	\$ 2,840	\$ -	\$ (2,840)
Prize Drawing	\$ 297	\$ 697	\$ 400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sponsor	\$ -	\$ 343	\$ 343	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ (19,771.72)	\$ 30,667	\$ 10,895	\$ (20,900)	\$ 29,520	\$ 8,620
Running Profit Total			\$ 10,895			\$ 19,514

Youth Director report: EMAA kids had a great time at liberty judging/pizza party at EMAA 2.

- A OK awards nominations continue to come in.
- 10 pizzas (order more cheese for 2019) 8 bottles of soda used.
- Fun classes for EMAA 3.

Committee reports:

- Still awaiting contract EMAA 4, secretary to follow up.
- Safety article to be completed by Kelly.
- Final count neck ribbons needed for EMAA 4. Rebecca to f/u.
- Points reviewed by Kim/Rebecca for first shows.
- Suggestion box items reviewed.
- Final request for judge's committee to get 2019 list to board for approval. Currently past due.
- Banquet and Dressage: no report.

New business:

- EMAA 2 overview.
- Logistics EMAA 3
- Member inquiries showmanship/halter/holding gate/ meetings.
- Sportsmanship discussion.

Adjournment 10:09. Motioned by Dani, second by Jen.

Youth Update

Hi All! Coming up for EMAA 4 is the Costume Class! This year this has been extended to all ages to participate. It can be individual or a group. There will be prizes and fun for all! Bring your creativity! ~ Dani ~

From the Dressage Ring

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming September show. It is hard to believe it is our last of the season already.

-**PLEASE**, if you have signed up for ride times on SignupGenius, make sure you have entered **all** the required information. It is very time consuming for me to add class numbers, horse names, or email everyone to find out which division if some of these things are missing. It will make for a much more accurate schedule to have the needed information correct. Thank you to those of you that have provided this required information already. If you have not, please do so as soon as possible by editing your comments. I have sent out numerous emails requesting this information and some are still not updated.

Also, if you for some reason you cannot show or decide not to, please let me or the gate person know as soon as you can so that others can take your ride time and the judge is not waiting for you. We have had exhibitors leave the fairgrounds and not inform us which has resulted in the judge waiting unnecessarily for you. Thank you for your future consideration on this matter.

As a reminder, if we are full on Signup, please email me to be on the waiting list. This will help us to propose any needed changes for next year to accommodate more exhibitors. I will add on where I can before the sun sets!

Please check the rules for acceptable and allowed bits. We have had a few riders using illegal bits this past year in both the test ring and the rail classes. Please make sure you are accountable to following the rules in our guidelines.

I am sure you have noticed our new white cones this year, which is such an improvement for us to enjoy. We are so glad that the board decided to invest in this much needed expenditure!

Our last judge, Bonni Hazen, a founding member of EMAA, expressed how glad she was asked to judge for us this year. She also let me know how pleased she was to see how our program has grown in participation over the years. She thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to provide feedback to all of you. I know many told me what a pleasant learning experience it was for you to show under her.

Please let me know if you have any ideas, questions or concerns with an email at kimiwing@comcast.net. See you all soon and thank you so much for making our dressage program what it is today!

-Kim Winger, dressage secretary



Horses by Hawk
www.cafepress.com/profile/14678981

Show Office Report

Reminder: all Stall Reservations and Pre-Entries need to be received by Saturday, September 1st, 2018.

The list of Option Classes will be sent out shortly for EMAA 4.

Please remember to review points on Gaitkeeper from the first 3 shows to ensure year end points are correct.

Each month we will be including a “Meet the Board” section in our newsletter.
Board Member of the month: DANI - YOUTH DIRECTOR



Hi EMAA!!

I have been the youth director for EMAA for about 3 years now. I am basically a “Show Mom” and have been in the wings helping both of my kids for over 18 years. I grew up with Arabians, my Mom started with them when I was very little. I debuted in my first headline class on Karen Wright’s Arabian TJ when I was 2. I showed with my Mom, Janie Smith, at the State Fairgrounds when I was 7 and 8. I showed briefly in 4h in Wayne county. My Mom then got into racehorses when I was 9 and I helped at home, conditioning, taking care of them and helping at the race track. I went on to work for a couple different Standardbred trainers for a couple years.

Once my Mom moved to Jackson, MI we got into trail riding campouts. We went to several states, Missouri, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Kentucky, Ohio, Illinois and Indiana and camped with the horses. These were some of my favorite memories. Seems like my whole life I had something to do with horses. Now as a Mom I gave one child, Austin, to the world, now that he is 19 and on his own but still comes back to ride when he can. I have one left my daughter, Sami and she pretty much rules all of my time. When we are not doing riding lessons and taking care of our little farm, I spend all my waking hours on the road getting her to and from gymnastics.

Horses have always been like a bike to me they were always there. They are my feeling of comfort and home and many special memories. I enjoy working with the EMAA kids and seeing them show! I hope to have many more fun memories!



Look close Sami in the front and Me behind her! It was a day of lessons for all!

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