



# Quicksilver Quips

October 2011

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## October President's Message

Shorter days, cooler nights, leaves turning yellow and starting to fall... I guess the passage of time is inevitable on so many levels, but it always seems too soon.

We lost a dear and wonderful member of our club this month. Karla Perkins went on to the next level. I don't know what you all believe, but I hold firm to the hope that there is a wonderful place where we will go to and be rejoined with our loved ones, and not just the two legged ones. We weep because of our loss, not for their joy, but it always seems too soon.

Another long time member, Pat Bush, also left us. I did not have the pleasure of knowing her, but I hear she was a wonderful person. I'm glad she had a good trip with her husband before she died. We grieve with her family, but it always seems too soon.

In just a few short weeks it will be the one year anniversary of Bob Suhr's passing. I am most often reminded of his absence because I am privileged to ride the trails he and Julie so graciously allowed me to use for the past 25 years. Once in a while I just look up at the majestic redwoods and whisper a "thanks, Bob, I'm making it a good day". I know no one lives forever, but it always seems too soon.

*The Quicksilver Fall Classic Endurance ride was lovingly dedicated to these three individuals.* It was a great ride, and I hope they were smiling down on us. Maybe they went on a ride of their own on the horses that preceded them to that joyful place. I sure hope so. No vet checks up there...

Profuse THANKS go to all the members that contributed their time and effort to make the club ride a successful one. We're an odd group... but we do pull together at the last minute and make things happen. Special thanks to Brian and Valorie, for managing the ride so well. Thanks also to Becky and Judith for helping mark the trail (awesome job as usual), and to all the members who cooked, timed, helped the vets, and did all the things a ride requires. I had a great time. Congratulations to Barbara White and Djubilee on their well deserved BC award. I was thrilled they were chosen. As Melissa Ribley said when she presented the award: "All the horses that showed for BC looked good, but one stood out". Way to go, ladies!

We are winding down the year, and we have nominations, elections and the Christmas party to plan. There is no club without a BOD, so please, start thinking (and convincing) people to get involved and run for office. Nominations will be taken at our next meeting, on the second Wednesday of October (12<sup>th</sup>). We are checking out two possible places in Los Gatos that look promising and are fairly central. Will announce the location soon, but save the date regardless. I hope we have a good turnout. Would it help if there

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## Obituaries

### Karla Perkins

I want to relate a story of the spirit which I find hard to recount. This Monday, I went out and rode Big Tee, all 1100 pounds of Morgan Mare, on a usual course. I gallop her up a steep pitch at the end. Until Monday, she had never made the entire pitch at a full gallop. Now, I am 10 pounds lighter but she is 50 pounds heavier than our younger days. She is really a very large boned 15.1 hand horse.

Somehow, on that Monday I felt a connection with the spirit in some fashion as I galloped that hill at full bore without any hesitation. We have never done this in 100's of runs on that course. I have no logical explanation for this but it gave me some comfort since in some way I felt Karla's presence along with me and Big Tee. To the logical mind, this is mummery.

I told her about it at Manor Care and she smiled and had that faraway look like she was riding with me.

I have learned, belatedly, we only have two real human traits that we should not forget: Love and Forgiveness.

Karla died this morning (September 10) about 5:30 A.M. at Manor Care. We knew this was coming and it was a blessing considering the progression of her disease.

I really miss her, even the few minutes she was awake each day at the end.

We talked about sending her spirit out to the eagle and Sparky, her favorite horse, at Diamond W.

I felt her going this Monday.

For all of you who came to her celebration, thank you and we will never forget your kindnesses.

*Patrick Perkins*

### Pat Bush

I have just received a call from Karen Dockendorf that Pat Bush died today (September 10). She spent last week touring with Ken in the motor home visiting relatives and having a fine time. When she returned home two days ago she stepped out of the shower and collapsed. There will be a memorial service in October, but the time and place are not certain yet. For more details, Karen can be reached at [karemare@sbcglobal.net](mailto:karemare@sbcglobal.net).

Long time Quicksilver members until they moved away, her husband Ken was president of Quicksilver in 1983.

