Hay Show Has New Location At Ag Progress

ROCKSPRING (Centre Co.) — The annual state hay show sponsored by the Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council and Penn State Cooperative Extension will again be held at Ag Progress Days. However, the location of the hay show and the crops and soils tent has been changed to the east end of East 5th Street. This change was made so that crop demonstrations could be included into the educational program.

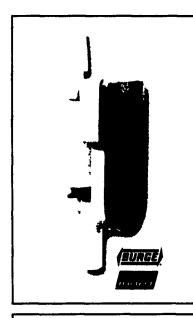
Entries officially close at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, August 16. However, to facilitate handling of samples, exhibitors are urged to deliver their samples to the hay show tent on Monday, August 15. If you deliver hay samples to Ag Process Days on Tuesday, you should use the special hay sample drop-off point located at the East entrances. This drop-off point has been initiated to avoid difficulties to get samples to the hay show tent at its new location. Don't forget, deadline for sample delivery is 10 a.m.

No entry fee will be charged. The hay shown must have been grown by the exhibitor in Pennsylvania in 1994. Exhibitors may enter in as many classes as they wish, but no exhibitor shall make more than on entry in a class, either in his own name, the farm name, or in the name of some other person. An entry blank is printed with this article, or you can get additional entry blanks at your county agent's Long hay from rectangular bales office. that has been cured (adequately (Turn to Page E38)



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Arabians, Medieval Horses Highlight Ag Progress Program

ROCKSPRING (Centre Co.) — The Arabian horse, which has influenced equine genetics for centuries, will be featured during the Equine Educational Program at Penn State's Ag Progress Days, August 16-18.

The program highlights Penn State's teaching, extension and youth programs, and calls attention to the \$4 billion horse industry's contributions to Pennsylvania agriculture.

"The theme of this year's equine events is the horse through history," says Ben Nolt, 4-H therapeutic riding coordinator in Penn State's College of Agricultural Sciences. "We thought it was appropriate to feature the Arabian, which has contributed to the development of many other breeds over the years."

According to a recent Penn State study, there are an estimated 9,000 Arabians in Pennsylvania. Their total value of nearly \$56 million is second only to Quarter Horses among light horse breeds in the state.

Patricia Comerford, extension horse program coordinator, says Arabians have been used extensively as foundation stock in the development of several breeds. "When Arabians are cross-bred," she says, "the offspring tend to inherit many of the Arabians' desirable characteristics.

"Arabians are noted for their endurance and versatility," she explains. "They primarily are used for long-distance riding, racing, showing, pleasure riding or working."

A special exhibition on Wednesday evening in the Horse Arena will honor the Arabian's unique place in horse history. That will be preceded at 6 p.m. by the flag presentation and a Cumberland County 4-H drill team exhibition. Driving demonstrations, featuring draft horse hitches, will conclude the evening's events.

At least 12 breeds will be featured in a series of clinics during the three-day event Welch and Tennessee Walking horses will be shown fuesday at 10 a.m. Appaloosas and Hafflingers, including an eight-pony Hafflinger hitch, will appear Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.

Morgan, Quarter Horse and Paso Fino clinics will be held Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. Miniature horses and powerful Belgian, Clydesdale, Percheron and Shire draft horses will be featured Wednesday at 4:30 p.n. Palominos and Paints will be exhibited on Thursday at 10 a.m.

Expanded horse handling and training clinics will be offered at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday and at 1 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. Ward Studebaker, manager of Penn State's horse farm, will conduct the clinics, which will emphasize round-pen training. A therapeutic riding demonstration and mounted exhibitions by the state's 4-H champions will be held Wednesday at 3 p.m. A display in the Equine Exhibits Tent, adjacent to the Horse Arena, will feature the horse's role in medieval times. Visitors can see armor, attire, weaponry and other paraphernalia used during that period of history. Other exhibits in the tent will showcase Penn State's Quarter Horses, teaching and extension programs, 4-H and therapeutic riding and driving programs, horseshoeing and horse feeds. Video presentations will highlight equine education and careers, as well as aspects of the commercial horse industry.

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