

ATAA Newsletter

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2013 Annual General Membership Meeting

Terri Fender has been hard at work on the upcoming 2013 ATAA Annual General Membership Meeting. It will be held October 4, 5 and 6th in Minnesota.

There will be room to bring horses for the show day, and we are discussing the possibility of filming for the HorseFlicks video at the

Conference. Contact Terri for more information on the Conference at territeke@yahoo.com or 320-305-4292.

She is still looking into hotels and we'll publish information as it becomes available both on the website and in the newsletter.

HORSEFLICKS Akhal-Teke Promo

By *Latisha Saare*

Excellent Promotion Opportunity with HorseFlicks TV

The ATAA has been invited to participate in an American Livestock Breeds Conservancy (ALBC) Series titled 'Extinction is Forever', produced by HRTV and their production arm HorseFlicks TV. The intention of this series is to highlight the breeds on the Critical, Threatened, and Watch categories of the ALBC's Conservation

Priority List. As you know, the Akhal-Teke is listed as threatened on this list.

An Akhal-Teke film in this series is an excellent outreach and promotion opportunity to reach a large base of 'horse' viewers and get people interested in and involved with the breed.

HRTV is offering a ½ hour production highlighting the Akhal-Teke, to be aired at least 18 times over a 36 month period (it could

Blood typing is going away!

If you have unregistered horses whose parents were not DNAd, get them registered NOW. University of Kentucky has notified us that they will be discontinuing blood typing within a year. They will do it a few more times in 2013. This means that if your unregistered horse has parents that were only blood typed and you try to register that horse after there is no more blood typing, you are out of luck. Contact the Registrar, Amrita Ibold at ibold@rockisland.com or the Registration Secretary, Cathy Leddy at c.leddy@frontier.com for more info or to start registration proceedings.

air as many as 30 times with bonus episodes). HRTV is carried on Dish Network, Verizon Fios, AT&T U-Verse, Comcast, Cox Cable, and other major cable networks, and is available anywhere in the world in real time, and on-demand at HRTV.com – so the video will get out there. HorseFlicks TV targets viewers interested in horses, so we would be *continued on page 5*

ATAA News

Promotions Committee: Tish Saare, chair.

Tish has gotten quite a few things done and several more started for A-T promotions. We have printed bumper stickers,



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www.akhal-teke.org

ATAA Bumper Stickers

which will go out to all members with the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations booklets and Membership Directories in late April. She is working on having an ATAA booth/Teke booth at the Western States Expo in California this summer. And she's heading our possible DVD through HorseFlicks in the ALBC's Rare Breeds Series. Watch the website for more info on the DVD and see page 4 for more info on the Western States Expo. Remember, if you are interested in going to expos this year (or next), the ATAA can now help with some funds, insurance and a CD of printable items. Just make sure to give us at least a month or two notice! Contact Tish for more information at saare@zetabroadband.com

Awards Committee: Catrina Quantrell, Chair

We had our first Akhal-Teke awards presented at a national non-AT conference on March 8, 2013. Awards coolers were presented at the AERC National Convention in Reno, NV on Saturday, March 8. Jas Shearer-McMahon was there to accept her Endurance Champion Award.



MV Patrickhan (Astrachan x Minorka II) modeling his Endurance Champion Cooler.

Also receiving AERC ATAA Breed Awards (but not attending the Reno Convention) were:



Scott Sears, DVM and Aeolus (Alp x Samsa) with their Reserve Champion Endurance cooler.



Cathy Leddy and Galen, (MV Moondancer x Galka 4) Limited Distance Champions



Monica Bretherton and Magdan, (Astrachan x Meshhurlyk), Limited

Distance Reserve Champions

And, our one Eventing Award went to Dang, (Senetir x TB mare) owned by Karen Yates, competing at the Novice level with Nicole Kelly.



Dang with his cooler.

Catrina and Betsy Wandler have also come up with some new ATAA awards, to be presented at the Annual Conference in October. These will replace the FOTATA ATAA Awards from last year (Shannon Mayfield did a great job with those, but is concentrating on winning awards this year) See page 3 for details.

