



# Quicksilver Quips

October 2017

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## *President's Message – October 2017*

I was in an introspective mood the other day, and I got to thinking why I love endurance riding. For me, it's about the great people I meet and the friendships forged on the trail. People participate for all kinds of reasons: competition, to see beautiful country, the challenge of doing something they thought they could not do. Still, others do it to bond with their horse. Where you spend hours/days riding. The bond that is formed by doing difficult trail. The horse and rider's mutual trust to keep each other safe. Finally, I think people ride endurance to connect with our ancestors and human history. To get a sense of what life was like when people depended on the horse for transportation.

In the end, I think everyone can take home something more valuable than a blue ribbon, by participating in endurance riding. People ride for different reasons and that's what makes our sport so dynamic.

Please support our Club ride, Quicksilver at Harvey Bear Park near Gilroy, October 7th—ride or volunteer.

As I have mentioned before, please consider becoming a board member, as we will have two spots open

See you at Quicksilver

*Jeanine*

## *Officers*

**President.....Jeanine McCrary**  
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**Secretary.....Melissa Broquard**  
**Treasurer.....Trilby Pederson**

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**Jayne Perryman**  
**Katie Webb**

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## *Quicksilver on the Web*

<http://www.qser.net/>

# Quicksilver 2017 Calendar



**Saturday, October 7**—Quicksilver Fall Classic ride  
**December 9** (tentative) - Holiday Party—location TBD



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## *Treasurer's Report—(Last month's)*

Trails Fund: \$1,074.46  
Junior: \$ 454.38  
General: \$8,150.84

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## *QSER Awards Banquet*

**February 3, 2017 at 5:30PM**

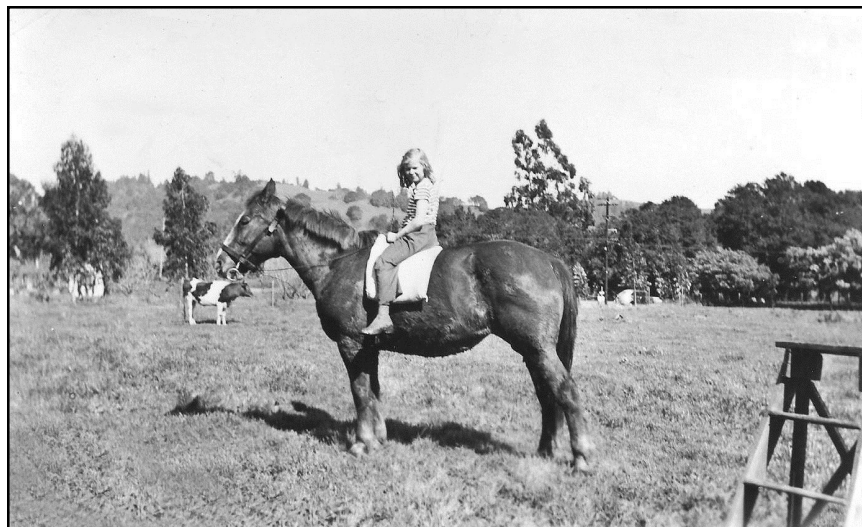
California Grill  
40 Penny Lane  
Watsonville CA  
831-722-8052

Dinner tickets will be sold in advance through December as we have a minimum guarantee of 25 dinners at \$33.24 each which includes choice of chicken or beef dinner entrees, salad, coffee, tea and dessert.

The Board voted to have the banquet at this location this year.

Please RSVP to:  
Mary Anderson  
130 Old Ranch Road  
Hollister CA 95023  
408-891-8878

[Horsemileage@hotmail.com](mailto:Horsemileage@hotmail.com)



