

Quicksilver

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

BLESSED RAIN!!

We hoped for it and prayed for it (at least I did) and now that we've had a bunch, I hear that most of our reservoirs are only 60% full. The really good news is that we're in much better shape than last year (and I guess I shouldn't complain when I can't get out riding because of it). . . . still.

What I'm really looking forward to is seeing all your warm and familiar faces at the Awards Banquet on Saturday, February 2nd! It's our annual opportunity to share a warm meal together and to catch up on the happenings from last year, award the prestigious Eleanor Norton, Hall of Fame Rider, Hall of Fame Horse and Horse of the Year awards, and plan for the future (our QSER Classic on June 7th is only 4 months away). Once again our wonderful Maryben and Steve have put in quite a few hours to make sure everything is in order - Maryben for the preparation of the ceremony - Steve for the calendar (although quite frankly I can't image how it can get any better than it was last year)! Thanks to both of you (and all your helpers) as well as all the Committee Chairs for yearly making this event a success!!~

The convention is at the end of February. Katie and I will be there with smiles on from the night of February 28th - early March 2nd. Hope to SEE YA'LL THERE!!

And before I forget, because of the awards ceremony, we won't be having a February meeting so we'll see each other again at the March Monthly Meeting New Almaden Community Center on March 19th starting at 6:30 p.m.!!

Until I see your smiling face. . . ~sandy

NEW EDITOR FOUND

Thanks go out Margaret Graham for stepping up to the plate and offering to take over the newsletter. Near as I can tell I've put together over 30 issues of the QUIPS.

I hope everyone will make an effort to help Margaret out with great stories presented in a timely fashion. The QUIPS is nothing without your contributions. And as you can see from this issue, not much was contributed. "No News is Good News" does not apply in this case! Her contact information is listed to the left. Please show an effort to keep this club in communication.

Jackie Floyd

JANUARY MEETING MINUTES

The meeting convened at 6:30pm.

In addendance: Sandy Holder, Trilby Pederson, Maryben Stover, Wendy Ebster, Mike ?, Dick Carter, Butch Kittle, Kathy Schmidt, Margaret Graham, Kathy Brayton, and Laurie?.

Treasurer's report:

General Account \$5800.17 Trails Account 1018.59 Junior Account 452.07

Profit & Loss Statement for period ending 12-31-07 \$7265.00 Income:

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Expenses:			
Ride Expenses	3478.61		
Newsletter	800.99		
Supplies	210.31		
Awards	2027.23		
Calendar	640.16		
Rent	266.00		
Insurance	580.00		
Banquet	200.00		
Total Exper	nses	8265.00	
Net Loss		(\$1000.00)	

Unfinished Business:

Sandy Holder and Dick Carter will organize awards committee, to be ready for February 2 Banquet and Awards Ceremony. Steve Lenheim and Sandy will sort out committee leaders per by-laws.

Horse of the Year - defined in bylaws as "having been ridden OR owned by a QSER member...." Steve Lenheim to complete the yearbook, as he has all points tabulated already.

Note to members: The winner of "Horse of The Year" is responsible for organizing nominations and selection for the next year's ceremony. This procedure will be reinstated, as it was not communicated for this year.

New Business:

Butch Kittle made a welcomed appearance, as he announced plans for a mid-March "Horse Evacuation Certification" event. He needs participants, and will provide our group more details as plans solidify. Read the January edition Almaden Resident for a great article about RFID for equines. Neither Santa Clara County or the city of San Jose have disaster plans or procedures in place. Most equine rescue groups have strict rules i.e., 2 minutes per horse or they move onto the next horse. Often it is stallions and difficult horses that get left behind. So you better practice trailer loading to perfection, with distractions! He lost horses in a past Southern California fire, and never wants this to happen to anyone ever again!

