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MEPSA is an educational group for model horse enthusiasts, promoting the hobby of model horse mail-in photo showing.

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide information to showers who do not have internet access. It is mailed free of charge (courtesy of Marie Phillips). The newsletter is also available by email and on the website as a secondary source of information and updates for all members.

In Short (From the Editors) –

Welcome to this issue of MEPSA Newsletter from your editors, Marie and Toni!

From Marie Phillips: I hope you find our Newsletter informative, where you can find changes that inevitably come along during the MEPSA show season, which goes from August through May, with the Championship Show in June. On a personal note, the MRI revealed what I've had all this time, is stenosis in the neck. No surgery needed—yet. But treatments are limited or worse than the problem! So will just ride it out as best as I can, and might consider a second opinion down the road. So we march onward.

Anyway, enough about me. We are accepting sales lists at one page for \$2.00.

Important note on the MINI Division- we use *Identify Your Breyers* system for determining stablemate Gs (G1, G2, G3 etc)

By now photos should have the correct class numbers, but if you're like me, and have several sets going to Div A and Mini Halter shows, even in midseason mistakes are found! PLEASE check them all before sending entries out! Judges are not required to move your photos to the right classes and they may miss out on qualifying!

Well, enough yammerin' from me.

From Toni Rakestraw: Well, the curse of getting older seems to hit us all, doesn't it? Been dealing with family issues a lot, but trying to fit in some model horse stuff! I just finished judging the Div A show for April, and am facing the May Novice Halter show coming up. If you're a novice, check out the show info and send me some model pics! Even novices can qualify for the Champ Show in June, so give it a try!

From both of us — Enjoy the Newsletter!

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DEAR APPY

Dear Appy:

I want to enter a MEPSA show but I am new to this. What do I need to do?

From

Eager to Show.

Dear Eager shower.

Here is some information to help you enter our shows!

New Showers Information

Entering a MEPSA show is fun and exciting! But if you haven't done it before, it can be a little confusing. Below, please find some information to help you get started.

1. First Step—taking photos. If you are wondering what a winning photo looks like, try looking at the [Championship Show Gallery](#) on our website. There are many resources on photography, cameras, set-ups, etc. online. One of the best is our own [Photo Shower's Guide](#) available on Lulu.com. You can also find some great articles in past copies of our Championship Result books. You can look up each year (on the [Championship—Past Articles](#) page) and see a listing of the articles from that year. The [back issues](#) are available on Lulu.com.
2. What to do with those photos—To finish preparing your photos for entry in a show, you will need to complete the back of the photo. This is very important, as this information will help the judge with placings and getting your photos back home to you. The article [Photo Backs, The Other Side of the Photo](#) will help you know what information to put on and how. All your photos must include your unique 5-letter code (the first two letters of your first name and the first three letters of your last name. i.e. Suzie Creamcheese would be SUCRE).
3. Next— Finding a show. Your first decision will be whether to enter [Novice](#) or [Open](#). The Novice division is for people just learning about photo showing. These shows have limited entries, and the judge will critique the photos as well as judge them. It is a great learning experience. If you are more experienced, then Open is your choice. The show schedules are located on our website and in our newsletter. Here you will find who, what and where for each show.
4. Entering— Include a copy of the [MEPSA Entry Form](#) filled out, your photos, an SASE (Self Addressed Stamped Envelope—**please make sure your SASE is not sealed yet**), and your payment. Secure your photos in Ziploc baggies (or other protective coverings). Your photos should be in class order, so the judge does not have to sort your photos for you. Your payment options are cash, check, PayPal, Show Coupons (Show coupons are available in denominations from \$1-\$8 from our Treasurer) or judge's certificates. Be sure to read the show information carefully, as all shows have limits as to how many photos may be entered.

5. Mailing— Please make sure you mail your entries with plenty of time to get to the judge. Your shipping envelope and the SASE must have the proper postage affixed. Do not put tape over your postage or the USPS can't cancel the stamps. Be careful how much tape you use. If you make it too hard for the judge to open them, your photos might be damaged in the process.

6. The Show— Most judges will post a list of entrants, so you know if your photos arrived safe and sound. While many judges finish judging in around two weeks, they have up to four weeks to finish the show and mail it back to you.

7. Show judged— Depending on how you requested your results, they may be emailed to you, printed and returned with your photos, or you can look them up on the website after they are uploaded. They will be under the show information.

8. Return of photos— When you receive your envelope back, please make sure to check your photos. Some judges will leave Post-it notes on photos that may have been incorrectly entered. Other times you may have someone else's photo sneak home with yours. It is common courtesy to send the wayward horse home to its owner. Go through the results. Make sure all your qualifiers are spelled correctly and have the correct 5 letter code on them. If you need to make any changes, use the [Qualifier Correction Sheet](#) to notify the Tab Team of the correction. The Tab Team, or Tabulations Team, keeps a record of qualifications for each show.

9. What now? Keep showing! Keep earning your qualifications for entry into MEPSA's Championship Show in June. It is a really big show! Earning the right to go is an accomplishment itself, but winning prizes is even better!

Have fun!

Appy

NEWS!

The MEPSA Championship show is set for June 21, 2025!