*Julie Suhr*

## Memories ...

**Karla:** Two years ago, Karla won a pie I made for the Quicksilver hot dog BBQ/meeting at Bob and Julie's. Julie offered the pie as a prize for guessing the name of a piece of equipment she held in her hand. Karla took the pie home in one of my prized glass pie plates. I wrote her and asked politely if she could return it to me, as I was short on that type of plate and I hadn't been able to find any like it. Not only did Karla return THAT plate, but a short time later, I received a box from her containing THREE glass pie plates. She had found them in a Corning Ware outlet store, bought them, and sent them to me. I have never forgotten that act of kindness and generosity.

**Pat:** Pat and I were riding on the Applegate-Lassen Trail, within a few miles of the finish line, along with a rider whose name I do not remember. I simply remember he was arrogant, rude, and quite determined to beat us. I looked at Pat, winked, and communicated to her that we might push him a bit. So we rode a little faster, and of course he was not to be beaten. We pushed him into the finish line, slacking off toward the end. But we had SUCH fun pushing him!

*Barbara McCrary*

## *Bits and Pieces...*

- ◆ Quicksilver has a new member, Pete Harper. Pete is a friend of Mike Maul's, and he and wife Leslie have recently moved to Morgan Hill from Texas. Welcome, Pete and Leslie!
- ◆ The Quicksilver Fall Ride has been sanctioned for October 6th, 2012, so put it on your 2012 ride calendar and be planning for it. We also need a volunteer Ride Manager.
- ◆ Quicksilver member Jeanine McCrary and her husband Ken, have become grandparents to Joe David Muñoz, born September 19th, weighing 9# 6 oz.

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was alcohol involved???

In the meantime, go out there and give your loved ones (the two and four legged kind) a hug and tell them how much you appreciate them. It's never too soon to do that!

*Elisabet*

## Lichen Oaks Event, September 11, 2011

September 11th was a special day for the local horse community. Lichen Oaks Ranch in Felton hosted an event that commemorated the anniversary of 9/11 with dignity and solemnity. We were greeted warmly by Jean Kvamme who owns Lichen Oaks Ranch with her husband Floyd. She passed the microphone to her husband who told us where he was when the World Trade Towers were attacked. Co-chair of President's George W. Bush's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology, he was walking the three blocks from his hotel to the White House. He told a moving story of the day's events as they unfolded at our nation's capital.

He was followed by soprano Dorothy McDonell riding her pinto trick horse as she sang our national anthem. The rest of us joined in as she led us in *America the Beautiful*. She carried our flag as she circled the arena and put on a musically unique performance with her talented horse.

After that performance, we moved from the covered horse arena to the barn where tables were set up for a sit-down meal and an outstanding Mexican dinner. Nobody went hungry.

Following dinner we returned to the horse arena where Gregory Ferraro, DVM, the director of the center for Equine Health at the University of California at Davis, presented a slide show lecture. With diagrams and pictures he brought us up to date on stem cell research and application. He has helped initiate one of the first veterinary regenerative medicine laboratories and research programs in the nation. It was fascinating to see the difference prior to stem cell use of a healing fracture and what can be done with the new techniques.

He was followed by Erik Wisner, DVM, a professor of Veterinary Diagnostic Imaging at Davis. His talk, also complete with diagrams and pictures, showed us what goes on beneath the surface of our horses. With his slide show we watched how they did an MRI on a horse's leg. No, they did not shove the whole horse through the machine, but came close to it.

This was an exceptional evening hosted by the Kvammes. Their ranch is breathtakingly beautiful with a long driveway—Zayante Creek on the right and rolling horse pastures to the left. The oak trees are dripping with the lichen moss for which the ranch is named. While this is a very elaborate horse facility, the buildings are subdued in color and fit nicely into the landscape, giving a feeling of warmth and welcome for anyone.

Quicksilver members in attendance were Elisabet Hiatt, Diane Enderle and Steve, Michele Herrera, Barbara and Doug White and Julie Suhr. There should have been more of us. It was a golden opportunity to take advantage of the Kvamme's generous contributions to our horse community.