Other new business:

The Quicksilver Spring Classic is set for June 7, 2008, at Harvey Bear Ranch. That's 2 weeks after the Wild West ride. The AARC has been notified, the ride is sanctioned. and Parks has the date. Chuck Kessinger to be lead Vet. Need 55 riders to profit - spread the word!!!

Announcements:

Mark your calendars for the Banquet FEBRUARY 2, at Harry's Hofbrau On Saratoga Avenue in San Jose/Santa

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

STATE PARKS CLOSURE

Below is a link you can use to send a letter to the Governor urging him to keep our parks open. It only takes a moment, and it may make a difference. Please either use the wording already filled in on the on line letter or write your own. Below is a sample, (what I wrote) feel free to use parts of that or your own message. We have to try!

Please pass this along to anyone who you think may care.

http://environmentcalifornia.org/action/preservation/stateparks?id4=ES

Dear Gov. Schwarzenegger.

I am writing to strongly oppose any effort to close 48 of California's state parks.

As a State Park volunteer for almost 20 years, I know there must be a way we can lower the expenses and yet keep the parks open. I urge you to consider alternatives to the closures.

Although I understand the need to balance the budget, I believe there are other ways, such as reduced services or amenities, that would still allow us to enjoy our beautiful parks and also reduce expenses.

Please keep our state parks open.

Sincerely. Elisabet Hiatt

FROM STEVE-0

1-11-08 - I just wanted to get mushy and thank everyone for the help over the last three weeks that I spent at home and at the VA Hospital. Time really drags out

when your stuck sitting on your butt and unable to do anything unless you have someone to talk to. At this time I'm feeling good and can see improvement in my physical well being. If it would warm up I might even do something stupid outside.

Hope to see everyone at the Awards Banquet on Feb 2nd. And to all a good night.

Steve-0



QUICKSILVER ENDURANCE RIDERS SPRING CLASSIC We encourage you to come and " Ride Bear"

Saturday, June 7, 2008 50 Miler, 25 Miler and 10 Mile Fun Ride

CAMP INFORMATION: Camp is located at the Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch County Park. This 4,595-acre park - featuring a 635-acre lake, provides camping and boat launch facilities, miles of horse, bicycle and hiking trails - is nestled in the Diablo Range east of the City of Gilroy. Dogs are also welcome on a 6 ft. leash.

How to Get There: There are three entrances into Coyote Lake-Harvey Bear Ranch County Park. Our ride site will be at the Harvey Bear Ranch.

Directions to the Harvey Bear Ranch Park- from U.S. Highway 101 (between Gilroy and Morgan Hill), take the San Martin Ave. exit. Proceed east on San Martin Ave. for 2 miles. The entrance to the park is on the left, one-quarter mile east of Foothill Avenue. Creek and hydrant water are suitable for horses, but riders should bring their own drinking water. Portable toilets and trash receptacles are provided. **NO OPEN FIRES PERMITTED.**

COURSE: There will be only two locations for the vet checks - at Base Camp and at the Mendoza Ranch entrance - the two being only 5 miles apart by vehicle. The trails are mild to moderate and will be uphill in the morning, giving your energetic horse an opportunity to do some moderate climbing to warm up. The vistas will include valley and lake views throughout the day with rolling hills to be enjoyed by all level of riders. The trails will be **extremely well marked** with dolomite and signs. Marshals will be placed where deemed necessary, particularly at any critical junctions. Some of the trail is in shady forest, with the balance in open parkland on fire roads with excellent footing and towards the home vet check, an open grassy flat area where your crews can view you the last 3 miles coming into base camp. There is multi-use trail pavement coming into the lunch/final vet check but gravel shoulders with open grass for riding on both sides. The trails are generally jeep road width, but there are also several one-mile (+ or -) stretches of single-track trail. Plenty of water from water troughs will be found and Management will provide amenities for the horse (hay, carrots and wheat bran mash at the out vet check) as well as for the rider (snacks and water at the out vet check).

