



# Quicksilver Quips

September 2011

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## September President's Message

I have a new boss at work. Nice guy, full of enthusiasm, vim and vigor... wears me out, but it's fun to see things that I've been doing for the last 10 years with a new set of eyes. He asks "why" a lot, and although it's a bit annoying, it really does make me think. Sometimes I can say "we do it this way because we've tried all other ways and this is the best way". But other times I just look at him and have to say "uuuuh, I dunno... because we've always done it this way?" and boy, do I feel dumb!

I can't help but make comparisons with our club. Why do we do it this way? Do we want change or are we happy with the way things are? Is the way we do things really the best way or can we do it better? Do we even WANT to make it better? Think about it...

Our Fall ride is shaping up (September 17<sup>th</sup>). We need people to step up and volunteer. Brian needs help with in-timers, vet secretaries, cooks, P&R people, you name it... please give him a call and volunteer if you are not riding! We also need someone to lead the FUN ride. **Yes, we are having a fun ride. It's not on the current ride entry, but we will have one if we spread the word. Tell everyone you know that rides a horse! Fun ride starts at 10 AM on Saturday and they will have 5 to 10 miles of trails to ride while picking the brain of an endurance rider.** The educational possibilities are endless. Want to help, but don't want to ride? How about volunteering for a Q&A before or after the fun ride? You know way more than you give yourself credit for. Share!

The October Endurance clinic has been cancelled due to low interest and too few volunteers. We'll have a general meeting instead. Location TBD.

Elections are coming up and we will try something slightly different, without having to change the bylaws:

- 1) Nominate people, nominate people, nominate people!!! Can't run a club without a board.
- 2) We will have ballots in the October Quips
- 3) Ballots will be due to the Q'silver secretary in November, you will have to mail it in.
- 4) The new BOD will be announced at the Christmas party in December.

More details will come with the October Quips issue, but, nothing will happen if you don't nominate yourself or someone else, though, so get nominating.

Finally, we will have a Christmas party. Suggestions are welcome as to the place and date, please email me. Shall we do it the same way we've always done it, or is there a better option? Think about it!

Elisabet

**QSER August Meeting  
8/17/11**

**Attendees:**

**BOD: Elisabet H., Kathy B., Trilby P., Merryben, Sandy P., Brian**  
**Members: Joyce, Heather and Jeremy, Michelle Herrera, Barbara McCrary**  
Elisabet called meeting to order at 7 PM.

**New business**

**Discussion 1- Club ride on 9/17/11. A Fun Ride has been added to entry. Trilby and another rider will probably lead the ride. Brian has the vets, awards, trail map, all logistics covered. We do need a few more volunteers for vet secretaries, in and out timers and finish line. Trilby will ask Steve and Bing if they will do the BBQ for Saturday.**

**2 – The idea for the club putting on an educational ride at Calero was shelved.**

**3 - Discussion about voting for new officers and BOD. There will be a ballot in the October Quips. Any interested members can notify Elisabet and nominate himself or herself or another member to be put on the ballot. Members could bring ballots to Nov. meeting or mail to Elisabet. They must be mailed, cannot be emailed.**

**4 - Barbara would really appreciate it if members would send in stories, memories, photos for the QUIPS. Heather has volunteered to start sending in stories after their international and championship rides.**

**5 - Treasurer's report was given, including copy QUIPS and president.  
No further new business. Meeting adjourned at 8:15**

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Brayton – QSER Secretary

<b>Treasurer's Report 8/17/11</b>	
<b>Junior Account</b>	<b>\$ 454.11</b>
<b>Trails Account</b>	<b>\$ 1073.76</b>
<b>General Account</b>	<b>\$ 5159.36</b>
<b>Trilby Pederson—Treasurer</b>	

## September

Touch someone's heart. Remember them on their birthday by sending a thoughtful card.

If you would like to be remembered on your birthday, and I don't yet have your date, please send it to me. All I need is your name, month, and day. I don't collect years of birth. After all, who wants everyone to know how old you are?

Barbara

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**Happy September Birthday  
to our Quicksilver Members  
and Endurance Friends**

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## Lyme Disease

Many body systems can be affected by **Lyme disease**. Symptoms vary from person to person and can come and go. Symptoms are generally classified into early or late. Early symptoms occur days to weeks after a person becomes infected.

