



Quicksilver Quips

November 2021



*Happy
Thanksgiving*

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President's message

Poof. And Just Like That - summer seems to have disappeared and we are facing down the holidays. It remains to be seen as of this writing whether we will have more treats than tricks at my house, and I am already looking forward to Thanksgiving. While I enjoy the cooking and sharing a feast with friends and family, what I really appreciate about Thanksgiving is the chance to be intentional about cultivating more gratitude in my world; showing a little more appreciation for my mail carrier, the UPS driver or even the nice lady who gave me my flu shot all help me get into the spirit of the holiday.

This year I am especially grateful for club members who step up to help the club and riding community enjoy our sport. Shannon and Jerry did a great job of organizing and managing our Fall Classic; they had a phenomenal crew of volunteers and vets, and paid a lot of attention to details that made it a great day for riders. Nick and Debbie have jumped in to join me in hosting a clinic for new endurance riders later this month in Santa Cruz. Our Board is discussing some new initiatives for next year, and our indefatigable Quips Editor Elisabet puts together a beautiful and interesting new issue of the Quips each month. I'm grateful for the opportunity to work with such fun and energetic people.

What can you do to cultivate a little gratitude in your world today?
Make it a great one-
Jill

***Holiday Party: December 4th at 6 pm at Trilby's House:
2035 Rome Dr. San Jose, CA 95120***

Trilby will make the turkey, you bring a side dish to share and a small gift for the gift exchange.

Quicksilver Fall Classic - San Martin, Ca 10/2/21

By Nick Warhol

The annual Quicksilver fall classic 25/50 was a hot one! It's one of the only two remaining rides in the Bay Area proper, which is unfortunate. It's a little more than an hour from my place in no traffic, but it can be up to 3 hours at commute time. Shannon Thomas and Jerry Wittenauer did a lot of work to pull the ride off, and being in the club, the least I could do is mark the trail since I was planning on riding. I spent 8 hours on the quad on Thursday doing the marking. It takes a while since we have to use signs and chalk- no ribbons allowed. Its actually a great way to mark it, since riders kind of can't get lost since there are significant markings at every potential turn, and all possible turns you are not supposed to take are blocked. Its just a lot of work to set it up.

On Friday morning I go back out and check the trail, and fix the signs the cows have knocked down. I stashed Sorsha and Donnie at Jill's ranch



nearby while I did the trail thing. Judy was going to ride Donnie on the fun ride, but the heat kept her at home which was a good thing. It was HOT! Since Donnie was there, and my riding buddy Ines did not have a horse, she dropped down from the 50 to the fun ride and rode with her friend Kris on her brand-new horse Cochise, who she calls Bruce. The ride filled up with almost 100 initial entries across the three rides, but the heat and everything else that seems to happen lowered the total number to about 80.



The ride started at 6:30 in the dark, and guess what- you can't read the signs in the dark! Jerry went out to the first turn with a light and kept everyone on course. I started out in a tee shirt on Sorsha alone, but quickly hooked up with fellow Quicksilver club member Elaine Elbizri on her mare Bella. Donnie was throwing a fit when Sorsha left him, but she was good about leaving him. We rode at a nice decent pace, but not in any hurry. I KNEW it was going to be hot later, and wanted only to get through without incident. The weather on the first loop was actually pretty nice, but as we reached camp at 25 miles it was already hot, probably about 80 plus degrees. The second loop is the first loop backwards, so we got to see a lot of riders coming back towards us as they headed in to camp. There is a little climbing in this initial 5 or 6 miles towards the vet check, but not too bad. We did a lot of walking up the hills in the heat. We were joined by Mary Vredenberg, a rider from the valley on

a nice gelding, who ended up riding with Elaine and I for the rest of the ride. The vet check had plenty of water, so I doused myself with it quite often. It was above 90 degrees now and rising.

The next 5 miles or so are on shaded single track, but it was stifling in there due to being down in

a valley with zero breeze. Sorsha just keeps on zooming along, not seeming to care about the heat. At the water stops we had three good horses- three heads down, three horses drinking 40 swallows or more each. There is a little climb up a good size hill at about mile 43 or so that we walked up. Once at the top it was about 94 degrees, but at least there was a little breeze up on the ridge above the valley. Now its mostly downhill to the finish. We were slowly jogging down a slight grade with good footing when Sorsha tripped and went down to her knees. Oops! Boy, I ALMOST saved it, and ended up on her neck, but then she took a step and flop, over the handlebars I went. Nice unscheduled dismount! She scuffed her knees a bit, and I jammed my thumb a little on impact with the hard ground, but other than that it was a non-event. I jogged a bit with her to be sure she was okay, then hopped back on for the 5 miles to the finish.



