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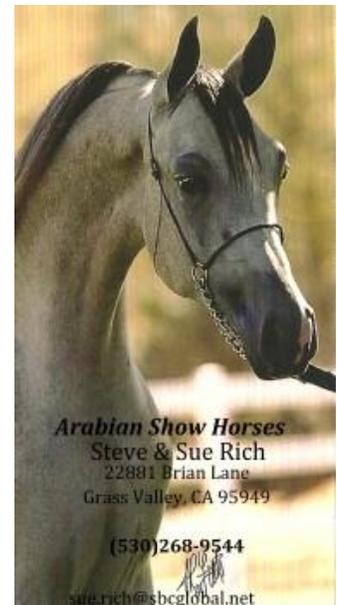
## TAILINGS

### Calendar of Events

APR	13-14	Western Dressage Clinic Series, Lincoln - 916-531-5865
	14	Comstock Arabian Show - Reno
	14	WSS Eng. Schooling Show - Woodland
	16	<b>MLAHA Board Meeting - 6:00pm</b> Denny's Restaurant - 1800 Auburn Ravine Rd., Auburn
	18-21	AHANC Arabian Show - Rancho Murieta
	20	Wildflower Jamb ACTHA Ride - Butte Valley, 916-716-6058
	27	AERC American River Classic - Auburn, 916-712-1651
MAY	3-5	Red Bluff Arabian Show - Red Bluff
	16-19	Diablo Arabian Show - Elk Grove
	21	<b>MLAHA Board Meeting - 6pm</b> Denny's Restaurant - 1800 Auburn Ravine Rd., Auburn



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MLAHA Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. Upcoming meetings will be 5/21, 6/18, 7/16, 8/20, 9/17, 10/15 and 11/19.

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# MLAHA Interviews by Linda Siegel

*Jennifer Tobie*



Jennifer Tobie, designated as the 2012 Champion Dressage Horse Trainer by Arabian Horse World, trains and resides in a quiet area of Grass Valley. Before any of her other remarkable riding skills, she is a dedicated horsewoman, taking care of every aspect of the fortunate horses in her care. She doesn't pass on any task, believing that her relationship with the horse thrives on handling the routines from feeding, grooming, cleaning, and turn-out to the slightest nuances of any dressage move. Jennifer is able to do this by maintaining a small number of horses in training at her horse-oriented home.

A member of MLAHA for many years, Jennifer prefers the company of horses to the social life with humans of a broader training career that might include clinics, lessons, boarding,

camps, or sales. Her emphasis is on training the horse in dressage. This is likely why she rose to the top of Arabian horse dressage trainers. Her riding focus is intense, well-mastered, and continuous.

Her four most famous students are Mirage V++++//, MP Dartagnan+++//, Mondavi F++++//, and Power Play +++//. She won dressage championships with all of them in 2012 at US Sporthorse Nationals, and you can only imagine how busy she was with these exceptional horses in one major show, not to mention the qualifying shows they competed in. Jennifer was the main trainer at Mt. Pleasant Stallion Station until last year when she opened her own barn at home. She trains only a handful of horses, and her focus is on dressage training for the horse already under saddle. A horse would always have her intensely personal attention which is rare, if not unheard of, in today's training world. Her own horse, Mondavi F++++//, resides in the barn and continues his dressage work. He shows the grace of the Arabian, and the strength of the Trakehner, coupled with the strong work ethic of both breeds.

Jennifer resides on Tobie Ranch with her husband, Paul, who is currently a real estate agent specializing in ranch property, especially in the South Placer area. They have been married for some 12 years. I met Paul many years ago, when I was leasing a car from him at Roseville Future Ford. At that time, he was extraordinarily proud of Jennifer's riding skills, and had a large picture of her in his office. He would win the annual trophy for the proudest and most supportive husband if we had such a trophy. At that time, I was trying to get our sport horse into training with her at Mt. Pleasant Stallion Station and there was no space available. Now, however, some lucky horse owners will be able to send their horse to Jennifer for training, and she will get every bit of performance skill from the horse.



# American Sidesaddle Association

## 2013 Clinic and Awards Banquet

As a member of ASA and CA Aside, I attended the March 23<sup>rd</sup> Clinic, hosted by CA Aside and held in Plymouth. The clinic was an all day affair with members attending from all over the United States.



