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Meet the Year End Distance Horse Award Winners



(8-FEB-2018) AURORA, COLO. — The **Distance Horse of the Year** award is presented to an Arabian, Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian for outstanding achievements in distance events that year. The award recipient is honored by a name plate on the perpetual trophy and being listed on the Arabian Horse Association (AHA) [website](#). In addition, the owner of the horse receives a take-home trophy to display.

OT RASA RSI came away as the winner of this prestigious award at the 2017 AHA Annual Convention. This athletic ten-year-old chestnut mare is owned and bred by Outlaw Trail - Crockett Dumas. Over the past two years, OT RASA RSI and Crockett have completed 3,275 total miles. They have completed 1,835 miles in the 2017 competition season alone. Over her career thus far, OT RASA RSI has a 94 percent completion rate! She completed all but one of her 2017 rides. OT RASA RSI is an exemplary mare and deserving of her title as the 2017 Distance Horse of the Year. Congratulations to Crockett and his mare, OT RASA RSI. Good luck in the 2018 competition season!



OT RASA RSI

Photo credit to Linda Sherrill

If you would like to learn more about the Distance Horse of the Year award click [here](#).

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High Point 50-99 Mile (Middle Distance) Endurance Horse Awards

This nomination-based annual award is given to the Arabian or Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian horse with the highest [American Endurance Ride Conference](#) (AERC) points. These points are accumulated in the 2017 year by competing in 50-99 mile endurance rides.

The 2017 Middle Distance High Point Endurance **Arabian** with a total of 2,461 points, is OT RASA RSI, owned, bred and ridden by Crockett Dumas. This athletic chestnut mare began her endurance career in 2016. Since then she and Crockett have attended 68 rides and completed all but four of them! They finished 36 rides in 2017 alone, totaling to 1,835 miles. Their biggest ride of 2017 was the Outlaw and the Virgin Pioneer ride, where they completed 250 miles in five days!



OT RASA RSI
Photo credit to Bill Gore

The 2017 Middle Distance High Point Endurance **Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian**, with a total of 1,754.33, is RTM FIRST IN LINE+/, owned and ridden by Linda Hamrick. RTM FIRST IN LINE+/- is a 2004 Anglo-Arabian mare that has been competing in endurance rides since 2008 with Linda Hamrick. They have completed 4,840 miles together. In 2017, the pair finished 820 miles, won six rides and received one Best Condition award. Over the course of her career, RTM FIRST IN LINE +/- has won 42 rides and received 13 Best Condition awards!



RTM FIRST IN LINE+/-
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Congratulations to these two wonderful horses and owners for their accomplishments in 2017!
Click here to learn more about the Middle Distance High Point Endurance Horse.

High Point 100 Mile Endurance Horse Awards

This annual award is given to the Arabian or Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian horse with the highest AERC points in the National 100 Mile Award. These points are accumulated in the 2017 year by competing in 100 mile endurance rides.



BETHANY GREYC

The 2017 High Point 100 Mile Arabian Horse with a total of 1,548, is BETHANY GREYC+/, owned, bred and ridden by Gerald Cummings. BETHANY GREYC+/ is athletic ten-year-old bay mare who began competing with Gerald in 2013. Since their start, BETHANY GREYC+/ has completed 1,465 miles. In 2017, the pair completed 500 miles through 100 mile races. BETHANY GREYC+/ completed every ride she started and won three of her five 100 mile races!

**There were no Half-Arabians or Anglo-Arabians who were eligible to receive the 2017 High Point 100 Mile Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian award.*

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