I ended up in fifth place, and Sorsha looked great with her usual low CRI. I did not show for BC since Heather Reynolds won the ride, beating me by a little more than an hour and a half! In that heat! Nice job! Dennis Tracy was second just a few minutes behind Heather, and Melissa said their horses looked pretty good. The ride meal was straight from a popular BBQ restaurant- it was great! Nice awards as well- a quality tee shirt and a polar fleece vest (just what we needed on this day!) for top ten. Kris and Ines had a nice time on the fun ride- it being Donnie's first time at a ride in a while.

I had some adventures while cleaning the trail on Sunday. It was as hot or hotter than Saturday, so while Sorsha rested at Jill's, I went back out on the trusty quad to get my signs back and knock out all those chalk arrows. At about mile 6, at the beginning of the 5-mile single track, I came across a woman dragging a pretty heavy electric mountain bike. Her rear wheel was destroyed- spokes all busted out and the rim twisted up into the frame. It would not even roll! Boy was she happy to see me! I tied the dumb bike to the quad and gave her a ride the 6 or so miles back to her car at the vet check parking lot. She kept trying to give me money! Back I went to continue the cleanup, when I came across a man and woman, but the woman was in trouble. She was



suffering from the heat and was sitting down, unable to walk. Her husband waved me over frantically; I hurried over and gave her all my water- they did not even have any! I took the two of them on the quad (a little tough on the uphill with three of us on there!) all the way back to the main park entrance to their car. She had improved, so he would take her to the hospital to be checked out. Boy they were grateful. I told them it was lucky I saw them since they were not on our trail. They learned an important lesson about hiking in 95-degree weather in the open sun in the hills!

What's next? I'm not sure. Sorsha has given me quite a year- 7 rides, 400 miles, all finishes, including 6 top tens and 2 BCs. We are currently leading the West Region in Heavyweight point standings which is pretty cool. That works for me! I think I'll give her the next three months off to rest and fatten up. We can start again next year at the desert rides I love so much. Gretchen's Fire Mountain is a 3-day ride in January, and of course the 20-mule team in February. Now I can get that dirt bike out of moth balls and prepare for the thanksgiving ride!

An update on the McCrarys...

From the Editor: As you may know, Barbara and Lud lost their home, all their belongings and their sweet kitty during the CZU fires last year. Even though their property was very well "fire proofed" the intensity and speed of the fire was overwhelming.

*While waiting for permits to rebuild, they are currently living in a trailer on the grounds of the Big Creek Lumber mill near Año Nuevo. If you want to send them a greeting, their address is still the same as published in the Directory, but their email has changed to: **bigcreekranch1950@outlook.com***

I asked Barbara to send us an update on their situation:

From Barbara:

We're doing OK, but I'm sure getting tired of living in this trailer, although we do have a great view of Año Nuevo and the ocean.

Daughter Janet has done all the arranging of permits, house plans, and contractors. Things are slowed by the difficulty of getting some metal building supplies. Maybe we will have a house in a year. I'd like to have a house warming party when we move in.



Lud retired from active management of Big Creek Lumber; Janet is president and chief forester; Ellen is VP and CFO. Eldest daughter Susan and her husband Butch are co-owners and operators of Westside Farm & Feed on Swift Street in west Santa Cruz.

One of our John Deere Gators survived the fire, and we drive down an old road to Waddell Creek with the dog. Then Lud and I alternate walking and driving back, each getting about ½ mile of steep uphill grade. We used to be really strong hikers and backpackers, but age has reduced our strength somewhat, as well as balance. But we keep going so we don't lose it all.

We saved our dog Willie from the fire, but lost my beloved cat. I surely miss her, but she would not have done well living in the trailer near a dog that loves to chase anything that moves.

I will be glad if...and when...it rains. It's so dry and dusty.

I was hacked and had to have the computer cleaned out and re-formatted. Click Away installed Windows 10 (or 11?) and re-learning a new system has been very difficult. I regret it very much.

Barbara

A Bit Of History... *Dogs Saved Lives During WWI*



Dogs have long performed a variety of functions in wartime, including sniffing out explosives and delivering messages. In WWI alone, about 30,000 dogs were in service.

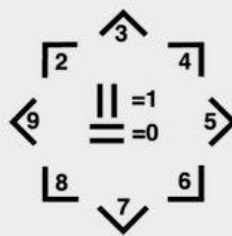
One category of canine workers was directly in the business of saving lives during that horrific conflict: casualty dogs. Trained to seek out wounded soldiers, they brought medical supplies and sustenance to men trapped in no man's land.

Casualty dogs also brought psychological comfort. If they sensed that a soldier would soon succumb to his wounds, they would remain at his side so he wouldn't pass alone.



Ever wonder how to decipher Mustang horses freeze marks?
Here's a handy "key".

