



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Members,

As the incidence of Covid-19 decreases in Australia it is hoped that things will slowly get back to a new normal. I would like to thank the members for the support given to the Society, Board and Staff during these difficult times. The staff are now back in the office although physical visitors are discouraged from attending unless necessary.

- As you are all aware, the Society has been impacted financially by drought, flood, fire and now covid-19. After review the Board determined that it was essential to reduce expenditure in order to ensure the long-term viability of the Society. In a business it is essential that the amount spent on wages remains at a level in keeping with income, the Board therefore made the decision that it was essential to reduce staffing levels and restructure the work-flow. This decision was not made lightly as our staff have been here for a long time and are very much valued. After consultation with the staff, I reluctantly advise that Jenny Nixon was made redundant due to the restructure. I would ask that members please be patient while the work-flow processes are reviewed in order that member services are not impacted too much. Jenny leaves with best wishes for the future from all of the Board.
- The Annual General Meeting of the Society was held on 27th September via Zoom and amazingly managed to proceed with very little difficulty. Some members took advantage of the offer to attend training sessions while others were confident to attend using the reference notes supplied. There were two important motions approved by Members at the meeting:
 1. The Members approved a change of auditor from William Buck to Bradfield Partners.
 2. The Members approved a new Constitution for the Society, replacing the very old original Articles of Association. A 75% majority was required in order to pass this motion, I am pleased to advise that it was approved with a majority of over 96%. The Constitution is available on the website for members to peruse.

At the AGM, a few members suggested that the Society consider replacing the online show system with Nominat, a platform many clubs use to run events. The Society has investigated the pros and cons of changing but feel that at the moment it is not economically viable. With all systems, there are always changes needed as requirements for an event change but these are minor. Nominat would cost the Society 5.5% of all income which, while not a lot of money for a smaller event, for a large show equates to a lot more than any perceived maintenance and enhancement. Integration with the Society database could be achieved in order to automate the entry checking process in the same way as now but that would involve additional expense as 5.5% of membership fees would also be lost.

- The Judge & Official Committee has lost a few long-term members due to resignations and the Board wishes to thank Deb Watson, Annette Vickery and Cathy Padgen for all their work and assistance since its formation. The Board would like to welcome the new members of the JOC, Jacqui Langfield, Sue Oberg, Colleen Rutherford and Graham Smith and thanks them for accepting these appointments.
- A number of the Society policies, procedures, rules and regulations have undergone an annual review and a number of them have had considerable updates in line with the new Constitution. These documents can be found on the Society website <http://www.ahsa.asn.au/ahsa-forms> . It is hoped to only update these annually unless something is discovered that necessitates and urgent change, this will be easier for members. A couple of new forms have been developed:
 - there is a and also [Member Suggestion Form](#)
 - a . Please be aware that the Society is not in a position to become involved in member-member disputes. [Member Complaint Form \(Lodgment of Alleged Disputes and Complaints\)](#)
 - and clearly details the possible consequences of inappropriate member behaviour. [The Table of Penalties](#)
- The viability of 2021 Australian Arabian National Championships is under review and a decision as to whether it will proceed is expected in November.
- Annual Society Awards – nominations will close at the end of November for the Annual Society Awards. There are awards for Endurance and Arabian Racing, Arabian Ambassador and Arabian Derivative Ambassador for horses completing in Open Company. Nomination forms can be found at <http://www.ahsa.asn.au/ahsa-forms>

bottom left hand column. I would like to that Arreton Stud from SA for offering to donate rugs for the Arabian Ambassador and Arabian Derivative Ambassador awards from this year. Ennovyar Stud have kindly donated rugs for the previous winners.

- The contract between AHSA and the Riding Pony Stud Book Society expired in October 2020. This has been re-negotiated for a 3 year term for the Registry services only. With reduced staffing levels it was felt that to retain the Secretariat part of the contract would impact too much on AHSA member service.
- I regret to advise that due to increased family commitments Wayne Beasley and Karen Fletcher-Grieve decided not to re-nominate for the Board. Similarly, the workload of Kristin Galea has also increased to the extent that she felt that she would also not be able to remain on the Board. Being a member of the Board of Directors entails a large amount of time and work and should not be a commitment undertaken without being sure that a person has that amount of time to devote to the Society. I would like to sincerely thank Karen, Kristin and Wayne for all the work they have done. They will remain on the Board until the AGM.
- I would like to thank those members who have nominated for the Board of Directors positions that become vacant in 2021. Jillian Willoughby (WA), Kerryn Aldridge (Vic) and Sharyn Hungerford (Qld) will be appointed unopposed as will re-standing Board member, Yvonne Downes (Tas). NSW has two nominees, current Board member Glenys Lilley and Tanya Hosking. Profiles of all the nominees are included in this newsletter and all eligible members will soon be receiving information on voting procedures.