By Julie Suhr

## My Total Knee Replacement

Like my first Total Knee Replacement surgery, my second one was on a Tuesday and I got sent home Thursday.

The operation went very well; Dr Thaxter said this joint was even more flexible than the first one had been. There's been no infection yet (knock on wood) but there was more pain and of course, the obligatory post-op nausea :) However, since we've passed the 2 week mark, the chances of surgery-related infection is considerably diminished.

Because I kept notes the first time around I am able to compare the two post-op's. Last January, I didn't get out of bed "by self" for a week; this time, up and about that Friday. Even "walked" down to feed the horses. Boy, gimping along with a walker makes one feel SO inadequate :(

Just a few things that seem related to the TKR: When you're lying down (which early on is most of the time) and you rise to a standing position, the leg that had the surgery feels as if every drop of blood in it is racing to see which drop can reach your toes first. THAT HURTS! A trick to mitigate that somewhat is to rise to a standing position for a count of 8 or 9, then lie down, wait a little bit and then repeat. After two or three iterations, one can stand without feeling so much pressure on the leg that it hurts. I noticed a substantial reduction in the discomfort starting yesterday, 2 weeks and 2 days post surgery. Today almost no pain from rising.

COLD is GREAT! Cold packs help with pain from the surgery, from swelling and from strain to the muscles. The hospital sent me home with two AccuTherm ice bags. They don't leak as the ice melts and you can stick them right back in the freezer. They perform best with crushed ice or ice cubes in water. They can also be purchased online for about \$5 per bag (you need two tied together for comfortable coverage of a TKR).

Heat is definitely a problem. I think it is from the swelling and general trauma to the joint. The ice packs help immensely but when the heat drops dramatically around 2 weeks, so does the need for the ice. However, while you have the heat, the ice is a wonderful relief from the heat-induced pain.

The need for pain meds is diminishing as well. I guess 2 weeks is a watershed of some sort, at least this time around. My notes indicate that the first TKR took just over 9 weeks to reach this point, ie, meds as needed instead of having to stay ahead of the pain curve. A big plus for doing the left knee is the ability to drive an automatic almost immediately while with a TKR on the right knee, doing the accelerating and braking by stretching one's left leg

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## My New Horse

At home here, in Aromas, we are trying to find a reasonable name for my new 5 year old horse, who came home to Owl Hill Ranch (dubbed for the many owl residents here) last July. I have had excellent help and advice from QS members Lori Oleson, Becky Hart, Judith Ogus and Carolyn Tucker, among others about this new horse with the goal of enjoying trail in mind. Thank goodness for great experienced horse-people friends!

The new horse's name is unwieldy (Sang, short for Sang Raal Gazal). Photo below, left:

My grandmother used to call my first endurance horse, Rara Equus, "White Socks"; I found that endearing. I sadly lost Rara in 2007 and miss our electric bond.

For Sang's new name, I've been trying out "Felix" and "Songbird" but they haven't stuck. Sang-Felix for now? He is mostly Polish and Russian Arabian, Ali Jamal and Salon, with Gazal al Shaqab his sire. One of my main goals is to enjoy him on trail; I hope to do rides with him and show him someday - new for me - as well as breed a foal from frozen semen in future.

We have gone to Bear Ranch, to get his confidence up and to bond with me, as he is new to trail. He's gotten adjusted to his new hilly paddock rather than a stall, and learned to ski well in the mud we had this winter/spring, great for developing those fine muscles!

My veteran horse Rafa is a 12 year old black Thoroughbred, such a great horse who will do anything, I can pony him off my mountain bike and hope to pony Sang-Felix for me. As a kid in Pennsylvania, Thoroughbreds off the track were retrained for kid's horses, where I first encountered them and the dog-like love they give - assuming they aren't crazed from bad experiences. I wanted to rescue a Thoroughbred as a thank you for the one I rode as a teenager. It seems Warmbloods have replaced TB's as kid's horses so TB's are not being retrained after racing - in other words, dumped. So I found Rafa through Rich McCormick DVM of Valley Animal Hospital, San Martin, who knew some Thoroughbred people. After various tune-ups he was good to go!