ALPHA ANGLE CODE FOR FREEZE MARK INTERPRETATION



Miscellaneous Farrier Trivia:



- An average horse, receiving regular hoof care, will be seen by a farrier 150 times in its lifetime.
- According to the American Farrier's Journal, the average full time farrier is 54 years old and has been shoeing for 25 years.
- 62 percent of full time farriers earn all their income from foot care work.
- National average miles driven per week by a farrier is 346.
- The typical farrier participates in an average of 2.3 clinics and 1 national conference per year.
- According to a recent American Horse Council study, there are 9.2 million horses in the United States, 45 of the 50 states have at least 20,000 horses, with Texas, California and Florida being the leading horse states.

Ride report: Virginia City 100

by Lori Oleson

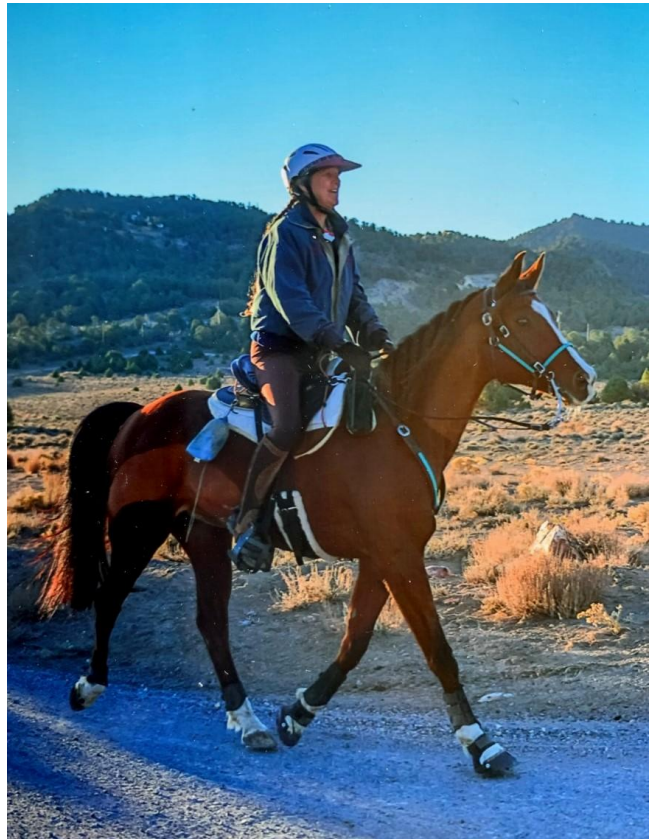
The NASTR crew and ride manager Crysta Turnage put on a wonderful Virginia City 100 (and Really Rocky Rumble) ride on October 16th.

The trail was marked beautifully, the hospitality was great throughout the whole weekend, water for the horses on the trail was placed to perfection and the weather was perfect (although they had no control over it).

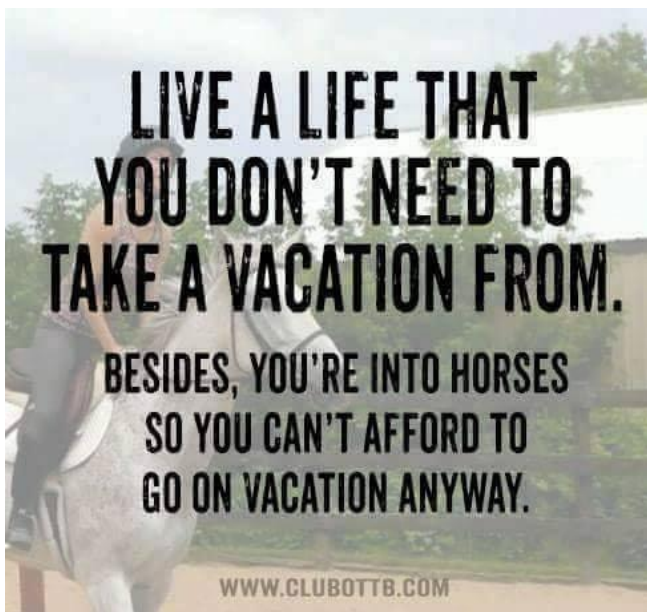
RC Fargo did so well. He ate like a champ, drank well throughout the day, seemed to get stronger as the day progressed and learned to navigate rocks really well. We rode with a variety of horses/riders at this ride. Towards the end in the dark, we were catching up with other riders (and of course there were pulls) which moved our placing up considerably. We finished in 6th place at 1:20am.

QS president Jill Kilty-Newburn was our crew for the day and we couldn't have finished as strong without her help.

I've always wanted to ride the NASTR Triple Crown Series (Nevada Derby 50, NASTR 75, VC100) Fargo was the horse to get it done for me and I'm very proud of him. His 'not too fast' and solid rides moved us up to 2nd in the series, far better than I could have imagined.



