

Preparations Begin for the 2009 ASAV Annual Meeting

Preparations are under way for the sixth ASAV annual meeting. 2009 promises to be our the best meeting yet! The emphasis and theme will center around "endurance" and already special speakers are promising to share their knowledge and experience.

The meeting will be held at the ranch of Karen and Doug Bish in the scenic area near Bend, Oregon. Karen has a large arena and her ranch set-up is perfect for such an event.

The meeting dates are May 1-2-3. This is a beautiful time of the year for the meeting, as the weather should be perfect.

The destination airport would be Redmond, Oregon (RDM) is the airport code. I found an airfare of \$315 RT from Chicago. Now is a good time to book air fare as many of the airlines are having sales!

Karen suggests also Portland, Or. Her ranch is about a three hour drive from the airport.

Plans could be made to perhaps share a Van and this should assist in keeping the costs down. If you would like to be part of this venture, please contact Karen and give her your contact information.

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**One of my favorite airline booking sites is www.kayak.com
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Another site www.travelzoo.com
and www.priceline.com**

There will be a judging clinic conducted by Darlene Steven and a call is going out for owners to bring their Shagya horses for the clinic.

One of the key note speakers will be Potato Richardson who has won Tevis races and competed in several. He is the breeder of FAYETTE deCAMEO, the Tevis winner and Haggin cup winner. He will give a program with insights into endurance racing, conditioning your horse and some secrets to give you an advantage in this fast growing sport.

Another prominent speaker will be Connie Kemptor who has founded her Trakehner breeding program with an emphasis on HABICHT bloodlines. This is the Shagya line descending from LAPIS

There will be veterinary programs and an expert on barefoot trimming will be on hand to answer questions on this always controversial method of hoof health.

Meeting Hotel

***Comfort Inn &
Suites - Bend, Oregon
62065 SE 27th Street,
Tollfree
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Ask for ASAV group rate!

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about the annual meeting***



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