Registration: Registrar, Amrita Ibold, Registration Secretary, Cathy Leddy

As of March 25th, 2013, we have issued 14 ATAA Registration Certificates, with many awaiting further information. The BOD is working on revising the Registration Rules and Regulations, to make them easier to follow and also to reflect our changing horse population. Watch your Bylaws and Rules and Regs booklet, and the website for the finished product.

Blood Typing Becoming Obsolete! WHY THIS CONCERNS US ALL!!!!

To register horses in the studbook parentage used to be verified by blood typing. New science came along, and verifying parentage by DNA found in the root bulbs of hairs is far more accurate. The switch from blood to DNA happened late with the Russian studbook. So late, that there are still horses out there who have

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Classified Ads

Each ATAA member will receive a free ad in the ATAA Newsletter Classifieds each issue.

Individual membership: 30 free words per issue.
Family membership: 60 free words per issue.
Farm membership: ¼ page ad

If that amount just isn't enough, you can buy more ad space.

Full Page: \$75 per issue

Half Page: \$50 per issue

Quarter Page: \$35 per issue

1/6 Page: \$10 per issue

Business card: \$8 per issue

You can pay via check or on the ATAA website with the PayPal button on the membership page. Just make sure you add a note with your payment so we will know what it is for.

Send Ad copy to ATAA newsletter, 21314 129th Ave SE, Snohomish, WA 98296 or c.leddy@frontier.com

Ads due by the end of the month before publishing.

ATAA Yearly Awards Outline

Guidelines and Rules:

The awards outlined below are for ATAA members only. *Exception: see Junior Achievement*
The President or Vice-President may be asked to step in for a tie-breaker (or another committee member not personally involved in that particular award if it involves president or vice-president)
All awards will be chosen based on nominations from registry members (a paragraph or two explaining why the individual person and/or horse should be chosen for that award).
Plaques will be given out to the discipline award recipients (A maximum of 3 recipients per discipline)
An individualized award will be given out to achievement award recipients (1 recipient per category)

Achievement Awards:

Junior Achievement Award: A youth (<18) who participates in promoting the breed and/or the registry. The youth must be a member OR horse owner must be a member AND horse must be registered.

Publicity Achievement Award: Any registered horse or member who brings the breed and/or registry into the public eye (example: magazine article, newspaper, television, etc.).

Volunteer Achievement Award: A member that donates their time by helping out in any way to promote the breed and/or the registry.

Golden Achievement Award: A member >60 years old that has actively promoted, volunteered, or somehow contributed to furthering the breed or registry.

Leadership Achievement Award: A member in the registry that shows great skills in leadership, ambition, promotion, and teamwork amongst fellow members.

Discipline Awards:

Long-Distance Discipline Award: A member that actively competes in AERC or CTR rides on a registered horse.

Dressage Discipline Award: A member that actively competes in schooling shows and/or USDF recognized shows on a registered horse.

Eventing Discipline Award: A member that actively competes in schooling shows and/or USEA recognized events on a registered horse.

Jumping Discipline Award: A member that actively competes in schooling shows and/or USEF recognized shows on a registered horse.

Open Show (Discipline) Award: A member that actively competes in open shows (any discipline) on a registered horse.

To nominate you and your horse, contact: Catrina Quantrell, godscavalry@gmail.com or Betsy Wandler at betsysee@gmail.com

Watch the ATAA website for more information.

Western States Horse Exposition

We are gearing up to represent the ATAA at the Western States Horse Exposition at Cal Expo in Sacramento, CA on June 7 - 9. The Western States Horse Expo is a major equine event showcasing many different breeds and many clinicians, trainers, and vendors from around the world. For the past 13 years, the Western States Horse Expo has been one of the country's leading horse experiences. This will be an excellent opportunity to expose people to and promote Akhal-Tekes and the ATAA. You can check out the Western States Horse Expo at: <http://www.horseexpo.com/>

There are some costs associated with having a booth and participating in the breed demonstrations at the Expo and we are hoping to get some help in covering the participation fees. The booth costs \$700, each stall costs \$180, and there will be costs associated with printing expo and advertising material. The ATAA is able to contribute \$150 to help with booth costs.