Lori Oleson



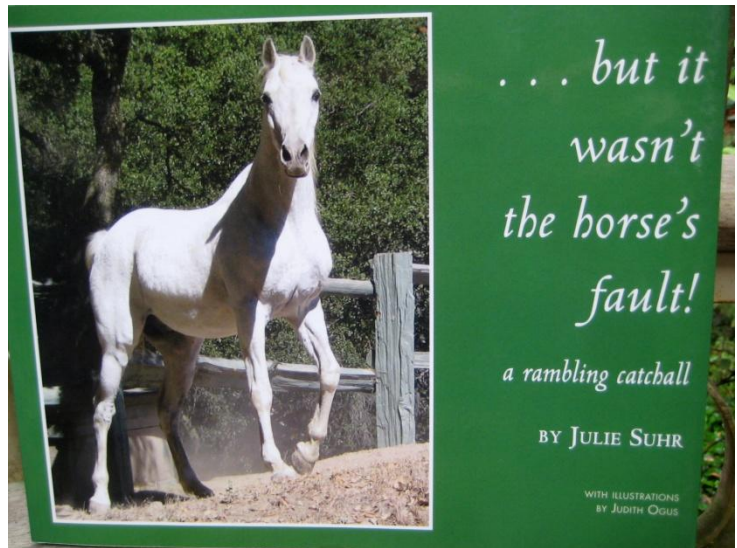
Book review

By E. Hiatt

"... but it wasn't the horses' fault!" By Julie Suhr.

I've had this book since it was published in 2012. I devoured it as soon as I got it home and have re-read/looked at it on and off over the years. I've given it as a gift to several of my friends, and recommended it to many others... as you can guess, I really like the book!

A few weeks ago I picked it up again and read it again cover to cover... it's amazing how much I forget from one reading to the next... or maybe it is that depending on where I am in my horse journey, different things jump out at me at different times.

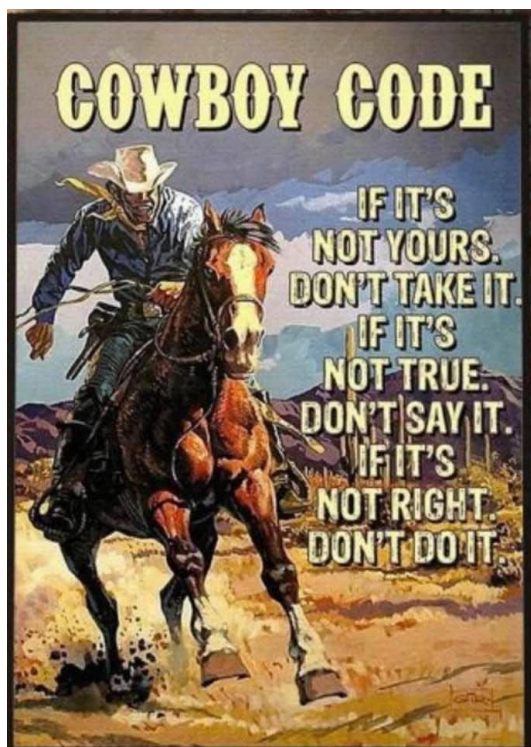


I recommend this book with no hesitation. It's FUN to read, has lots of great tidbits about many horse related things, and has great stories and photos. Judith Ogus' illustrations are absolutely wonderful and the photos are an interesting glimpse of the "past" as well as more current subjects... and it definitely makes a perfect Christmas gift!

The title of the book should give you a hint about what it's about, but don't be fooled... it's not all about the "funny" (ahem) things that happen when you ride horses.

Julie signs and adds a note to each and every one of the books before they leave her house, so that is also a wonderful bonus.

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A Nail in the Hoof: What Would You Do?

How would you react if your horse stepped on a nail? One practitioner outlines the steps you should take.



By Harry Werner, VMD, WEVA Board Member

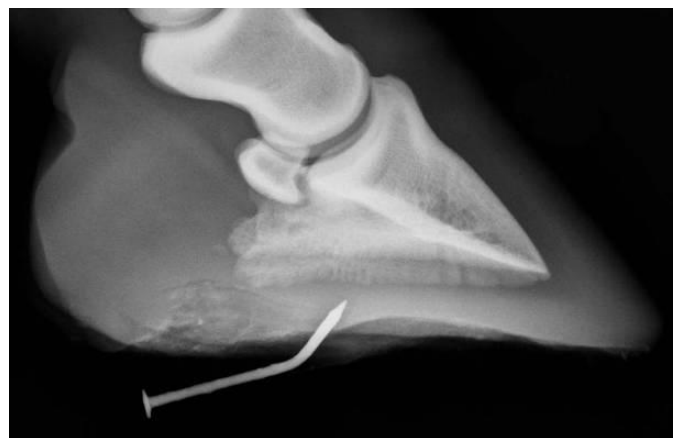
After your horse limps into the barn from turnout, you closely examine his lame leg. When you find the head of a nail protruding from the frog, you carefully place the foot down and plan your next move. Anxious to eliminate the cause of his pain, you grab pliers, yank the nail out of his frog, and sweep the floor clean of it and all other debris that could do more harm. You clean the foot and begin a soak in warm Epsom salts solution as you place a call to your veterinarian.