Check link for updated show dates, entry fees and other information. Website will be updated soon!

<https://mepsa.club/international-championship-show/>

MEPSA 2025 Calendar

MEPSA has put together a great calendar for 2025 that is available for purchase on Lulu.com. The cost is \$22 and the proceeds go towards purchasing prizes for contests and the Championship Show in June. [MEPSA 2025 Calendar](#) If you cannot use this link just copy and paste into Lulu.com and the page will come up! I have a copy and it is beautiful!

HELP NEEDED!

We are looking for help in the Judge's Coordinator spot. Either someone to take it over or just help. Please contact Rhonda Chisholm if you think you can help. Littlepintos2016@gmail.com.

MEPSA CONTESTS.



Donations Coordinator/Championship Show Coordinator
Alice Aldridge Carpenter, PO Box 1334, Petal MS 39465
aaldridge1334@gmail.com



MEPSA Makeover Challenge

Deadline: May 1, 2025

Time still remains in the current Makeover challenge! MEPSA is holding a customizing contest as a MEPSA benefit. Take a traditional Breyer Morganglanz body and customize it, from a simple repaint to a total remaking of the body. The winner will be decided by popular vote, and everyone is encouraged to enter. This is a great way to get your work shown to a large audience, win a great prize, and help MEPSA.

Contest Rules:

1. Your identity, as maker, should be kept under wraps until the voting is over. Please don't tell anyone which entry is yours. Guessing is part of the fun!
2. All finished models need to have a clear digital or scanned photo of each side, with a model to show scale sent in to MEPSA, Alice A Carpenter aaldridge1334@gmail.com – Alice can take the photographs for you, if needed, when the model is received.
3. All entered models become property of MEPSA to raise funds or use as Championship show awards. This is a MEPSA Benefit contest. Maker must send the finished model to MEPSA upon completion to Alice A Carpenter, PO Box 1334, Petal, MS 39465 at their own expense. There is no other fee to enter.
4. The contest will be publicized on Facebook and in model horse groups. Please help spread the word!
5. Deadline for completing your makeover is March 1, 2025. Voting will take place during March.
6. If you would like to enter and request a Morganglanz body, please contact Alice A Carpenter at aaldridge1334@gmail.com. We have a limited number of bodies available so you may need to supply your own. If you supply your own body, please send me an intent-to-enter-statement at aaldridge1334@gmail.com just so I know how many entries to expect.

Breyer Morganglanz



Winner chooses either a \$100 Blick's Gift Card or a \$100 Hobby Lobby Gift Card

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Annual Writing Contest

Deadline: June 1, 2025

Prize: TBA

Judge: Toni Rakestraw

We need both longer and shorter articles. 1000-3000 words is the length to shoot for.

Text should be formatted in Microsoft Word (.doc) or .rtf or .txt.

Name your text file using your last name (e.g. bailey.doc).

Do not embed images in your article. Send the illustrations for your article as separate .jpg files (no more than 2 MB each), named using your last name and the figure/illustration number (e.g. “baileyfig1.jpg”). Illustrations must be original or used by permission from the source. Provide a source for each illustration as they will be listed in the figure captions (e.g. photo by Corina Roberts). Illustrations are an essential part of almost any article.

You may include a short byline describing yourself/credentials/place in the hobby.

Email your files to mepsa22@yahoo.com.

Choose a subject related to model horses in which you are knowledgeable. Here are some examples that would be topics of interest:

Performance—the tack, rules, setting, etc. illustrated with photos of real horses/tack and/or model horses.

Customizing — how to ... (paint, resculpt, do hooves, braid a mane, etc.)

How to make tack — a halter, bridle, saddle, costume, harness ...

How to make props

Breeds (e.g. “Tiger Horse”, “exotics”) — with real horse illustrations. If you breed, keep or train horses, speak from your experience and illustrate with your horses! What model horses best represent your breed? Why?

Photography — share your special tips on model horse photography with our readers!

Model horse manufacturers: a history of Hagen Renecker or Breyer or artist resins ...

Fiction/poetry — We are willing to accept these submissions. Of course they should be horse related. We will not be printing more than one “creative work” in the Champ book. Others may appear in the club newsletter.

Other similar subjects of interest to model horse photo showers. To see an example MEPSA Championship book, go to Lulu.com, search for MEPSA, and look at a preview.

Thank you for your consideration! These articles help to make our Champ show book awesome.

Please contact Jennifer Cole at mepsa22@yahoo.com if you are interested in participating!

FOR SALE

We are now accepting sales lists from MEPSA members in the newsletter! \$2.00 per page! Send payment to treasurer mepsa22@yahoo.com and your lists to RIAP57@aol.com.

THE MEPSA SEASON SCHEDULE

(Aug 2024-June 2025)

MEPSA OPEN Qualifier Show schedule

3rd Quarter schedule

May 3, 2025 – OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Division A) – no Minis allowed

Photo limit 100 [Class List](#)

~SPECIAL NOTE: Entries for ALL the May 2025 shows may all be mailed together to Rhonda's address to save postage. She will distribute them to the correct judges.