We are offering the following advertising space at the booth to help offset our costs:

- Half page add - \$25
- Full page add - \$50
- Farm handout (you supply the handout) - \$75

Remember, tens of thousands of people attend the Expo annually and this is a great way to get your farm or your business out there! Add material and funds are due by May 17, 2013.

If you would like to donate any funds to help us pay for the space and Akhal-Teke and ATAA advertising materials – donations are more than welcome. If we receive more funds than necessary to pay for the booth and materials, additional funds will go to the ATAA to be used for future promotions.

In addition to funds – we need help manning the booth and we need horses!

If you or anyone you know would be interested in helping man the booth – we would really appreciate the help. Booth attendants get free admission into the Expo and get to talk to all types of people about Akhal-Tekes!

We also would like well-behaved Akhal-Teke volunteers to be demonstration horses. These horses would be stalled near the booth so that people interested in the breed can see real-live Akhal-Tekes and these horses would do a 15 minute demonstration each day. It does cost \$180 for a stall at the Expo, but we are hoping to help offset this cost as well. Horse participation forms are due by May 1, 2013.

If you would like to help out with the ATAA booth at the Western States Horse Exposition – providing funds, man power, or if you have a horse that you want to show off – please contact Tish Saare at (530) 400-9909 or saare@zetabb.com



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only been blood typed.

This is the last year the University of Kentucky will offer blood typing since it is not used anymore and is a spendy procedure.

Why would we be concerned?

A horse who has only been blood typed, cannot be matched to their parents by hair DNA.

Somewhere along the line the switch needs to be made from blood to DNA.

This means if you ONLY have blood on a breeding animal, you MUST get a DNA hair sample made to register the offspring.

After this year, all offspring from horses with only blood type will NOT BE REGISTERABLE!!!!

If you have any questions about the status of your horse, please contact the ATAA registrars, either Cathy at c.leddy@frontier.com or Amrita at ibolds@rockisland.com

2013 Annual Membership Meeting, Terri Fender, Chair

Terri has figured out dates for this year's Conference, October 4, 5 and 6th, but is still working on hotels. The horse portion will take place at

Spring Creek Farm, 18322 Kettle River Blvd NE, Forest Lake, MN 55025.

Board for the weekend will be \$30
Contact Terri Fender for more details – territeke@yahoo.com or 320-305-4292

Lyn Busacca will be handling the Silent Auction, contact her at nyakhalteke@yahoo.com

ATAA YEARBOOK

Hi everyone! I am partaking in a new project to make an annual "ATAA Yearbook". It will cover September 2012-September 2013 activities, and will be available at the 2013 ATAA conference (and online after the conference). I would love to get pictures of members and their horses throughout that time span (2012 ATAA conference, showing, competitions, trail riding, foals, just hanging out, etc.) and also any written material (updates, reactions from

others to seeing a Teke for the 1st time, farm reports, etc.). The more the better!! Any additional ideas to include in the yearbook are welcome!

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reaching our target audience. In addition, the ATAA may use the TV episode in its entirety on our website or on DVD, for our own marketing purposes.

This production will cost \$3,800. This includes one day of filming, travel costs for the filming crew, and all production and editing costs. This is a discounted rate, as usually this type of production would cost double this. In addition, HorseFlicks TV has offered to do an additional day of shooting at cost if we think we need it!

The ATAA is able to contribute \$1,000 for this promotion and we are relying on members, breeders, and all of you out there that think that the Akhal-Teke is something special to assist with the remainder of the costs. Once we have a plan in place, we will be asking for donations.

We are also working on the best way to handle the filming shoot(s). Do you have or know of a horse that is competing in the upper levels of their discipline? Do you want to be involved? If so, please contact Tish!

Our goal is to have a filming plan and the funds in place by June, for filming this summer/fall. Please stay tuned for further information.

Please feel free to contact Tish Saare at (530) 400-9909 or saare@zetabb.com if you are interested in getting involved.

