

2010-II Roster Proposals

*Lebnaiah and Three Tahawi Mares

Introduction

The Al Khamsa Roster consists of approved Foundation Horses and their descendants. The Roster is adjusted from time to time to accept new Foundation Horses that are in harmony with the rest of the Roster. This process is, however, not easy to fulfill. A Roster Proposal, with supporting documentation, must be submitted to the Al Khamsa Board of Directors by November to be voted on in the next year. The Board and the Advisory Council at the Annual Meeting must both approve the proposal by a 3/4 vote, and the process must be repeated in two consecutive years.

Those of you attending the Annual Meeting this year in Pennsylvania, providing you are 18 or over, resident of the US or Canada, and have an ownership interest in at least one Al Khamsa Arabian horse, will make up the 2010 Advisory Council. You will have a veto over the following two Roster Proposals, which are up for their final vote.

What is presented here is a summary of information provided by the proposers. Extended pedigrees and new information on the Tahawi roster proposals is posted on the Al Khamsa website at <http://alkhamsa.org/roster/roster-amendments.html>.

*Lebnaiah, by Edouard Al Dahdah

Please find attached background on my proposal to include in the Al Khamsa Roster the mare *Lebnaiah, imported to the United States from Lebanon by William Randolph Hearst in 1947.

The proposal is based on information published by Michael Bowling in the *CMK Record* VII/2 (Fall 1988) p11, which is a full transcript of the information provided to Dick Skinner, manager of Hearst's Pico Creek Stables, by George Khamis, who bred *Lebnaiah at his Rayaq, Lebanon stables. Back in the 1940s, the Khamis stud was a reputable stud where only *asil* Arabians tracing exclusively to desert-bred stock were bred.

The original Khamis papers are in the Hearst scrapbook that is with the Arabian Horse Trust. Below are the excerpts from the Bowling article that are directly relevant to *Lebnaiah.

George Khamis's cover page: "My lifelong association with the pure Arabian horses of Lebanon and Syria, coupled with the integrity of one who values the truthfulness & accuracy of documenting the desert bred bloodlines, prompts me to present this pedigree information to the 'Pico Creek Stables,' in the trust of the Hearst family & trainer Dick Skinner. Yours always in the interest of promoting the pure Arabian horse."

Khamis' information on *Lebnaiah, as transcribed by Michael Bowling from the Khamis papers:

"Briefly, *Lebnaiah was sired by 'Surjon Majuer (Sergeant Major),' a grey by a Hidban stallion out of a Managy Sbiley mare. Her dam, a grey Managy Sbiley mare, was by a grey Khaïlan stallion (Hidban sire x Khaïlan dam) and out of a bay Managy Sbiley mare whose sire was a bay Haifi stallion."

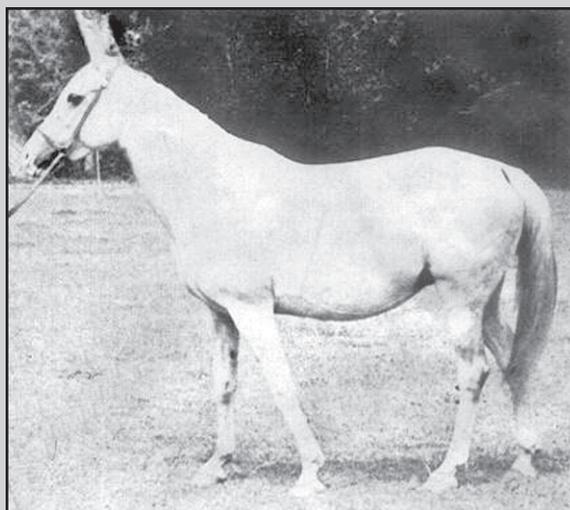
In the above, note that "the grey by Hidban stallion out of a Managy Sbiley mare" is a reference to *Lebnaiah herself, not to her sire Sergeant Major, himself a Hadban not a Ma'naghi, as is shown in the pedigree below.

Note also that *Lebnaiah's maternal grandsire, the gray Kuhaylan sired by a Habdan, is also *Layya's maternal grandsire. *Layya, another Hearst import, was added to the Al Khamsa Roster a few years ago.

This information is supplemented by detailed material on *Lebnaiah's antecedents, as compiled by myself over the years in several entries of the *Aldahdah Index*, and crossed-check with various reliable Middle Eastern sources. The *Aldahdah Index* records information on hundreds of Arabian horses and part-bred horses bred in the Middle East in the XXth century.