Rafa thinks we are sadly clued out as our "garage" is obviously his



*Sang and Cathy in July 2010*

barn and we're fairly dumb not sporting a purple blanket and slinky. He's hilarious turned out in the field, flinging limbs every which way, gallops with full stops, rears and bucks, then three minutes later, ready to go back to his "room", assuming there isn't good grass out there. Anything is a fence to him, in contrast to some others who shall be unnamed, so we use white hay strings as a pasture fence on the unfenced side.

In contrast, Felix's favorite trick is to play like a dog with his big plastic green containers, banging them with his knees and winging them up and down, eventually tossing them over to Rafa's side. Rafa thinks he's weird but at least is a horse. Felix seems smart and



*With Rafa at Bear—January 2011*

confident, which is great.

Random barn notes: I've found using dandruff shampoo for lower rear leg scurf works well for me. Also in winter, I find baby oil on manes/tails keeps the mud from tangling and knotting manes, works pretty well.

I'm still using my Sharon Saare saddle with wide tree. I haven't come off a horse yet with it but there's still time! I still am using and love my 2003 green Hought Biothane halter-bridle, and still love soft, flat braided nylon colored reins. They're soft and flexible but with enough tooth to work well with or without my gloves, which are the inexpensive fleece nubby type. I love to hear other people's experiences and recommendations of tack. See ya'll on the trail!

*By Cathy Kauer*

### **Knee Replacement** (Continued from page 3)

across is not a prudent plan. Of course, driving while still taking 80mg of codeine a day isn't wise either but at least you know you can do it if you really have to. First TKR = 30 days before I drove at all; this time 3 days.

First TKR I didn't get in a saddle till 9 weeks after surgery; started conditioning Boo at 15 1/2 weeks. This time I'm already looking at him :) It's hard to say if the faster progress is from being experienced or if this knee is just easier. My guess is it is experience - less of a need to baby myself.

*By Diane Trefethen*

## Re-visiting History

These stories have nothing to do with horses and everything to do with history. My husband, Lud, is a World War II history buff. While surfing the Internet one day, he located information about a construction company he worked for in 1942, when he was all of 14 years old.

Story #1: Just before Pearl Harbor was attacked in December 1941, and the Great Depression having left the Santa Cruz area short of the construction work that his father did, Lud's family moved to the San Francisco Bay area to find work. At one point, his father took a job with Barrett & Hilp, a company that specialized in concrete construction. They had done the concrete work on the Golden Gate Bridge and were now engaged in building concrete ships. These ships were built in dry docks in South San Francisco (the remnants of the docks can still be seen on Google Maps—Satellite view.) Lud's mother learned to weld, Lud's father became a "hull superintendent" and Lud attended Samuel Gompers Trade School in downtown San Francisco, learning diesel mechanics. When there came a need for someone to help install and check the diesel generators on these concrete barges (they were towed to the South Pacific as floating storage ships), Lud was the only person available that had any diesel training.



All of the ships in this series were named after minerals: Cinnabar, Bauxite, Granite, Onyx, Quartz... Lud specifically remembered working on IX-150 Quartz. She was towed to Eniwetok Island, served her duty as a floating warehouse and returned after the war was over. Fast forward... At some point, Canada bought several of these concrete ships to serve as a breakwater at the Powell River, BC, pulp mill.

Lud found all this information on the Internet, and he wanted to see the Quartz again...for sentimental reasons. We left home on August 20th, heading for BC and Powell River. We visited friends along the way, took a jet boat trip up the Rogue River, and finally reached Powell River, which is accessible from Vancouver by two ferry trips, each separated by an hour or more of driving.

The town is beautifully situated on the Strait of Georgia, across from Vancouver Island. There is no way of accessing the town without the ferries, as there are no roads from the city of Vancouver that lead to Powell River. We stayed two days, walked along the strait on a pathway that had been a logging railroad, and visited the museum where we met the curator, Debbie Dan. Since "The Hulks", as the breakwater concrete ships are called there, are part of the local history and the subject of a book, she was fascinated with Lud's story of their early history. She set up a video interview with us, lasting nearly an hour, and before we left Powell River, we had a DVD copy of the interview in our possession. What an experience!

