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WHAT DEFINES AN ARABIAN HEAD?

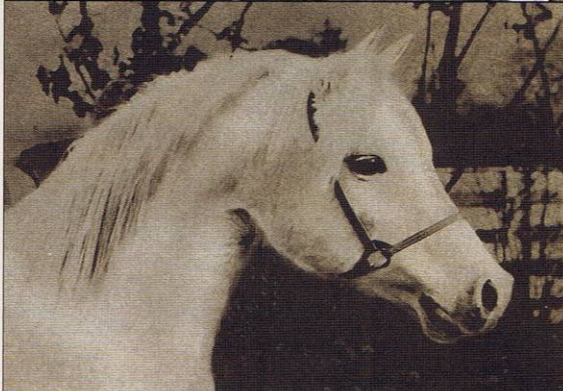
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In 1981, I received the first of many invitations to speak to American Arabian breeders about the relationship of conformation to performance. One of the things I mentioned at that first seminar—and have continued to mention—is that “Arabian type” is not merely a function of the shape of the horse’s head or of the carriage of the tail, but should instead be judged by a balanced examination of all the horse’s points. As it happened, that first presentation was attended by Pesi Gazder, PhD, then Chairman of the WAHO inspection committee. During the morning break, Gazder introduced himself to me. Striding up with a huge smile on his face, he wrung my hand saying, “You are the first normal American horsewoman I ever met!”

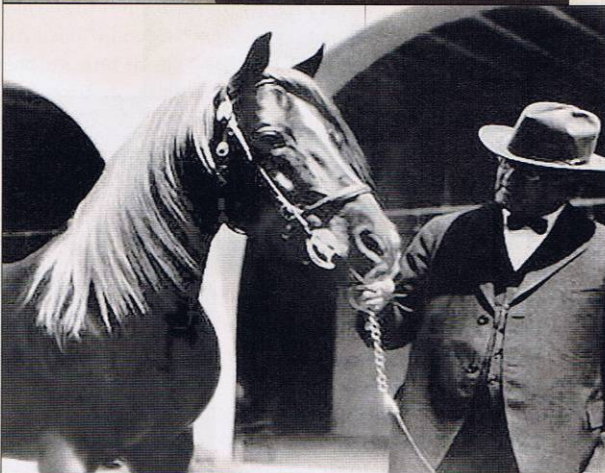
American fanciers tend to define “Arabian type” above all by looking for a head with bulging jibbah and a bend in the skull forming a dish that falls below, rather than between, the level of the horse’s eyes. This, however, is not the Bedouin concept; what the original breeders of the Arabian horse value instead is a head that is wide across the forehead with cheekbones and bony orbits well defined. The forehead is flat or with slight to moderate jibbah which blends downward into the snout with little or no discernible dish. The nasal bones may be straight or undulating. The muzzle is of normal depth and is considered very faulty if excessively small or shallow; the meaning of the legendary “teacup muzzle” is not that the muzzle itself be so small that it could be jammed into a demitasse but rather that the skin of the horse’s lips be so fine that he could sip from one. The ears are slender and often rather long, as befits any desert-adapted mammal. The skin is thin, drawn tightly over the bone structure; there is no hint of meatiness. The nostrils are large and distensible. The eyes are of normal size but dark; above all, the expression should be alert and lively yet intelligent and kind.



Roger Selby in about 1940 with his desert-bred stallion ***Mirage**, foaled 1916.



***Raffles** displays a sharply dished head, bulging jibbah and short muzzle that help make the eye appear oversized. This combination is paradigmatic of the “cute” or feminine type of Arabian head that has been favored especially in American breeding.



The beautiful and athletic Polish-bred stallion ***Antez** in 1938 at the age of 17, with his importer W. K. Kellogg. What a noble and beautiful horse!



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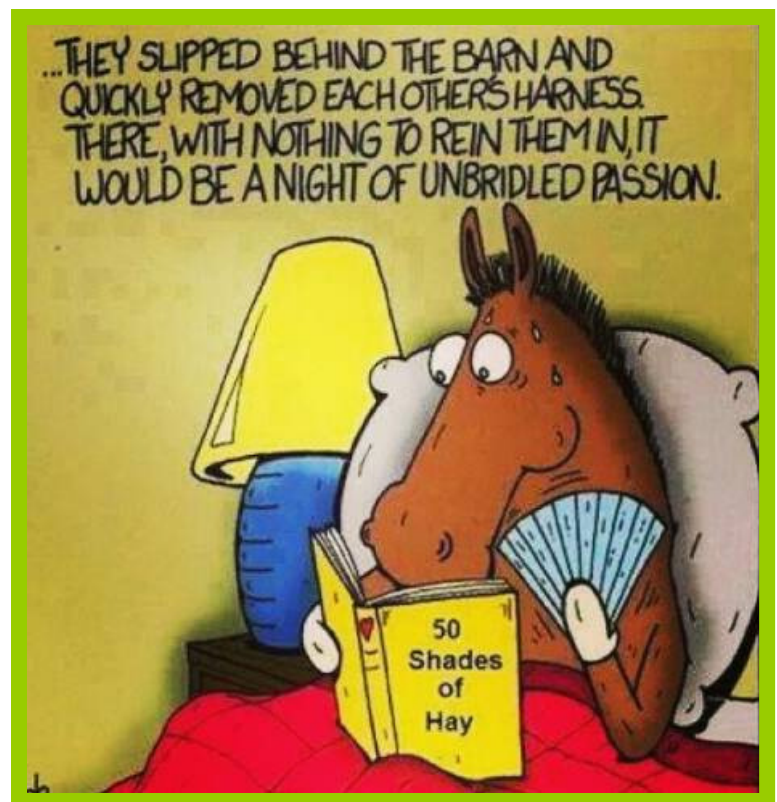
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On the Cover Spotlight **Arabian Horses** **Come to America**

