

**Blue Ridge Arabian Horse Association  
Annual Spring Open Horse Show  
Open to All Breeds  
Saturday, April 27, 2024  
Harford Equestrian Center, Bel Air,  
Maryland**

**We personally invite you to the Annual Blue Ridge Arabian Horse Association Spring Open Horse Show. Our main goal is to have fun and provide an atmosphere that is enjoyable to all, regardless of your breed of horse, riding style, or level of expertise. This year we are allowing casual attire to show (only requirement is to have hard sole shoes and helmet). Once again, there will be one fee to show all day for same horse/rider combination. Our show will be held at the Harford Equestrian Center in Bel Air, MD. We would greatly appreciate your support in sponsoring a class or classes. Advertisement will be provided for all class sponsors. We look forward to seeing you at the Blue Ridge Arabian Horse Association Open Horse Show. In January, BRAHA lost our beloved Pat Clifford who was secretary/manager for years for all our shows. This year at this show we want to honor her and her love for our horses and youth. Every youth will be given 2 free classes credited to their entry. Also a special award will be given to the high point youth/horse combination. Please come and join us and celebrate the memory of our dear Pat.**

**CONTACT PEOPLE**

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Show updates can be seen on the BRAHA Facebook page.

## **Please send this information to all your friends and family so we can make this show a success.**

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** The show will begin 9:00 Saturday morning, April 27, 2024. All classes, designated as Open classes, are open to all breeds of horses, registered and/or unregistered. These classes designated as Arabian classes are open to registered Purebred and Partbred Arabian horses only. Purebred/Partbred Arabian horses will compete together in the Arabian halter classes (classes 2, 4, 6, 8). A non Arabian halter conformation class has been added and is for non Arabian horses only (class 11). Purebred and Partbred Arabians are NOT eligible to compete in this class. Purebred and Partbred Arabian horses will compete together in all Arabian under saddle classes and halter handling/trail. Cross entering between divisions is allowed.

**STALLS/ARRIVAL TIME:** Stalls will be available Friday afternoon at 3:00. The cost for your stalls is \$45.00. Water is available in each barn. You are responsible for bringing your own bedding. If you desire to be stalled next to certain individuals, please make sure that you include that information with your entry.

**DIRECTIONS:** I-95 North to Exit 77 – Route 24 North, Bel Air, 5 miles to left on Business Route 1, ½ mile to right on Tollgate Road, ¾ mile to Equestrian Center on left.

**CASUAL RIDING ATTIRE ALLOWABLE:** The show committee decided it would be fun to allow participants to dress in casual clothing, if they desire. Formal show attire is not required but certainly allowed as well. All exhibitors, regardless of their age, must show in hard sole shoes and wear a helmet, regardless of the discipline. Helmets for all riders are a requirement of the Harford Equestrian Center.

**FLAT FEE:** We are offering a one-time fee of \$85.00 for any one horse/rider combination to show in as many classes as they would like for the entire day for classes 1 through 96. If a stall is needed, a one-time fee of \$125.00 will be charged for any one horse/rider combination to show in as many classes as they would like the entire day along with being provided a stall. Classes 14 and 18 can also be included in this fee, regardless of the rider. All other classes must be the same horse/rider combination to be eligible for this flat fee. There will be no refunds.

**HALTER CHAMPIONSHIPS:** Horses placing first or second in classes 2, 4, 6, and 8 will be eligible to compete in the Arabian Halter Championship (class 13). Horses placing first or second in classes 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10 and 11 will be eligible to compete in the Open Confirmation Championship (class 12).

**UNDER SADDLE CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES:** Championships are offered in the walk, walk-trot, sport horse undersaddle, western dressage suitability, western, and hunter /english divisions for open and Arabian horse participants. In order to participate in these championship classes, you must ride in at least one corresponding class in that discipline. Arabian horses (purebred and partbred) must ride in at least one Arabian class in that division in order to participate in the Arabian Championship. In these championship classes, a champion, reserve champion, and third thru six place ribbons will be awarded.

**AGED CLASSES:** All junior classes are for exhibitors who are 18 years old and younger as of January 1. All senior classes are for exhibitors who are 19 years old and older as of January 1. In the walk-trot division, juniors will be furthered divided: 13 and Under and 14 to 18. The Youth Leadline class is open to children who are 10 years or younger. The Walk class is open to children who are 13 years and younger. Assistants may stay beside the horse in these classes (15, 16, 17). Youth may show both in the Leadline and Walk Division. The Adult Leadline class (18) is open to all adults. They are also eligible to compete in other riding classes.

**GREEN CLASSES:** Horse and rider combination that have not competed more than two full years together in that discipline.

**MAIDEN CLASSES:** Horse and rider combination may not have won more than one blue ribbon in that discipline.

**NOVICE CLASSES:** Horse and rider combination may not have won more than three blue ribbons in that discipline.

**HALTER HANDLING/TRAIL:** Halter Handling is a trail course beside your horse (unmounted). Horses will be led over and through various obstacles. Both the trail and the halter handling classes are in the Schooling Ring, and you will have a 4 hour period of time to enter the ring and take your horse(s) thru the obstacles. Starting time will be at 10:30 am. You may lead horse over obstacles tacked up in the halter handling class. Ribbons will be awarded shortly after the last horse is presented. Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded to the two highest scoring open halter handling horses based on scores in classes 87-90. Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded to the two highest scoring Arabian halter handling horses (purebred or partbred) based on scores in classes 91 and 92. Champion and Reserve Champion ribbons will be awarded to the two highest scoring open trail horses based on scores in classes 94-96. Leadline trail class (class 93) is for youth 13 and under, and the horse may be lead by an assistance on the ground while the youth is mounted on the horse through the obstacles.

