



# Quicksilver Quips

August 2014

## President's Message – August 2014

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August 9<sup>th</sup> is Tevis and Quicksilver has seven members riding (Melissa and Robert Ribley, Judith Ogus, Barbara White, Jennifer Perryman, Cathy LaFeber and myself). Jennifer and Cathy are making their first attempt and hopefully will be receiving Legacy buckles on Sunday. Many Quicksilver members will be crewing for our riders, either as primary crew at the 1 hour holds (Robinson Flat and Foresthill) or helping at various points along the trail. If you are still interested in crewing for club members, contact Judith Ogus ([judith@randomarts.biz](mailto:judith@randomarts.biz) or 408-425-7873). Judith is getting busy preparing to ride, so contact her soon if you want to help.

We will be having an August meeting at Graham Hill Showgrounds on the 23-24<sup>th</sup>. Santa Cruz County Horseman's Association is allowing us to use their facilities overnight at no cost to the club. This is a very generous offer and I hope many of you plan to come. We will need an RSVP from you to let us know your plans. This will help with buying meat for the BBQ. Please e-mail or call Elisabet Hiatt ([lazo@ucsc.edu](mailto:lazo@ucsc.edu) or 831-234-4732). She will be our main organizer for the facilities and contact person with SCCHA.

There will be lots of club activities that weekend at Graham Hill on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Of course, we will ride the trails at Henry Cowell State Park, but also there will be games (with horses) in the afternoon organized by Jeanine McCrary. For dinner, SCCHA will be BBQing. Club members can provide potluck sides, salads and desserts to round it out. A-R bring salad or side dishes and S-Z bring desserts. We will have two speakers. One will be Kathy Mayeda giving a talk on biomechanics of the horse and the other will be Bryan Largay of Land Trust of Santa Cruz. Bryan will be talking about plans for the San Vicente Redwoods (formerly known as CEMEX). The letter I wrote in May on behalf of the club must have stood out because they would like more input and involvement from Quicksilver. We will also have a short club meeting. Details and times for all the activities will come later as the date comes closer.

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*Lori*

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## Trilby Turns 80!

Trilby, Laurie (a friend), Susan Allison Cheng, Maryben, and Tracie Falcone. This was taken on Trilby's 80th birthday. Tracie came from Auburn/Cool, Susan came from Texas, another friend of Trilby's came from Florida and there were a whole bunch of QSERs there along with Trilby's kids and grandkids. We had a lot of fun.



*Submitted by Maryben Stover*

## Lost Padres Ride—April 19th and 20th

*By Sandy Holder*

Lost Padres, Day 1, a fabulous ride, specifically since there were "no helicopters" this weekend (grin), and although there were a few 'less than timely dismounts' and at least 1 horse visiting all his neighbors during the night. I will, however, leave those stories to the parties involved - a wonderful weekend! The best news is that we were surrounded by QSER members, all enjoying the spectacular weather and incredible ride management!!!

For me, Quicksilver WR ("Q") and I continue to train to "the plan", and after successfully finishing 20 Mule Team 35 miler, all 3 days of the Cuyama Luxury Distance rides, Lost Padres was to be where we were to try our 1st 50 miler together (yes, again, going at MY speed versus the speed my 'young buck' would prefer . . . hint: literally half the speed he is capable of.)

If you have never done this ride, it is a "must" on the bucket list, even if you go to only crew. The location is special, very special, and the cows that are typically just called from one pasture to the other, while not happy when we closed the fence in front of them, are moved so frequently that the large pastures have never been overgrazed. Alas, we had specific instructions to keep certain gates absolutely closed, even if they beat us to it. But I digress...

For your horses, there is always plenty of grass to eat straight from the ground, and Q filled up on both all the hay and mash that was given as well as the grass. As always, upon being blanketed for the night, he created a little nest and snuggled up (flat out) to rest before his big day. He's good at eating and resting and does sleep well before and after rides.