Tabular pedigree of *Lebnaiah, as provided by G. Khamis (alternative spellings mine):

*Lebnaiah 1943 grey Ma'naghiyah Sbayliyah mare imported by W.R. Hearst in 1947.



*Lebnaiah, photo courtesy of the Nyla Eshelman Collection.

Surjon Majuer (Sergent Major), a grey Hidban (Hadban)
*Lebnaiah
a grey Khaïlan (Kuhaylan) stallion, by a Hibdan (Hadban)
a grey Managy Sbiley (Ma'naghiyah Sbayliyah)
a bay Haifi (Kuhaylan Haifi stallion)
a bay Managy Sbiley (Ma'naghiyah Sbayliyah)

Three Tahawi Mares, by Joe Ferriss

Enclosed please find my proposal to include into the Al Khamsa Roster the following three Arabian mares obtained by Ahmed Hamza Sr. in the founding of his Hamdan Stud of Arabian horses in Egypt. They are listed here as they appear in the Hamdan private Herd book:

1. Folla 1942 grey Shuweymah Sabbah mare, purchased 1944 from Abdul Hamid el Tahawi.

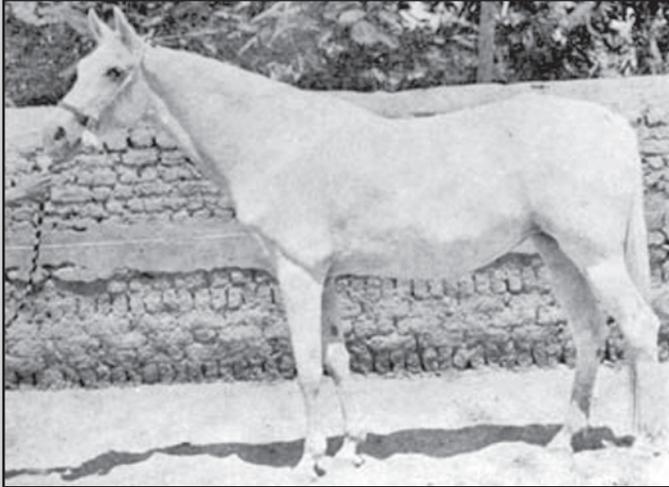


Photo of Folla in old age. Photo copyright Judith Forbis. Folla has breeding age male and female descendants in North America. If added to Al Khamsa's roster her line would restore the Shuweymah Sabbah strain in female line within Al Khamsa.

Barakat, Dahman Shahwan¹
Ibn Barakat, Saklawi Shaifi
a Saklawiyah Shaifiyah of Abdul Hamid el Tahawi
Folla
a Shuweymah Sabbah of Abdul Hamid el Tahawi

¹Barakat bred by the Anazeh tribe of Sheikh Gadaan Ibn Mehed el Khebir

2. Bint Barakat 1941 grey Saqlawiyah Jedraniyah mare, purchased 1944 from Abdul Hamid el Tahawi.



Bint Barakat. Photo copyright Judith Forbis. Bint Barakat has breeding age male and female descendants in North America.

Barakat, Dahman Shahwan¹
Ibn Barakat, Saklawi Shaifi
a Saklawiyah Shaifiyah of Abdul Hamid el Tahawi
Bint Barakat
Beshid, a desert bred stallion of the Tahawi
Bint Saklawiyah Jedraniyah
a Saqlawiyah Jedraniyah of Hag Nasr Sameyda el Tahawi

¹Barakat bred by the Anazeh tribe of Sheikh Gadaan Ibn Mehed el Khebir

3. Futna 1943 grey Kuhaylah Halawiyah mare, purchased 1944 from Abdul Hamid el Tahawi.

Barakat, Dahman Shahwan¹
Ibn Barakat, Saklawi Shaifi
a Saklawiyah Shaifiyah of Abdul Hamid el Tahawi
Futna
a Koheila Halawiyah of Abdul Hamid el Tahawi

¹Barakat bred by the Anazeh tribe of Sheikh Gadaan Ibn Mehed el Khebir

Photo of Bint Futna II. Photo copyright Judith Forbis. Futna has breeding age male and female descendants in North America. If added to Al Khamsa's roster her line would add a sub-strain not currently in Al Khamsa, that of Kuhaylah Halawiyah.