In the 20th century, Europeans and Americans began importing and breeding the Arabian, bringing about some subtle and significant changes to the breed.

By Deb Bennett, PhD





Reporter on the Scene Article Submitted by Gail Wiot ***Americas' Dilemma***



From: "Chris Heyde" <chris@awionline.org> **Date:** Wed, Apr 22, 2015 at 9:09 PM
Subject: AWI Press Release: Federal Legislation Introduced to Prohibit Slaughter of American Horses

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Federal Legislation Introduced to Prohibit Slaughter of American Horses. *Animal welfare organizations support Safeguard American Food Exports (SAFE) Act*

WASHINGTON, D.C.— (April 22, 2015) — Federal lawmakers today introduced legislation to prevent the establishment of horse slaughter operations within the U.S., end the current export of American horses for slaughter abroad, and protect the public from consuming toxic horse meat. The Safeguard American Food Exports (SAFE) Act was introduced by Reps. Frank Guinta (R-N.H.), Jan Schakowsky (D-Ill.), Vern Buchanan (R-Fla.), and Michelle Lujan Grisham (D-N.M.). The [ASPCA®](#) (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals®), the [Animal Welfare Institute](#) (AWI), [The Humane Society of the United States](#) and [The Humane Society Legislative Fund](#) announced their enthusiastic support for the legislation.

Last year, more than 140,000 American horses were slaughtered for human consumption in foreign countries. The animals often suffer long journeys to slaughter plants in Canada and Mexico without adequate food, water or rest. At the slaughterhouse, horses are brutally forced into a "kill box" and shot in the head with a captive bolt gun in an attempt to stun them before slaughter—a process that can be inaccurate due to the biology and nature of equines and result in animals sustaining repeated blows or remaining conscious during the kill process.

"For centuries, horses have embodied the spirit of American freedom and pride," said Rep. Guinta. "To that end, horses are not raised for food – permitting their transportation for the purposes of being slaughtered for human consumption is not consistent with our values and results in a dangerously toxic product. This bipartisan bill seeks to prevent and end the inhumane and dangerous process of transporting thousands of horses a year for food."

"Horses sent to slaughter are often subject to appalling, brutal treatment," said Rep. Schakowsky. "We must fight those practices. The SAFE Act of 2015 will ensure that these majestic animals are treated with the respect they deserve."

"The slaughter of horses for human consumption is an absolute travesty that must be stopped," said Rep. Buchanan. "This bipartisan measure will finally put an end to this barbaric practice."

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"Horse slaughter is an inhumane practice that causes great pain and distress to the animals, and poses numerous environmental and food safety concerns," said Rep. Lujan Grisham. "The vast majority of my constituents oppose horse slaughter. I'm proud to support the SAFE Act to ban this cruelty once and for all."

The SAFE Act would also protect consumers from dangerous American horse meat, which can be toxic to humans due to the unregulated administration of drugs to horses. Because horses are not raised for food, they are routinely given hundreds of toxic drugs and chemical treatments over their lifetimes that are prohibited by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for use in animals intended for human consumption. Those drugs, although safe for horses, are potentially toxic to humans if consumed. In December 2014, the European Union (EU) announced its suspension of imports of horse meat from Mexico after a scathing audit of EU-certified Mexican horse slaughter plants, which kill tens of thousands of American horses each year. Additionally, the discovery of horse meat in beef products in Europe shocked consumers and raised concerns about the potential impact on American food industries.

The ASPCA, AWI, and The HSUS encourage the public to contact their U.S. representatives and urge them to cosponsor the SAFE Act, in order to protect America's horses and overall consumer health from horse slaughter.##

About the ASPCA® Founded in 1866, the ASPCA® (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals®) is the first animal welfare organization in North America and serves as the nation's leading voice for animals. More than two million supporters strong, the ASPCA's mission is to provide effective means for the prevention of cruelty to animals throughout the United States. As a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation, the ASPCA is a national leader in the areas of anti-cruelty, community outreach and animal health services. For more information, please visit www.ASPCA.org, and be sure to follow the ASPCA on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).