Mail your photos to:

Rhonda Chisholm

3066 Emerald Ln

Magnolia, MS 39652

LittlePintos2016@gmail.com

May 11, 2024 – OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifier (Divisions B,C,D) – No minis allowed

Photo limit 100 per division; 150 total [Class List](#)

NOTE: Checks will not be accepted for this show!

Mail your photos to:

Please mail your photos to:

Leitha McCullough

15 Pine Hill Rd. Ext.

Richton, MS 39476

LeithaRhea@att.net

May 17, 2025 – All Performance Regular Qualifier (Divisions E,F,I)

Photo limit 150 per division; 300 total

Mail your photos to:

Julia Reightler

c/o Rhonda Chisholm

3066 Emerald Ln

Magnolia, MS 39652

juliereightler@yahoo.com

May 24, 2025 – Mini Qualifier (Divisions G,H)

Stablemate, Little Bit, CollectA and similar sized models generally around 4" in height and excluding Classic scale foals which are still Classic scale regardless of height

Photo limit 100 per division; 150 total

Mail your photos to:

Please mail your photos to:

Cheley Carpenter

PO Box 1334

Petal, MS 39465

Cheley.F.Carpenter@nasa.gov

JUNE 2025

June 21, 2025 – [International Championship Show](https://mepsa.club/showing-judging/upcoming-shows/)

Check website for updates! <https://mepsa.club/showing-judging/upcoming-shows/>

MEPSA OTHER ANIMAL SPECIALTY

July 19, 2025

Judge: Riley Blanchette

4N742 Honey Hill Circle, Wayne, IL 60184

c/o Alyssabailey090611@gmail.com

It is time to show your non-equine models in our July show. Remember this is for all non-equine models. Unicorns, Pegasus and other fantasy equines are not eligible.

Please mark the back of your photos just as you would your normal MEPSA entries including your 5-letter codes (1st two of your first name, and 1st three of your last name i.e. alald). This show is NOT a MEPSA qualifying show. There will be MEPSA show coupons awarded to the Champions in each division. Entry fee is \$2.00 per 50 photos, no limit. All entries may enter one class in the species' divisions, and one make class. There is a Performance division for the adventurous! Regular rules apply. Payment forms for this show include cash, MEPSA show coupons or by PayPal to mepsa22@yahoo.com. This show is for non-equines. All equines show in the normal shows.

Check the class list below and, the information on researching breeds and other information on your critters at <https://mepsa.club/other-animal-show/>

Division A- Domesticated Dogs

1. Sporting Group
2. Herding Group
3. Terrier Group
4. Hound Group
5. Toy Group
6. Working Group
7. Non-Sporting Group
8. Other Pure/Mixed Breeds

Champ/Reserve

Division B- Domesticated Cats

9. American Breeds
10. European Breeds
11. Oriental Breeds
12. Other Purebred Cats
13. Part bred Cats

14. Domestic Shorthair

15. Domestic Longhair

Champ/Reserve

Division C- Farm Animals

16. Beef Cattle
17. Other Cattle/Bovine
18. Goat/Sheep
19. Pig/Other Farm Animals

Champ/Reserve

Division D- Birds

20. Perching-Small (Chickadees, Finches, Cardinals, Sparrows, Canaries, etc.)

21. Perching-Large (Parrots, Doves, Jays, etc.)
22. Aquatic (Duck, Swan, Gull, Flamingo, Heron, Penguin, etc.)
23. Ground Dwellers (Chicken, Turkey, Sandpiper, etc.)
24. Birds of Prey (Eagles, Hawks, Owls, etc.)
25. Other Birds

Champ/Reserve

Division E- Reptiles/Amphibians/Aquatic

26. Snakes/Lizards
27. Crocodiles/Alligators
28. Turtles/Tortoises
29. Amphibians
30. Marine Mammals (Whales, Dolphins, Manatee, Otters, Walrus, etc.)
31. Saltwater Fish
32. Freshwater Fish
33. Other Reptile/Amphibian/Aquatic

Champ/Reserve

Division F- Other Animals

34. Wild Canine (Fox, Wolf, Coyote, Dingo, etc.)
35. Wild Feline-Large (Lion, Tiger, Leopard, Cheetah, etc.)
36. Wild Feline-Small (Bobcat, Lynx, African Wildcat, etc.)
37. Deer Family (Moose, Antelope, Elk, etc.)
38. Large Animal (Elephants, Rhinos, Hippos, Giraffe, Bears)
39. Small Ground Dwelling (Squirrel, Chipmunks, Rabbits, Mice, etc.)
40. Other Animals

Champ/Reserve

Division G- Dinosaurs/Mythological

41. Large Land Herbivore Dinosaur (Apatosaurus, Diplodocus, Stegosaurus, Triceratops, etc.)
42. Large Land Carnivore Dinosaur (Tyrannosaurus, Allosaurus, etc.)
43. Other Dinosaur/Prehistoric Reptile (Dimetrodon, Velociraptor, Compsognathus, etc.)
44. Flying/Aquatic Prehistoric Reptile (Archaeopteryx, Pterodactyls, Mosasaur, Plesiosaur, etc.)
45. Prehistoric Mammals
46. Mythological/Unrealistic Animals (Dragon, Griffin, Hydra, etc.)