**HALTER HANDLING/TRAIL JUDGE'S CARD:** Anyone entering halter handling/trail classes **MUST** pick up a judge's card from the show office prior to entering any of the halter handling/trail classes. Once you get your judge's card you will hand the card to the judge before entering the class.

**GO AS YOU PLEASE CLASSES:** Horses will enter the ring at a walk and then will be asked to "Go As You Please" (trot/jog, canter/lope) both ways of the ring.

**OPEN WALK ALL AGES 1<sup>st</sup> YEAR SHOWING** – (Class 19) - This is a class for the first year exhibitor showing at a show undersaddle, regardless of age.

**JUNIOR HORSE CLASSES:** Open to horses that are 5 years old or younger.

**LIBERTY:** Class 24 is open to purebred and partbred registered Arabians. Class 25 is open to non Arabian horses only. Purebred and partbred Arabians are not eligible to participate in Class 25. We will accept the first 10 entries. Six ribbons will be awarded in each class. You must supply your own music. You will have 2 minutes to present your horse at liberty and 2 minutes to catch your horse. Failure to catch your horse within a 2 minute period will result in a disqualification.

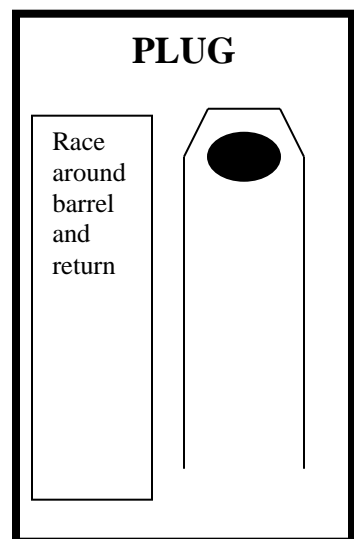
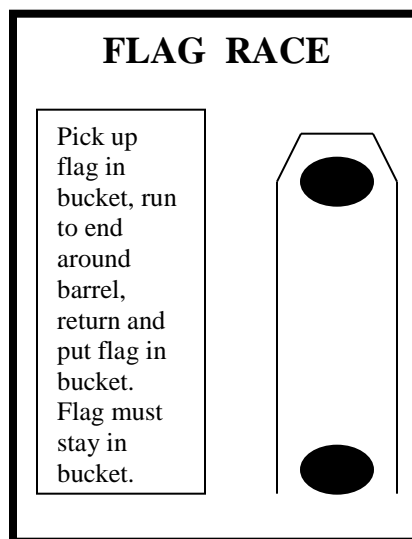
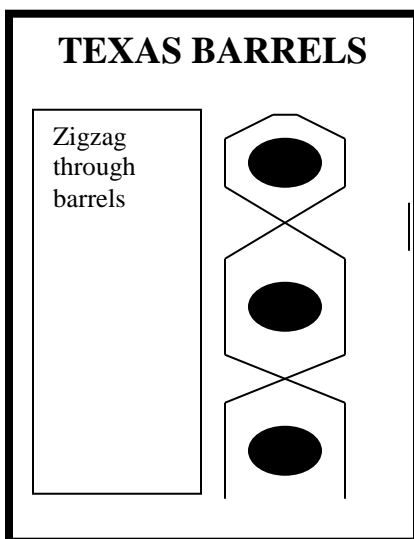
**FUN CLASSES:** Test your skills – or just enjoy:

**OPEN PRIZE/\$25 SHOW CREDIT**– (Class 23) - Walk in by yourself, or on or beside your horse. Find a spot and the person/horse closest to a pre-designated spot will win a prize and \$25.00 off their show fees.

**OPEN WALK RACE** – (Class 67) - Horses line up side by side at the end of the ring and then **WALK** to the other side across a finish line, placing the first through sixth horses who do not break at the walk.

**TIMED CLASSES:** After the Leadline Plug class (42), the rest of the timed classes will be run in groups (Texas Barrels, Cloverleaf Barrels, Plug, Flag Race) regardless of age or speed. The exhibitor will inform the gate person if in Walk/Trot or Speed and enter the class. Exhibitors are responsible to be at the gate and ready to compete. Once the barrels are set for the next group, they will NOT be reset. Classes will be pinned after the division is completed. Those who enter the speed classes cannot enter the walk/jog races and those entering walk/jog cannot enter the speed races. Tiedowns, splint boots and two hands on reins are allowed in all classes. Helmets are required for all riders in all classes. No practice time is allowed once the barrels are setup. A western or english saddle may be used in all speed classes. In the walk/trot classes, horse must remain at a walk or jog during the entire pattern. If the horse breaks into a lope or canter, rider has 3 strides to bring horse back to walk or jog, or a 5 second time penalty will added to ending time. Champion & reserve will be awarded to Juniors and Seniors. A 5 second time penalty will be added to a rider's ending time if a barrel is knocked over in any speed event class. In the flag race, flag may not be used as a crop. If used as a crop, rider will be disqualified.

## SPEED EVENT PATTERNS



You may start on either side for Texas Barrels, Flag Race, Plug, and Clover Leaf