Story #2: Lud also discovered on the Internet the site of the only deaths on American soil caused by the enemy in World War II. In Bly, Oregon, about half-way between Lakeview and Klamath Falls, six people—a young woman and five children—were killed by a shrapnel-filled bomb carried by a balloon, one of thousands sent across the Pacific Ocean with the intent of killing people or starting fires (these by incendiary bombs.) A few fires were started, but did not amount to the devastation the Japanese had hoped for. But one day in May of 1945, a young minister and his wife took five Sunday School children on a picnic in the woods, about 9 miles from the tiny town of Bly. The minister remembered something he had forgotten and headed back to town, leaving his wife and the five children at the picnic site. While he



was gone, the balloon, which had been launched in August of 1944, fell to the ground, exploding and killing the woman and children. Imagine the horror and grief of the minister upon returning and finding them dead.

It is unknown for certain whether the children found a dangling cord and pulled the balloon out of the tree or whether, as told us by a local woman, the wind came up and blew it out of the tree, but it exploded on impact. There is a monument to the people killed, and they are the ONLY World War II casualties to occur on the North American continent as a result of enemy action. The Ponderosa pine tree from which the balloon fell still stands, pocked with holes from the shrapnel and the attempts to dig out the pieces of metal.



*Stories and photos by Barbara McCrary*

## " Victory "

I was asked to give an update on Victory, Rosie's 2011 colt. At my last Quips submission regarding Victory, in June, he had survived a very difficult first couple of weeks, but was growing stronger each day.

He continues to grow and do well. He is a very normal, healthy, playful colt. There are no lasting effects from his poor start in life. Since he was handled so much at the beginning, Victory is the easiest foal I have ever worked with (and I've worked with a lot). At this writing, he is 4 month old and knows how to lead, tie, clip, pony, load in a trailer, pick up his feet, etc. Everything I ask of him is easily accepted.

He has learned that biting and rearing on people are bad and Rosie's tail is untouched. I have given him a lot of toys to play with in hope that he wouldn't resort to entertaining himself chewing her tail. So far, so good.



I look forward everyday to doing something with him. He is like a fun toy I get to play with.

By the time this update is published, Victory will be a weanling. 4½ months is a good age and he really doesn't need Rosie. Flame has been with them for the past 3 months. Flame and Victory are bonded and they will stay together. Now that Flame is retired, it is his job to teach/babysit Victory. They are already learning to play together a little bit. It is really cute. Victory has always liked balls, Flame likes cones. Flame has taught Victory to play with cones, so they can play together.

Now that Victory can pony and load in the trailer, I am thinking about taking him out to the park for a ride. Maybe I will run into some of you on the trail.

*By Lori Oleson*

## Quicksilver Fall Classic—September 17, 2011



**Ride Manager Brian Reeves**  
**"This is how you survive being ride manager."**



**Head Vet Melissa Ribley and friend**  
**"Such pretty smiles—both of them."**

*Photos by  
Elisabet Hiatt*

## "I Am Here To Help" (The Ride Volunteer's Prayer)

I am here to help.  
I am someone's Mom or Dad.  
Or Son or Daughter.  
I used to ride, or I'd like to ride,  
or I can't ride anymore because of  
my disability, or that of my horse.  
Maybe I lost my horse, and it makes me  
feel closer to him to be here, helping.  
Whichever, I envy those of you who sit astride.  
  
I am not a professional, but what I may lack in  
training, I make up in heart.  
I will step, I will fetch, I will hold, feed,  
groom, refresh or just pet your horse.  
I will get you a cold drink, even after your horse  
steps on my foot.  
I will help you keep time, scrounge a sorely needed  
bit of tack, point the way to your own private shrub.  
  
Anything I can think to do, and am capable of doing,  
I will do.  
  
But this all comes at a price.  
You must smile and say "Thank you."  
If you can't muster a smile, the "thank you" will do.  
And if you can't muster either, promise  
to remember what was done for you and your horse  
today, and agree to someday pass it on.  
  