Champ/Reserve

Division H - Make

47. OF Plastic-Breyer
48. OF Plastic-Schleich
49. OF Plastic- CollectA/Safari
50. OF Plastic-Other Make
51. OF China-Hagen Renaker
52. OF China-Other Make
53. OF Resin-North Light
54. OF Resin-Other Make
55. OF Other Material (Wood, Metal, Glass, etc.)
56. CM Plastic
57. CM China/Other Material
58. Original Sculpture

Champ/Reserve

Division I - Performance

59. Dog Performance-Agility
60. Dog Performance-Other
61. Other Animal Performance
62. Scene

Champ/Reserve

Check MEPSA Website for current classlists for May 2025!

<https://mepsa.club/showing-judging/class-lists/>

(Will be updated after the Championship show for 2025-26 season)

MEPSA BREED DIRECTORY- 2024-25

(OR WHICH CLASS DOES MY MODEL GO IN!)

Light Breed

16. Arabian

17. Part-Arabian

ABSTANG, ANGLO-ARAB (ALL TYPES), ARALIPIZZAN, ARALOOSA, GIARAB, HISPANO-ARABÉ, MORAB, NATIONAL SHOW HORSE, PINTABIAN, PLEVEN, QUARAB, SHAGYA ARABIAN, WELARA, ETC.

18. Morgan

19. Other Pure/Mixed Light

ARENBERG-NORDKIRCHEN, BALUCHI, BARB, BOERPERD, CALABRESE, DONGOLA HORSE, HIRZAI, IOMUD, KATHWARI, MARWARI, NEZ PERCE, PERSIAN ARAB, PUROSANGUE ORIENTAL, QATGANI, SANFRATELLANO, SELALE (OROMO), TERSK, TURKOMAN, UNMOL, ETC.
Light Breed Champion/Reserve

Sport Breed

20. Thoroughbred

21. Trotters/Pacers

CANADIAN PACER, DOLE TROTTER, FRENCH TROTTER, ITALIAN TROTTER, NARAGANSETT PACER, NORTH SWEDISH HORSE, NORWEGIAN COLDBLOOD TROTTER (NORSK KALDBLODSTRAVER), ORLOV TROTTER, RUSSIAN TROTTER, SHALES HORSE, STANDARD BRED, SWEDISH COLDBLOOD TROTTER (SVENSK KALLBLODSTRAVARE), ETC.

22. Warmblood (WB)

ANGLO-NORMAN, BAVARIAN WB, BELGIAN WB, BRANDENBURGER, CANADIAN WB, CZECH WB, DANISH WB, DUTCH WB, EAST BULGARIAN, FURIOSO-NORTH STAR, GERMAN WB, HANOVERIAN, HESSEN, HOLSTEIN, HUNGARIAN WB, IBERIAN WB, LATVIAN RIDING HORSE, MECKLENBURGER, OLDENBURG, RHEINLANDER (PFALZ-SAAR/ZWEIBRUCKER), SICILIANO INDIGENO, SWEDISH WB, SWISS WB, TRAKEHNER, WESTPHALIAN, WIELKOPOLSKIS, WÜRTTEMBERG (MODERN TYPE), ETC.

23. Sporthorses (SH)

AKHAL-TEKE SH, AMERICAN SH, AMERICAN WB, APPALOOSA SH, ARGENTINE POLO PONY, AUSTRIAN WB, BELGIAN SH, BRAZILLIAN SH, CANADIAN SH, CLEVELAND BAY SH, CURLY SH, FRIESIAN SH, HUNGARIAN SH, INDIAN HALF-BLOOD, IRISH SH (IRISH DRAUGHT SH/IRISH HUNTER), KINSKY HORSE, KISBER FELVER, KNABSTRUPPER (SPORT), PINTO SH,

ROMANIAN SH, SALERNITANO (SALERNO), SELLA ITALIANO, SELLE FRANÇAIS, SPANISH NORMAN, STONEWALL SH, SUGARBUSH DRAFT SH, UKRAINIAN RIDING HORSE, VENTASSO, WARLANDER, ZANGERSHEIDE, ETC.

24. Other Pure/Mixed Sport

AKHAL-TEKE, ANGLO KABARDA, ANGLO-KARACHAY, AZERBAIJAN HORSE, BUDYONNY, EINSIEDLER, FINN HORSE, FLEUVE, FOUTANKÉ, FREIBERGER (FRANCHES-MONTAGNES), HEGU HORSE, KABARDA, KALMYK, KARABAIR, KARABAKH HORSE, KARACABEY HORSE, KARACHAY HORSE, KARBARDIN, KUSTANAIR, LOKAI, MALOPOLSKI, NOOITGEDACHTER, NOVOKIRGHIZ, RUSSIAN DON, STRELETSKY, ETC.

Sport Breed Champion/Reserve

Spanish/Gaited Breed

25. Old World Spanish (breeds developed in Spain or Portugal)

ALTER-REAL, ANDALUSIAN (PRE), BASQUE MOUNTAIN HORSE, BURGUETE, JACA, LOSINO, LUSITANO, MALLORQUIN, MENORQUIN, MONCHINO, NAVARRE, SPANISH BARB, ETC.