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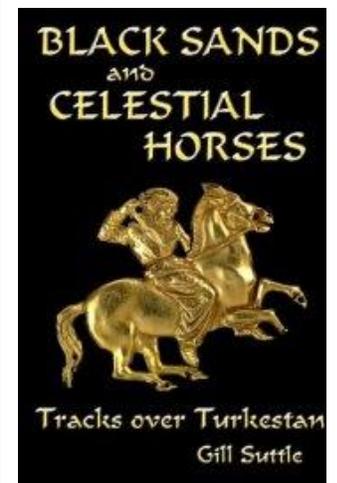
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We'd love your farm reports, competition reports and foal photos for the newsletter and website!

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.akhal-teke.org



Scimitar Press

<http://www.scimitarpress.co.uk>

The story of Gill's Turkmenistan trip has history, adventure and of course, Akhal-Teke horses. It is an excellent read. For more information, search on Facebook or go to the website above.

Getting to Know You

This is a continuation of January's feature. Way back in December, I asked people to fill out questionnaires in return for a raffle ticket for the handmade AT presentation halter by Shannon Mayfield. We got a good response (and Scott Sears, DVM won the halter), so each issue I'm printing a few more answers. Here are this issues ATAA members:



Tim Floyd and his Akhal Teke gelding JBK Akula

Q: What is your equestrian background?

TF: Ridden for 30 years but consistently for about 6 years. Started Endurance in 2006 first with Tennessee Walking Horses then Arabs. Now anxious to try Akhal-Tekes.

Q: Where do you live?

TF: Idaho

Q: How and or why did you become interested in Akhal-Tekes?

TF: First learned about them in a book on horses, then became interested in their potential for Endurance. Spoke with lots of people who own/breed them for about a year before getting Akula.

Q: How many Tekes do you own or lease now?

TF: Own one 5 yr. old gelding. His name is Akula. Murgab x Annushka

Q: What disciplines do you use them in?

TF: He has not been started yet, but I bought him for Endurance. Also plan to do dressage for training purposes, not competition (unless he's really good at it).

Q: What particular traits drew you to the Teke vs. another breed of horse?

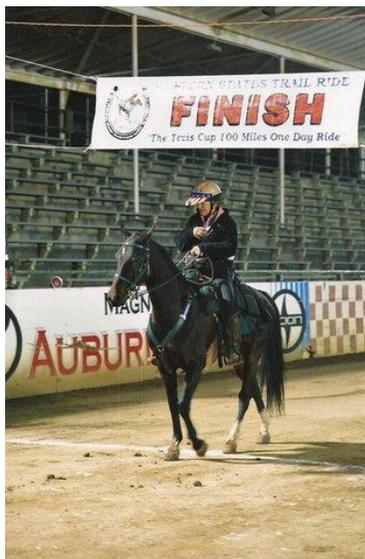
TF: Endurance potential, and the mind. I don't know their mind yet, but that's the first thing that most people speak about when I ask about Tekes.

Q: What do you see as the future of the breed in North America?

TF: I hope that it will prove itself in many disciplines.

Q: If you imported your Tekes, where did you find help? Was it hard or reasonably easy?

TF: Lots of people were very generous in giving me advice.



Jas Shearer-McMahon and MV Patrickhan

Q: What is your equestrian background?

JS: First horse at age 16, have done pony club, jumpers, dressage and pleasure driving and my favorite, Endurance Riding which I have been doing since 1979.

Q: Where do you live?

JS: In the foothills of Northern Colorado at 6000'

Q: How and or why did you become interested in Akhal-Tekes?

JS: Saw and met my first AT's in 1984 in Wellington, CO, and have been enamored with the breed ever since.

Q: How many Tekes do you own or lease now?

JS: Six

Q: What disciplines do you use them in?

JS: Endurance

Q: What particular traits drew you to the Teke vs. another breed of horse?
JS: Intelligence, stamina, comfortable gaits and exotic looks

Q: If you had unlimited funds/resources, what Teke that is alive today would you want to have and why?

JS: Astrachan clone, love his personality, looks and mind

Q: What is your 'dream cross'?

