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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'm gaining experience, and will do my best to present a readable, informative newsletter, so our showers can keep up with 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 Super Bowl, Valentine's Day, St Patrick's Day and March Madness are done, and winter is leaving like a lamb, with warm dry weather that promises a horrid spring tick season! I truly hate winters like this, though with home heating oil prices so high, I suppose that is one good thing about it all. Well, enough yammerin' from me!

From Toni Rakestraw; still waiting for spring here in Oregon. Every time the air gets warm, it freezes again. Still learning the ropes, but things are getting easier. Just finished judging the March Novice show. What an honor! I'll be judging the Other Animal show in July...get those photos ready! I really enjoy being a part of MEPSA.

From both of us — Enjoy the Newsletter!

The Board of Directors –

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DEAR APPY

Dear Appy:

In the last newsletter there was a sheet that listed all the Breyers retired in 2023. Should all of those now be entered in class 59 now? – Confused

Dear Confused: Here's a few things for you to keep in mind when labeling your photos:

- If your traditional model was in production in 2022, then it remains in class 58 for the remainder of the 22-23 season. Move these models to class 59 after the championship show/before next season.
- If your model is a classic, it goes in class 64 regardless of when it was made. All classic scale models go in class 64. Be sure and let the judge know if your model is special or limited, though, as this may effect placement. Minis also have their own make classes.
- Some models listed on the discontinued sheet are considered special runs due to their limited availability: the “Brick & Mortar” (Kendall) and the “Flagship Horse” Romeo. These should go in class 62.

Dear Appy: Why is the Championship Show Results book so expensive? Is this the only way to get my Champ show results? – Counting my pennies

Dear Counting: The full color, professionally printed & bound results book (100 pages +) is a tradition that goes back over 20 years. Most MEPSA members agree that it is the highlight of the championship show. It is a keepsake similar to a high school yearbook, with pictures of all the Grand Champions. It also has helpful features specific to our shared interest in model horses. For example, this year's book will have articles on both indoor and outdoor photography. I personally like to use a highlighter to mark my winners in the results. I love to read the book articles and frequently refer back to “how-to” and performance articles from old MEPSA books. The cost of the book was once folded in to the entry fee. The board decided to split the book cost out because we did not want to exclude anyone from entering the Championship show if money was a problem. We also offer the book to showers at a discount, covering part of the cost using other funds. In the past, a digital version of the book was accessible from Lulu.com, but Lulu's offerings have changed. I hope that the board of directors will make a digital form of the book available at a reasonable price this year in case you can't afford the book.

But I want to encourage you to budget those pennies so you can get a book. I think you will find it is really worth it.

--Appy

Editor's note: Yes, a digital version is available at Lulu.com for most past and present Championship Show books.

CONTESTS

Annual Writing Contest

Prize: Custom Foal by Jessica Fry (donated by Elizabeth Jones)



WINNER to be announced.

REMAKE CONTEST!

Deadline: Extended to April 30, 2023

Prize: unfinished Stablemate scale Platinum Daylily artist resin model

Make over a Traditional scale **Breyer Phar Lap** any way you want, with some customization when compared to the original mold. It can be minimum, like a mane and tail or head position change, or a drastic custom – it's up to you! A few bodies may be available to live show proven artists, please inquire — otherwise, artists must provide their own body. Get the body soon, so you have plenty of time to work!

High price earner will be named **WINNER** when the models are sold to benefit MEPSA. Models will be offered for sale, advertised on the MEPSA Facebook page, and elsewhere online. **This is a big fundraiser for MEPSA to help us continue to put on a great Championship show. Please help out if you can!**

– **You may share your in-progress photos.**

– Artist provides the model to be customized. The model must fit the criteria (in this case, Breyer Phar Lap) of the contest it was meant to be entered into. Each entrant may enter one model.

– Artist may use any technique, any materials, and customize the model any way they choose. The model customizing contests are open to any equid – not only horses, but donkeys, zebras, fantasy equines, etc.