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ARABIAN HORSE CLUB
2015

Open Horse Show- June 28, 2015
Francis 4H Field -New Lenox, IL



Judge: Jennifer McCormick, Lowell, IN.

Show Manager: Gail Wiot-773-599-6116

Show Information – Show begins 8:30 am Sharp

Photographer: Marisha Sherwood, Chesterton, IN. www.manephoto.com

Class Information: Gate fee is \$2.00 per person - children under 10 are free. Entry fee: \$8.00 per class - \$1.00 for Stick Horse. Liberty Class - \$10.00, No refunds for scratched classes. Please make sure that you are registered into the correct class. Ribbons to 6th Place. Payback in selected classes only (**Must have 5 entries**). Note: *****Not to show in any canter class. Do not close out your tab if you intend to enter other classes.** Novice Rider is not to have won 3 blue ribbons - Jr. Horse is 5 yrs. or younger. ***Must have entered one other pleasure class.**

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| 1. Arab/Half Arab Halter | 22. Walk/Trot Novice Rider (17 & Under)*** |
| 2. Quarter Horse Halter | 23. Ladies English Pleasure Open (50% Payback) |
| 3. Color breed Halter | 24. Hunter Pleasure (17 & Under) |
| 4. Aged Halter (15 & Over) | 25. English Pleasure Saddleseat (17 & Under) |
| 5. Pony/Mini Halter (56" & Under) | 26. Hunter Pleasure - Open (50% Payback) |
| 6. Open Halter (Excludes #1 thru #5) | 27. Arab/Half Arab Pleasure - Saddleseat (50% payback) |
| 7. Champion & Reserve (#1 thru # 6) | 28. Hunter Pleasure (Stock Type) |
| 8. Showmanship 17 & Under | 29. Hunter Pleasure (Non Stock Type) |
| 9. Showmanship 18 & Over | |
| 10. Stick Horse (not to show in any other class) | |

****SHORT BREAK****

11. Lead Line 3-9 (not to show in any other class)
12. Warm Up Pleasure-Open
13. Walk/Trot English - Open
14. Walk/Trot Western-Open
15. Pony Walk Trot (17 & Under)***
16. Bareback Pleasure-Open
17. Pony Pleasure 17 & under
18. Show Hack - Open

****LUNCH BREAK****

19. English Pleasure Saddleseat - Open
20. Arab/Half Arab Hunter Pleasure (50% payback)
21. Walk/Trot Novice Rider (18 & Over)***
- 21A Arabian Native Costume

****SHORT BREAK****

30. Western Pleasure Jr. Horse
31. Western Pleasure (Stock Type)
32. Jack Benny Pleasure (39 & Over)
33. Ladies Western Pleasure - Open (50% Payback)
34. Arab/Half Arab Western Pleasure(50% payback)
35. Western Pleasure - Open
36. Western Pleasure (17 & Under)
37. Western Pleasure (Non-Stock Type)
38. Gentlemen's Western Pleasure (50% Payback)
39. Open Pleasure (100% Payback to Winner)*
40. Last Chance Pleasure(No blue ribbon today)
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- MAY 12: Karen Marnie's home.
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- JUN 9: Panera Bread Restaurant
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Wolf Rd), Frankfort, IL. 7pm
- JULY 14: Diane Harn's home 7pm
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SPECIAL HORSE EVENTS:

- **MAY 16: HORSE AUCTION** at
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- **JULY 11-12: PALOS HILLS
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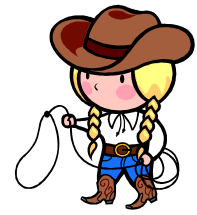
- **MAY 8-10: NIAHAC MAY II
SHOW.** Springfield, IL.
Ryan Chambers 314-717-7683
- **MAY 16: FUN & GAMES SHOW**
by FFYF at Francis Field, 801 E
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9:30am Ashley 815-280-3002
- **MAY 23: SPRING ROUND-UP**
Open Horse Show by FFYF at
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Ashley 815-280-3002
- **May 23-24: IOWA MEMORIAL
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Lenard Davenport 417-725-3864
- **MAY 27-31: ILLINOIS/ARAB INC.
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CHAMP.** Springfield, IL.
Gary Paine 641-466-3320

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- **JUN 6-7: ASAAD'S
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Amy Halaburt 219-730-9504
- **JUNE 13: PHHA JUMPING &
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- **JUNE 16-20: MIDWEST
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- **JUNE 21: SUMMER HIGH
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Field, New Lenox, IL. 8am
Ashley 815-280-3002
- **JUN 28: ABU OPEN HORSE
SHOW. Francis Field, New
Lenox, IL. 8:30am, Gail Wiot
773-599-6116**
- **JUNE 28: REGION 11
30 MILE CTR CHAMP**
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- **SEPT 13: ALL
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