And, when entering a ride, consider thanking  
your horse for what you are about to ask of him.  
Thank him during the ride for what he is giving.  
And, thank him after the ride for what he has done.  
  
If you do these things, I may be back again next year.  
I envy those of you who sit astride, and  
I am here to help.

*By Bruce Weary (taken from Ridecamp)*

## Compliments

*From an e-mail to Ridecamp by Carla Richardson, Sunday, September 25th*

Lindsay (Graham) and MONK competed this weekend at the NAETC in Greenville.

This email is about Jeremy Reynolds, who happens to be a friend of mine, but we are also competitors. Lindsay and Jeremy raced the FEI Lake Almanor (previous date) where MONK beat KUTT to the finish line by 30 seconds, a very exciting and very fast paced race. During the race in Greenville this weekend, six of the top horses were hours ahead of the rest of the field for most of the day, with MONK and KUTT being two of them. Many different riders led at some point in the race, and the pace was fast.

On one of the loops Lindsay and MONK were leading Jeremy and KUTT. Lindsay lost a stirrup which fell off in the middle of the trail. Jeremy jumped off his horse and retrieved the stirrup and helped Lindsay re-attach the stirrup and then they were off again. I think Lindsay had to pick her **jaw** up off the ground, but Jeremy is the kind of rider that would help any rider in need, regardless how important the ride was. I am proud to know this young man who is a truly a professional, as is his wife, Heather. I had the pleasure of their company for WEG and the training camp at Saker village.

His depth of knowledge about this sport and equines is world class; it is always a pleasure to be around him with a chance of learning something that can help our team.

## Classifieds...

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**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.

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of manicured trails). I provide my trailer for use to boarders. My place  
borders Quicksilver Park.

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**October**

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 [bigcreekranch@wildblue.net](mailto:bigcreekranch@wildblue.net)



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

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|-----------------|----|
| Mary Anderson   | 5  |
| Kylan Rashid    | 5  |
| Michael Newburn | 8  |
| Kathie Schmidt  | 26 |

## **Double Treat Cookies**

2 c. flour  
2 teas. baking soda  
1/2 teas. salt

1 c. shortening  
( I use margarine )  
1 c. sugar  
1 c. brown sugar  
2 eggs  
1 teas. vanilla  
1 c. chunky peanut butter  
1 c. salted peanuts  
2 c. chocolate chips

**Sift dry ingredients together. Beat together next 5 ingredients until fluffy. Blend in peanut butter. Add dry ingredients and blend thoroughly. Stir in chips and nuts. Roll into small balls (I use a small ice cream scoop that holds 1 tablespoon) and place on ungreased cookie sheet. Flatten slightly with a glass dipped in sugar. Bake 350° about 12 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool on cookie sheet until you can remove them to a wire rack without their falling apart. Makes about 5-1/2 dozen cookies.**

**These freeze nicely, so you can use just what you need without the rest becoming stale.**

*Lud McCrary's very favorite cookie !*

### *A pun Intended...*

A man's home is his castle, in a manor of speaking.  
Dijon vu - the same mustard as before.  
Shotgun wedding - A case of wife or death.  
A hangover is the wrath of grapes.  
Dancing cheek-to-cheek is really a form of floor play.  
Does the name Pavlov ring a bell?  
Reading while sunbathing makes you well red.  
When two egotists meet, it's an I for an I.  
A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two tired.  
What's the definition of a will? (It's a dead give away.)  
A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.  
If you don't pay your exorcist, you get repossessed.  
With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.  
The man who fell into an upholstery machine is fully recovered.  
You feel stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.  
Local Area Network in Australia - the LAN down under.  
Every calendar's days are numbered.  
A lot of money is tainted - It taint yours and it taint mine.  
A boiled egg in the morning is hard to beat.  
He had a photographic memory that was never developed.  
Once you've seen one shopping center, you've seen a mall.  
Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead-to-know basis..  
Santa's helpers are subordinate clauses.  
Acupuncture is a jab well done.

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**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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