– All finished models must have a clear digital or scanned photo of each side, sent in to MEPSA: Alice Aldridge at aaldridge1334@gmail.com. MEPSA can do the photographs for you if needed once we have the model.

– ALL entered models and/or items become property of MEPSA to raise funds or use as Championship show awards. This is a MEPSA Benefit contest. Artist must send the finished model to MEPSA upon completion at their own expense. There is no other fee to enter.

– The contest will be publicized on the internet and in model horse groups. Please help spread the word!

We will adhere to the deadlines mentioned should we receive enough entries for that contest. MEPSA reserves the right to extend the deadlines should there not be enough entries. Voting will take place within a month after the latest expressed deadline. The contest entries will then be auctioned off to raise funds for the MEPSA championship show. A **winner** will be determined by the highest sale price of the finished model. Models will be listed at a base price and offers will be taken for one week. This winner will receive an unpainted Platinum Daylily SM scale artist resin model.

In the case of a tie, popular vote will be used as a tie breaker to determine the overall winner. If you have any questions, please contact the Donations Coordinators,

Alice Aldridge, aaldridge1334@gmail.com.

Send your entries to:

Alice Aldridge

PO Box 1334

Petal, MS 39465

Blind Bag Contest July 15th, 2023

Rules: Choose which scale model you would like to enter. A blind bag model of that size will be sent to you to complete (fix/repair/strip/prep/paint). There are a limited number of models available. You will have four months to complete the model and return it to MEPSA. All models will then be voted on and the winner announced on our Facebook page, website and in our Newsletter. The prize is a traditional scale unpainted AR Seunta Trailblazer. If enough entries are received, there may be more prizes available. Categories below!

- 1.Traditional and Classic scale models that are either broken and/or missing pieces.
- 2.Stablemate and Littlebit scale broken and/or missing pieces.
- 3.Traditional and Classic scale models that need stripping and/or prepping but are not broken.
- 4.Stablemate scale not broken but needs stripping and/or prepping.

Entries must be sent AT ENTRANT’S EXPENSE to our Championship Show Coordinator and BECOME THE PROPERTY OF MEPSA to use how they see fit. This could mean as a piece “for offers”, for outright specified sale, or as a prize for contests in the Championship show. Violation of these rules and requests may result in inability to enter future contests. Please keep it fun for all.

Donations Coordinator/Championship Show Coordinator:

Alice Aldridge PO Box 1334 Petal, MS 39465 Aaldridge1334@gmail.com

MEPSA OPEN Qualifier Show schedule - Fourth Quarter

APRIL

April 1, 2023 – OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Division A)

Photo limit 100 [Class List](#)

Mail your photos to:

Kay Myers

2700 Atlantic Avenue #618

Longport, NJ 08403

Pookaa01@comcast.net

April 8, 2023 – OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifier (Division B,C,D)

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

Mail your photos to:

Alice Aldridge

PO Box 1334

Petal, MS 39465

Aaldridge1334@gmail.com

April 15, 2023 – All Performance Regular Qualifier (Division E,F,I)

Photo limit 150 per division; 300 total [Class List](#)

Mail your photos to:

Elizabeth Jones

10241 Battlefield Dr.

Manassas, VA 20110

ubersu4u@yahoo.com

April 22, 2023 – Mini Special (A,I)

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 200 (max 150 halter, no more than 100 in any one division) [Class List](#)

Mail your photos to:

Alyssa Bailey
336 Marquette St.
Park Forest, IL 60466
Alyssa.bailey090611@gmail.com

April 29, 2023 – Mini Special (B,C,D,I)

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 200 (max 150 halter, no more than 100 in any one division) [Class List](#)

Mail your photos to:

Charlotte Martin
3097 Hillery Rd.
Lake Charles, LA 70611
Carousel1093@aol.com

MAY

May 6, 2023 – OF Plastic Regular Qualifier (Division A)

Photo limit 100 [Class List](#)