You have wisely arranged to have a veterinarian examine the wound immediately rather than risk the possible consequences of a delay, ranging from infection to internal structure damage. But during the veterinary exam, while your veterinarian applauds your prompt treatment and reporting of the injury, she suggests you might have taken a slightly different course of action. What might you have done?

Next time, if you know your veterinarian is available to examine the horse immediately, leave the nail in place. This will allow him or her to see the exact location of the wound's entry site and obtain radiographic visualization of the nail's location within the hoof capsule.

If timely veterinary help is unavailable and you must remove the nail, carefully note how much of the nail penetrated the foot, exactly where on the foot the penetration occurred, and at what angle. And before you remove the nail and if possible, take photos from a variety of angles to show your veterinarian when he or she arrives. Also, save the nail for your veterinarian to see.

Penetrating hoof wounds can be extremely serious, causing infection and direct trauma to vital structures. Knowing a wound tract's depth and direction can help your veterinarian assess structural damage, choose the best diagnostic imaging study, provide appropriate on-site treatment, and prescribe the proper aftercare.



From Elisabet:

This actually happened to my horse, Tango, while camping at Coe park many years ago. We were miles from anywhere and Tango ran into a board on the ground. Suddenly, he would not put his foot down due to the pain. I could not believe my eyes when I looked at his foot. The nail was protruding from his heel, the head wedged next to the frog. I had no choice but to pull the nail out (which, miraculously, he allowed me to do!) and ride/hike the 8 or so miles back to camp.



I have to say, I was very glad that I carry a Leatherman tool with me at all times when I ride, or I have no idea what I could have done.

Once at camp, I cleaned the foot best I could, soaked it in Epson salts and started Tango on antibiotics, which I had with me. Since he was sound by the time we rode into camp, I decided to give it a day. Probably a stupid and risky decision, I know, but he was fine the next day, sound, with no heat and no fever, so apparently the nail managed to miss any important structures.

Cleaned wound, PRE surgery



Another time, we were hiking near my house and he (the now infamous Tango!) ran ahead just for fun. A minute later he came running back to me with "the look" of "oops, I've done something naughty" and blood oozing from his left inner thigh. I walked him home and called the available emergency vet, who could not find anything inside the gaping hole.

*We put him on antibiotics, but after about a couple of **months**, the wound was not closing and was still oozing pus/gross looking stuff. After several visits, I consulted with my regular vet who was practicing somewhere else at the time. As soon as he saw it, he was sure there was something impaled in there that had to come out.*

Open wound, POST surgery



He felt that whatever it was, it was too close to the femoral artery and it would require a risky surgery, so off to Davis we went as soon as we could get an appointment.

The surgery went well. The wound, given the place where it was, had to be left open... no stitches, no bandages. Needless to say, it took many months for it to fully heal. Today, you can barely find the scar, even if you are looking for it.

There were also no detrimental side effects... amazingly, Tango was sound throughout the entire process.

Here's a photo of the culprits: the actual 4 inch rusty nail and the 2+ inch piece of redwood that spent a couple of months inside my horse... yes, I have a collection of things that have been surgically removed from my horses... doesn't everyone?? Never a dull moment, uh? Elisabet



Just for giggles...

- One minute you are young and fun... the next, you are turning down the stereo in the truck to see better.
- Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me. I want people to know "why" I look this way. I've traveled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved.
- If your butt hurts at the end of a ride, your stirrups are too long. If your knees hurt, your stirrups are too short. If everything hurts, they're just right.
- Learn from the mistakes of others. You can never live long enough to make them all yourself.

DO HORSES CONTRIBUTE TO THE ECONOMY?