JS: Astrachan X Minorka II

Q: What do you see as the future of the breed in North America?

JS: More AT's in upper levels of all disciplines.

Q: Would you be interested in a national show or perhaps regional shows for Teke and Teke crosses? How far would you travel?
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JS: Yes, to either, would travel up to 1000 miles.

Q: Are you happy with the current grading system for Tekes in N. America? If not, what would you like done differently?

JS: We need more consistency and regularity (every three years would be nice) and trainer graders

Q: What else might Teke people want to know about you?

JS: I'm passionate about preserving and protecting this breed for as long as I am able.



Catrina Quantrell and Mazaly (Maisie)

Q: What is your equestrian background?

CQ: I have been around horses most of my life. My aunt put me in a pack and took me on my first trail ride when I was 2 weeks old, well I have been hooked ever since...I rode western as a kid and took my first English lesson when I was 10, and have never gone back. When I was 11 I went to watch cross country day at a 3 day event, and decided that was the sport for me. And well the rest is history.

Q: Where do you live?

CQ: I live in Centerville, WA

Q: How and or why did you become interested in Akhal-Tekes?

CQ: I rode and later trained with Tedi Paasch, the horse I had at the time cut

his tendon in a pasture accident, and I was horseless for 6 months. I rode one of Tedi's young mares for about a month, and that was my first experience with the Teke, at the time seemed just like any other horse to me. When I was accepted at Mary Baldwin College, and I decided to attend college there, Tedi made a call to Phil Case, and got me a job working on his farm. I worked all 4 years I was in college at Phil and Margot Case's farm. I purchased my first Akhal-Teke Sport Horse from them, Cara. But the horse that deserves the honor of turning me into a Teke girl is Sengar. I rode him my senior year in college, just on the farm, but I learned so much about myself as a rider, and what an amazing breed the Teke really is.

Q: How many Tekes do you own or lease now?

CQ: I own 1 purebred Akhal-Teke and 4 sport horses with 2 more due in 2013.

Q: What disciplines do you use them in?

CQ: I am mostly a 3-day event rider, but I also compete some in Dressage and Show Jumping.

Q: What particular traits drew you to the Teke vs. another breed of horse?

CQ: The stamina, agility, athleticism and loyalty would be my top traits...do their big ears count too?:)

Q: If you had unlimited funds/resources, what Teke that is alive today would you want to have and why?

CQ: Sengar!!! reasons as already stated, but Phil won't sell him to me (LOL) :D

Q: Giving unlimited funds/resources, what professional rider would you like to see competing a Teke and why?

CQ: Have not really given it much thought. I don't really have a specific rider, I would just like to see more Tekes competing at the high levels in all sports.

Q: What do you see as the future of the breed in North America?

CQ: The Teke is a sport horse and as more of us get out there and compete them the more that I believe the general population will begin to know the breed and start to see their strengths.

Q: Would you be interested in a national show or perhaps regional shows for Teke and Teke crosses? How far would you travel?

CQ: YES!!!! I get envious of the Arab people :(With their regional and national shows) Deciding on how far I would travel, would depend on a lot of things, some that cannot be controlled by us, cost etc. but also how well me and my horse were doing that year, etc.

Q: Are you happy with the current grading system for Tekes in N. America? If not, what would you like done differently?

CQ: Most definitely not. I do not see why we have to wait for whenever someone from Russia decides to come to our country to have our horses graded. There is no reason that someone or some people cannot be trained here in the USA/Canada to grade horses. If the grading system is really set up as a standard, there is no reason that that standard cannot be taught to non-Russians

Q: What else might other Teke people want to know about you?