Judge will be: Julia Reightler

Please mail your photos to:

Rhonda Chisholm
3066 Emerald Ln.
Magnolia, MS 39652

May 13, 2023 – OF China/AR/CM Regular Qualifier (Division B,C,D)

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

Mail your photos to:

Cheley Carpenter
413 W Lamar
Poplarville, MS 39470
cheley.f.carpenter@nasa.gov

May 20, 2023 – All Performance Regular Qualifier (Division E,F,I)

Photo limit 150 per division; 300 total [Class List](#)

Mail your photos to:

Tracy Hord
55 Johnson Way
Franklin, NC 28734
thord4664@yahoo.com

June

June 17, 2023 – [International Championship Show](#)

July 8, 2023 - MEPSA Other Animal Show

GATHER UP YOUR QUALIFIED MODELS! The **CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW** will be here before you know i



2022-2023 MEPSA CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW (JUNE 17, 2023) ENTRY FORM:

Instructions: Please enclose this form with your entry. You may include an SASE, for return of your photos, right after judging is complete. Only models that qualified, placed 1st - 3rd (or 1st - 6th in classes with 100 or more entries) in a MEPSA qualifying show of the current season (Aug 2022 - May 2023) may be entered in the Championship Show. Limit one photo per model per class except for performance classes where multiple entries are specified. In those classes, all entries that qualified may enter, no limits as long as they are of different disciplines. Disciplines must be marked on photos. Place photos for each division in separate baggies, **(IN HALTER DIVISIONS: alphabetize by horse's name (not first-class order), and IN PERFORMANCE DIVISIONS: order by class number, then alphabetize, within each class).** Write your name and the number of photos on the outside of the baggie. Make sure your class numbers are correct. Make sure your NAME (not your stable name) and address is on each photo. Please be sure to have your 5-letter code on EACH photo (i.e., ALALD=Alice Aldridge). Please include a list of the qualified models' names (in alphabetical order). Novice entrants enter the Novice Division. Minis may be entered in either the special Mini Divisions or the Open divisions, but not both. Mini division entries should be sorted by qualifier div (A-F), in individual baggies, for verification. ****Headstudy entries will compete in the appropriate Performance division, regardless of whether they qualified in Halter or Performance (Div. A/B/E will compete in Div. E, Div. C/D/F will compete in Div. F) ****

****Send any non-monetary donations to:**

Alice Aldridge PO Box 1334 Petal, MS 39465 Aaldridge1334@gmail.com

Please use donation form available online.

Special Mini Division Instructions

The halter sections of the Mini Division will have the same class numbers and classes as the normal Open Division. They will be combined into OF Plastic/China (Division G) and AR/CM (Division H). The Mini Division Performance will be combined OF/CM (Division I) and have the following modified classlist (multiple entries for a single horse are permitted in all classes that have multiple entries or were combined from the original classlist (i.e., roping/cutting, hunter/jumper, costume/parade):

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| 1. Western Pleasure | 12. English Trail (arena/natural) |
| 2. Western Bareback | 13. Hunter/Jumper |
| 3. Western Trail (arena/natural) | 14. Dressage |
| 4. Roping/Cutting | 15. English Games |
| 5. Other Stock Work | 16. Other English Performance |
| 6. Barrels/Poles | English Performance Grand Champion/Reserve |
| 7. Other Western Games | 17. Harness |
| 8. Other Western Performance | 18. Costume/Parade |
| Western Performance Grand Champion/Reserve | 19. Showmanship |
| 9. Huntseat Pleasure | 20. Liberty |
| 10. English Bareback | 21. Other Performance |
| 11. Saddleseat/Park/Sidesaddle | Other Performance Grand Champion/Reserve |
| | 131. Headstudy |
| | 132. Medallion |

Entry Form

Send your photos, entry fee and this entry form to:
Alice Aldridge PO Box 1334 Petal, MS 39465
Email: **Aaldridge1334@gmail.com**

