

# ECAHS Business & Information



## Editor's Notes:

Dear ECAHS Members & Friends:

As we mentioned last month, we are planning a new item that we hope will become a regular monthly feature. We plan to have a write-up on one or two member farms each month. If you want to have your farm featured, please submit a write-up and pictures (no more than one page) to include any information you wish to share about your farm and your horses. We haven't received any for this month's addition – so, please, this is your opportunity for some free marketing of your farm and your horses! It doesn't have to be a glossy, magazine type article, just tell us about you and your horses!

Many thanks to all our members who contribute stories and photos for the Newsletter - please keep them coming.

You may contact Lynn at Mayhem Farm, 460 West Parkins Mill Road, Winchester, VA 22602, by phone at 540-667-5199 or by e-mail at [lynn@mayhemfarm.com](mailto:lynn@mayhemfarm.com). You may reach Michele at 1411 Mercer Road Haymarket, VA 20169, by phone at 571-248-4063 or by e-mail at [mefailla@hughes.net](mailto:mefailla@hughes.net).

Lynn Blake and Michele Failla



## President's Corner:

Dear ECAHS Members & Friends:

The New Year just keeps moving on. There are a lot of things are going on, and several meetings are needed to take place for ECAHS in the near future. The Board of Directors meeting took place on February 10 at the home of Rob and Lynn Blake, in Winchester, Virginia. Since we have to turn the articles in a month early, I cannot give a report on that meeting until March.

We are scheduled to have the Celebration XVI committee meeting on March 10 at our home. If anyone wants to stay overnight, please let us know and we will make arrangements for you to stay with us. We also need a by-laws committee meeting to go over the existing by-laws and see what necessary changes are needed. We know there have been several suggested changes that need to be reviewed and documented for a vote by the entire membership.

### Celebration XIV Notes:

I mentioned in last month's letter that there were several ways of getting the horses from the east to Cookeville, Tennessee. Since our home is 5 hours from Cookeville, we would be a middle stopping point for many. We can make arrangements for the horses and owners to spend the night here and then continue on the next day. Plan to leave on Thursday to get to Cookeville by Friday pm.

To give you a better time-line, Cookeville, TN is a seven-hour drive with trailer from Lexington Virginia Horse Center. The Blakes, in Winchester (right off the north end of I81 in Virginia), offer over-night boarding services for horses on the road (hotels are 3 mi away) and are offering stall accommodations for anyone coming from further north on a first come first available basis (they can handle up to 6-8 horses) – Cookeville is 9 hours from Winchester, Virginia .

Lynn Blake and I made our trip to the Hyder-Burks Agricultural Pavillion on December 21. The facilities are very good and convenient. Be certain to read Lynn's article on our trip and her impressions.

I have had several inquiries about the show from non-members who are excited that we are going to have our show in Tennessee. I encouraged them to join ECAHS and would also, at this time, encourage past members to renew their membership as soon as possible. The actual deadline for renewal is past, but do get it done.

Remind everyone about the show over Labor Day, and that everything they need is on our web site: [www.ecahs.org](http://www.ecahs.org). We updated it last month and are continually updating it with information. Look at the calendar of events, and submit events that need to be included on the calendar. Look at the some of the pictures from CCXXII Fair Hill, MD. Pictures will added each month.

Lynn and I are very excited about this year for ECAHS. I hope everyone will make an effort to be supportive and active in every possible way.

*Mike Whitaker, President ECAHS  
Cross-over-W Arabians  
Pulaski, Virginia*

## **Important Dates**

- **December 31, 2006 – ECAHS 2007 Membership Renewals due**
- **January 18-21, 2007 – Maryland's Horse World Expo, Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium, Maryland. The ECAHS Booth will be there, volunteers are needed.**
- **March 31, 2007 OR PRIOR TO THE BIRTH OF THE FOAL, whichever occurs first – 2007 Futurity Nominations are due**
- **February 10 – ECAHS Board of Directors Meeting at the home of Lynn & Rob Blake – Winchester, VA (all members welcome)**
- **March 10 – Celebration XIV Committee Meeting at the home of Mike & Gaye Whitaker – Pulaski, VA**
- **April – Board of Directors Meeting at the home of Merrie Boone – Quarryville, PA – Date TBA**
- **June – Board of Directors Meeting at the home of Terry & David Kerr – Locust Grove, VA – Date TBA**
- **August 31 – September 3 – Crabbet Celebration XIV – Cookville, TN**

## **ECAHS Certification Process**

In order to show your horses at ECAHS sponsored events, they must be certified to be at least 25% Crabbet/Blunt Breeding. This is accomplished by pedigree research by an expert and the percent will be provided to two decimal points rounded up (for example 79.54%). The percentage requirement of Crabbet/Blunt blood to be eligible to be certified is 25%. Many horses that you would not think of as being "Crabbet" have the qualifying amount so check carefully.

To have your horses certified by the Eastern Crabbet Arabian Horse Society, you should send a copy of the front and back of your AHRA or IAHA registration certificate and/or a pedigree if it is not contained on the back of the registration certificate. If you are sending a pedigree, please include foaling date, color, sex AND REGISTRATION NUMBER.

The cost of certification is \$5.00 per horse (\$10.00 per horse for non-ECAHS members) which supports the printing of the ECAHS certificate, which is suitable for framing. You will receive an ECAHS certificate indicating the percentage of Crabbet blood in your horse(s) and this will entitle you to participate in ECAHS events providing your horse(s) is at least 25% Crabbet/Blunt breeding.

Send information and a check made out to ECAHS in the appropriate amount, to Pat Bobb, Certification Committee, 86 White Road, Columbia, VA 23038

**CHECK OUT THE ECAHS WEBSITE**

**[www.ecahs.org](http://www.ecahs.org)**

**Official Crabbet Celebration XIII Photos by Equus Unlimited are  
available for viewing or to order prints.**

**If you would like to see the photos from this year's Celebration they are  
now on-line at <http://www.dosequus.com/ecahs/default.asp>**