Horses in the United States

Source : Economic Impact of the Horse Industry in Minnesota, American Horse Council Foundation

31% of U.S. households include a horse enthusiast

1.3% of U.S. households own horses &

for each there are

22 others that spectate or participate in equine events

7.2 million horses use 80.9 million acres of land

179 colleges and universities offer equine programs and degrees

308 active not-for-profit organizations

602 active sanctuaries and equine rescues

877 sites certified for equine-assisted activities and therapies



2nd 534,500 California

1st 767,000 Texas

3rd 387,100 Florida



Direct Economic Impact

Economic activity within the equine industry itself

\$50 billion

creating 988,000 jobs



Total Value to U.S. Economy

Direct + Indirect + Induced Impacts

\$122 billion

contributing to over 1.7 million jobs

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
EXTENSION



Fall Endurance Riding Clinic

Saturday, Nov 20, 2021

9:00 – 4:30

Santa Cruz County Horsemen's Assn Showgrounds
1251 Graham Hill Road, Santa Cruz CA 95060.

Sponsored by SCCHA & Quicksilver Endurance Riders



Have you ever wanted to learn more about what it takes to compete in 25- or 50-mile endurance riding events? Join us for this fun and educational clinic to learn how to get started, or how to step up your game if you are new to the sport.

Whether you are a competitor at heart or are looking for a sport for your entire family, endurance riding has something for everyone. Endurance riding combines the opportunity of riding a challenging course with your equine partner with the camaraderie of camping and socializing with people who share your interests.

In this full day clinic, you will learn

- How to condition and care for your equine partner
- What the rules are at endurance events sanctioned by AERC
- What happens on the day of the ride
- Setting up a conditioning program
- How to gauge your horse's fitness and set goals
- Tack and accessories to consider
- Feeding and supplementation for the endurance athlete
- How to pace your horse in an endurance ride

This clinic will be held at the lovely Santa Cruz County Horseman's Association Showgrounds. We have shaded outdoor stalls for your horse to stay in, and the clinic fee includes one night of camping – your choice of Friday or Saturday night.

Your instructors for the day will be several very experienced endurance riders who, together, have tens of thousands of miles of competitive experience in the sport. Through a combination of lecture, demonstration, and trail riding in small groups, we will help you increase your knowledge and skills so that you can successfully complete endurance rides with a healthy and happy horse

Cost: \$50, which includes the full day clinic, lunch, and camping for you and your horse; OR \$15 for the lecture and demonstrations, and lunch.

We welcome all riders from any discipline, and their horses (unless auditing).

For more information, contact
Jill Kilty-Newburn at mail@knfarms.com
or Debbie Boscoe at debbieboscoe@gmail.com.

We are limited to 25 riders so don't wait!
For registration and payment, use this link:
<https://sccha.wildapricot.org/event-4515550>

UNCLE ROYAL

by Pat Verheul

Endurance comes in many forms, my dictionary defines it as the ability to last. This is a story of a lasting mystery and the resolution to that mystery. In 1941 my mother's brother, Royal L. Waltz, age 18, joined the U.S. Marines. He was at Pearl Harbor on a construction crew when the Japanese attacked and later he was at Guadalcanal. Both times he survived. On November 20, 1943 his Marine division was a part of the amphibious assault on Tarawa in the South Pacific. This he did not survive. Over 1,000 Marines died that day. The battle continued for two more days with many more losses on both sides. Some of the lost Marines were buried in shallow trench graves, some were buried at sea. Royal's family was not able to find out what had happened to him though many letters were written and received from the president on down. He was eventually declared missing in action, presumed dead. My Grandmother always felt that some day he would turn up. Perhaps he had had a head injury and didn't know who he was or where he belonged. Years later my Grandfather traveled to New Zealand where he met the Rev. Walter Harris who's family befriended Royal while he was stationed there before the assault on Tarawa. Rev. Harris told my Grandfather that Royal had a feeling he wouldn't survive Tarawa. In a letter home from that time Royal wrote "You may hear that I am missing. Know that I will come home even if I have to swim a mile or two."



Royal came home last month. Through the work of the non-profit organization History Flight his remains were recovered at Tarawa and removed to Hawaii. There they lay awaiting identification. I was contacted several years ago by Hatti Johnson, Department of Defense, MIA/POW Division. She requested a DNA sample to help identify or eliminate different sets of remains. The result was a positive match with Royal. We were making arrangements to bring Royal home when Covid-19 hit. Finally, this spring we again started the process.

Royal's arrival home: He was accompanied by Marine Captain Altenbach on an American Airlines flight to LAX which arrived on Sept. 23rd. I flew, on very short notice, to LA, as did one of my nieces, Cindy, on the afternoon of Sept. 22nd. We were each met by USO volunteers who delivered us to Laura with honoringourfallen.org. She dropped us off to spend the night with a second cousin of mine which I had not met until then. At 5:00am the next morning Laura picked us up, and with cousin Jim following in his car, delivered us to the tarmac where Royal's flight arrived at 7:36am. In attendance on the tarmac where police, fire, security personnel and ground personnel and folks

up in the gate hallway, as well as a wonderful contingent of Marines. The passengers on the flight remained on board until Royal and his coffin were removed. Jim, Cindy and I were permitted to approach the coffin and personally welcome Royal home. The pilot from the airplane came to us and shook our hands. Royal was placed in a hearse for the journey to Hanford, CA. He was again accompanied by Captain Altenbach. Laura collected Cindy and I for that trip. We were escorted by the Highway Patrol and former service men on motorcycles onto HWY 5. Cindy read letters from Royal and family members and others on that long journey. Another Marine contingent was at the funeral home to welcome Royal. Royal remained at the funeral home until the morning of the 27th when he was moved the two blocks to the Hanford United Methodist Church. The church he grew up attending and where there is a stained glass window dedicated to Royal and his parents by my parents. (Bob and I were married in that church.)