Entrant info

Name: _____ 5-letter code: _____ SASE included Y/N

Mailing address: _____

Phone number: _____ Email address: _____

Entry info

Number of entries per division:

Open

Div A: _____ Div B: _____ Div C: _____ Div D: _____

Div E: _____ Div F: _____ Div G: _____ Div H: _____ Div I: _____

Novice: _____ Total number of photos entered: _____

Do you want your photos shipped to an address other than the entrant address? If so, what address? _____

Do you want your prizes shipped to an address other than the entrant address? If so, what address? _____

Please indicate if you wish to receive the following: Ribbons Y/N Rosettes Y/N

By tradition, MEPSA publishes copies of some of the entered photos (such as champions) in the MEPSA Championship results book. Please indicate if you do NOT want your photos published. _____

Entry Fees

_____ Championship Show Entry Fee: Based on number of photos entered (\$3.00 per 50 photos). Includes ribbons, rosettes, awards, and a flat shipping fee* (\$17.00).

0-50= \$20 51-100= \$23 101-150= \$26 151-200= \$29 201-250= \$32 251-300= \$35

301-350= \$38 351-400= \$41 401-450= \$44 451-500= \$47, etc.

\$20.00 Results Book: A copy of the Results book with articles, ads and full color photos of the winners. Please do not add \$20.00 if you are a Board member, a Patron Donor (>\$150 in donations) or do not wish to receive a copy of the results book.

_____ Optional Monetary Donation: Entitles you to an ad in the results book. This would include any sponsorships. Please use donation/sponsorship form available online.

_____ Total: Please make checks payable to Alice Aldridge or Paypal, using the Friends and Family option, to mepsa22@yahoo.com.

*International entrants may be required to pay additional shipping costs.

MEPSA BOARD OF DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

On July 30th, we will be holding our annual election for Board members. In order to fill the vacant positions, we felt that it would be a good idea to explain the positions and what is expected for each. First of all, here is what is required to run for a Board position:

Candidates are to be volunteers from the pool of currently active members who indicate their interest by submitting an application to the Secretary by July 23rd. The BoD application is available on the official MEPSA website. Candidates must be members in good standing. Good standing is defined as not being in arrears (greater than \$1) and not having received an "F" grade as a judge. All Board candidates are expected to be involved in the model horse hobby and must have internet access. Candidates for the positions of President and Treasurer must have served on the MEPSA BoD within the last three years and must be at least 18 years old.

Active members are the members of the MEPSA community that have fulfilled one of the following, in the current season:

- Been a Board member or committee member working with the Board
- Shown in one or more MEPSA qualifying shows
- Donated to MEPSA
- Contributed an entry to a fundraising contest
- Judge a MEPSA show

About the Board itself:

The Board shall have a meeting once a month to discuss issues pertaining to the club and its activities. Meetings are held online on the second Saturday of the month for approximately one week's time. The members shall serve a term of one year, without pay. All officers have an equal vote in BoD decisions. There are no term limits for Board members in good standing. The Board shall consist of the following members:

- a) President- Maintains an overall vision and action plan for MEPSA. Oversees the monthly and yearly agendas to meet the Club's goals. Leads the monthly Board meetings and ensures that the Board of Directors are on task.
- b) Vice-President- Presides over the Board meetings if the President is absent. The VP also serves as the primary liaison with the MEPSA community. Answers questions and responds to comments via the online MEPSA sources.
- c) Treasurer- Keeps the MEPSA account(s) and financial records. This includes keeping track of show fees, payments on sale items, paying for prizes, website, book orders, etc. and issues show coupons. Compiles monthly reports and a Year-End report.
- d) Secretary- Creates the agenda for the meetings, compiles, and files all important documents for future reference, including a digital back-up. Records votes, handles incoming and outgoing correspondence, and coordinates the annual elections.
- e) Donations Coordinator- Organizes and runs the various contests, including advertising, selecting prizes, running polls and handling sales of contest entries. Seeks donations of cash, goods, or services, when needed. Sends thank you notes to Patron Donors. Keeps the Book Coordinator apprised of donation values for ad space in Championship Book.
- f) Judge's Coordinator- Creates show schedule, recruits, communicates, and provides up to date information to judges. Keeps applications on file. Sends out Judge's Packet, keeps track of Judge's ratings and holds the Judge's Drawing at the end of the season for all qualifying judges.
- g) Championship Show Coordinator- Organizes the incoming entries for the show, verifies qualifications, coordinates the judges, ships photos to judges, formats results, handles the prizes,