RIDE DETAILS:

- **PRE-RIDE VETTING:** Upon vet arrival (usually about 4:00 PM) 7:00 PM Friday
- **PRE-RIDE BRIEFING:** 6:30 PM Friday
- **RIDES START:** Saturday for all riders 50-miler 6:00 AM 6:00 PM; 25-miler 6:30 AM 12:30 pm; 10-mile Fun Ride 7: 00 AM UNTIL YOU'VE HAD ENOUGH FUN (but prior to 6:00 PM)!!
- IMPORTANT NOTE: 25 milers much reach Criteria at the finish line BEFORE your ride is completed.

POST-RIDE EXAM OF HORSES: Will be based on Dr. Chuck Kessinger's criteria.

AWARDS: AERC Best Condition for 50 milers. **Horse Excellence Best Condition Award** for 25 milers based on QuickSilver Endurance Riders criteria, which includes a review of all horses.

10-mile Fun Riders - Awards for ALL RIDERS WHO COMPLETE!

AWARDS DINNER: An outstanding barbecue dinner, beginning at 2:00 PM continuing until 7:30 PM. Extra tickets should be purchased with entry. We welcome all quests, family and friends.

AWARDS PRESENTATION: We encourage everyone to stay and enjoy the commarderie of our QSER Club. Offical awards will begin at around 6 p.m.

RIDE RULES: The 50-mile and 25-mile rides are sanctioned by AERC and will comply with AERC rules and policy. The 10-mile fun ride is sponsored by the Quicksilver Endurance Riders - one of the oldest endurance ride clubs in the nation and is put on for the benefit of those that want to enjoy the trail as well as those wanting an introduction to the wonderful equestrian sport of endurance. All horses entered in the ride will be under veterinary criteria. Our knowledgeable QSER members will be helping all those riders with/without experience to understand the criteria as well as how to present their horses at the vet checks. **Juniors (anyone 16 or under) must wear helmets.** Ride management reserves the right to interpret the rules as would be necessary to insure the continuity of the rides and to settle any questions which may arise from any incident that might occur during the rides.

RIDE MANAGEMENT:

Ride Manager: Sandy Holder, cell: 408-218-5028, fax: 831-423-8869, email: sandy.l.holder@us.pwc.com

Assistant Ride Manager, Dick Carter, cell: 408-234-2240

*SEND ENTRIES TO Ride Secretary: Katie Holder, cell: 510-364-2066 email: spikelove83@yahoo.com

RIDING BEAR Entry Form

Rider Name	:			AER	C #	Age:
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HORSES FOR SALE

11-YR-OLD ARABIAN GELDING WITH 455 ENDURANCE MILES. Diamond Lute L (James Dean) Has done Grand Canyon, Ft. Schellbourne, Cold Springs, Cuyama, etc. and numerous other rides. 14.2h grey, energetic and athletic, always ridden slow miles learning what endurance is about. Jumps in the trailer without being asked, clips, bathes, trims. Camps on a Hi-Tie like a champ. Has fairly good arena skills. To the right person only, as he has a piece of my heart and is a wonderful little character. He has his own spot at the patio table in the back yard and we have enjoyed many a conversation together. If you think you are that right person, please contact me. Jackie Floyd 209-334-1981 typef@comcast.net [05-08]

MAXX (PICOLO PETE), 8-YEAR-OLD CHESTNUT, 15H, slender build. Loves people and attention. Very energetic. Very smooth and can really walk out. Needs experienced rider due to his energy level. Camps well. Located at Indian Hills Ranch. Milpitas. Kitty Weber 510-913-3395. [02-

EIGHT-YEAR-OLD PURBRED ARABIAN GELDING. Been conditioned up twice so needs about 12 weeks to be ready to go on his first 50. 14.3h, good legs, good mind, needs good rider. Asking \$5,000. Contact Diane: tref@wakerobinranch.com or (209) 742-8586 (Mariposa, CA). [02-08]