### **Early symptoms include:**

Flu-like symptoms such as muscle aches, joint pain, fatigue, headache, stiff neck, chills, fever, or swollen lymph nodes. Paralyzed muscles of the face.

Palpitations (common) or disturbances of heart rhythm (rare).

An expanding rash called erythema migrans, or EM. The EM appears 1-30 days after the bite of an infected tick, expands over a one to two week period, and then disappears. More EMs, not necessarily at the site of the tick bite, can show up later. The EM is usually painless. The EM varies in shape and appearance. On dark skin the EM can look more like a bruise. The EM is not present in some people, or it may occur on a part of the body that is difficult to see. Painful redness that occurs less than 24 hours after a tick bite and does not expand is more likely to be a local allergic reaction to the tick's saliva.

These symptoms can disappear without treatment but the infection may still be present.

If early Lyme disease symptoms are not recognized and treated adequately, the disease may progress and be more difficult to treat.

**Late symptoms** occur weeks, months, or years after becoming infected. **Late symptoms may be the first sign of Lyme disease in some people.**

### **Late symptoms include:**

Numbness, tingling, or burning feelings in arms and legs.

Muscles of the face, arms, or legs may twitch or become weak or paralyzed.

Sharp pain in the arms, legs, neck, and back, may occur.

Increased sensitivity to light may be present.

Swelling and pain of one or a few joints, especially the knees. Joint swelling sometimes moves from one joint to another, and may come and go.

Difficulties with memory, concentration, learning, or speech in both children and adults.

Some Lyme disease patients also experience mood swings, depression, or abnormal thought processes.

### **Diagnosis and Treatment:**

People with symptoms of Lyme disease should see their doctor as early as possible. Some tick-borne diseases in California (e.g., anaplasmosis, ehrlichiosis and babesiosis), as well as other diseases, can produce symptoms similar to Lyme disease. Thus, Lyme disease can be difficult to diagnose.

A physician diagnoses Lyme disease based on symptoms. Additional information useful to a physician in making a diagnosis of Lyme disease include:

Patient had a tick bite or was in an area where ticks occur. Because ticks are small, some people do not notice that they have been bitten.

Blood tests, but these need to be interpreted carefully.

Prompt treatment with antibiotics during early Lyme disease can cure the infection and prevent complications of late Lyme disease. If treatment is delayed, treatment can be difficult and recovery may take longer.

### **Transmission in California:**

In California, the western black-legged tick (*Ixodes pacificus*) transmits the bacteria that cause Lyme disease. Western black-legged ticks are most common in the coastal regions along the western slope of the Sierra Nevada range.

Each life stage of the tick attaches to an animal for several days to take one blood meal before maturing to the next stage.

Larvae and nymphs feed on small rodents, lizards, or birds; adults prefer larger animals such as deer. When larvae or nymphs feed on a wild rodent carrying the Lyme disease bacteria, the ticks may become infected and transmit the infection when they feed in the next life stage.

Only nymphs and adult females of the western black-legged tick can transmit Lyme disease bacteria to humans. Nymphs are found in cool moist environments such as in the leaf litter or on logs, tree trunks, or fallen branches under trees in oak woodlands. Adults are found on the tips of grasses and shrubs, often along trails.

Ticks do not jump or fly.

Nymphs can pose a greater risk of transmitting Lyme disease bacteria to humans than adults because they are tiny and difficult to see (< 1/20 inch, about the size of a poppy seed), and so may not be removed promptly. Nymphs are most active in spring and early summer, when people are most likely to be outdoors; adult ticks are most active from fall through early spring.

In some areas of California, studies show that a higher percentage of nymphs (average 5-15%, range= 0- 41%) carry the Lyme disease organism compared to adult ticks (average 1-2%, range=0-10%).

## Euston Park... Success for the USA !!

**Sunday, 24 July 2011**

On Saturday, the day before the race, Jeremy Becky and I went to Juma's barn again and all three of us went out for a nice ride with Maria and Juma. It was very nice and fun.

After we were done there Emmett, Dwight, Becky Jeremy and I headed over to the venue. We had a bite to eat at the venue from Jack's Snack Shack. Pretty good.