26. New World Spanish (breeds developed in North or South America)

AZTECA, CAMARILLO WHITE HORSE, CAMPEIRO, CAMPOLINA, CAROLINA MARSH TACKY, CARTHUSIAN, CHILEAN HORSE, CHILOTE, CHOCTAW HORSE, COSTA RICAN SADDLE HORSE, CRIOLLO (ALL TYPES), FLORIDA CRACKER HORSE, MANGALARGA, MANGALARGA MARCHADOR, PANTANEIRO, PASO FINO, PERUVIAN PASO, SANTA CRUZ ISLAND HORSE, SPANISH JENNET-MODERN, SPANISH MUSTANG, VENEZUELAN SPANISH, WILBUR-CRUCÉ MISSION HORSE, ETC.

27. American Saddlebred

28. Tennessee Walker/Missouri Fox Trotter

29. Other Pure/Mixed Spanish/Gaited

AEIDIENBERGER, IBERIAN HORSE, ICELANDIC, KENTUCKY MOUNTAIN SADDLE HORSE, MC CURDY PLANTATION HORSE, MOUNTAIN PLEASURE HORSE, NORTH AMERICAN SINGLE-FOOTED HORSE, RACKING HORSE, ROCKY MOUNTAIN HORSE, SPOTTED SADDLE HORSE, TENNUVIAN, TIGER HORSE, VIRGINIA HIGHLANDER, WALKALOOSA, ETC.,

Spanish/Gaited Champion/Reserve

Stock Breed

30. Quarter Horse

APPENDIX QUARTER HORSE, FOUNDATION QUARTER HORSE, QUARTER HORSE

31. Appaloosa

APPALOOSA, APPALOOSA CROSS WITH ARABIAN, QUARTER HORSE OR THOROUGHBRED

32. Paint

PAINT, PAINT CROSS WITH QUARTER HORSE OR THOROUGHBRED

33. Other Pure/Mixed Stock

AUSTRALIAN STOCK HORSE, AUSTRALIAN WALER, BLAZER HORSE, CAVALLO ROMANO DELLA MAREMMA LAZIALE, COLORADO RANGER, MAREMMANO, TOLFETANO, ETC.

Stock Breed Champion/Reserve

Draft Breed

34. Clydesdale/Shire

35. Belgian/Percheron

AMERICAN BELGIAN DRAFT, BELGIAN HEAVY DRAFT, BRABANT

36. Other Pure/Mixed Draft

ABTENAVER, AMERICAN CRÈME DRAFT, ANDRAVIDA, ARDENNES, AUSTRALIAN DRAUGHT HORSE, AUVERGNE HORSE, AUXIOS, AVELIGNESE, BLACK FOREST HORSE, BOULONNAIS, BRETON (TRAIT), BURMESE HORSE, COMTOIS, CROATIAN COLDBLOOD, DOLE GUDBRANDSDAL, DRUM HORSE, DUTCH HEAVY DRAFT, ESTONIA DRAFT, FINNISH DRAFT

HORSE, HEIHE, HISPANO-BRETÓN, ITALIAN HEAVY DRAFT, JUTLAND, LITHUANIAN HEAVY DRAUGHT, MEDIMURJE HORSE (HUNGARIAN COLDBLOOD), MURAKOZI, NORIKER (PINZGAUER-NORIKER), NORTH AMERICAN SPOTTED DRAFT (NASD), POSAVAC, RHINELAND HEAVY DRAFT (RHENISH GERMAN COLDBLOOD), RUSSIAN HEAVY DRAFT, SCHLESWIG COLDBLOOD, SOKOLSKY HORSE, SOUTH GERMAN COLDBLOOD, SOVIET HEAVY DRAFT, SUFFOLK PUNCH, SUGARBUSH HARLEQUIN DRAFT, SWEDISH ARDENNES, TRAIT DU NORD, VLADIMIR HEAVY DRAFT, ETC.

Draft Breed Champion/Reserve

Pony Breed

37. North American Pony

AMERICAN SHETLAND (CLASSIC/FOUNDATION/MODERN), AMERICAN SHOW PONY, AMERICAN WALKING PONY, ASSATEAGUE, CANADIAN RUSTIC PONY, CHINCOTEAGUE, LAC LA CROIX INDIAN PONY, NEWFOUNDLAND PONY, PONY OF THE AMERICAS, QUARTER PONY (INCLUDING PINTO), ETC.

38. British/Irish Ponies

BRITISH RIDING PONY, BRITISH SHETLAND, BRITISH SPOTTED PONY, CONNEMARA, DALES, DARTMOOR PONY, ERISKAY PONY, EXMOOR, FELL, HACKNEY PONY, HIGHLAND PONY, KERRY BOG PONY, LUNDY PONY, NEW FOREST PONY, WELSH PONY (SEC. A/B/C), ETC.