SADDLES FOR SALE

FREE N EASY ENDURANCE SPECIAL SADDLE, \$1800.00. Fabulous saddle. No longer riding LD rides. Black, 17" seat. Wide (#3) tree. Comes with saddle cover. two girths, fitting instructions. Adjustable panels and stirrup bars for max comfort. Check out at www.FnEsaddles.com weezys8@aol. com

SHARON SAARE SADDLE 15" SEAT. \$800, Size G (low withered Arab / downhill i.e., slightly higher rear end), Standard saddle, C rigging, smooth leather with oil treatment and natural oil finish, all brass fittings and pads available (Saare Endurance Pad and Wool Felt Underpad). In excellent condition. I have another Saare saddle, same type, love it but have one horse now. These saddles fit wonderfully. SnugPax In Royal Blue, pommel and cantle packs, endurance style, excellent condition. \$15 each. Electric Blue halter-bridle headstall and breastplate

available too, \$60 for all. 831-726-2340, drotti1@yahoo.com, Cathy Kauer.

VERY LIGHTLY USED FREE AND EASY SADDLE. New numnahs. \$1,000. Please call or email Margaret Graham at 408 776 3932 / mugsbgraham@aol.com. [02-08]

16" BIG HORN ENDURANCE SADDLE. All leather, specially designed tree to fit Arabians. Extras on this saddle include cage stirrups and a wool seat cover. This saddle is in very good condition. \$550 If interested, please call me at (408) 710-5651 or e-mail me at lorioleson@hotmail.com [02-08]

STONEWALL ENDURANCE SADDLE -Cliffer model - designed and built for long distance riding, black, shock foam seat, standard 15" seat, fully adjustable nylon rigging, 14 pounds. This saddle is used but has been fully reconditioned by the saddle maker and looks new. It has new foam and sheepskin, ring covers, slip on style fenders and new adjustable rigging. Extra added features are cage stirrups and custom synthetic fleece seat cover. New Stonewalls sell for \$760-\$860. I will sell this one, like new with extras, for only \$550. If interested, please call me at (408)710-5651 or e-mail at lorioleson@ hotmail.com. [02-08]

MISC. FOR SALE

2004 SILVERLITE ALL ALUMINUM 3-H 8' WIDE TRAILER. Rear folding tack, stud divider, floor and wall mats. Pass-through door to LQ with a 9'6" short wall. Oak cabinets. Separate shower, separate foot-flush toilet, medicine cabinet w/mirror, vanity and sink with exhaust fan. Raised over bed. Dining table 7'2" bed. 6 c.f. refrigerator with separate freezer, air conditioner, TV antenna, lots of cupboard space, CD/ AM/FM stereo with inside/outside speakers, awning, outside faucet, plus separate outside shower spray. Added bonus: 3 Hi-Ties, 2 on the left and one on the right, plus 2 35-gal water tanks on hay rack. \$48,500. Will need smaller trailer replacement if you have something for partial trade (see Wanted section for more details) Jackie Floyd 209-334-1981 typef@comcast.net [04-08]

2002 EXISS 306 GOOSENECK W/ BEAUTIFUL LQ - all new accessories (less than 12 mo old) Moving to larger LQ, \$22,500, New pergo/oak floors, 6 cu ft 3-way refrig/freezer, shower/toilet & power roof vent, microwave, separate AC

& furnace, propane 3 burner stove, sink, custom upholstery dinette into 6' sleeper, oak trimmed overhead cabinets & separate lighting, new awning, queen size bed for tall people to sit up, XL water & holding tanks incl'd 35 gallon rear tack water, extra outside lights both sides, backup battery, corral racks, LQ entry step, new thick stall mats, drop down feed doors w/ add'l opening bars, roof vents, collapsible rear tack w/ removable post, new tires, email for pictures!, cell 408-218-5028 Sandy Holder sandy.l.holder@us.pwc.com [04-08]