In the mid afternoon we were getting our ride packets from the race secretary when a phone call came in from the barn that I was borrowing Ox from (ultimately Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum). Apparently Sheikh Mohammed reviewed the group of his horses racing in the race with the riders who were riding them and he saw that I was on Ox doing the 50 mile/ 80k and said "no", she must do the 75/120k. So the phone call was to offer me a horse for the 120k. Of course I accepted. I would now be riding a horse that I would meet on Sunday morning right before the start. I was told that he is very big and that he is a grey Anglo Arab. His name is Opium Lord!! Too funny.

The rest of the would ride were Saturday. Darren, horses all vetted in.

After hanging vetting and hearing there was a big and live music. It there was ice

We headed hear the party wedding that was hotel. I fell asleep deeply sleeping went off. After the off Jeremy called make sure there problem. The answered told him problem, the DJ machine or dance floor. Great.



*Heather, the winner, being dunked by a bunch of happy UAE grooms*

horses that the USA vetted in on Cheryl and Becky's

out, watching the the ride meeting party with dinner was really nice and cream:) back to the hotel to going on from the happening in our regardless and was when the fire alarm third time that it went the front desk to wasn't a real person who there was no had set off a smoke something on the

This morning was race day, Sunday morning. We piled into the cars at 6 am. The races began at 7 for the 100 mile/160k and 7:30 for the 75/120k. Becky was doing the 160k and the rest of us were doing the 120.

When we got there I went to weigh in as my saddle arrived with my horse that morning, new saddle, new horse. Then I got to meet my horse. Very cool horse. He was probably around 16 hands with a lean racy body.

Becky started the race without an issue. Then it was our turn to get going. I mounted Opium and started warming him up. He was excited and I think he was worried that I was going to not let him do his job because he crow hopped a few times when I didn't let him canter right away. After a 20 min warm up with me riding him we were off. My instructions were to go with the lead group...cool.

The day flew by, literally. Opium was so professional. He is 9 years old and is totally focused. Along the trail there were pig farms with HUGE pigs in pastures right beside the trail. Opium didn't care but almost all of the horses we rode with did. It looked like pinball alley with horses bouncing from side to side going by the pigs.

Each loop I would receive more instructions from the trainer of the horse. It was funny because after the first loop he told me to go the same speed. I thought he meant same speed as in mph. later in the day when he said same speed again I asked just to clarify if he meant same literal speed or?? He meant same speed as the next fastest person, in other words go the same speed as the leader.

On the last two loops we sped up some more and Opium led most of the time. Opium was awesome. At one river crossing he galloped to the edge, walked through the water and while he was walking he put his head down and took a drink and never stopped walking. When he reached the opposite bank he hit solid ground and was galloping again.

At my third vet check I saw Sheikh Mohammed and thanked him for letting me ride such a wonderful horse. He told me to just enjoy myself and have a good time.

When I was leaving on my last loop Sheikh Mohammed was also leaving on a loop and I smiled at him and told him "to have fun" and he smiled and said "you too". Such a nice man.

The lead group was averaging around 13.5 mph for the first 3 loops. Then on loop 4 we went 14mph. Loop 5, I

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averaged 16.5. Now you have to remember these were average speeds which adjust every time you have to slow for a road crossing, river crossing, etc so actual speed while riding was usually at least a mile an hour faster.

When I came in to my second to the last vet gate there were still 5 horses in the lead group. By the last vet check there were 4. When I left the last vet check there was really only one that would be able to be near me as my horse recovered so fast. (Opium was the first to recover at every vet check). I had a 3.5 min lead. It was a 12 mile loop. Around mile 6 the other rider caught me. When he did I sped up a bit more. His horse had to work so much harder than mine to make up the 3.5 min and now had no time to rest but had to accelerate. When we were in the last 1/2 mile we started to pick up the pace to about 20mph and by a little more than a 1/4 mile left we gunned it. My Anglo was much faster and I was able to pull him up a bit and still cross the line an easy 15 lengths ahead.

Opium and I had a wonderful day and won the 75/120 in a ride time of 5:26. After Opium passed his final vetting the whole crew of guys that worked on Opium at all of the vet checks, about 15 guys, picked me up and carried me against my will (This is very lighthearted) and just before throwing me in a water trough I managed to get Deborah's cell phone off myself! I was thrown in and entirely soaked, the winning tradition for these guys!

Devon also had a great day and won the young riders 75/120. Cheryl finished the 120 also. Becky finished the 100/160. That is 100% completion rate for the USA!! Yay!

Sheikh Mohammed's horse won the 100m/160k race.

