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# Arabian Horses Win Big in Tulsa with Successful 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Show

**(28-NOVEMBER-17)** – AURORA, COLO. – This year's <u>U.S. National Arabian & Half-Arabian Championship</u> <u>Horse Show</u> lived up to its name as the most prestigious Arabian show in North America, bringing in 1,726 horses from across the U.S. and Canada in a nine-day period. There were even world-renowned horses and exhibitors in attendance that have shown in Arabian horse events across the globe.

197 classes displayed the beauty, versatility and athleticism of the Arabian horse, ranging from Dressage and Pleasure classes to Reining, Halter and Mounted Native Costume in three separate rings at <u>Tulsa</u> <u>Expo Center</u>.

# **Economic Impact**

The U.S. National show also brought \$28 million to Tulsa throughout the duration of the show.

# **Other Show Events and Stats**

Many exhibitors were in attendance with 73 booths taking up almost the entire Exchange Center and its 58,500 square feet. The exhibitors had everything on display including art, clothing, jewelry, equine tack and accessories, and more.

This year's U.S. Nationals **T.A.I.L. (Total Arabian Interaction & Learning) Tours** were a huge hit, drawing in 127 new and returning groups from the public to learn about and see the elegance and adaptability of the Arabian horse.

### **Prize Money**

There were around one hundred classes with prize money available. Some of those classes included:

- ABS Arabian Hunter Pleasure AAOTR Jackpot
- ABS Arabian Country English Pleasure AAOTR Jackpot
- ABS Arabian Western Pleasure AAOTR Jackpot
- ABS HA/AA Hunter Pleasure AAOTR Jackpot
- ABS HA/AA Country English Pleasure AAOTR Jackpot
- ABS HA/AA Western Pleasure AAOTR Jackpot
- Arabian Yearling Filly Breeders Sweepstakes
- Arabian Yearling Colt Breeders Sweepstakes
- Arabian Yearling Gelding Sweepstakes
- HA/AA Yearling Filly Sweepstakes
- HA/AA Yearling Colt/Gelding Sweepstakes
- Arabian English Pleasure Futurity

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- HA/AA English Pleasure Futurity
- Arabian Country English Pleasure AAOTR Maturity
- HA/AA Country English Pleasure AAOTR Maturity
- Arabian Futurity Filly
- HA/AA Futurity Filly

**Chips for Charity** was a Las Vegas-themed evening on Wednesday, October 25 raising funds to benefit the <u>Arabian Horsemen's Distress Fund</u> (AHDF), a non-profit organization designed to raise funds for Arabian horse owners in their times of need and unexpected crisis. The event had over 50 sponsors and raised approximately \$45,000 after expenses. For more info on the event's sponsors, email Becky Nash at <u>becknash@earthlink.net</u>.

More information about the show can be found at <u>www.arabianhorses.org/USN\</u>. You can view <u>results</u> and watch livestreamed classes <u>here</u>.

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