39. Other Pure/Mixed Pony

ASTURCÓN, AUSTRALIAN RIDING PONY, BALI PONY, BATAK (DELI) PONY, BRONSON FOREST PONY, COFFIN BAY PONY, CZECHOSLOVAKIAN SMALL RIDING PONY, DEUTSCHES CLASSIC PONY, DÜLMEN PONY, ESPERIA PONY, FOROE PONY, GARRANO, GAYOE, GERMAN RIDING PONY, GOTLAND PONY, GUIZHOU PONY, GYPSY VANNER PONY, HOKKAIDO PONY (DOSANKO), HUCUL, JAVA PONY, KNABSTRUPPER PONY, LANDAIS PONY, LIJIANG PONY, MANIPURI PONY, MIYAKO PONY, NARYM PONY, NOMA PONY, PADANG, PENEIA PONY, PETISO ARGENTINO, PINDOS PONY, PONEY FRANÇAIS DE SELLE (FRENCH SADDLE PONY), PONY DU LOGONE (MOUSSEYE PONEY), POTTOK, PRIOB (OB) PONY, SANDALWOOD PONY, SKYROS PONY, SPITI HORSE, SPORT PONIES (ALL TYPES), SUMBA (SUMBAWA), TIBETAN PONY, TIMOR PONY, TOKARA PONY, WESTERN SUDAN PONY, ZANISKARI HORSE, ETC.

Pony Champion/Reserve

Miscellaneous Breed

40. Longears/Exotics

BURRO, DONKEY, HINNY, KIANG, MULE, ONAGER, PRZEWALSKI, QUAGGA, TARPAN, WILD ASS, ZEBRA, ZEBRASS, ZEDONK, ZONKEY, ZONY, ZORSE, ETC.

41. Feral/Semi-Feral Horses (breeds that live and breed in feral or semi-feral conditions)

ABACO BARB, ALBERTA MOUNTAIN HORSE, ASTURIAN, BAISE (GUANGXI) HORSE, BANKER HORSE, BRUMBY, CARMARGUE, CAYUSE, CERBAT MUSTANG, CUMBERLAND ISLAND HORSE, DANUBE DELTA HORSE, DELFT ISLAND, GALICIAN, HECK HORSE, KAIMANAWA HORSE, KIGER MUSTANG, KONIK, KUNDUDO HORSE, LAVRADEIROS, MARISMEÑO, MISAKI HORSE, MONGOLIAN HORSE (ALL TYPES), MURGESE, MUSTANG, NAMIB DESERT HORSE, NOKOTA HORSE, PENTRO HORSE, PRYOR MOUNTAIN MUSTANG, RETUERTA, SABLE ISLAND HORSE, SARCIDANO HORSE, SORRAIA, SULPHUR MUSTANG, YAKUTAIN HORSE (ALL TYPES), ETC.

42. Light Carriage Breeds

ALT OLDENBERGER, ALT WÜRTTEMBERGER, BYELORUSSIAN HARNESS HORSE, CASTILLONNAIS, CLEVELAND BAY, DANUBIAN, DUTCH HARNESS HORSE, FREDRICKSBORG, FRIESIAN, GELDERLANDER, GRONINGEN, HACKNEY HORSE, HAFLINGER, IRISH DRAUGHT, KLADRUBERS, KNABSTRUPPER (BAROQUE), LATVIAN HARNESS HORSE, NONIUS, OSTFRIESIAN, ROTTALER, SILESIAN HORSE, VLAAMPERD, WELSH COB SEC. D, ETC.

43. Heavy Carriage Breeds

GYPSY VANNER/GYPSY COB/IRISH COB/IRISH TINKER/TINKER, NORMAN COB, NORTH SWEDISH HORSE, POITEVIN HORSE, POSTIER (LIGHT BRETON), TORI, ETC.

44. Other Pure

ALBANIAN HORSE, ALTAI, AMERICAN CURLY HORSE, ANADOLU, BALIKUN HORSE, BARDIGIANO, BASHKIR HORSE, BHUTIA HORSE, BOSNIAN MOUNTAIN HORSE, BOSUTO PONY, CANADIAN HORSE, CASPIAN, CATRIA, CORISICAN, ESPERIA PONY, ESTONIAN HORSE, FALABELLA, NORWEGIAN FJORD, GALICEÑO, GIARA, GUOXIA, GYPSY VANNER (MINIATURE), JEJU HORSE, KAZAKH, KIZO HORSE, LIPIZZAN, LLANERO, M'BAYAR, MERENS, MESSARA, MINIATURE HORSE, MONTERUFOLINO, MOYLE, M'PAR, NANGCHEN HORSE, NORDLANDSHEST/LYNGSHEST, RIWOCHÉ, SHAN PONY (PEGU), TAISHU, TAWLEED, VYATKA, VZUNYAYLA, YILI, YONAGUNI, XILINGOL HORSE, ŽEMAITUKAS, ETC.

45. Other Mixed/Grade

AMERICAN INDIAN HORSE, FRIEWALKER (FRIESIAN/TWH), GEORGIAN GRANDE (ASB/APPROVED DRAFT), HALLA HORSE (JEJU/TB), HENSON (FJORD/RIDING HORSE), MORIESIAN (MORGAN/FRIESIAN), ETC.

46. Fantasy/Decorator

Miscellaneous Breed Champion/Reserve

NOVICE SHOWS

The **MEPSA Novice Photo Show Series** provides newcomers with an opportunity to learn how to improve their photo show entries by using direct feedback. Entrants will be given individual private critiques on EVERY photo they enter, thus allowing them to see exactly what they can improve on. Photos will also be judged against one another (just like a regular photo show) and full results will be given to all entrants.