In all it was a very awesome trip for team USA. ■

*By Heather Reynolds*

## Heather & Jeremy Do Fireworks 50

On Thursday, the day before we headed over the hill to the Fireworks ride, Jim Masterson and his massage students came and worked on 10 of our horses. It was fun to see Jim. He was our team massage therapist for our horses at the WEG. In Jim's class was a man named JP who raises endurance horses in South Africa. He was working on Envol. After the class we got to talking and it was decided that he would come and watch the Fireworks 50 mile ride two days later.

Friday we ran errands, Jeremy put shoes on a horse and then we went for a 9 mile ride on Smitty and Dee. Finally we loaded up and went to the ride. Jeremy would ride Envol on his first endurance ride ever and do the 50 and I would ride Nixon. Rebecca Silva (a girl who frequently helps us condition our horses) was riding her own horse Sid and Martin Vidal would be doing his first 50 on Hadeia and ride with us.

We got everything all set and vetted, prerode and headed to the meeting. As we sat down JP found us. Pretty cool. After a very long explanation of the trail I decided to leave the meeting and pack the crew bag as the trail was different from in the past and there would be no crewing. After all was ready we went into Santa Cruz for dinner. Hillorie, Rebecca, Jeremy, JP and I. It was fun, we went to a great pizza place.

Saturday morning we had a 6 am start. All 4 horses started nicely. When we got to the river Envol went after Sid who was the seasoned "uncle Sid" for the day. (We had spent time at home earlier in the week going into deep water and Envol had tripped and submarined!) Envol was a bit anxious at first and looked like he might blow it and jump into the boulders but then he got control of himself and did great. Nixon was now anxious because the way you enter the water you have to go around a large rock outcropping and he could not see Envol any more, he could only hear a lot of splashing. He went in and rounded the bend and was then fine. Hadeia did well also.

After that we headed up the climb to the road crossing. This is where the worlds greatest crew had timed everything perfectly! Hillorie, JP and Pablo (A Chilean vet that was visiting Hillorie and Martin) had coffee in hand waiting for us, made to order and did the hand off to us as we rode by! Can your crew beat that??

We walked along laughing about how wonderful our crew was and drinking our mochas, Chias and lattes. Oh and Martin even had a muffin. Too fun.

Miles later Martin pulled the muffin out and it had gone from a muffin to a pound cake. It was funny watching him eat the crushed, crumbley thing as we trotted along.

When we got to lunch the horses were happy. By this time we had gone the furthest Envol had ever been before by quite a bit. He looked great.

The trail this year was even prettier. There were many changes including a long stretch on private property. Very pretty.

When we came into the last vet check all the horses looked good. That is until Sid trotted out, all of the sudden he was lame in the hind end. Damn. He looked like he cramped up. After the hold we continued on without him.

On the way back we had an uneventful river crossing as we go back the same way we had come in the morning, no coffee though in the afternoon! Maybe we can work on that;)

Envol, Nixon and Hadeia were all full of themselves coming back in on the common trail that we had done that morning. Nixon even jumped up and kicked up his heels a couple of times! Very fresh, happy horses.

In all it was a great ride.

See you all at Mendicino Magic.

*By Heather*

## What it took to get an 8th grade education in 1895...

Remember when grandparents and great-grandparents stated that they only had an 8th grade education? Well, check this out. Could any of us have passed the 8th grade in 1895?

This is the eighth-grade final exam from 1895 in Salina, Kansas, USA. It was taken from the original document on file at the Smokey Valley Genealogical Society and Library in Salina, and reprinted by the Salina Journal.

### 8th Grade Final Exam: Salina, KS - 1895

#### Grammar (Time, one hour)

1. Give nine rules for the use of capital letters.
2. Name the parts of speech and define those that have no modifications.
3. Define verse, stanza and paragraph
4. What are the principal parts of a verb? Give principal parts of 'lie,' 'play,' and 'run.'
5. Define case; illustrate each case.
6. What is punctuation? Give rules for principal marks of punctuation.
- 7 - 10. Write a composition of about 150 words and show therein that you understand the practical use of the rules of grammar.