Q did a fine job of starting out, no drama on his part - for some reason, he thinks that those that get all worked up have forgotten that there is 'good grass' right next to the road (which should never be left uneaten!) Negotiating the hills enveloped in fog, we went along a single track that looped carefully around the camp below us at first, and then turned directly east on some rather flat trails. Working through letting another horse that we came upon, and which then threatened to kick sideways "go forward" without us (it seemed the safest thing to do at the time) gave a few "training moments" for both Q and the equally young horse that we were lucky enough to team up with (thank you Alex North for loaning Barb Granter another fine mount). A fabulous day of reinforcing positive behaviors even though there were far more hills than I remembered from years past. Happily and through it all, Q took it proverbially in stride, of course having a horse that walks UPHILL at 4.5 - 5 miles per hour is a plus and makes the day go by so much faster!! Our eager young man never stopped being forward all day, all the while listening to the slower speed I asked for with my body and only the slight touch on his French link snaffle...it was a wonderful first 50. He now joins the ranks and can be called "an endurance horse"!!!

## Heather Wins and BCs Fireworks 50

*From Heather's Blog*

We recently went on a great trip to CA. During this trip Jeremy ran the Western States 100 mile run, but that is another story, (he did finish it in 21:32). After the run Jeremy flew back to FL to care for the herd; Emma Orth flew back with him to lend a hand. I, on the other hand, was able to stay and visit all of my family and friends that I have been missing dearly.

The first several days after the run I spent with my parents and siblings in my hometown of Los Gatos. It was great to be back in CA, even if there is static electricity! I especially enjoyed that the temperature actually cools off to a chilly temp in the evening.

On Weds. evening my friend Hillorie Bachmann drove 2 hours to come get me and take me back to her place. We stayed up way too late catching up, it was great. The next day I went running and hung out at her house in Vacaville while she worked from home. Later in the day we drove up to Auburn so that I could ride her horse, French Open, aka Hadeia (which means gift). I had only met Hadeia a couple of times before and I had never ridden him. Hillorie was going to let me ride him at Tevis.

When we got to the overlook in Auburn, Mark Shurman and his brother Tom were already there saddled and ready. Hadeia was also saddled. Hadeia is a short muscular bay, probably somewhere between 14.2 and 14.3. He had a very successful career as a race horse during his previous employment. He has 89 starts on the flat track and his legs look amazing. He also did Tevis with Mark in 2012 and 2013.

I went out on a great ride and really had fun riding him that night. After the ride I did a few BC trot out practices. He caught on pretty well. I felt good about riding Hadeia; I would be staying in CA long enough to ride him at the Fireworks 50 before heading back to FL.

That night Hillorie and I went to dinner with Mark, Tom and Tony Bennedetti. During dinner, Mark invited Hillorie and me to go white water rafting the next morning on the North Fork of the American River. I had never been, so of course I said yes! That meant we had to drive an hour home, go to sleep, and drive back up and be in Auburn by 7 am. Oh well. So worth it.

Rafting with the group that took us was a blast, a great way to spend the fourth of July. The rafting was followed by a BBQ. Good fun.

That evening we drove back to Vacaville. Two of Hillorie's girl friends had driven up from San Francisco for a night in "the country". They were super fun to hang out with. When the sun went down we all got in the Gator and drove to the top of Hillorie's pasture to see a panoramic view of 8 fireworks shows, all in the far distance and we all chatted under the stars, sipping wine. While we were up there we saw a huge fire start a few canyons away. That was crazy. On the drive back down through the pasture the horses were running around us and dust was flying everywhere. Good times.

Bright and early the next day, two endurance friends, Rachel Shackelford and Nicole Chappel came down from Auburn to join Hillorie and me for a day at the track. We had fun as usual. The horses were awesome and the weather was great. I ran into several track friends while we were there. After the races we went to the backside to look for prospects. I put the bug in a couple of trainers ears about a few that I liked.

That night we had a fun dinner at a small local restaurant in Winters, then went home and caught up some more.