Some rules to remember:

Showers CANNOT enter Novice shows and OPEN shows at the same time. There is a maximum of 2 years allowed in Novice for showers over 16. Age 16 and under, no maximum. Graduating from Novice may occur prior to the maximum allowed time, if the majority of judges recommend moving up to Open. A shower may elect to stay in Novice for the maximum two years. It is recommended that a shower take advantage of the Novice shows and enter as many as possible during the two year time limit.

The Novice Division is designed to help you improve your photography, but the judge can also help you with other details, such as breed assignment, labeling your photo back, etc.

Novice showers may move up to the Open division, which also includes all Specialty shows, at any time. However, if they choose to do this before season's end, they CANNOT enter any further Novice shows and must forfeit all qualifications in the Novice Division for that Season's Novice Division Championship show. Once moved to Open, they cannot show in the Novice Division. All photography must be done by the entrant, no professional photography allowed. All Original Finish Plastic or China (OF), Custom (CM) and Artist Resin (AR) horses welcome.

FEES AND RULES: \$2.00 per show. PLEASE make check/MO out to the judge, not MEPSA!

Entrants may not enter more than 15 photos per show. All photos will be individually critiqued by the photo show judge and entrants will be given constructive criticism on how to improve their entries. Horses that place 1st, 2nd or 3rd in any halter class in this series are eligible for the MEPSA Novice Halter Championship division and, in Performance, any horse placing 1st, 2nd or 3rd are eligible for the Championship Novice Performance division in the class they place in only!! The show format runs alternately, 2 halter, one Performance. (Halter-Aug, Sept, Perf-Oct, Halter-Nov, Dec, Perf-Jan, etc.)

STANDARD PHOTO SIZES ONLY – Show photos should be of uniform size. 4×6 photos are preferred, but 4×5.25 and 3×5 are also allowed. Any other size may be disqualified by the judge.

Entrants may enter one photo per horse in Halter. Enter each horse's photo in one gender class and one breed class. Example: An Arabian Stallion photo would be entered in classes 1, 5, while a Clydesdale gelding would be entered in 3, 8. You do not need separate photos for both sections. Do not send additional photos of other views. Pick the best side, and use that photo.

In Performance, it is one photo per horse per class in classes 13, 14, 18, 19. The remainder may have multiple photos of the horse as long as they are of different disciplines, i.e. Roping and Cutting in Western Stock Class or Arabian and Native American in Costumes. Duplicate photos will be DQ'd.

Sample Photo Backs:



IMPORTANT: NEVER write or put sticky notes on the front of your photos!
All information must be on the BACK of your photos! Never on the Front!!

HOW TO ENTER:

The information needed on your photo back:

Horse's name, breed, gender, color and make/mold information should be printed or written in ink on a label. Do not write directly on photo backs as it will smear and often transfers to other photos in humid conditions. DON'T use a Sharpie or any marker type pen as they can bleed right through the photo.

Class or classes entered – In Halter, this will be two classes, one for gender and one for breed type. In Performance, this will be only one class, and it helps to explain what your horse is doing. (Use pencil on a blank label. Some use scotch tape, but I dislike it as the pencil fades over time and the tape itself can leave sticky spots. Pencil is used so you can erase and remark the class numbers).

Your full name, your street address, city, state, zip code, email address and your five letter entrant ID code (1st two letters of 1st name and first three letters of last name-example: Marie Phillips-maphi). An address label is perfect and preferred for this information, but you may write it in pen on a blank label. Be sure it's readable! (Bigger is better.)

Showers should put their photos in a ziplock bag to keep them clean, dry and together. It is not mandatory to do this, but it is good practice to keep your photos safe and should the envelope be damaged, they will get back to the shower.

WHAT TO SEND:

Don't forget your entry fee, and make sure your name and address is on EVERY photo back, be sure your classes are marked on every photo back, and that you have enclosed that very important SASE! What is an SASE? It's an envelope you have addressed to yourself, with that show's judge's address as the return, which is LARGE enough to fit all your photos, critiques, and results if needed, and is PRE-STAMPED with enough

postage to mail home your entries, critique and results. You may request email results, but often the critiques are sent with the pix. This is very important, because otherwise, the judge cannot return your photos to you! **You need to put at least the same amount of stamps on the return envelope as it takes to send your package to the judge.** A lot of veteran showers will put an extra stamp in their photo bag with their name written on the back of the stamp in ink (just in case). Some even use Priority mail both ways to make it easier for all involved.

Shows will run the third Saturday of every month.

