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## WELCOME TO THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF ARABIAN HORSES

Hi Kids! It's me Blaze, your  
trusty *Blaze magazine* mascot.

Come the hot summer months, me and my  
cpals are slurping up extra water and seeking  
shelter from the hot sun. It's hard to imagine how  
my "hot-blooded" Arabian horse cousins sur-  
vived in the harsh deserts of the Middle East.

**What makes Arabian horses hot-blooded?** How  
hot is their blood? I'm a cold-blood horse. Funny,  
I don't feel cold!

The truth is that while different breeds of horses  
are classified as hot, cold or warm blooded, it real-  
ly has nothing to do with our body temperature!  
It's just a way of describing our look and tempera-  
ment! All of us horses have the same "core"  
temperature of 100.4° Fahrenheit or 38° Celsius.

In this issue of *Blaze News*, we're thrilled to  
team up with the **Arabian Horse Association** so  
you can learn more about the strong, smart and  
distinguished **Arabian horse**! You'll be amazed by  
this amazing breed.

*Gotta Gallop*  
Your Friend Blaze



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## ARABians

THE HORSE FOR EVERY  
ADVENTURE!

The Arabian horse evolved from the  
deserts of the Middle East and lived  
among desert tribes for thousands of years.  
In harsh conditions, the Arabians' large nos-  
trils helped take in air and their big lung  
capacity gave them incredible endurance.  
Their nomad owners shared food and water  
with their strong horses, and sometimes  
even their tents too.

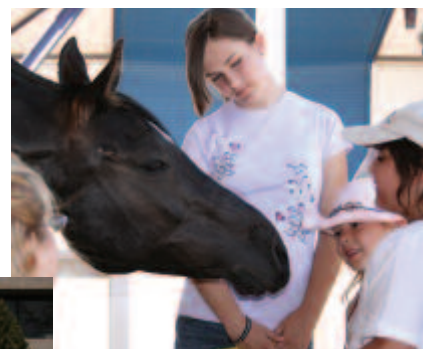


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Arabians developed a close relationship with  
their human companions, and a high intelligence  
too. Today, Arabian horses are one of the most  
popular breeds and they excel in most equine sports  
and activities.

The **Arabian Horse Youth Association (AHYA)** makes up about 10 per-  
cent of the Arabian Horse Association membership. AHYA is a group of  
dedicated kids, up to age 18, who take part in Arabian association activities  
each year like the **Regional Youth Team Tournament**, **Amateur  
Achievement Awards**, the **Arabian Horse Judging Contest**, the **Creative  
Contest**, the **Hippology Contest** and more. AHYA members can gain great  
leadership skills by being club, regional or national delegates and officers.

Thousands of dollars are awarded to AHYA members each year in prizes  
and scholarships. The awards are open to anyone with an **Arabian Horse  
Association Youth Membership**.

To learn more, visit [www.arabianhorses.org/youth](http://www.arabianhorses.org/youth).



# Horsing Around

## HORSE SMARTS

TEST YOUR ARABIAN KNOWLEDGE!

TRUE OR FALSE?

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

Arabians are the world's youngest breed of horse.

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

The Arabian Horse Registry (now AHA) was formed in 1908.

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

Most modern-day breeds of horses were influenced by Arabians.

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

Black is a common Arabian color.

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabians can not be registered with the Arabian Horse Association.

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

Arabian horses were drawn on cave walls 40,000 years ago.

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

All Arabians have pink skin.

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

The Arabic word "Jibbah" refers to their dish-shaped head.

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

Many Arabians live longer than other breeds of horses.

TRUE  
OR  
FALSE

They are world champs in endurance racing.

## PICTURE PERFECT!

Arabians stand out in a herd. Name this beautiful Arabian's features that make it different from other breeds.

(Hint: If you're stuck, check our upside down Arabian for help.)

Arched neck, flared nostrils, short back, high tail, tea cup muzzle, small flame-shaped ears, dish-shaped head, hard hooves, broad forehead, jibbah



## Blaze star Austin Garrett

Austin is the 2009-2010 Arabian Horse Youth Association President. His goals are to work with the AHYA Youth Board to promote more involvement of young people not only in the Arabian horse community but with other youth and breed organizations too.



Great job Austin!



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## TALES FROM THE BEDOUIINS

These Arabic peoples believed Allah created the Arabian horse from the four winds... **spirit** from the North, **strength** from the South, **speed** from the East, and **intelligence** from the West.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Today there are more Arabian horses around the world than in their native lands of the Middle East.



# Talented ARABians

Arabians compete in all kinds of riding sports.

Find these hidden words for some Arabian fun

on the show circuit.

Country Pleasure	English Halter	Park Pleasure	Showmanship Show Hack	Western Pleasure
Cutting	Hunter	Reining	Stock Seat	Working Cow
Dressage	Hunt Seat	Roadster	Trail	
Endurance	Jumper	Saddle Seat	Western	

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## GUESS WHO?

Which impressive  
Arabian mare  
has earned an  
unbelievable  
10 National Halter  
Championships?

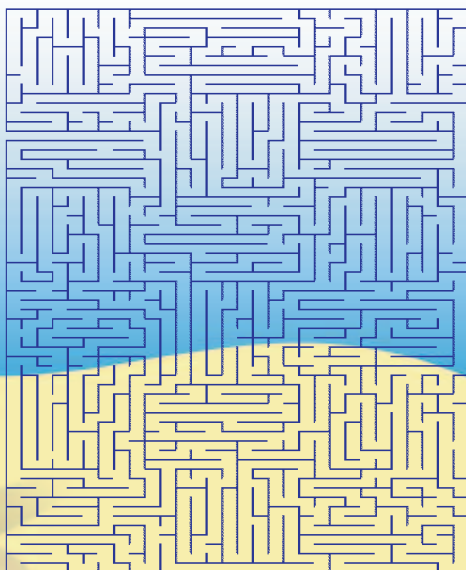


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She's Justdream  
of DST Arabians  
and she was just  
made into a Breyer  
model horse!

## ENDURE THE 100-MILE MAZE



Endurance racing is like the marathon for people. Horse and rider teams race long distances - sometimes up to 100 miles (160 km) in a day!

Arabians are excellent in this sport.

"Ready, Set, Go" is chomping at the bit to compete in **The Tevis Cup**, a 100-mile endurance race with rider Emma. Help them navigate the course and finish the race.

## What is this Horse thinking?



PHOTO: HILARY NIXON

1-F (oldest); 2-T; 3-F; 4-F (bulging forehead); 5-T; 6-F; 7-T; 8-F (black); 9-T; 10-T.

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