

# ECAHS Member News

## News from Ladamas Arabians

Ladamas Arabians is pleased to announce the arrival of their future champion. A beautiful filly sired by the unanimous 2006 World Champion stallion \*Al Lahab GASB and out of the 2004 and 2005 VAHA Futurity champion filly Blue Sophia LA (RF Perseus x La Azur Cypres +). The filly was born at Laurel Inc. near Rectortown on February 24, 2007 at 11 p.m. The filly's nickname is Star.



Spanish Sonnet LA is in training with Larry Jones in Culpeper, Va. and will make his performance debut at the VAHA Sport Horse and Dressage Show in April. Khorvette LA will return to Rob Simpson in Amissville the beginning of April for the 2007 Show Season. Her first show will be the June VAHA Show and Futurity. Both will be working toward the Sport Horse Nationals in Lexington this coming September.

*Laura Thomas*

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## News from Steeltown Arabians

Hi! Wouldn't you know, our baby was born on Matthew's birthday. He wanted to name it Shamrock so it'll be either ST Shaamrock or Steeltown Shaamrock (Rocky for short). We were blessed with a colt - FOUR white feet, 3 high socks. Mom and son are doing well - 'Grandma' isn't any worse for wear - took a while for mom to figure out exactly how to feed him without trying to kick him. She flew through the labor without a problem.

Sire is Khadraj NA by Ponomarev. We fell in love with his half brother just before he shipped overseas only to die of colic there. 'Valantino' was a stunning white/gray stallion with fantastic conformation and personality. We almost bred Shaamin to him way back just before the export and regretted not doing so. Khadraj has outstanding babies with good minds and is consistently one of the top sires for performance AND halter. I decided to go with him with Tiger and hope they produced something special.



The vet wanted to know if we were going to rebreed on the foal heat cycle and I think we'll enjoy the year raising the colt and getting the others back out in the ring. We'll see how he shapes up and then make a decision. His structure looks real good so far but I truly cringe at all the white feet - they are hateful to clean for shows. Can't be sure if he'll gray out - few white hairs on the tail. I'd love for him to stay BROWN, either chestnut or bay. His Crabbet percentage should be between 45-48%, just too little for futurity purposes unfortunately.

BABY WATCHING IS SO FUN!!!! I'll send a couple better photos later today or tomorrow. Matthew just told me he wants the name just plain Shaamrock so that's what it'll be. **Cheers!**

*Jean Filetti*

*Steeltown Arabians*

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