HALTER SERIES (runs in August, September, November, Dec, February, March, May -Championship Show)
PERFORMANCE SERIES (runs in November, January, April – Championship Show)

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Halter – Gender

1. Stallion
2. Mare
3. Gelding
4. Foal

Halter – Breed

5. Arabians/Morgans (pure & part-bred)

6. Sport Horse (TB, WB, STB, pure & part-bred)

7. Stock (pure & part-bred)

8. Draft (pure & part-bred)

9. Pony (pure & part-bred)

10. Gaited/Spanish (pure & part-bred)

11. Other Breed (pure & part-bred)

12. Mules/Donkeys/Other Exotic

HALTER GRAND CHAMPION
HALTER RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

PERFORMANCE SERIES (runs in November, January, April – Championship Show)

Performance – Western

13. Western Pleasure
14. Western Trail (obstacle required)
15. Western Games (barrel, pole or prop required)
16. Western Stock Class (cow/cows required)
17. Other Western (must state what event)

Performance – English/Other

18. Huntseat Pleasure

19. Dressage (show marker)

20. Hunter/Jumper (jump or obstacle required)

21. Harness

22. Costume

23. Other English (must state what event)

24. Other Miscellaneous Performance (must state what event)

PERFORMANCE GRAND CHAMPION
PERFORMANCE RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION

4st Quarter Schedule below!

MAY 17, 2025 - Halter

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(Or in what class does my model belong?)

5.Arabians//Morgans – Arabians, Shagya-Arab, Anglo-Arab, Welara, Morab, any other part Arabian, Morgan, part Morgan.

6 Sport Horse (TB, WB, STB, etc)- Thoroughbred, Standardbred, Trakenher, Anglo-Norman, Hanovarian, Dutch WB, other Warmbloods, Akhal-Teke, Appaloosa Sporthorse, American Sporthorse, etc.

7.Stock – (Pure and part) QH, Appaloosa, Paint, Australian Stockhorse, Colorado Rangerbred, Canadian Cutter Horse, and mixed stock.

8.Draft (Pure and mixed) American Cream Draft, Ardennes, Clydesdale, Shire, Percheron, Belgians , Black Forest draft, Spotted Draft, Suffolk Punch, Drum Horse, etc.

9. Pony (Pure and mixed) Shetlands, Fell Pony, Welsh Pony Section A,B & C, POA, Quarter Pony, Connemara, Exmoor, Dartmoor, etc.

10. Gaited/Spanish (Pure and mixed) ASB, TWH, MFT, Icelandic, Rocky Mountain Horse, Andalusioan/PRE, Pasos, Spanish Mustang, Azteca, Criollo, Florida Cracker Horse, Alter-real, Lusitano, Walkaloosa, etc.

11.Other Breed (Pure and part) Barb, Marwari, Nez Perce, Turkoman, Fjord, Friesian, Cleveland Bay, Mustangs, Nakota, Gelderlander, Gypsy Vanner, Miniature horse, Baskir Curly, American Indian Horse, Georgian Grand, etc.

12.Mules/Donkeys/Other Exotic (Pure and part) Asiatic Wild Horse, Burro, Hinny, Burro, Przewalski, Quagga, Onager, Zorse, Decorator, Fantasy etc.

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BREYER NEWS!
A few new ponies for 2025!



Western Horse | Breyer 75th Anniversary



Spanish Horse | Breyer 75th Anniversary



Sport Horse | Breyer 75th Anniversary



Big Lex | Decorator Thoroughbred

WHAT IS YOUR ORIGIN STORY?

We hope you enjoyed the last submission in Volume 52!

What's your origin story?

Submit yours for inclusion in future newsletters!

Submit to MEPSA Newsletter at RIAP57@aol.com

Link to qualifier entry form: <https://mepsa.club/forms-for-download/>

<https://mepsa.club/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/MEPSA-Entry-Form-2-up-page-2022.pdf>

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Show	
Your Full Name	
Your Email Address	

Form of Payment (Check One)	Cash	Check	PayPal ¹	MEPSA Coupon(s) ²	Judge's Certificate ²
	Serial Number(s)				

Results Delivery	
Email	
Snail Mail ⁴	

Number of Photos	
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Division B	
Division C	
Division D	
Division E	
Division F	
Division G	
Division H	
Division I	
Novice (Halter/Perf)	
Total Photos	
Entry Fees Due³	\$

Special Instructions

footnotes

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- 2 Enter the serial number of MEPSA Coupons and Judge's Certificates in the Serial Number area.
- 3 **Open Halter/Performance Fees:**
1-15: \$1.00, 16-50: \$2.00, 51-100: \$4.00, 101-150: \$5.00, 151-200: \$6.00
Open Performance only:
201-250: \$7.00, 251-300: \$8.00, 301-350: \$9.00, 351-400: \$10.00, 401-450: \$11.00
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Addendum to MEPSA Newsletter-Versatility Challenge for 2024-25 season

VERSATILITY CHALLENGE

for 2024-25 Season.

2025 sponsor Rhonda Chisholm

The Versatility Challenge is a way to showcase models that have a truly versatile career. Entries will win a NIB model. Three divisions are available, OF, CM and Mini. This year we are changing the method to choose the winners. Instead of voting in a poll, we will be using a point system similar to the one used for the Robin Nere Performance Award. The RNPA is awarded to the performance shower with the most points. The Versatility points are awarded to the model.

The submission deadline is July 1st. All entries in the Challenge must meet the following minimum criteria:

- (1) Halter- At least one qualification in any halter class (Gender, Breed, Color or Collectability/Workmanship)
- (2) Performance – At least three Championships/Reserve Championships, under at least two different judges, in at least two divisions (Western, English, or Other).
- (3) Send the model's information to mepsa3@att.net . Please include a list of all of the model's wins and a short description of the model, including the owner's full name.