#### Arithmetic (Time, 1 hour 15 minutes)

1. Name and define the Fundamental Rules of Arithmetic.
2. A wagon box is 2 ft. Deep, 10 feet long, and 3 ft. Wide. How many bushels of wheat will it hold?
3. If a load of wheat weighs 3,942 lbs., what is it worth at 50cts/bushel, deducting 1,050 lbs. For tare?
4. District No 33 has a valuation of \$35,000.. What is the necessary levy to carry on a school seven months at \$50 per month, and have \$104 for incidentals?
5. Find the cost of 6,720 lbs. Coal at \$6.00 per ton.
6. Find the interest of \$512.60 for 8 months and 18 days at 7 percent.
7. What is the cost of 40 boards 12 inches wide and 16 ft.. Long at \$20 per metre?
8. Find bank discount on \$300 for 90 days (no grace) at 10 percent.
9. What is the cost of a square farm at \$15 per acre, the distance of which is 640 rods?
10. Write a Bank Check, a Promissory Note, and a Receipt

#### U.S. History (Time, 45 minutes)

1. Give the epochs into which U.S. History is divided
2. Give an account of the discovery of America by Columbus
3. Relate the causes and results of the Revolutionary War.
4. Show the territorial growth of the United States
5. Tell what you can of the history of Kansas
6. Describe three of the most prominent battles of the Rebellion.
7. Who were the following: Morse, Whitney, Fulton, Bell, Lincoln, Penn, and Howe?
8. Name events connected with the following dates: 1607, 1620, 1800, 1849, 1865.

#### Orthography (Time, one hour)

[Do we even know what this is??]

1. What is meant by the following: alphabet, phonetic, orthography, etymology, syllabication
2. What are elementary sounds? How classified?
3. What are the following, and give examples of each: trigraph, subvocals, diphthong, cognate letters, linguals
4. Give four substitutes for caret 'u.' (HUH?)
5. Give two rules for spelling words with final 'e.' Name two exceptions under each rule.
6. Give two uses of silent letters in spelling. Illustrate each.
7. Define the following prefixes and use in connection with a word: bi, dis-mis, pre, semi, post, non, inter, mono, sup.
8. Mark diacritically and divide into syllables the following, and name the sign that indicates the sound: card, ball, mercy, sir, odd, cell, rise, blood, fare, last.
9. Use the following correctly in sentences: cite, site, sight, fane, fain, feign, vane, vain, vein, raze, raise, rays.
10. Write 10 words frequently mispronounced and indicate pronunciation by use of diacritical marks and by syllabication.

#### Geography (Time, one hour)

1. What is climate? Upon what does climate depend?
2. How do you account for the extremes of climate in Kansas?

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3. Of what use are rivers? Of what use is the ocean?
4. Describe the mountains of North America
5. Name and describe the following: Monrovia, Odessa, Denver, Manitoba, Hecla, Yukon, St. Helena, Juan Fernandez, Aspinwall, and Orinoco
6. Name and locate the principal trade centers of the U.S. Name all the republics of Europe and give the capital of each.
8. Why is the Atlantic Coast colder than the Pacific in the same latitude?
9. Describe the process by which the water of the ocean returns to the sources of rivers.
10. Describe the movements of the earth. Give the inclination of the earth.

Notice that the exam took FIVE HOURS to complete.

Gives the saying 'he only had an 8th grade education' a whole new meaning, doesn't it?!  
No wonder they dropped out after 8th grade. They already knew more than they needed to know!

No, I don't have the answers! And I don't think I ever did!

Have fun with this...pass it on so we're not the only ones who feel stupid!!!

Submitted by Judy Etheridge

## Cell Phone Safety

Many riders carry cell phones when they go out alone on the trail. The following information could save a life. Sorry, I've lost track of who sent this to me. :-((

### FIRST (Emergency)

The Emergency Number worldwide for Mobile is 112. If you find yourself out of the coverage area of your mobile network and there is an Emergency, dial 112 and the mobile will search any existing network to establish the emergency number for you, and interestingly, this number 112 can be dialed even if the keypad is locked. Try it out.

### SECOND (Hidden Battery Power)

Imagine your cell battery is very low. To activate, press the keys \*3370#. Your cell phone will restart with this reserve and the instrument will show a 50% increase in battery. This reserve will get charged when you charge your cell phone next time.

### THIRD (How to disable a STOLEN mobile phone? )

To check your Mobile phone's serial number, key in the following Digits on your phone:

**\*#06# .**

A 15-digit code will appear on the screen. This number is unique to your handset. Write it down and keep it somewhere safe.