packs and ships boxes back to entrants. Maintains a list of donated items and a record of their dispersal.

h) Book Coordinator- Designs and publishes the annual Championship Show Results Book. This includes incoming articles/photos, Champ Show Results, ad designs, & more.

i) Tab Team Coordinator- In charge of the Tabulations Team. The Tab Team records the model's information for each qualification in every show, including owner, date of show, judge, and placement.

j) Website Coordinator- Maintains and updates the website information. Receives and posts copies of all of the show results.

k) Novice Coordinator- Creates the Novice show schedule, finds judges, sends out Novice Show Judge's Packets, keeps track of completed show information. Keeps track of Novice showers and decides on when to graduate showers to Open. Provides graduates with a letter and free show coupon for their first Open show. Maintains the Tabulations for the Novice division.

To vote:

1. All members, interested in voting, are required to contact the Board to register. Form below:

Name _____

Email address (only one per person) _____

To vote, you must be a current active member, as defined in the MEPSA By-Laws section III sub-section b, for the current season, August 1st-July 31st.

b. Active members are the members of the MEPSA community that have fulfilled one of the following, in the current season.

- i. Been a Board member or committee member working with the Board
- ii. Shown in one or more MEPSA qualifying shows
- iii. Donated to MEPSA
- iv. Contributed an entry to a fundraising contest
- v. Judged a MEPSA show

Check all that apply:

- ___ Board member
- ___ Committee member
- ___ judged a show
- ___ entered a show
- ___ donated to MEPSA
- ___ entered a fundraising contest

2. Once verified, you will receive a ballot, via email, on July 30th. You will have one week to return your ballot to mepsa3@att.net, before the election closes.

3. Results will be posted when all ballots are verified and counted.

To run for office:

1. Must be an active member for the current season, August 1st-July 31st, as defined in the MEPSA By-Laws section III subsection b:
 - a. Active members are the members of the MEPSA community that have fulfilled one of the following, in the current season.
 - vi. Been a Board member or committee member working with the Board
 - vii. Shown in one or more MEPSA qualifying shows
 - viii. Donated to MEPSA
 - ix. Contributed an entry to a fundraising contest
 - x. Judge a MEPSA show
2. Applications for submission are located on the website. Completed applications must be submitted to the Secretary by July 23rd.
3. Must be a member in good standing, no monies in arrears and have not received an 'F' grade as a judge. Applicants need to be involved in the model horse hobby and have internet access.
4. Applicants running for President or Treasurer must have served on the Board within the last three years and be 18 or older.
5. Election is held July 30th for one week and then the results will be tabulated and posted to the group.

Website and Technical News

Jennifer Cole continues to develop the new website while maintaining the old website as a front end. Jennifer has been uploading information on performance, which should be available soon. Stephanie Michel continues to serve the board on technical issues. We are ever so grateful that we have tech-savvy help on the board.

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 will occur prior to the maximum allowed time, when the majority of judges recommend moving up to Open. A shower may elect to move on to Open on their own at any time. It is recommended that a shower take advantage of the Novice shows and enter as many as possible. 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, they CANNOT enter any further Novice shows and

must forfeit all qualifications in the Novice Division. 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 changes every other month. Shows in ODD months are halter shows and shows in EVEN months are performance shows.

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 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. 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 entries will be DQ'd.