This newsletter contains a brief profile of Wayne Beasley (Senior Vice Chairman). It is hoped to feature Board members each issue.

MEET THE BOARD – WAYNE BEASLEY

(Senior Vice Chairman)

Hi, my name is Wayne Beasley, I am now into my second year of my first term as a AHSA board director for Queensland.

I am married to my beautiful wife Miranda and I have three children, Amanda, Lisa and Lane, I also have one grandson Dustin. We run a 45-acre property which is called Charaway Arabian Stud and Training Centre located outside Ipswich Queensland. I am an Electrician and have been involved in the Electrical Industry for 44 years and have run my own Electrical Contracting business which I started 27 years ago. We have always juggled full time work and running the horse stud as well as family life!

The Stud consists of Two senior Purebred Stallions and one young purebred junior colt, 12 Purebred Mares, 3 Arabian/Riding ponies and 3 purebred geldings. We have always worked on breeding Arabian horses that excel in any discipline – Halter, Performance or Pleasure. Many of our multi champion halter horses have gone onto great performance careers in the saddle ring or endurance field as well as great family all round horses - good Type and Temperament will excel at whatever discipline they try.

I have been involved in the Arabian world for nearly 40 years now, Breeding, Showing our own plus client horses at all major shows. We have also completed in endurance rides and conducted training days at the stud with guest trainers giving help to other breeders and owners.

I have had the opportunity to work overseas training horses and then show for those studs at some major shows. Through the Arabian horse I have had some amazing experiences, travelled to places I may not have ever gone to and met new people that I may not have got to meet except for this amazing breed of horses.

I try and spend some time doing my other passion, which is fishing and camping. I was part of a group that was Called the AAA fishing club back in 1993, "Arabian Anglers Association" which was a group of Arabian Horse owners that travelled to Fraser Island every year chasing Tailor fish off the beach. It grew to twelve people over the years. We also have a 6.2 mtr fibreglass half cabin boat that we also try and take out Fishing and Diving as much as possible, last month we enjoyed a holiday and was able to take the boat whale watching off Hervey Bay. So, Fishing and Camping is my downtime from a busy business and farm life.

Members seeking election/appointment to the Board of Directors in 2021

(* indicates a current Board member seeking re-election)

Glenys Lilley (NSW)*

I have been a breeder and exhibitor of Arabians & Derivatives for over 40 years under the Foxwood Farms banner and been a National Panel Judge for over 20 years.

I have been the Chair of the Promotions Sub-Committee since my election in 2019 and developed a series of popular advertisements in National magazines as well as assisting closely with the revamping of the Australian Arabian Horse News. I am on the Judge & Official Committee assisting with the progression of judge education.

I bring over 30 years of successful business experience to the Board as a self-starting entrepreneur developing and managing an award-winning small business. Skills include financial

planning, budgeting, bookkeeping, accounts management, strategic planning, product distribution, staff management and customer service.

My vision for the Arabian horse is to increase awareness and the brand identity of the breed to the local market and the average Australian. We need to position the Arabian and Arabian Derivative as the breed of choice for families, youth, first-time horse owners and non-professional horse enthusiasts.

I am mindful of the suggestions of members, both large breeders and one horse owners, and welcome the opportunity to progress the Society in these trying times.

Tanya Hosking (NSW)

Tanya has been involved with horses for most of her life, is a successful and well-liked competitor at major Arabian events with both purebreds and derivatives and has experience and knowledge as a breeder and show organiser. She is well placed to give back to the breed and its members.

