

Campbellville girl is focusing on her horse

By IRENE GENTLE
The Champion

Combining the athleticism and grace of horse showing with the creative skill of photography seems to be a natural talent for an 11-year-old Campbellville girl.

Alexandra Clark placed second in the 13 and under photography category of the International Arabian Horse Association's (IAHA) 1999 Creative Contest.

The annual contest is open to all IAHA mem-

bers under age 18.

Alexandra signed on as a member shortly after arriving at Milestone Stables, where she has ridden for the past five years.

"I got into the organization because everyone at the stable I ride in was a member," she said.

She read about the contest in an IAHA newsletter that was kicking around the stables.

That was when she decided to take aim at photography.

Her contest entry showcased the dapple-gray

countenance of her own eight-year-old Anglo-Arabian horse, Hawaiian Magic.

"Howie for short," explained Alexandra, whose family has owned the horse for a year.

But if Alexandra's photographic success hasn't exactly made a splash at the stables, there's a good reason for it. She hasn't told them.

"I don't think they know," she said, sounding a little reluctant to alter that state of affairs.

Still, placing in the contest could mean a pas-

sion for photography is developing in Alexandra. "That was the first photography thing I've ever been in," she said. "I want to do more of these contests."

And membership is as simple as paying a \$15 annual fee and nursing a love of Arabian horses, said youth programs manager Christy Rucker.

"You can just like them and think they're beautiful," she said.

The 1999 contest was an expanded version of a previous challenge, she said.

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The culprits seem to have been surprised by the sudden return of the resident and may have fled the scene in a second vehicle.

Police utilized their canine and helicopter services to comb the area, but the search was not successful.

The vehicle left on the property was found to have been stolen from the Waterloo area.

Police would like to speak to anyone who knows something about this recent break-in.

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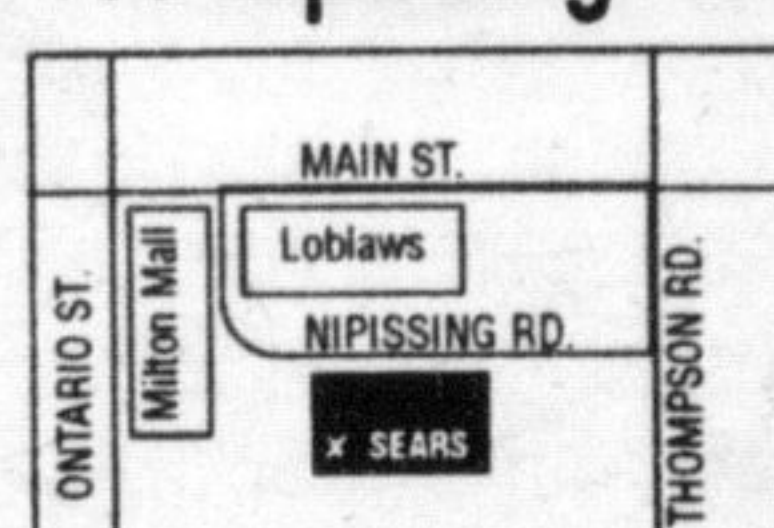


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