Sunday Hillorie took me back to Los Gatos. I spent the rest of the next week hiking, going to the shooting range, visiting my Grandma, going for sushi, going to the local coffee shop (where my brother works) with my mom and sister, seeing my other dad and his family, and organizing and executing our 30-mile family hike on the Skyline To The Sea trail. So many fun things going on. Oh, I also did my first, and probably last, Bikram Yoga class! Thanks Megan and Bre.

As a grand finale I drove over to Santa Cruz to do the Fireworks 50. My friend Nicole Chappel had picked Hadeia up and hauled him down for me; she rocks. I got to the race before my horse did, so I checked in and walked around looking at horses. In the process I was swamped by people I knew. That was fun seeing all sorts of people. I even got to visit for a bit with Julie Suhr. It was great to see her.

Nicole and Brett pulled in without my knowing and they were able to find me from the sound of my laughing. I helped set up the camp and then rode Hadeia a little to pick which bit I would use. They were equally useless. After riding around camp four laps, my arms were sore. Oh boy.



*Heather on French Open, "Hadeia" Photo by Bill Gore*

*Heather (Continued on page 4)*

**Heather** (Continued from page 3)

I waited for the exceptionally long vet line to go away. I was literally one of the last riders to vet in. It was great to see Chuck Kessinger. He has been involved in vetting my horses as my personal vet since 1988. Love him.

Nicole and I went to town for dinner and ate some great sushi that had macadamia nuts in the roll. Super yum. This was the same place that years back Jeremy and I ate at for an anniversary and we had grabbed our AMEX card and that was the one card that they did not accept. We had to talk our way into letting us leave to come back to pay. When we did return the restaurant owner was shocked we had returned! Weird.

Saturday morning there was a controlled start as usual for this race. The start is down a little ravine on a single track which then crosses a narrow stream and climbs up on the other side of the ravine on a single track. After the control ended, Hadeia continued on like a perfect gentleman. All of his nonsense in camp the day before had disappeared. Nice.

Around mile 7 the bicyclists had pulled a funny. I got to a point where we have always gone right and there were ribbons to the left...odd. I did remember being told that there was a lot of new trail. I went a decent ways before the single track ended at a parking lot. Awesome. I turned around and measured my bonus miles on my GPS. I ran into a large number of people that I now had to tell to turn around, on the single track, all the while they were questioning me and asking if I was sure. I was now stuck behind people jogging slowly along. I found ways to pass and found the front of the directionally challenged, myself included in the challenged category! When we made it back to the point that we normally go right, there were now fresh ribbons, someone had seen it and corrected it. My GPS read that I had done 4 extra miles. That would put me at least 20 mins. back from where I had been. Oh well, more training!

The other perk was that I now got to see ALL of my friends who were now ahead of me. As I started passing my friends, they were all having a great time that I was coming up from behind them, I played along and joked right back with them.

The Fireworks race has spectacular scenery as you ride through the redwoods and you also get amazing views of the Pacific Ocean. Beautiful.

Hadeia did a great job keeping motivated and focused. At the lunch check I headed out of the check alongside an Appaloosa. It was the Appaloosa championship. I was about 20 mins. behind the leaders. The next section had a lot of fun twisty technical single track that was a blast. Before I hit the last vet check I had caught the front. Hadeia and his brother French Quarter, ridden by Diane Trefethen, came in to the check together and Hadeia recovered about a minute ahead. After the hold I cantered out and pointed Hadeia for home. He was fun. He got really concerned when we started catching the LD riders. He thought that was all wrong. I let him pass all the ones we could find until the finish.

When I finished and I was pulling my saddle to weigh, I was told, "You should cool your horse quickly and pulse, it's really important". After a brief moment of confusion I had to explain that I was not on the 25. (Hadeia finished the 50, 18 mins. ahead of 2nd place) At the finish line the officials were getting a kick out of the fact that my rider number was 1, I was first and I finished at exactly 1 pm. I just told them that it took exceptional skill to plan that.