The service included hymns that would have been popular in the 1940's, wonderful words by the current pastor, Pablo Rovere, a sharing of family letters by my niece, Cindy, and an amazing history report by the church historian, Jim Gregory, taken from a two inch thick binder of newspaper articles relative to Royal and his family that Jim compiled and presented to each of Royal's nieces and nephews. I spoke briefly closing with Royal's words he wrote in a letter home. "Don't work too hard and remember to eat candy for me. Your appreciating son, Royal Lawrence Waltz." The final hymn was the Marine Anthem played on the church pipe organ, slowly, gently, almost as a lullaby, as the Marines moved Royal on to his last leg of the journey home to the Grangeville Cemetery. He was honored there with a brief service, a 21 gun salute and the playing of taps on a real bugle. Royal was at last home, near his mother, sister, brother, several sets of grandparents, and lots of aunts and uncles. The mystery has been resolved. But the story doesn't end here. Royal's story will endure now in the memories of all those involved in his return.

Pat Verheul

For more information:

Laura's honoringourfallen.org - she videoed Royal's arrival at LAX so Cindy & I could just be in the moment.

The Fresno Bee - a two page article by Carmen Kohlruss - published on Sept 26, 2021

ABC Channel 30 - a video with Jason Oliveria on Sept. 16, 2021 where two of my brothers are interviewed

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Queen Elizabeth news:

The Queen was forced to give up horse riding two months ago after suffering 'discomfort', according to reports.

Her Majesty, 95, was told to stop with her beloved hobby in early September, but is determined to get back in the saddle soon.

According to The Sun, The Queen - who is known for her love of horseback riding and as an avid racing fan - has not been out on a horse since she took a summer break to Scotland.

'She adores riding and it has been part of her ritual for most of her life,' the source said. 'She has been extremely disappointed not to go riding since the beginning of September.'

But the Queen has refused to give up on her favorite pastime, and according to royal insiders cited by The Sun, she is eager to return after taking time to rest.



For a long time, Her Majesty has been known for her love of equestrian activities, including going to watch the races, caring for horses and riding herself.

A bit of trivia: The Queen and Julie Suhr have the same birth day, April 21st.

Quicksilver Endurance Riders (QSER) Club October 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

The Board meeting was held via Zoom on October 20, 2021, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Jill Kilty-Newburn, Jerry Wittenauer, Nick Warhol, Maryben Stover, and Margaret Hastings.

- Website: Nick stated that the Quicksilver Ride results are posted.
- Newsletter: Elisabet Hiatt – Members are always encouraged to send in articles.
- Membership and Goodwill: One new member. Cards sent to Cary Bellows who lost her husband, Michelle King who lost her sister, and Melissa Broquard who lost her horse.
- Financial: Nick reported that the club made a modest profit from the ride.
- Trails: Nothing new to report.
- Ride Committee: Jerry reported that the Quicksilver Ride on October 2nd was a success with lots of kudos from riders on the excellent trail marking, water availability on the trail and the wonderful potluck Friday night and hosted dinner on Saturday. Lessons learned and improvements for next year were discussed. The ride may be able to accommodate as many as 10-15 more riders next year. A new ride manager may need to be recruited.
- Old Business: Nick researched the Club Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation. Jerry is chairing the Board nomination committee to recruit members to serve on the Board for the new term beginning in January. Two members are needed to join the Board.
- New Business: Alternative storage for Quicksilver Ride equipment and supplies was discussed. Jerry proposed the option of purchasing a shipping container to hold the items but a location to store the container would be required. Nick mentioned that NASTR has a trailer for storage of their ride equipment and supplies making it very easy to haul them from storage to the ride location. Jerry volunteered to continue the search for a container or trailer but someone is needed to look for a site where the container or trailer could be kept. The local Horseman's Association property or perhaps a riding club might be willing to let us park there.
- Jerry proposed approaching Santa Clara County Parks regarding upgrading the Harvey Bear Park pole barn in a manner that would benefit the Club's event. Specifically adding hose bibs and 110V electrical power. The discussion will be taken up more next month.
- Jerry reported that the Club has received a Plaque/Certificate of Appreciation from the Western States Trail Foundation Board of Governors memorializing the ½ mile section of the Western States Trail honoring the QSER Club. Nick will post a picture on the website.
- Jill noted that the Club's annual Holiday gathering will be held at Trilby's house this year. Trilby will be roasting her famous turkey and decorating as usual. The date is December 4th. Everyone attending the potluck needs to be vaccinated. Address: 2035 Rome Dr. San Jose, CA. Time: 6PM
- Jill announced that the Club is hosting an Endurance Clinic at the Santa Cruz County Horseman's on November 20th. Nick, Jill and Debbie Boscoe are coordinating.
- The Board meeting schedule will continue on the third Wednesday of the month via Zoom. The next meeting will be at 7p.m. on November 17th.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Margaret Hastings

