

Glenys Lilley (NSW)

I am pleased to share my experience and expertise with the AHSA and the Arabian Community as an AHSA Board nominee. With over 40 years of involvement with the Arabian horse, I have been both a breeder and exhibitor of Purebred Arabians and Arabian Derivatives under the Foxwood Farms banner, excelling across multiple disciplines both in-hand and under saddle. I have served as a National Panel Judge for more than two decades.

When previously on the Board, I was Chair of the Promotions Sub-Committee and was instrumental in developing a series of very popular advertisements in National magazines as well as assisting closely with the revamping of the Australian Arabian Horse News. I was also on the Judge & Official Committee assisting with the progression of judge education.

Pertaining to professional business qualifications outside the equine industry, I have more than 30 years experience as a self-starting entrepreneur developing and managing an award-winning small business within the hospitality sector. Honing the skills of financial planning, budgeting, bookkeeping, accounts management, strategic planning, product distribution, staff management and customer service, I am proud to bring a proven track record of successful business experience necessary to capably and effectively serve in a position of leadership.

My vision for the future of the Arabian horse in Australia is to raise awareness and increase the brand identity of the breed to the local market and the average Australian. In doing so, we position the Arabian horse and the Arabian Derivative as the breed of choice for families, youth, first-time horse owners and non-professional horse enthusiasts seeking long-term enjoyment with and active involvement in the equine industry.

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.