I stood in a very long vet line behind the massive herd of LD riders to vet out (this ride had the most diverse group of horse breeds of any ride I have been to) then went to relax for a bit before BC. A brief side note: I told Hillorie that I wanted to win BC and she told me that if I could do that she would kiss the ground I walked on (as well as other crazy promises) as Hadeia doesn't really like to trot out.

After the awards I told Hillorie she needs to start kissing the ground. Hadeia won BC and High Vet score. This was Hadeia's first win and first BC. Fun ride. Thank you Nicole, Hillorie and Mark. It was truly a group effort.

The next day I helped my sister grocery shop for her upcoming John Muir Trail hike she's doing at the end of July. Then in the evening I flew back on the red eye to FL. I miss everyone already.

I arrived at the Orlando airport at 7:45 am, 45 mins. late. Jeremy and Emma were there. I met them at...Starbucks, of course. After I was handed a drink, Jeremy said his hellos and good byes and got on a plane to go up to Delaware Park and Lynn Ashby's to work on Liger and Code as well as many other friends horses.

Next on the plan is Jeremy driving Chances and Dust to get on their flight to France. While I fly out to CA for Tevis. The horses fly out Aug 12. I fly to CA on Aug 7th, do Tevis Aug 9, fly to JFK Aug 11th to then join the group of riders flying to France on Aug 12. The big race in France is Aug 28th. Wouldn't want to get bored!!

**Lost Padres** (Continued from page 2)

The morning of Day 2, my fine young man nickered and was a bit frustrated when others were being saddled and he was not. It reminded me of the song "Put Me in Cold" (he was ready to play today) which made me smile!! Taking his blanket off and going for a walk helped. . . until I put him back in his pen. Walking away, I turned back to look to see how he was handling things. He promptly PINNED HIS EARS (wow - was that not expected) and looked at me liked I taken away his favorite toy! Much to learn there young whippersnapper!! But I walked away with a smile nonetheless. . .

Lost Padres is truly a very special ride and the Duck, et al, take extraordinary care to make sure you are fed and have a wonderful trail to enjoy, and it was spectacular to have completed our first 50 ever on those trails. I hope you have had the chance to, or one day will see this remarkable land from the back of a horse!

P.S. I have already sent in our entry to the Quicksilver Ride in Harvey Bear Park and hope to see you there if not sooner!



## Katie and Jess Go to Fireworks 50

By Katie Webb

Jess and I hit the trails again on July 12<sup>th</sup> at the Fireworks 50. As a local endurance ride, there were a large number of Quicksilver members in attendance among the riders, volunteers, and management. I also couldn't help but notice that this race had more non-Arab horses in attendance than I usually see! In addition to Appaloosas participating in the 2014 Appaloosa National Championship Endurance Ride, there were also quite a few mules, gaited horses, mustangs, and more.

The Fireworks ride takes place along oak-lined and redwood canopied trails in Pogonip, Henry Cowell, the UCSC upper campus and Wilder Ranch (as well as a beautiful section of private property). Riders are treated along the way to stunning vistas of the Monterey Bay and Santa Cruz. Early in the race, riders pass by Chuck Beebe's bench on the Rincon Trail heading to UCSC (I always make sure to give Chuck a nod with my helmet as I pass by). I usually ride these trails exclusively by mountain bike, so it was nice to experience them from a different vantage point on the back of a horse (speaking of mountain bikes, this ride is primarily run on multi-use trails, and we had very pleasant and friendly interactions all day with the other trail users.)

Jess and I spent a very enjoyable day riding with Barbara White and Djubilee. This is the third ride this year that we've been able to ride together, and the two horses pace wonderfully together which really helps the day go by smoothly.

One thing that we kept remarking on as the day went by was how wonderful the trails were this year. Debbie Boscoe and her crew picked the best trails in Wilder Ranch and were able to significantly lengthen the trail available to us in the private property portion of the ride. It is my opinion that the trail this year was the best I've ever experienced at Fireworks. It was a real treat! Kudos to Debbie and the rest of the volunteers.