Trea\$urer's report:

General Account Balance: **\$11,965**

Trails account Balance: **\$1,074**

Paypal balance **\$0**

All ride expenses paid.



Birthdays and other announcements



Vivian Beebe 11/8, Sandy Holder 11/13

A note on birthdays: I don't have a complete list of Quicksilver member's birth dates. If you feel inclined (and don't mind having your birthday date published), please send me a note. I don't want the year, just the month and day. Thanks! Eijsabet

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20535 Rome Drive, San Jose, California.
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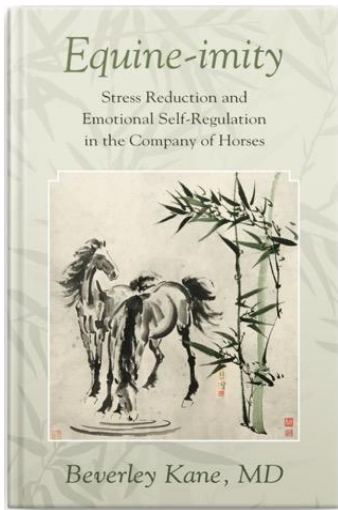
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Books by Julie Suhr --- Ten Feet Tall, Still and ...but it wasn't the horse's fault! are available for sale. All proceeds go to AERC Trails Fund and Center for Equine Health at UC Davis. Please contact Julie Suhr at **(831) 335-5933**

Books by Lori Oleson --- Enduring Memories and Endurance... Years Gone By are available for sale. Re-live the adventures that tell the stories of horses and riders who made their way down the trail in the 1960s through the 1990's. Books are available by contacting Lori at **(408) 710-5651** or lorioleson@alumni.cpp.edu

Michelle Herrera is still looking for a few more **ride t-shirts** to complete her quilt... if you have some that are duplicates or... ahem, don't fit you any more, how about letting her have them?

Please contact: Michelle Herrera - 831 427 1533 or by e-mail: montra7003@sbcglobal.net



New book by Dr. Beverley Kane

***Equine-imity—Stress Reduction and Emotional Self-Regulation
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Equine-imity teaches moving meditation in the form of qigong, a tai chi-like practice, with, and optionally on, horses. Based on our Stanford program of the same name. Written with non-equestrians in mind. Share your love of horses with friends and family! Purchase paperback or e-book on Amazon and other outlets. Learn more and download free Introduction at <http://equine-imity.com>

Illustrations by Judith Ogus

From Trilby: Part time job available feeding and cleaning. at horse stable. A couple of hours in the am and about half hour in pm. You can keep your regular day job. \$350 a week. There is a trailer for rent on property if you want to live there. 12 horses. Call 408-997-7500

From Judy Etheridge: I am looking for a short, smooth, safe and sound horse. Julie Suhr described such a horse some time ago so here I am, too. Hard to find in the Bay area it would seem. Please contact Judy at: misxfire@gmail.com

Black Jack (1947-1976)

Black Jack was the “riderless” horse in more than one thousand full honor military funerals at Arlington National Cemetery. The riderless horse, or caparisoned horse, is led behind the caisson of any Army or Marine Corps commissioned officer holding the rank of Colonel or above. The riderless horse wears an empty saddle with the rider’s boots reversed in the stirrups, symbolizing the deceased will never ride again.



Black Jack, a black Morgan-Quarter Horse cross is only one of three horses to be buried with full military honors (the other two are Comanche and Reckless). Black Jack was named to honor General of the Armies, John J. (Black Jack) Pershing who is the only person to be promoted in his own lifetime to the highest rank held in the United States Army.

Black Jack not only took part in the funerals of Presidents John F. Kennedy, Herbert Hoover, Lyndon B. Johnson, and five star General Douglas MacArthur, but more than one thousand others at Arlington National Cemetery during his 24 years of service with the Old Guard. Black Jack passed away on February 6, 1976, and is buried on the parade ground of Fort Myer’s Summerall Field.

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THANK YOU!!