1995 2H LOGAN COMPETITOR SLANT LOAD, Step-up trailer with hay rack, 45 gal water tank w/12 volt pump. \$5,000. 2002 SUMMERWIND CAMPER fully loaded including a slideout and full dry shower. oven, 3 burner stove and electric hydraulic jac. \$11,500. Alex North alex@northcpa. com. [02-08]

\$14,235.00 per KBB **1999 FORD F350** SUPER DUTY SUPER CAB, 86,000 miles, 7.3L diesel, Automatic, Long bed, Single rear wheel, 2 wheel drive, AM/FM/ CD. AC/PS/PW/PDL/CC/Tilt Wheel/Sliding rear window/Privacy glass - all factory installed. Alloy wheels, 4 wheel ABS, Rear bench seat folds flat for a cargo surface. Extras added: "Superchip" programmable performance with 2 tow settings (for < & > 6k lb loads), high performance setting for no load or back to factory stock setting, 4" exhaust from turbo back, Heavy duty rear air bags. Class V hitch (2 1/2" receiver), Chrome billet grille. One owner/driver since new. Never any accident damage. It is in exceptional condition. Gets good fuel mileage for a big truck. Located in San Luis Obispo county/ Bill Gahafer 805-528-2064 [04-08]

LANCE CAMPER FOR SALE: Air conditioner, oven/stove combo, refrigerator, radio/ cd player, ELECTRIC JACKS, queen size bed, bunk bed option over table, wet bath, 2 propane tanks, battery, scizzor staircase, outside shower, power roof vent, furnace. photos on request or call for appt to see. Bluebooks between 12,120 and 14,625. Asking \$13,500. Dry weight 2010 lbs. 33-gal fresh water capacity; 8 gal grey water holding and 8 gal black water holding. Great upgrade from a tent! Call Peggy 831/238-0495 or Peggety123@aol.com [02-08]

ALUMINUM TRAILER FOR SALE. Sooner, bumper pull. 1995, three horse slant load with a large tack room (could almost sleep in it!). Tires are like new. Has Rino

liner under the mats. Comes with load leveler hitch components. \$8,000. Trailer is in the Santa Cruz area. (Aptos) Steve Shaw 831-685-3436. sshaw@pacbell.net [02-08]

TAX SERVICES. Need your taxes done? Call Trilby Pederson Tax Services - 408-997-7500. [02-08]

SUPPLEMENTS/HOOF PROTECTION. Wild Eye Arabians is now supplying FAS-TRACK Probiotics (paste & powder) HOOF -IT Pour in Pads, Kentucky Equine Research products, ENDURAMAX Electrolytes (Paste & Powder) & Neigh Lox (Prevent Ulcers) Associated Feed products - EQUUS (complete feed) Auburn Labs - APF (Adaptogen). For more information contact Wild Eye Arabians, Kirsten or Michael Berntsen at 831 623-2120. kirstenzazz@hotmail.com or www.conklin.com/wildeyearabians. [02-08]

FOR RENT

STALLS/PADDOCKS/PASTURES **FOR** RENT. Brand new 12x12 stalls with 24x12 paddocks, shavings; we clean. \$250 pastures, \$180. Feed twice a day, high-grade oat and alfalfa hay. 96x48 outdoor arena. Close to 3,600 acre Almaden Quicksilver County

Park with 19 miles of manicured trails. Call Trilby at 408 997-7500. [02-08]

RIDING LESSONS

WANT TO LEARN TO RIDE WITH LESS STRESS AND FATIGUE? Do you want your horse to move properly so that he can minimize wear and tear on his body for the long haul? Mary Fenton, Senior Centered Riding instructor, has lesson spaces on Thursday p.m. at "Lightfoot" Stables (McKean Road, San Jose). I've taken many lessons and several clinics from her, and feel that it's been real worth it. She coached Becky Hart to her Stockholm World Championship on Rio! You can contact Mary at (831) 761-2819. [02-08]