My next endurance adventure will be sans horse. Julie Suhr has invited me to go up to Tevis with her to crew for Barbara and Djubilee. It will be my first time at Tevis and I am excited to finally discover what all the fuss is about!



2014—Fireworks 50  
L to R: Barbara & Djubilee, Katie and Jess



2014—Katie and Jess racking up the miles on Fireworks 50





## **Lucky 13th Annual East Bay Hills Trails Benefit Ride Wednesday, Aug 27--Monday, Sept. 1**

**Ride:** Ride on Bay Area Ridge Trail, on both fire roads and single track trails, at San Pablo Reservoir, over both flat and hilly terrain, with views of the Bay Area, across the valley and beyond in small groups at your own pace for one, for more, or for all 6 days. Camp 2 nights each at Tilden, Joaquin Miller, and Anthony Chabot Parks with the 7th Annual Bay Area Ridge Trail Through-Hike from Martinez to Castro Valley.

**Food and Evening Entertainment:** Three hearty meals a day. Evening programs will include a visit to the Chabot Space Center, a naturalist presentation, the Flying Fillies Drill Team, music and other surprises.

**Costs/Benefits:** \$70/day, with a discount for 6 days, covers your camping, food trail maps, and all evening programs. Get lucky at the optional raffle and silent auction supporting East Bay Trails. Register with the entry form at [www.twha.org](http://www.twha.org) or on the reverse of this flyer, or sign up online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2014-east-bay-hills-trails-benefit-ride-tickets-11295953501>

**Camp Rules:** Riders will be responsible for stabling their horses at each camp. Stallions will not be allowed on this ride and please no generators after dark. Dogs by special permission only. SEI-certified helmets are required.

**Questions:** Contact Morris Older, at [ebhillsride@comcast.net](mailto:ebhillsride@comcast.net) or at 925-254-8943, for more information or to volunteer. More info at [www.twha.org](http://www.twha.org)—click on events. Sign up for the hike at [www.ridgetrail.org](http://www.ridgetrail.org)





## 2014 East Bay Hills Trails Benefit Ride Entry Form

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Please check the days you will be riding:  All 6 Days  Wed  Thurs  Fri  Sat  Sun  Mon

Ride Entry Fees	\$70/day times ____ (number of days checked above	x ____	\$ _____
	\$375 all 6 days riding/camping	x ____	\$ _____
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	Additional contribution to the Ridge Trail and/or parks		\$ _____
	One year Membership/Renewal for ____ TWHA (\$20), ____ MHA (\$25)		\$ _____
	Ride Discount if membership dues included (-\$15)		\$ _____

Trailer Info: Size: \_\_\_\_ (# horses) \_\_\_\_ / TowVehicle size / \_\_\_\_ (#) horses coming with this trailer

Please sign release form below and mail entry form & checks payable to TWHA to \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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# Classifieds

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Michelle Herrera 831-427-1533  
[montra7003@sbcglobal.net](mailto:montra7003@sbcglobal.net)



## FOR SALE

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obo.

925-789-0217 Michelle

## WANTED

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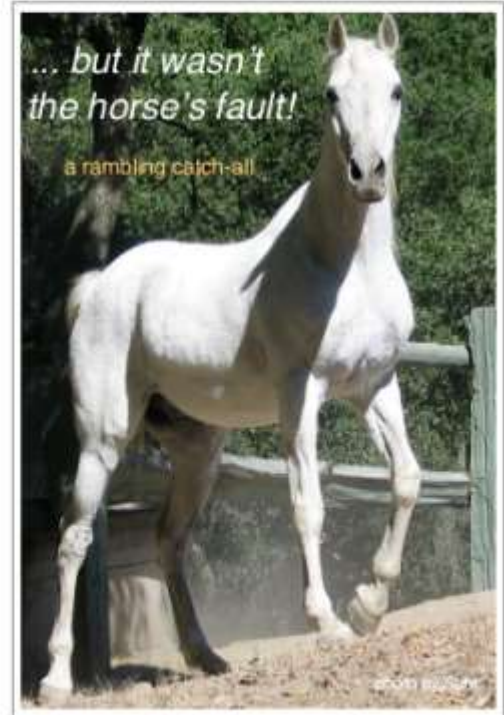
To benefit our trails and our horses, I have written two books. They are entirely different in style.