Tanya has fulfilled the role of Secretary of the NSW AHA running their major shows and is currently President of the dynamic Arabian Horse Connection association. Tanya has been instrumental in the creation of this association which is enjoying great success with their major shows, Double Diamond Arabian Showcase and Young Stars of The Future. Through her vision, Tanya has earned the respect and admiration of competitors by listening to their needs and ideas and is bringing fun back into showing.

Tanya has an administration/management background both as a Manager and a team member and has recently created an app for scoring events which is almost ready to launch. The dedication to the Arabian Horse Industry makes Tanya an ideal representative of the AHSA membership, and as a Director, she will contribute this knowledge and enthusiasm to ensure the continual growth and relevance of the Society.

Jillian Willoughby (WA)

Buying my first Arabian in 1990 I consequently "saw the light" and bought and bred more than 20 purebreds and derivatives since then. I was heavily involved with WAAHA as Chairman for several years in different times with 150 plus horses entered in our shows. Loved every minute and met the best Arabian horse people making lifelong friends along the way. I led and supported wonderful committees of like-minded people through many challenges to promote the breed.

I worked in Government for 36 years retiring 6 years ago to run two charities which I manage and have brought to being in the best place financially, providing more and better services and planning improvements in to the future. I bring a vast and broad business knowledge, am honest and fair.

I see a positive future with amazing horses being complemented with local and international breeding and would like to be involved with that and I bring another perspective to the AHSA Board with my hands-on and business experience. Our breed needs to continue to grow and encourage new and also entice past members back and I am sure with the stability and integrity of AHSA this will continue.

Sharyn Hungerford (Qld)

I have been involved with the Arabian Horse industry for over 40 years. Our family stud, Annandale Arabians, have prided ourselves on breeding quality Performance Arabians, both Purebred and Derivative, with many becoming multi-Australian Champions under saddle and led.

I am a National Panel Judge and find this to be very rewarding and enjoyable.

I have previously been on a number of committees such as AQHA Inc for a number of years.

I am very passionate about promoting the Arabian breed across all disciplines, whether that is competitive, working, pleasure or breeding.

Yvonne Downes (Tas)

Bred Purebreds and Derivatives at Ennovyar Arabians for over 47 years. Live at Gunns Plains, Tasmania, on our little piece of heaven (since 2006). Previously from NSW.

Formed South Coast Arabian Riders and Breeders Society [SCARABS], organized two A Grade Arabian Shows for over 25 years. Former Secretary of TasARABS, currently President of TCAG. Secretary of the Burnie Horse Show Committee.

Still compete in Arabian Shows in halter, dressage and saddle, in open dressage, eventing, showjumping and endurance. Past NSW State Champion in Showjumping; won the coveted Helen Rose Memorial Trophy at Sydney Royal; bred and trained horses and riders to Aust Championship level; Quilty Buckle holder.

Some highlights

- National Panel Arabian judge
- Competed horses to Australian Championships level
- EA Dressage and Showhorse judge
- PCAT Dressage and Jumping Equitation judge
- EA/NCAS Level 1 General Coach
- PCAT Level 2 Coach
- Past teacher of Equine Studies [TAFE]
- Pony Club and Adult Riding instructor
- TPR Steward (Endurance)

Judged at Sydney Royal (twice), Perth Royal (twice), Melbourne Royal (twice), Adelaide Royal (twice), and state and regional championships in all states and territories of Aust. and in New Zealand.

AHSA Board Member since 2014.

Kerryn Aldridge (Vic)

I have been an Arabian horse admirer from a very early age, my parents being good friends of the late Betty and Jack Serpell of Faraway Farm Arabians.

I have been involved in many disciplines within the horse industry and have always competed on an Arabian or Arabian bred horse including Endurance, Pony Club, and showing.

Branching out to breeding in 1994 for our own use, we were lucky enough to acquire a couple of amazing animals to start.

Our Purebred Stallion, who we bred, obtained 3 National Championships in 2015 for both led and ridden events.

I have nominated for the board as I would like to contribute to the ongoing success of the Society and believe my Business Management experience would be an asset.

I currently manage a Network of 70 small businesses for one of Australia's largest employers. I have worked for this company for 34 years.

I believe open and honest communication is imperative in maintaining member's satisfaction. Members need to know their society is being managed correctly for the advantage of all and not just for a select few.

No matter what you do with your Arabian I will listen and support common sense ideas.



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