



**NASS Breeding Committee Conference Call Report
July 23, 2008**

The BC met via conference call Wednesday July 23, 2008 at 6 PM Pacific time.

Present: Chair - Adele Furby, Elaine Kerrigan, Kathy Richkind, Hallie Goetz and Linda Rudolphi
BC members: Registrar Carol D. Neubauer

Absent: Assistant Registrar - Terry Hey, President - Lori Baker

Old Business:

Kathy Richkind: DNA and Oldenburg Registry.

DNA Update: No big news to report.

Kathy reported that she has received back correspondence from the ISR/Oldenburg Registry that the NASS Shagya-Arabian Registry (SHARONA) has been accepted by their organization as the Registry in North America for Shagyas. This means that NASS-registered Shagyas are eligible for inspection and breeding approval for offspring which would go into the ISR/Oldenburg Registry.

Elaine Kerrigan: Columbia Stallion

Elaine reported that she is currently corresponding with the owner of KS Tradition LCR who lives in Columbia. He is interested in making KS Tradition LCR semen available via frozen semen to NASS mares. Elaine will continue to clarify details, etc. for him.

Linda Rudolphi: Part-Shagya Showcase for NASS Website

Linda reported that she was not sure what direction the BC wanted to go since she had received feedback from two committee members following her suggestion that it be performance or activity-related.

Linda also contributed that she felt that she was not being adequately informed about BC activities, that she had received the Registrars reports up until the end of 2007 but had not received any for 2008. She stated that she felt it was illegal if all BC members did not receive Carol Neubauer's monthly Registrar Reports as well as any BC correspondence. She thought that the NASS attorney should be contacted regarding the legality of a quorum receiving information on a committee and others being intentionally left out. After some discussion that people had not been intentionally left out, the following resolution was unanimously passed: "The NASS BC will request that the NASS BOD authorize the funding for NASS Registrar Carol D. Neubauer to supply each BC member who requests it with a hard copy of her monthly Registrar Report."

Hallie Goetz: Forms Update

The 9 forms utilized by NASS were reviewed.

Carol and Terry are working on:

- ***The Purebred Shagya***
- ***The Part-Shagya-Arabian***
- ***The Part-Shagya***
- ***The Imported Horse applications***

The **Annual Stallion report** is acceptable as is, it was suggested that a reminder to the stallion owner that the *stallion must be DNA typed could be added*.

Hallie is working on the **Frozen Semen Sale form** and will send to BC for review when drafted.

Embryo Transfer form: Hallie has researched forms used by other registries (some use 2--a permit prior to breeding and a registration form for foals). Hallie will send us her draft when completed.

DNA Typing form: is completed and it was agreed it needs no changes.

Hallie Goetz: Follow up letters to **Foreign Stallion Owners**

Halle said she had been working on a draft letter to make sure that foreign stallion owners understand the registration rules which require that the stallion owner be a NASS member. She will forward this draft to the BC and BOD soon.

Adele Furby: Update Swiss Stallion

Adele reported that both she and Hallie discussed with Sigi Frei his interest in making semen from his stallion available to NASS mares during the ISG meeting in Slovakia. After some discussion it was the BC consensus that it would not be feasible for NASS itself to handle arrangements for use of this semen in the US, but that it would be good if the stallion were available on the same basis as the other foreign stallions are.

Adele Furby: Report on ISG feedback

Adele, Elaine and Kathy all indicated that there hadn't been many good opportunities to discuss the draft of the stallion performance requirements with ISG officials due to the tight schedules, etc. But all feedback received was positive, and Kathy mentioned that she was particularly pleased to hear that ISG President Mr. Al Samarraie was very positive and looking forward to the first NASS stallion performance results.

Adele Furby: Report on Japanese Registry Mentoring

Adele reported that an agent for Mr. Hasumi had visited in person over a recent weekend with the goal of learning more about how the NASS Registry works and for discussions of how practically speaking the NASS could mentor the Japanese in establishing Shagya breeding and a Shagya registry in Japan. Unfortunately, since the Tevis ride was cancelled, (and consequently Mr. Hasumi cancelled his planned visit to California), Mr. Hasumi has not had a chance to discuss these details in person yet with his agent. Adele had discussed the possibility that Mr. Hasumi might like to offer frozen semen to NASS mares, Adele forgot to request that Janos needs to be DNA'd--she promised to follow up on that.

Carol Neubauer and Terry Hey: NASS Studbook

Carol reported that her finalized corrected draft is in Terry's and Adele's hands. We await a report from Terry who is researching publication options for the NASS studbook.

Lori Baker: NASS Brands status

Adele passed on the news from Lori Baker (who was unable to attend the meeting) that the NASS brands have been acquired from the previous NASS President who had them in possession for the past year. Recently it was agreed that the brands would be available for pick-up and they are now in

transit back to Adele Furby's farm (Adele is the only NASS officer currently trained to perform branding). Consequently, NASS will soon be able to resume branding of NASS-registered purebred Shagyas. Adele reported that Tamas Rombauer brought a prototype for replacement brands to Slovakia for Bruno Furrer to inspect. Bruno informed him that the dimensions were not correct so the prototype was going to be re-done.

New Business: 2009 NASS Inspection Tour

Adele suggested that it would be good to begin planning for a 2009 NASS Inspection Tour. It was agreed by consensus that the tour will be planned to occur during September 2009. Adele volunteered to take a preliminary horse inventory, starting with the people on the committee:

Adele: 3 to 6 stallions, 4 to 5 mares, in Adele's area: one mare

Elaine: no stallions, 3 to 4 Shagya or Part-Shagya mares at her place or in vicinity

Hallie: one stallion in area, one gelding, 2 mares at her place or in vicinity

Linda: none

Kathy R: none

It was acknowledged that there are 2 mares in Florida and that there are a few horses in Canada, but the Canadian horses are not registered. Adele encouraged all BC members to inform her of any horses in North America whose owners may desire inspection in 2009 so as to facilitate planning of sites, etc.

Judge selection was discussed. It was agreed that any NASS judges who are ISG certified judges will be encouraged to help with judging at whatever sites they can attend. Hopefully there will be a NASS judge at each site along with either one or two foreign ISG-certified judges (depending on finances).

It was agreed that it would be worthwhile pursuing any possible grants available to help finance the 2009 NASS Inspection Tour. Adele suggested that the NASS Promotion/Fundraising Committee (Terry, Jamie, Lori) be contacted to take on such a project.

Expansion of the Breeding Committee:

A discussion regarding expansion of the BC was followed by the following resolution being passed unanimously: "The NASS BC agrees to expand the BC by at least one member."

It was agreed by consensus to write to the three BC candidates mentioned and ask if these individuals would be willing to be on the BC. Then the BC and the BOD can consider how to proceed from there.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 pm Pacific time.

Respectfully submitted,
Adele Furby