CQ: I love the Akhal-Teke Sport horse, and that is where my direction is as a starting breeder. I competed through the Preliminary level in Area 2 on a Teke/Morgan cross, back when I was in college. I just finished my first show season on my now 5 year old Teke cross mare, and am hoping to be competing at the Beg. Novice and maybe even ending next season at the Novice level. I am back training under Tedi Paasch, and it has been so helpful having a trainer that understands the breed, because they are just a little different and a little smarter ;)

Genomic Study of the Akhal-Teke

By Jessica Keith

A genomic study of the ancient Akhal-Teke breed has been funded by an American philanthropist with a keen interest in the breed and is being performed at the Department of Animal Breeding and Genetics, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, in cooperation with researchers at Uppsala University. The scientists have been involved in several groundbreaking equine genomic projects, such as the identification of the gait gene that inhibits the transition from trot to gallop at high speeds in the Standardbred and in the Icelandic horse it enables the flying gait and it is also present in other gaited breeds. The team has also contributed to the study on the origin of the speed gene in the Thoroughbred. The Swedish University of Agriculture was the first institution in the world to perform parentage verification with blood typing on horses beginning in the 60's with Swedish Cold blood Trotters. This activity has generated a large biobank containing more than 300,000 samples from horses that can be used for research.

There will be a knowledge exchange within the scope of this project and genetics in general between the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences and the Molecular Genetics Laboratory, State Association Turkmen Atlary, Turkmenistan. Turkmenistan is the country of origin for the breed and today manages the biggest population of the rare breed with a worldwide population of 6500 horses.

The genomics study aims to generate a map of genetic variation in the genome of the Akhal-Teke, detect the loci affected by selection and to detect genetic variants underlying specific traits in the Akhal-Teke such as performance and health and further resolve evolutionary relationships between the Akhal-Teke and other breeds of horses. The study includes analysis of DNA- samples from Akhal-Tekes, selected to represent distinct trait classes. Samples will be subjected to Whole Genome Sequencing, WGS, to determine the genome wide patterns of genetic variation. The information generated with WGS will be used to scan the genome for signatures of selection. The study will screen for alleles uniquely and/or preferentially observed in individual expressing certain traits. These candidate genes will be the subject of genome wide association analysis to investigate whether certain alleles coincide with phenotypic variation.

The results of the study, with additional funding, may

be used for selective breeding to increase performance traits, selective breeding to avoid homozygosity of lethal recessive alleles which could lead to abortion or foal mortality, selective breeding for advantageous traits without the risk of reducing genetic diversity in the breed and be a resource for future identification of genetic variants affecting traits in the horse as well as in other species.

First results of this study including 20 horses can be expected in the summer of 2013. Since the horse genome contains 2.6 Gb, the analysis of WGS is tedious due to the massive amount of data to analyze. Depending on the initial results, decisions will be taken on the direction of the study.

The Akhal-Teke breed is also included in a genomic multi-breed study at the same institution.

For more information and questions, contact Jessica Eile Keith at jessic@glh.bz or phone 352-209-0244



Please send your farm reports, articles and Teke owner questionnaires to:

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Farm and Competition Reports

Earn Your Spurs Show series, Shannon Mayfield and Asil Tumay.

We did it. =:) Managed to edge the competition out by only ONE SLIM LITTLE POINT! Whew....



Both Tommy and I were exhausted after the show. But we got em! -Shannon.

Magic Valley News, January 2013

It has been an interesting end to the year of 2012. Some good news and some bad, in early November we lost our Murgab X MV Ferrari colt. He was a very strong and handsome fellow and we miss him. Also in November we received our 5000 lifetime miles patch from AERC, more than 1/2 of all of those miles have been on Akhal-Teques! Two of our Magic Valley horses have earned their 1000 mile AERC medallions, MV Moondancer in October of 2001 and MV Patrickhan in September of 2011. "Patrick" also won his second BC award in May of 2012 and finished in the top ten in most of the rides we did last year. We ended the season with 520 Endurance miles for a total of 1150 division points, and 25 LD miles. We finished 5th in our weight division in MRER and 7th in our weight division for the Mountain Region of AERC. "Patrick's" total lifetime miles for Endurance now stand at 1755! We're already gearing up for 2013, between below zero temps and 30+ mph winds, a few days have been difficult but we are enduring!

The day after Thanksgiving, Merdan

(Metman X Aishet) arrived here at Magic Valley and he has settled right in, he is the sweetest and calmest colt I have ever had. His future is to become our next herd sire and Endurance and Dressage prospect. I think that he can fill all of those shoes, and thank-you Cascade Gold and Cathy Leddy for making his purchase possible!