If your phone is stolen, you can phone your service provider and give them this code. They will then be able to block your handset so even if the thief changes the SIM card, your phone will be totally useless. You probably won't get your phone back, but at least you know that whoever stole it can't use/sell it either. If everybody does this, there would be no point in people stealing mobile phones.

And Finally...

### FOURTH (Free Directory Service for Cells)

Cell phone companies are charging us \$1.00 to \$1.75 or more for 411 information calls when they don't have to. Most of us do not carry a telephone directory in our vehicle, which makes this situation even more of a problem. When you need to use the 411 information option, simply dial:

**(800) FREE411 or (800) 373-3411**

without incurring any charge at all. Program this into your cell phone now. This is sponsored by McDonalds.

## Diane Trefethen Wins Fireworks 50 !

Diane is busy having her second knee replacement, so she is unable to write us a story about her win on August 6th. I was a timer at the one vet check, and Lud was busy all day replenishing the water supply. I just know that Diane was first through the vet check site for the trot-by and ultimately won the ride on her horse Peek-A-Boo. There were several other Quicksilver members, some of whom I probably didn't know were members.

## Historical Footprints

There is a story from the gold rush era that Wendell Robie liked to tell. One morning, a man shot and killed another man in front of witnesses. He immediately rode out of town. The next morning he appeared in a town 100 miles away. He was arrested and tried for murder. At his trial, he was identified by several eye witnesses as the killer. His argument in court was since he was in a town 100 miles from where the murder was committed the morning after the crime, it would have been impossible for him to have done it.

Everyone knew it was impossible to ride a horse 100 miles in that amount of time. He was acquitted despite eye witnesses identifying him as the murderer. So, even in the time of the gold rush, when horses were a part of daily life, the idea of riding 100 miles in one day was considered so ridiculous that the testimony of the eye witnesses was thought to be mistaken.

*Phil Gardner*

# You Are Invited

to hear

## Gregory L. Ferraro DVM

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## Classifieds...

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**Heather Reynolds**  
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**Wendy Ebster**  
horsewife@ymail.com

The PAC SOUTH endurance fund-raising for the North American Team Challenge ride 9/24/2011. Please buy raffle tickets at Healthy as a Horse, or if you have things to donate to the raffle, people can contact me at 408 379-6209. This year's chief is Skip and team vet is Chuck Kessinger. I think our club has a couple of members trying to go to the event. **Tracy Hofstrand**

### 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.

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#2A337107-1999 ¾ Arab bay mare, 15 hands, Echstrordinary X Fad-Tiffany. Sweepstakes nominated.  
Price \$3,500/OBO

Has had lots of training (including Natural Horsemanship) but has no one to ride her at present. Strong uphill horse, very balanced downhill, surefooted, has considerable trail experience. Friendly, easy to catch, lovely ground manners. Very light and responsive; collected, forward trot. Best with experienced, light-handed rider. Siblings have done 100 milers/R&T. Video available.

**Barbara McCrary**  
831-423-4572  
[bigcreekranch@wildblue.net](mailto:bigcreekranch@wildblue.net)

### Senior Citizen Care-giver

English Speaking, reliable, dependable, honest person seeking employment as a senior citizen/handicap companion helper. Light housekeeping, good cook. No alcohol, no smoking and no drugs.

Gilroy, San Martin areas  
References upon request

Contact:

**Susie Sotelo - Cell #: 408-607-9436**



**Horse Boarding Facility**

20535 Rome Drive, San Jose, California.  
 Stalls: \$270.00, pasture \$200.00, fed twice a day high-grade oat and alfalfa.  
 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.

**Trilby - (408) 997-7500**

I have a set of portable corrals for sale. There are 12 panels that are 12 feet long. They are light weight and white.  
 Paid \$1100 asking **\$700.**

**Heather Reynolds 408-687-7082**

**From Becky Hart**

As you may know, Tom Stutzman donated a large quantity of tack to the club, including 3 orthoflex saddles. One is brand new\*, never out of the box. We sold one saddle, but still have the new one and a stitchdown for sale, as well as miscellaneous tack. The sale of the tack generated enough revenue to have a nice awards banquet (it was going to be scaled way down) and to replace the old printer with a new laser printer that will print double sided and color. This printer will be used for the calendar and can be made available to ride managers who would like to print much more cheaply than Kinko's or other copying stores. They need to provide their own paper. The board will need to determine what the price will be to others.