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*Who is This?*

## *Chamberlain Creek 50*

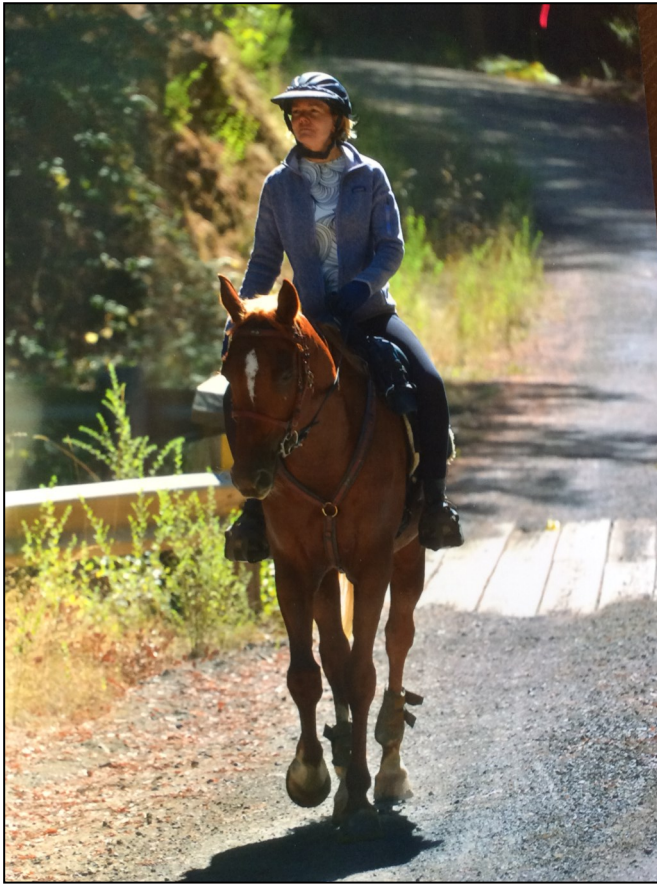
*By Lori Oleson*

Jill and I took Junior and Rosie to the Chamberlain Creek 50 on September 23. We rode in the beautiful Jackson Demonstration State Forest in Mendocino. The ride was somewhat small (50 riders). Ride management did an excellent job putting on this ride. The trail was wonderfully marked and water placement was good. It is about a 5 hour drive from the South Bay Area.

Jill and I started and finished the ride together in 6th and 7th place. We separated several times throughout the day and still were able to ride much of the day together. Both horses did great.

Next to ride camp was a beautiful horse campground. Each site had plenty of room for 2 rigs and 2 pipe stalls. There was also one water trough and brand new bathrooms. If you were passing through and needed a lay-over location, I would highly recommend this campground.

Next up is the Quicksilver Fall Classic on October 7th. If you are not riding, I hope you will be there to support the club and all the riders.

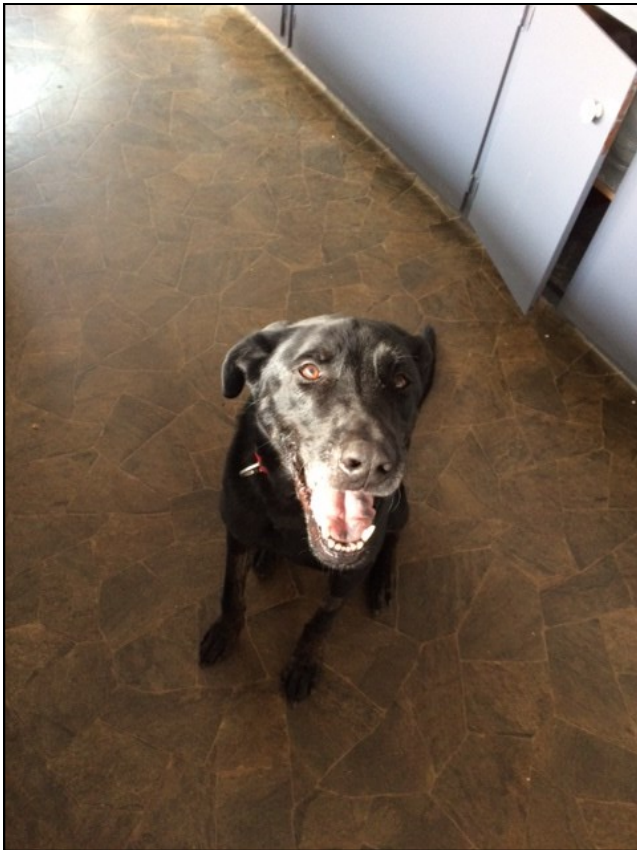


*Jill Newburn and Junior*



*Lori Oleson and Rosie*





## *Introducing "Chuckles"*

I adopted a dog from the Peace of Mind Dog Rescue. They said he was about seven years old and was a German Shepherd /Lab cross. His legs go on forever and he can run about 40 miles per hour, so I think he has some greyhound in him. He is the best dog in the world and I tell him that a hundred times a day. He agrees. He loves the house cat, the barn cats, the horses and hopefully me. He is very thin, but I am working on that. I know this is a horse newsletter, however, no barn is good without a good dog. I got mine!

*Julie Suhr*

*Editor's note: You can tell he's happy, because of the smile on his face. I'm glad you found a good one, Julie.*