The clinic started with a session on proper saddle fitting, presented by Maggie Herlensky, who demonstrated clever techniques for adjusting the saddle fit when dealing with antique saddles that were neither designed to fit the backs of modern horses nor modern women.

This session was followed by two beginning group lessons on riding aside and an advanced session on jumping aside equitation instructed by Rhonda Watts-Hettinger, author of several sidesaddle books.



After lunch there was a slide show by Linda Bowlby on the history of sidesaddles and habits through the centuries. Linda is co-author of the popular sidesaddle book, "The Sidesaddle Legacy, How to Ride Aside the American Way".

On display were a selection of antique, repaired and refurbished sidesaddles presented by sidesaddle maker and expert advisor to CA Aside, Lillian Chaudhary.



After the clinic, there was an awards banquet held in Elk Grove, with a silent auction, raffle, and prizes for the most impressive riding habit and the 2012 year-end awards.



Anyone interested in more information about CA Aside can check out [http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CA\\_Aside](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CA_Aside)

Submitted by Missi Throne

## JUDGE'S EVALUATION WEBSITE TO BENEFIT MLAHA

International Arabian Judge, Cindy Reich, is going to directly help support MLAHA by giving a portion of any of her judged evaluations that MLAHA members order from her website.

Wouldn't YOU want your horse(s) to be judged by Cindy? And to have a lengthy written evaluation sent to you?

Cindy has put up a very interesting web page for those who need their horses professionally judged and evaluated. She has been an USEF International Judge for over 30 years. She has judged national shows in Australian, Brazil, Canada, South Africa, Sweden, Uruguay and Venezuela, and our US Nationals and Scottsdale...it goes on and on. Needless to say, she is a GOOD and very respected judge of horseflesh. She specializes in Arabians, but will judge all breeds.

Cindy is also top breeding consultant. She has managed breeding herds of up to 450 mares and 8-10 stallions and worked with hundreds of stallions of all breeds. She specializes in stallion handling and breeding management as well as stallions with breeding and behavior problems. She has been breeding manager for the Colorado State University Equine Reproduction Laboratory, Wrigley Arabians, Lasma East, Varian Arabians, Aries Arabians, Fidelis International, Arabica-Belgium and others. You will note these farms are not just breeding the best in halter, but top performance horses, too.

She is a well known writer, including the "Stud Farm Diaries" monthly column in the Arabian Horse World magazine

Cindy is always being called by farms who want horses evaluated...for performance, halter, breeding quality, etc. For the big farms, it is part of doing business. But for her to fly out and spend the time, it is VERY expensive for small breeders or individuals, like you or me, who only had one or a few horses.

So, she has put up a website for smaller breeders and individuals so that we can get a professional opinion and write up on our horses, from Cindy personally, that we can use to decide what direction to go with a horse, or for a sales situation, or to show or not...

You upload pictures (just like you do on Craigslist) or movies, and some basic information on your horse, and within a couple of days, you have your professional written evaluation.

Here is how you can get your evaluation AND help MLAHA:

The regular cost of one of her web evaluations is \$50. If you mention you are a MLAHA member, \$5.00 of each evaluation will go directly to MLAHA.

Go here:

[www.JudgeMyHorse.com](http://www.JudgeMyHorse.com)

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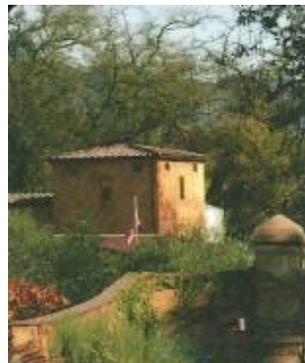


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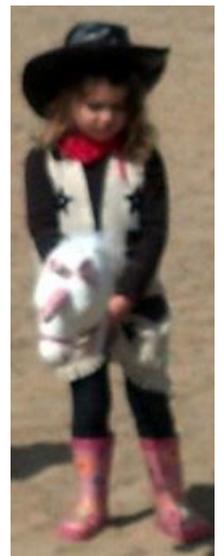
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*Fuzzy Wuzzy show results can be seen on the MLAHA website.*