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, to make sure your name and address is on EVERY photo back, that

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 September, November, January, March, May – Championship Show)

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 August, October, December, February, 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

Fourth Quarter NOVICE shows:

April 21, 2023 Performance

Maddie Kelley
8278 Charrington Forest Blvd
Tallahassee, FL 32312
maddiek2782@gmail.com

May 2023-Halter

Janet Bonney
36987 Carter Rd
New London, NC 28127
faline123@yahoo.com

You should always feel free to contact a board member if you have a question or concern that you need help with. We look forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

BECOME A MEPSA DONOR!

Track your 2022-23 donations using the Donor record:

Please consider becoming a MEPSA donor!!

You receive ad space in the book based on how much you donated. The champ show coordinator needs to know the value of your donation(s). Form available at <https://mepsa.club/forms-for-download/>. Please record each donation and the value. You can also record judge's fees you donated back. Get credit for all you do for MEPSA! Value of contest entries should not be included as these have their own separate reward system. Submit your donation record at the end of the season (or with your championship entry). All donors receive ad space in the Championship book. Donations valued at \$25 or less gets you a quarter page ad; \$50 gets you half a page and \$100 – get a full page, Become a patron level sponsor by donating \$150 or more and get your champ show book (a \$35 value) for free!

Donations and Sponsorships

Please complete this form for your generous donation or sponsorship.

All donations earn an ad in our Championship Show Results Book.

Please contact our Book Coordinator Holly Goldman-Craig (visions@nycap.rr.com) to reserve your ad.

Name _____

Email
address _____

Item(s) being donated (please include a value for each item)

2023 BREYER RETIRED TRADITIONAL					
	1809	Dominante XXIX	Freedom/Classic 	957	Coppery Chestnut Thoroughbred
	1818	Cascade & Caspian		958	Silver Bay Morab
	1829	Peptoboosmal		959	Buckskin Blanket Appaloosa
	1831	Checkers		960	Pearly Grey Trakehner
	1836	Ideal Series - Palomino		961	Black Pinto Rearing Mustang
	1846	KB Omega Fahim ++++//		964	Bright Bay Morgan
	1849	Equidae		62220	Red Velvet
	1858	Anthem		62221	90's Throwback
	1863	The Phantom & Misty 75th Anniversary Ltd Ed.		62204	Running Wild
	1864	Maelstrom		62207	Spotted Wonders
	1867	Kendall - 2022 Brick & Mortar		6920	Horse Singles Asst - Series 1
	760249	Romeo - 2022 Flagship Horse			

2023 new releases from Breyer

Traditional:

Ideal Series: Appaloosa #1868



Sweetwater's Zorah Belle #1869 (Norwegian Fjord Horse)



ATP Power #1870 Barrel racer. A portion of the proceeds will go to the Amber Snyder Freedom Foundation.

Ebony Shines and Charlize #1872



Palomino mare and foal.



RC Marciea Bey #1873
Arabian mare



Secretariat 50 year limited edition commemorative of winning the Triple Crown #1874 Glossy gold.



Holiday and Limited Edition

Highlander #700126
Holiday horse (#23 in the series!)



Spectre #1876 Halloween model

Mariposa and Flor #760251
Bay Arabian mare and foal,
Limited edition only

available at Breyer
Flagship Stores.(No Pic)

Freedom Series:

Six new breeds and colors:
Brabant, Pintaloosa,
Thoroughbred, Saddlebred,
Arabian and Pinto



Effortless Grace #62224
Appaloosa mare and foal



Wild and Free #62227 Bay
Mustang stallion and black
foal



Neapolitan #62223
Decorator inspired by
Neapolitan ice cream



Lysander #62068 Gray
unicorn



Western Horse and Rider
#61155



Stablemates:

6 new singles: black Arabian, chestnut Quarter Horse, Appaloosa, Clydesdale, palomino Missouri Fox Trotter, gray pinto Mustang



Poetry in Motion gift set
#6935: Morgan cross,
American Warmblood,
Hanoverian, Mustang



Sparkling Splendor Deluxe
Unicorn Collection #6937:
6 unicorns, 2 unicorn foals
all in jewel tones



MEPSA OTHER ANIMAL SHOW!

