

## 2019 AERC High Point Award Winners Announced

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** - Aurora, CO – February 10, 2020 – The Arabian Horse Association recognizes the AERC high point earning Arabian and Half-Arabians/Anglo-Arabian in the AERC National 100 Mile year-end standing that meet AHA membership and registration criteria.

BETHANY GREY C+// (BEAUDACIOUS BEY X LU-NOIR DAKILA+), a 2008 mare is the Arabian AERC 100 Mile High Point Winner!

Bethany earned a total of 1,447 points for completing six 100 mile rides with owner and rider Gerald Cummings. "She may not be the fastest or the strongest horse in the race, but she has attitude and grit and for that I am extremely thankful for" Gerald says. The pair has completed a total of 2,805 lifetime miles since 2013 with 780 of those miles earned in the 2019 season.

The AERC Middle Distance High Point is an AHA nomination-based annual award given to the Arabian and Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian with the highest AERC points accumulated in the year through 50-99 mile Endurance rides.



Gerald Cummings and BETHANY GREYC+//

BETHANY GREYC+// was also the winner of the Arabian AERC 50-99 Mile High Point award earning a total of 410.5 points.



Suzanne Hayes and GREENBRIAR AL JABAL Photo Credit: Merri Melde

Our 2019 Half Arabian/ Anglo Arabian AERC Mile High Point Winner is GREENBRIAR AL JABAL owned by Suzanne Hayes.

GREENBRIAR AL JABAL, 'Atlas' (WW SUN DANCER + X GO TIGER GO) is a 2003 gelding. Atlas has earned a total of 795 points for completing three 100 mile rides with owner and rider Suzanne Hayes. Suzanne states that "Atlas has over 3,000 miles in competition, is a decade horse (10+ years of competition), and has completed fourteen 100 Mile Rides. Hopefully with even more to come!"





We would also like to award an Honorable Mention for a Distance Horse which goes to NPS TANGO!

NPS Tango (Murkana Mike X Doya Juana Dance) owned and ridden by Geneva Soule is a 2003 mare that has completed 7 endurance rides this year totaling 410 miles; since 2018 the pair has completed a total of 460 endurance miles. Geneva states "Tango is pretty much the best thing that's ever happened to me. Thanks to her breeder, Sandy Terp, for making our partnership possible! She's one heck of a horse and our bond is like no other.""



Geneva Soule and NPS TANGO Photo Credit: Becky Pearlman Photography

For more information on the Arabian Horse Association, please go to www.arabianhorses.org.

## **About Arabian Horse Association**

Arabian Horse Association (AHA) is an equine association serving more than 85,000 Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian horse owners across North America. AHA registers and maintains a database of more than one million Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian horses. AHA produces five national horse championship events yearly and recognizes over 344 Arabian local and regional horse shows and distance rides. AHA promotes the Arabian breed and ownership through educational and outreach programs.