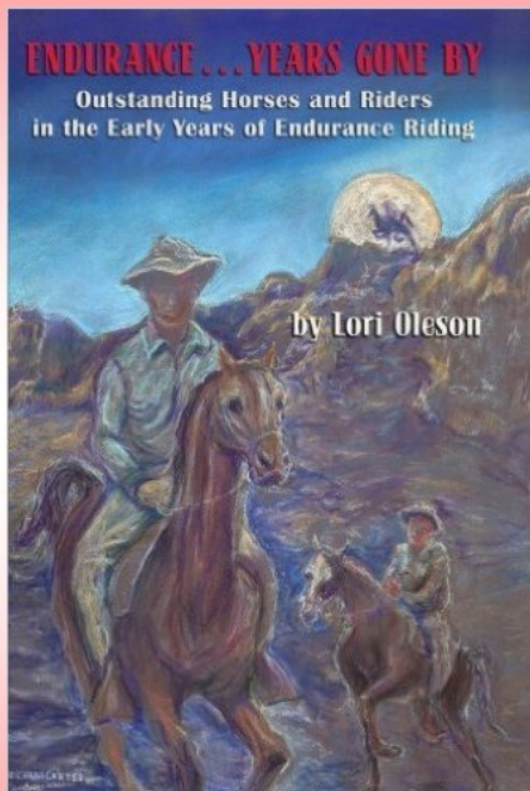


**It's with much sadness** but with many great memories that I am letting you know we will be putting Corky down early this Sunday morning. He turned 34 in May and while the last few months have been OK for him, he seems to be telling us he is ready to go. Skip and I bought him in 1992 and for the last 25 years he has always given all of us 200% - from Tevis to dozens and dozens of ride & ties, to the many little kids that Corky gave the joy of riding. Please feel free to share this message with anyone else that got to know the Corkster over the years, and I'll pass along any of your thoughts to the old guy before he goes.

*Curt Riffle*



## *Classifieds and Services*



This book is on great horses and riders in the beginning of our sport starting in the 1970's. It has been a fun project and I'm excited to introduce (or re-introduce) those that made endurance riding what it is today.

Dick Carter did the beautiful cover, Susan Garlinghouse wrote the Forward and 5 chapters are about great Quicksilver horses and riders.

A percentage of all sales will be given to the AERC Education Committee.

Lori Oleson

[endurancehistory@gmail.com](mailto:endurancehistory@gmail.com)

Cost of book is \$24 + tax/shipping

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# Classifieds



BOOKS ARE THE PERFECT GIFT!



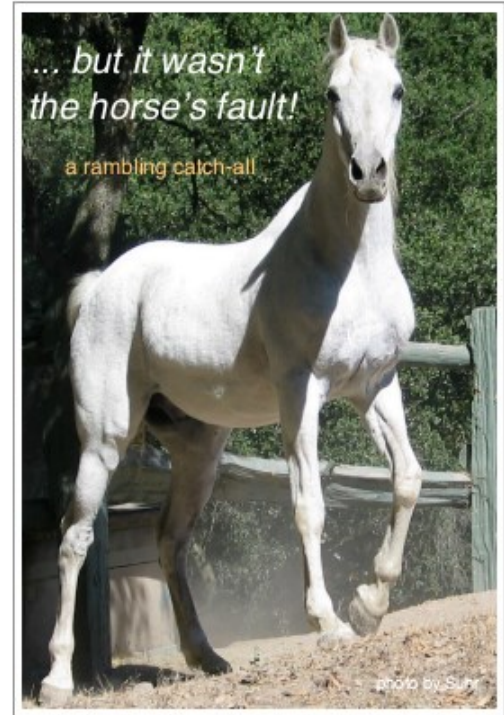
To benefit our trails and our horses, I have written two books. They are entirely different in style.

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
2. **...but it wasn't the horse's fault!** Available from Marinera Publishing, [www.marinerapublishing.com](http://www.marinerapublishing.com) All proceeds to **CENTER FOR EQUINE HEALTH**, School of Veterinary Medicine, Davis, California \$24.95



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.

**Julie Suhr (831) 335-5933**

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## *Classifieds*



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# Humor and Birthdays



## The awesome power of a wife's love



A very old man lay dying in his bed. In death's doorway, he suddenly smelled the aroma of his favorite chocolate chip cookie wafting up the stairs.

He gathered his remaining strength and lifted himself from the bed. Leaning against the wall, he slowly made his way out of the bedroom, and with even greater effort forced himself down the stairs, gripping the railing with both hands.

With labored breath, he leaned against the door frame, gazing into the kitchen. Were it not for death's agony, he would have thought himself already in heaven.

There, spread out on newspapers on the kitchen table were literally hundreds of his favorite chocolate chip cookies.

Was it heaven? Or was it one final act of heroic love from his devoted wife, seeing to it that he left this world a happy man?

Mustering one great final effort, he threw himself toward the table. The aged and withered hand, shaking, made its way to a cookie at the edge of the table, when he was suddenly smacked with a spatula by his wife.

"Stay out of those," she said. "They're for the funeral."



## Happy October Birthdays to our Quicksilver Members and Endurance Friends

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|-----------------|----|
| Michelle Coble  | 3  |
| Mary Anderson   | 5  |
| Kylan Rashid    | 5  |
| John Plaggmier* | 6  |
| Lena Spillman   | 6  |
| Michael Newburn | 8  |
| Kathie Schmidt  | 26 |



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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 \$ 30 \_\_\_\_\_**

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**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*

## **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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