WANTED

3-H GOOSENECK WANTED. Preferably aluminum. But will consider others. Looking for an LQ? See my ad in the For Sale section for possible partial trade. Jackie Floyd 209-334-1981. {05-08}

HORSE NEEDED. Not over 14.3, smooth gaits, well mannered and ready to go. A tall order I know, but I feel I still have a few years left in me to pursue the endurance trail. Unfortunately I do not think I have the years ahead of me to bring a horse along from scratch. My Nudera horse that I have been riding for the last 4 years has a collateral ligament tear and is off for 6 months and she is nearly 18, so I do not know if she will come back for endurance or just pleasure riding. I tried another horse, but that did not work out so I am on the hunt. Julie Suhr 831-335-5933. [02-08]

PLUS/MINUS 10-YEAR-OLD ARABIAN GELDING that is safe on the trail and hopefully an OK endurance horse. I am absolutely willing to pay a good price for the right one. He'll get a good home with us and Kesil, Zachary and No Fearr (has not done any endurance yet so you haven't met him). Contact through e-mail, mail Howes, 574 Trumbull, Novato, CA 94947, phone: 415/892-8528 (office), 415/847-0487 (cell). e-mail UllaVince@aol.com

TWO HORSE (I WOULD PREFER A SLANT), SMALL, LIGHT TRAILER. Anywhere between 3-5k, it must be safe and in good condition. Please feel free to e-mail me and send me photos! Megan Doyle mykideatsgrass@hotmail.com [11-07]

REYNOLDS NOTES

February 2, 2008 - It has been raining, therefore it is warmer. Oh well. The fillies continue to get stronger and they are almost at their 45 days of being ridden. Then they all get a little break. They are all going well except for the one that abcessed. She is sound and will get working on Monday.

We had the dentist out for all of the horses and you wouldn't believe the teeth that come out of the three year olds. They are in that stage where they are between adult teeth and baby teeth and there is a lot going on in some of their mouths.

The stallions are all getting fit. We drop off our first group to Lynn next Thursday. Lynn is the track trainer up in Deleware that will put the speed work on the horses and then race them at the track that is also in Deleware.

We have been busy riding away. The 4 Cre Run endurance horses are doing really well. I just sent in our entries for the Fun In The Sun ride down in Florida. I really am looking forward to see how they handle their first endurance ride. (Out of our group all 4 that we are taking for the 50 have not done a ride yet.)

Jeremy is going to ride Gem on the 100 on day two. She will be the 5th horse we are taking and the only one that knows what she is doing really. Jeremy gets to ride her as I got to go to Portugal and Malaysia while he generously crewed. His turn.

I have befriended a cat at the farm that is probably 3xs my age:) She wobbles as she walks and her legs travel together on each side of her body rather than diagonally, she is pacing all the time. She is black and white and I have started calling her Tabitha as I do not think she has a name that any one knows of. Tabitha really likes being in the office.

Wild Man is going to start being ridden again. Hopefully it is less scary this time for everyone involved:) I will let you know how it goes.

Hope you are all well. Heather & Jeremy

PRESERVING OUR EQUINE HERITANCE ON PUBLIC LAND

U.S. Senator Mike Crapo has introduced a bill that will continue to allow pack and saddle stock animals access to the National Parks.

S. 2283 "A Bill to preserve the use and access of pack and saddle stock animals on public land administered by the National Park Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, or the Forest Service on which there is a historical tradition of the use of pack and saddle stock animals." (read more)

Currently the bill, also known as "Preserving our Equine Heritage on Public Land Act," is in the Committee on Engergy and Natural Resources.

The link below will take you to a Web site that has a voting button for people to indicate whether they are for or against this bill. You can also alert your friends and write your Congress Representative. Please take a minute to vote.

All it takes is 1 click: Vote Here! http://www.washingtonwatch.com/bills/show/110 SN 2283.html

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And your phone number, Fax, e-mail					
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