1. **Ten Feet Tall, Still** is out-of-print, but available as an e-book from Amazon, Barnes and Noble and others. All proceeds to **AERC Trails Fund** and **WSTF Trails Fund** for preservation of horse trails. \$9.99
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by  
Julie Suhr

*You are never  
quite the same  
after you ride  
a good horse.*



## "TEN FEET TALL, STILL"

My first book, *Ten Feet Tall, Still*, is out of print, but is now an e-book for downloading at Amazon, Barnes and Noble and some other places. One Hundred Percent of the proceeds go to the AERC Trails Fund and the WSTF Trails Fund. This is shameless advertising, but I believe in the cause.

**Julie Suhr**

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**Specs: 1999 steel, 2 horse step up slant with walk in tack area, bumper pull, 14' X 6' 6", white with spare tire. Used lightly, original owner, great condition. \$4000**

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**18" Stübben, around 25 years old but in pretty good shape. Hasn't been used in...probably 10 years. If anyone's interested in making an offer, call in the evening.**

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## FOR SALE

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This is a used saddle that I bought for my young horse but she is too much of a butterball for it. It will fit a small adult or kid.

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**(408)425-7873 • [judith@randomarts.biz](mailto:judith@randomarts.biz)**



## FOR SALE

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## WANTED

**Front loading washer to wash my horse's clothes. Don't care if it's pretty as long as it works.**

**[Elisabet \(831\)234-4732](tel:8312344732)**



## Quicksilver 2014 Calendar

**August 23/24** — Ride/Games/Speakers/BBQ/Meeting at Graham Hill Showgrounds in Santa Cruz compliments of Santa Cruz County Horseman's Association

**October 11** — Quicksilver Fall Classic at Harvey Bear Ranch in San Martin

**October 18** — Ride/Potluck/Meeting at Calero County Park in South San Jose

**December 12** — Christmas Party at Almaden Community Center 6:00pm



# Services



## HORSE BOARDING FACILITY

20535 Rome Drive, San Jose, California.

Stalls: \$320.00, pasture \$220.00,  
fed twice a day high-quality  
orchard-alfalfa mix hay.

96' X 48' uncovered outdoor arena. We clean.  
Shavings available. 1.25 miles to entrance to  
the Quicksilver County Park (3600 acres and  
19.2 miles of manicured trails). I provide my  
trailer for use to boarders.

My place borders Quicksilver Park.

**Trilby – (408) 997-7500**

## TAX SERVICES

Specializing in horses.

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## CENTERED RIDING® LESSONS

Help your horse use him/herself effectively while  
going down the trail.

Take the stress out of your body and your horse's  
body.

Find out how to have a better seat and make your  
horse more comfortable.

Centered Riding® lessons available with

**Becky Hart**, Level 3 Centered Riding  
instructor. Clinics available upon request.

## PRINTING SERVICES

for Quicksilver club ride managers. Our club now  
has a color duplex printer that is located in the  
home of Becky and Judith. You can do the printing  
at the cost of 25¢ per page color and 6¢ per page  
B&W, if you provide the paper. If you e-mail the  
printable files to Becky, she will do the printing for  
you at the cost of 27¢ per page color and 8¢ per  
page B&W, including the paper.



## HORSE BOARDING PERFECT FOR ENDURANCE HORSES—ALMADEN AREA

Huge paddocks with lots of room. Our pastures are real pastures and not crowded --  
approximately 2 acres per horse. (See photo above left.) We have direct trail access. Rates  
start at \$275. 1 free trailer parking space per boarder. Top quality grass/alfalfa hay fed. Also  
riding lessons with three-time world champion. Call

**Becky: 408-425-5860 or Maryben: 408-265-0839.**

# Humor and Birthdays

## Your Yearly Dementia Test (only 4 questions)

Yep, it's that time of year again for us to take our annual senior citizen test. Exercise of the brain is as important as exercise of the muscles. As we grow older, it's important to keep mentally alert. If you don't use it, you lose it!