Time to start thinking of showing your other animal models in our July show for all non-equine animals. Remember this is for all non-equine models. Unicorns, Pegasus and other fantasy equines are not eligible. Check the classlist below and, the information on researching breeds and other information on your critters.

MEPSA OTHER ANIMAL SPECIALTY July 8, 2023

Judge: Toni Rakestraw
340 26th Street, Springfield, OR 97477
tonirakestraw@gmail.com

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. lemcc). 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, including Unicorns, Pegasus, etc., show in the normal shows.

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. Partbred 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 (Tyranosaurus, Allosaurus, etc.)
43. Other Dinosaur/Prehistoric Reptile (Archaeopteryx, Dimetrodon, Velociraptor, Compsognathus, etc.)
44. Flying/Aquatic Prehistoric Reptile (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/Safari/Papo
49. OF Plastic-Other Make
50. OF China-Hagen Renaker
51. OF China-Other Make
52. OF Resin-North Light
53. OF Resin-Other Make
54. OF Other Material (Wood, Metal, Glass, etc.)
55. CM Plastic
56. CM China/Other Material
57. Original Sculpture

Champ/Reserve

Division I - Performance

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

Champ/Reserve

Resources for breed research for the Other Animal Show

Our Other Animal Show is coming up in July! You have some interesting non-equine models, so maybe you want to enter. But what breeds are they? The best way to determine the breeds of your animals is to do research. Granted, this can be daunting if you don't know what you're looking for. Therefore, MEPSA has compiled a list of resources to look at for you. Please refer to Newsletter #45 for links to resources!

**Now for a tale of origins in the hobby from one of our members!
Submit yours for inclusion in future newsletters!**

Next issue I will include my own, however, it will be from the point of view of my very first Breyer, a FAM named T'Pal. I may include another if we have space! So submit those stories!

Leader: An Origin Story

By Elizabeth Jones

There once was a little girl, 7 years old, who had her first birthday party! Her best friend Johanna, who lived next door, gave E a beautiful, shiny bay horse, that she named "Leader." E couldn't wait to add Leader to the collection of critters she and Johanna liked to play with, including "Goldimare" (a china palomino stallion), and other animals of many sizes and materials.



Getting Leader for my birthday, 1964

But Leader was a clever stallion. During the night he escaped from the corral, and he became wild! He stole an Arabian mare and her foal from my sister's stable, and they could be seen running wild together.



Leader with mare "Blossom" and foal "Cherry"

Leader's band of wild horses continued to grow. More horses, stolen from my sister's stable, including Western riding horses, joined the herd. The horses were beautiful, running in the distance. The band was wily and could not be caught.

The following birthday, E had another party! There were several new horses involved, including a bay foal (Challenge) sired by Leader. Where were all these horses coming from, E wondered. Her friends were all giggles. They had a secret! Finally they let the cat out of the bag: People's Drug store!

After that, E frequently visited the Aisle of Horse Sales, dreaming about which horses to add to the herd. She saved her 25c weekly allowance for four months to buy a new horse.



Leader with his growing band.

At night E dreamed of riding the wild stallion, Leader, of the ever-growing herd. Five years later, E found an undated black and white sales brochure on the floor of People's Drug Store. She wrote to Breyer, because she wanted some of the horses that were pictured, but not on the shelf. Breyer forwarded her request to Mission Supply House in Florida. A color brochure arrived with a Red Roan Running Stallion on the cover. E was in love all over again. The wild band of horses grew over sixty years to nearly 3000 – including Hartlands, Hagen Renakers, Beswicks, Stones and more. As the years passed, some horses were put under saddle or put into breeding programs. Some became national halter champions. Leader went to the National Championship to cheer the others on. E was happy just to ride on her half-wild Arabian each night in her dreams.



What's your origin story?

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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Your Email Address	

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