**Ortho-Flex Officer's Patriot,**  
 \$ 1700/OBO  
 stitch-down seat, thigh rolls, 17"  
 seat (western sizing). Billets  
 should be replaced.



**Ortho-Flex Patriot, \$2000/OBO 16"**  
 seat (western sizing), brand new,  
 never used. Stirrups not included.  
**Becky Hart, 408-425-5860** or  
**Maryben Stover 408-265-0839**







**READ INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2 BEFORE FILLING IN FORM**

**Quicksilver Fall Classic Endurance Ride**

September 17, 2011

**ENTRY APPLICATION – check off your ride**

**This ride will be canceled if it rains - please e-mail or call!**

RIDER \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ AERC# \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Featherwt. (160 lbs. and under) \_\_\_\_\_ Lightwt. (161-185 lbs.) \_\_\_\_\_ Midwt.(186-210 lbs.) \_\_\_\_\_ Hwywt. (211 lbs. and over)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
 CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
 NAME OF HORSE \_\_\_\_\_ BREED \_\_\_\_\_  
 AERC# \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ COLOR \_\_\_\_\_ SEX \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_ (Please include so we can notify as to ride status)  
 OWNER'S NAME AND  
 ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

In appreciation of the acceptance of this entry application to enter and participate in the Quicksilver Fall Classic Endurance Ride, sponsored and administered solely by Brian Reeves and the Quicksilver Endurance Riders, the undersigned and my heirs, executors and administrators waive and release the Quicksilver Fall Classic Endurance Ride, and any person or individual connected in any way with the Quicksilver Fall Classic Endurance Ride, or their representatives, successors, and assigns from any and all rights, claims, or liability for damages for any or all injuries to me, or my animal, in the event of an accident caused by me or my animal, or any accident caused by anyone else connected with, or participating on, this trail ride.

Junior Riders (under 16 years as of 12-1-2011) entered in this ride will be accepted and allowed to ride only if accompanied by an adult rider. Juniors will not be allowed to start or continue on from any point without an adult sponsor.

**An SEI approved helmet is required for riders under age 18. Bike and other helmets will not be allowed.**

I have read the rules, conditions and regulations of this ride, and will abide by them.

SIGNATURE OF

RIDER \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR

GUARDIAN \_\_\_\_\_

DATE OF BIRTH IF MINOR \_\_\_\_\_ NAME OF SPONSOR \_\_\_\_\_

Juniors -  25 - (check one) .....\$60.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 50 mile ride  
 2011 Ride Managers .....\$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Seniors -  25 - (check one) .....\$100.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 50 mile ride  
 Camping fee per night/vehicle .....\$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_ # nights \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_  
 Non AERC member fee.....\$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Latefee.....(after sept. 10).....\$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Extra Saturday Dinner tickets at \$10 each Number \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

**Bring your current AERC Card to check-in.**

**Entries postmarked after 9/10/11 must pay a \$25 late fee.**

**Checks must be included with entry or you are not entered. Full refund for cancellations by 9:00 PM by Wednesday prior to the ride.**

**NO REFUNDS FOR  
NO SHOWS**

Checks will be deposited after the ride.

Please make checks payable to Quicksilver Endurance Riders. Return entry and check to:  
Brian Reeves 32883 Puma Ln, Squaw Valley, CA 96753



## Quicksilver Fall Classic Endurance Ride September 17, 2011

**This ride will be canceled if it rains - please e-mail or call!**

### WHERE:

THE RIDE WILL BE AT THE JOSEPH D. GRANT PARK, a facility of the Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department, IN SAN JOSE, CA. See last page for directions.

\*\*Please park in designated campground. Do not park in the public parking area, even if you come in the morning of the ride.

### WHAT TO EXPECT:

- A well marked trail.
- A trail of moderate difficulty - good for a new horse or one in moderate condition.
- A well organized, wonderful ride secretary who will see to it that your completion is duly and properly recorded.
- FUN! Remember, this is only an offer, not a guarantee.
- Saturday Hamburger, Veggie Burger, Hot Dog Dinner

**VETS:** Dr. Melissa Ribley is our able head veterinarian.

**AWARDS:** If you complete, you will receive a stunning completion award. First place and best condition will be awarded. Other awards as donated.

