

# Equestrian Wins National Awards



**Pam Thompson (center) holds the trophy she won at the Sport Horse Nationals held in September in Lexington, Ky. She is flanked by Arabian horses Lancer (left) and Kholela. Deb Williams (left) owns Lancer, and Megan Frantz (right) owns Kholela.**

Equestrian Pam Thompson of Cochranville won a national title at the seventh annual Sport Horse National Arabian and Half-Arabian Championship Horse Show (Sport Horse Nationals), held Sept. 22-27 in Lexington, Ky.

Competitors competed in more than 80 different classes across four divisions, including sport horse in-hand and under-saddle, dressage, pleasure carriage driving and hunter/jumper.

Thompson won in the Training Level Dressage class of 55 horses with Siraj Amir Moniet, better known as Lancer. Lancer is a purebred Arabian horse owned by Deb Williams and bred by Jane Fassinger, both of Rising Sun, Md. Thompson also placed fourth in the same class on Kholela Bey, owned by

Megan Frantz of Carlisle and bred by Sue Eves of Robesonia.

Sport Horse Nationals ranks as the only single-breed sport horse event in the nation offered for Arabian, Half-Arabian and Anglo-Arabian horses registered with the Arabian Horse Association or the Canadian Arabian Horse Registry. Nearly 600 horses competed at this event, with competitors traveling from 27 states and provinces.

Each top-ten winner received a walnut plaque with brass plate and ribbon. Reserve and champion winners were presented with a rose neck garland or blanket and a Gladys Brown Edwards trophy statue depicting the ideal Arabian Horse.