Merdan

We are expecting two foals in 2013, MV Elfia is due in mid-March and MV Manlayli is due in mid-April. Both mares are looking fat and happy and I am very excited about these two foals.

Until the next time, Happy Trails

Jas Shearer-McMahon



Hello from Hawaii!

Just wanted to send you a few recent photos of Malika (Astrachan x Mirija). She truly is magnificent!



This is her 2nd month with the trainer. She was a completely green 9 yr. old when I got her who hadn't done anything for several years except run in her pasture. She is so smart and learning fast! I want to start doing some jumping with her. Possibly start eventing with the small eventing club on the other side of the island. She actually has been doing cattle work the last 2 weeks- probably the only Teke working cows with a true cowboy riding her! She's taking it all in stride just waiting til we find our special niche. I will keep you updated. Right now we take long walks in the evening and she loves to cuddle and kiss! She is just a sweetheart. We are working on bonding and having fun together right now, Pretty soon I will begin starting to take her out with me to explore the large ranch together. I can't wait! We have a great further of possibilities before us!

Aloha, Michelle

Copper Top Farm

Karen Yates, Gurley, AL

Here are some photos of Dang competing at Training Level Eventing last year with Nicole Kelly.



Sweet Water Farm Akhal-Teke, Friday Harbor, WA

[Sweet Water Farm Akhal-Teke](#) is experiencing a beautiful early spring here on San Juan Island. Our first two foals are due in April... both of which will be the result of artificial insemination with stallions bred by Tito Pontecorvo and represented by Francine Anderson of [Absolute Akhal-Teke](#) in Florida: the EI line stallion Arim (Melesur x Abrai), who was bred to our German-imported mare, Pipi (Mazan x Guldessa), and the EI line stallion Eramay (Arim x Europa), who was bred to our mare Sheherezad whose parents are imported from Russia (Durkkhal Shael x Kizliar Shael). Later in the season we are also expecting foals from our mares Pallas Athena (Mamuk x Porgi) and Ayal Pikira (Pascha x Aktepel), both due in July, and Alajoz (Alp x Gaale), who is due in August. Pallas Athena, Ayal Pikira, and Alajoz were all bred to our German-imported Peren line stallion, Pan Tau. And aside from all the baby-talk... we have been dedicatedly dividing our time between barn and saddle and office throughout the 2012/2013 winter season and it promises to only get busier. Together with ATAA Secretary Cathy Leddy of [Cascade Gold Akhal-Tekes](#), Amrita has been putting in long hours as the ATAA Registrar... making great headway in the list of pending registrations and no doubt putting smiles on the faces of many-an-Akhal-Teke-owner. Jenny Rice, co-owner of [Sweet Water Farm Akhal-Teke](#), is now writing for the popular equestrian magazine, [Saddle & Stirrups](#), which will be publishing a series of her articles about the Akhal-Teke horse in upcoming issues. Check out their website to subscribe: <http://saddleandstirrups.com/>. They offer a variety of interactive formats including downloads and apps for your iPod, iPad, and computer. And on the sales front... we are proud to congratulate two new ATAA members from Vancouver Island, B.C. with the purchases of two horses: our 2009 mare, Padisha (Atlzade x Pipi), and our 2003 gelding, Penta (Pan Tau x Etoscha). With summer just around the corner... we are looking forward to all the lovely weather and wish everybody a successful foaling, competing, and riding season!

Godscavalry Ranch, Centerville, WA



Mazaly (Astrachan x Mirija) and Catrina headed to Jump for Joy at the Clark County fairgrounds in Vancouver, WA on March 23rd, for their first show of the season. We competed in 7 jumper rounds starting at 2'3" and going up to 3'. Mazaly brought home one 3rd place ribbon, four 2nd place ribbons and two 1st place ribbons and she thoroughly enjoyed her winnings of a bunch of carrots on her ride back home. Also, we welcomed a new addition in January, Renata by Suyji out of Recibe.