**STAR TIME:** 50 MILE RIDE - 7:00 AM. 25 MILE RIDE - 7:30 AM.

**CHECK IN:** Friday, when vets arrive, usually around 3:30.

**RULES:** \*\*You must present your 2011 AERC card at check-in or you will be assessed a \$15.00 non-member fee. No exceptions!\*\*

- AERC rules and guidelines apply. AERC membership forms will be available at the ride.
- All dogs must be on leash at all times.
- Checks must accompany entry -or you are not entered- we won't cash it until after the ride in case you need to cancel.

**Entries postmarked after the posted dates prior to the ride must pay a late fee.**

- **Wednesday** is the magic day. There will be NO refunds for cancellations after the **Wednesday** preceding the ride. A FULL refund will be given if you notify us by 9:00 PM **Wednesday** preceding the ride.

Faxed entries will not be accepted.

- **No entries will be accepted the morning of the ride.**
- There will be NO refunds for no shows.

- For further information call Brian Reeves, R. M. (559) 332-9229.  
reevesranch@hotmail.com



Quicksilver Fall Classic Endurance Ride  
September 17, 2011



**This ride will be canceled if it rains – please email or call!**

**RAIN?** • The County Parks Department requires that we cancel the ride if it rains. It is your responsibility to see if the ride is on. Please e-mail or call us the Wednesday before the ride - we usually make a decision that morning if the weather has been questionable. We will notify you by e-mail. Please be sure we have your e-mail address. We will send you a confirmation of your entry when we receive it.

**OTHER VITAL INFORMATION**

Hello QSFC riders. Thank you for attending the QSFC ride. There will be a very brief ride meeting at 7:00 in the evening, however most of the information you need is right here on this sheet of paper.

**Start:** We will start the 50 mile ride at 7:00 from camp. The 25 mile ride will start at 7:30 AM.

**IF YOU DON'T HAVE A CREW,** we will haul whatever you might need to the vet check. These items will be returned to the check-in office at camp. Please label you crew bags with your name and the ride distance.

**If You Are Pulled:** If you are pulled at Smith Creek Road the same truck and horse trailer that brought your stuff will be at the vet check to haul your horse back, or your crew can return to base camp and get your trailer.

**Finish Line Procedure:** Once you finish the ride, present your horse to the vet for your post ride check. After your horse passes, take your card back to the finish line timer and pick up your award.

**Trail Markings:** The trail is marked with flour dots on the right side of the trail and signs. Do not cross over solid lines, do not look over your shoulder at signs. More trail and vet details at ride meeting.

**Please clean up your camp - All manure and hay must be bagged and taken home with you or put in designated area. We will provide bags and cleaning tools.**

**Late Entries:** The late entry fee will be enforced. **If your check is not included with the entry, you are not entered.** We won't cash your check until the day after the ride, so, pick up an entry now, and send them in for next month. Thank you.

**Rain:** If the weather has been questionable, or you are coming from out of the area and don't know what our weather has been like, **PLEASE CALL** to make sure the ride is on. We cancel if it rains! (yep, we're wusses!).

**Dinner:** Saturday at 4:00 Hamburgers, Veggie Burgers and Hot Dogs. Rider meal included in entry -extra tickets \$10.00 each.

**Awards Ceremony 5:00 Saturday**

**Have a good safe ride!**



## Directions to Base Camp

THE RIDE WILL BE AT THE JOSEPH D. GRANT PARK, a facility of the Santa Clara County Parks and Recreation Department, IN SAN JOSE, CA.

From Hwy 101 or 680, take the Alum Rock exit and go east. Near the base of the foothills watch for Mt. Hamilton Road (we'll ribbon it) and go right. Go 8 miles to the entrance of the Joseph Grant Park. **DO NOT TAKE QUIMBY ROAD WITH A HORSE TRAILER!** The overnight parking fee is \$15.00 per night, payable with your entry. Grant Ranch Park is locked at 10:00 PM and opened at 5:30AM. Please call if you need to make special arrangements.

**You must park in designated areas - no rigs in public parking lot. Check the sign as you pull into camp.**

## Directions To Smith Creek Vet Check

Turn right out of the main camp entrance, go approximately 5 miles (up the hill and down the other side). You will see Smith Creek Fire Station on the right. Just left of the station take the dirt road with ribbons on it into the vet check. Driving time about 15 minutes. Park in designated areas.

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

**FIRST: We need your name**

\_\_\_\_\_

**And then your address**

\_\_\_\_\_

**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 \_\_\_\_\_**

**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 2011 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!!!**

## **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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