Here is a very private way to gauge how your memory compares to your last test. Some may think it is too easy, but the ones with memory problems may have difficulty. Take this test to determine if you're losing it or not. OK, relax, clear your mind and begin...

**#1.** What do you put in a toaster?

**Answer:** 'bread.' If you said 'toast', just give up now and go do something else.

If you said, bread, go to Question #2.

**# 2.** Say 'silk' five times. Now spell 'silk.' What do cows drink?

**Answer:** Cows drink water. If you said 'milk,' don't attempt the next question. Your brain is already over-stressed and may even overheat. Content yourself with reading more appropriate literature such as Women's Weekly or Auto World. However, if you did say 'water', proceed to Question #3.

**# 3.** If a red house is made from red bricks and a blue house is made from blue bricks and a pink house is made from pink bricks and a black house is made from black bricks, what is a green house made from?

**Answer:** Greenhouses are made from glass. If you said 'green bricks', why are you still reading this??? PLEASE, go lie down! But, if you said 'glass,' go on to Question #4.

**# 4.** Do not use a calculator for this: You are driving a bus from New York City to Philadelphia. In Staten Island, **17** people got on the bus. In New Brunswick, **6** people get off the bus and **9** people get on. In Windsor, **2** people get off and **4** get on. In Trenton, **11** people get off and **16** people get on. In Bristol, **3** people get off and **5** people get on. And, in Camden, **6** people get off and **3** get on. You then arrive at Philadelphia Station.

Without going back to review, how old is the bus driver?

**Answer:** Oh, for crying out loud!

Don't you remember your own age?!?! It was **YOU** driving the bus!



## Happy August Birthday to our Quicksilver Members and Endurance Friends

*Viri Norton	1
Heather Reynolds	4
Megan Chamberlin	8
*Pat McKendry	14
Barbara White	16
Lori Oleson	16
Annie George	17
Becky Glaser	26



**IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO JOIN THE QUICKSILVER RIDERS!!!!**

**FIRST: We need your name**

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**And then your address**

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**And your phone number, Fax, e-mail**

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**And then we need your money! Senior membership is \$ 25 \_\_\_\_\_**

**Junior (under 16 years of age) membership is \$ 15 \_\_\_\_\_**

**Family membership is \$ 40 \_\_\_\_\_**

**Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Why join the Quicksilver Endurance Riders? You will have the opportunity to participate in poker rides, moonlight rides, endurance rides, trail projects as well as attend monthly meetings, the Christmas party, and the annual awards ceremony; saving the best for last, you will meet the best friends you will ever have!**

**How are our dues spent? Annual Yearbook/Calendar; monthly Newsletter; a representative voice in local horse politics; trail maintenance and improvement projects; year-end awards and monthly meetings.**

**Send your dues, checks made out to: Quicksilver Endurance Riders, Inc.**

**Mail to Membership Chairperson: Maryben Stover  
1299 Sandra Drive  
San Jose, CA 95125-3535  
(408) 265-0839**

**May your and your horse(s) have a wonderful year riding together as Quicksilver Endurance Riders!!!**

*"Life outside of endurance? I don't think so."*

*Dave Rabe*

"Nothing can stop a man with the right mental attitude from achieving his goal; nothing on earth can help the man with the wrong mental attitude."

*Thomas Jefferson*

(Do you think maybe Jefferson was an endurance rider?)

## **Mission Statement of Quicksilver Endurance Riders, Inc.**

**QSER exists to promote the sport of endurance riding by conducting endurance rides and advocating for equestrian trails. It seeks to provide a model for the highest standards of sportsmanship and horsemanship within the context of this sport. It supports and provides educational events and leadership in each of these areas.**

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