Catrina and Renata

Cascade Gold Akhal-Tekes, Snohomish, WA

Our spring has not been quite as busy as usual. Most years, we're conditioning 3 days a week on the trails to get ready for endurance season. This year, we're going much slower because I am still recovering from leg surgery. While I get back up to speed, we're working

with the youngsters, getting several of them going under saddle. I'm doing lots of work for the ATAA and our regional endurance club, PNER and I'm teaching some lessons. We only have one purebred foal coming this year, Salam x Aishet, due in late July. I have another mare, Tulah, on a breeding lease that I'm planning on breeding to Salam.



Tulah

I'm hoping that I'll be back on the endurance trail by June, but if not, I'll be there volunteering!

The Akhal-Teke – A Horse of History...A Horse With Heart

HorseFlicksTV launches its award winning programming on HRTV beginning Wednesday, March 14th at 9:00 PM Eastern time, 6:00 pm Pacific time, **and the Akhal-Teke will be showcased in this three year broadcast run.**

This program was produced by The Breeder's Co-op.

The initial schedule can be found on Facebook on the HorseFlicks page, or simply click the link

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/HorseFlicks-Horseflicksphotosbyjojocom/139405276172037?sk=wall>

and go to the posting "HorseFlicks Air Dates on HRTV."

If you Click "LIKE" you will be kept apprised of all airings, dates and times during the three year broadcast run.

Classified Ads

Horses For Sale

Andymn: 15.3hh Akhal-Teke Sport-horse gelding, 1997. Super sweet, good ground manners, w/t/c, in regular work regimen. Started jumping. Pleasant to ride, responsive to aids and very light. Trailers. Sound. \$3500. cymorgan1@yahoo.com or 206-579-2099

Midnight Sky Farm has numerous Akhal-Teke Sport horses available out of ATAA Stallions Madras and Fakir. 4, 4yr old geldings, 3 4yr old fillies. All crossed with Arab mares. 541-686-1240

For Sale: Miril, 5 year old purebred bay 15.2 gelding 90 days under saddle training. Galadrielle, 9 mo. old purebred buckskin filly already 13.3hh. Also, 3 Arab/Paint/AT cross fillies (2

coming two-year-olds; 1 ten mo. old) and one very flashy frame overo pinto Arab/Paint/AT cross 9 mo. old colt. All Ak Sakal line. Details & photos at: www.oasisakhal-tekcs.com email: jacquemunn@aol.com

Other for Sale

"Endurance 101: a gentle guide to the sport of long-distance riding" by Aarene Storms, photos by Monica Bretherton - fully-featured but entertaining - e-book and full-color print edition available at www.endurance-101.com

Stallions at Stud

Arim is standing at ABSOLUTE AKHAL TEKE and is available for cooled, frozen or live cover. Arim is offered for \$1100.00 to the first mare booked. For more info: Favjockey@aol.com or (813)469-1089 cell

Aliger – Amelit 12 x Gumsara, 1995 Perlino stallion, will stand Live Cover to a limited number of mares in 2013. Located in Colorado, contact Kris Ahlberg DVM at 303.929.6677

AWARDS

Make sure you and your horses are eligible for awards this year! Check out the ATAA website under awards <http://www.akhal-teke.org/awards-programs.html> to be presented at the Yearly Conference In September and USEA and AERC awards to be presented at their yearly conferences.

Silver Hill Akhal Teke

For Sale:

-2008 Akhal-Teke/Arabian mare, 30 days under saddle \$1800
-due April 2013 purebred Akhal-Teke (Salamdor x Amerka)

Sold!

Silverhill Tayzarmak 2012 colt (Tay Shael x MV Kiyasa)
Silverhill Tayyar Kartal 2011 colt (Tay Shael x Amerka)

See Website for updates and details!
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Pleasant Grove Akhal-Tekes

Pleasant Grove Akhal-Tekes is proud to stand two excellent pure bred stallions.

Gallo (photo below) is a metallic bay stallion from the Skak line.

Arin (photo right) is a shiny cremello stallion from the Gelishiki line.



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Please see our website for more photos and information.

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