



Quicksilver Quips

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President's Message – November 2016

We all know that to Finish is to Win – and we had a whole lot of winning going on at the Fall Classic. A great group of folks, including quite a few that are new to endurance, turned out to enjoy the trails on our re-scheduled ride date of Oct 22. The weather was perfect, the trails were ideal after the rain we had the prior week, and most riders came in with huge grins on their faces.

While horse and rider celebrate the day, we may forget that it actually took a community to get them across the finish line – vets, farriers, and supportive family and friends help get the team ready, while timers, trail markers, pulse takers and ride vets all support a successful completion on the day of the event. The Quicksilver community was out in force, and your hospitality, good nature and willingness to help was acknowledged by many of our riders. Thank you for sharing your time and talents so that others could enjoy a great day! Our sport does not happen without committed volunteers who are willing to help out in this way. A special shout out goes to those who showed up to help on Sunday, (Dick Carter!) because the job is not necessarily done just because the ride is over.

And thank you to those members who took me up on announcement to renew your dues early, and paid at the ride! Your board has decided that a discount will be offered to those who renew their memberships before the first of the year; dues postmarked after January 1 will be \$30, whereas if you send them in Now, they are only \$25. By sending your dues in early, we can include you in the member list for the year, and any roster or calendar that is shared with members – how cool would that be?

While it is an honor to be a part of a club that has such a great history, and so many phenomenal riders, it may be the company of so many good folks that I enjoy most about being a QSER member.

Down the trail we go-

Jill

QSER Treasurer's Report (October)

\$5,618.19 - General Account
\$1,074.34 - Trails Account
\$ 454.38 - Junior Account

Quicksilver 2016 Calendar



Quicksilver Meeting (TBD)—Elections
Holiday party—December 3—Almaden Clubhouse
Quicksilver Awards Banquet—February 4, 2017
at Harry's Hofbrau—5:30 PM



2016 Quicksilver Fall Classic Income/Expense			
Total Income			\$8,990.00
Expenses			
County Park	reservation		\$375.00
	camping	Thursday	\$15.00
		Friday	\$675.00
		Saturday	\$210.00
AERC	sanctioning		\$35.00
	rider fee		\$347.00
	non-member fee		\$75.00
	Vet membership	Chuck	\$40.00
CDFA	drug testing		\$345.00
Awards			\$2,008.45
Veterinarians	Chuck		\$0.00
	Melissa		\$500.00
	Cory		\$500.00
Trail Marking	supplies		\$0.00
Food	Friday/Saturday		included in Jill's expense
	BBQ		\$412.73
Crew Bag Tags	n/a		\$0.00
Dumpster			\$0.00
Potties			\$301.31
Refund			\$120.00
Misc. - Jayne			\$40.55
Misc. - Lori			\$64.20
Misc. - Jill			\$224.59
Total Expenses			\$6,288.83
		Net Income	\$2,701.17

Fall Classic - Thanks and Kudos to all the Volunteers

With the change in date of the ride, we had a pretty big turn over of volunteers as well - but when the day arrived we seem to have just enough folks to make it all happen!

I am always anxious about listing a big group of folks, for fear of forgetting someone -- but I am going to give it a try, so you can see how many people were out there helping out.

Nick Warhol came over on Thursday to mark the trails, which is an all day task. If you see him, tell him he rocks!

Becky Hart and **Judith Ogus** loaned their quad to make the marking possible

Kathy Mayeda, **Dick Carter** and **Melissa Broquard** were the Friday parking crew that got all the rigs in with room to spare

Margaret Graham assisted our Secretary **Jayne Perryman** with rider check-ins

Dusty Perryman brought a water tender and got all of the troughs filled up

Joann Martin and **Tami Elkayam** were out vet scribes

Michael Newburn earned the title of Maestro of Manure, and also was our Friday night cook, bottle washer, and chief 'go-fer'

Elizabet Hiatt led the new rider briefing on Friday evening

Jayne Perryman led the fun ride

Peter David and **Kiki Leuther** ran the out vet check while **Pete Harper**, **Becky Hart** and I helped with P&Rs

Pete Harper drove the rescue trailer

Debbie Boscoe and **Heather Shupe** from the Santa Cruz Horseman's group came over to see how we run our ride, and jumped in to help both at the Mendoza check and finish line

Charles Pham, Melissa's boy friend, was another willing recruit at the finish line

Darran Ross, **Sheila Kumar**, **Lori Oleson** and **Michelle Herrera** were our finish line crew, and **Leslie Harper** finished the day waiting for those last few riders

Jenny Perryman and **Danielle Fobar** went out on the quad to begin the unmarking of the trail on Saturday and we need to give a big shout out to our capable cook crew, **Jeff Luternauer**, **David de la Rosa**, and **Kathy Mayeda** all following the instructions of the big enchilada - **Mr. Steve Lenheim**

Thanks to all for your part in making it a Great day!!

(If I left you out, kick me in the shins the next time you see me!)

Jill

Lori and Jayne

Your Ride Management Team



Thank You!

Ride Results

Quicksilver Fall Classic 2016
QSER 25 Miles

PLACING	NUMBER	NAME	DIV	HORSE NUMBER	HORSE NAME	ENTRY	RIDE COMPLETION TIME	RIDE TIME	COMPLETION CODE
1	M43399	Martin, Claudia	FW	H52836	HM Mardana Ji (Ji)	237	10:32:00	03:02:00	F
2	M18855	Crites, Tiger	FW	H51501	Micky (Micky)	217	10:37:00	03:07:00	F
3	14162	Chance, Joan	LW	H51137	Sir Patrick Finnegan (Mini Fi	242	10:38:00	03:08:00	F
4		Therried, Kathym	LW		Sonny	210	10:42:00	03:12:00	F
5	M42838	Vredenburg, Mary	LW	H51879	Cooper (Super Dooper Coop	222	11:23:00	03:53:00	F
6	M42481	Jensen, Noel	MW	H53361	Pride's Little Rebel (Rebel)	228	11:30:00	04:00:00	F
7	M41057	Barilsson, Magdalena	LW	H39145	Jeen Jet (JJ)	206	11:36:00	04:06:00	F
8	M43941	Young, Carol A.	LW	H53732	MM Paint Chip (Chip)	208	11:36:01	04:06:01	F
9	M32150	Phaklides, Peggy	LW	H50917	FF Desert Kallie (Kallie)	204	11:40:00	04:10:00	F
10		Julien, Amber	FW		Daja	211	11:41:00	04:11:00	F
11	M40930	Michelot, Xaviere	FW	H48541	MWF Sophyra (Sophie)	202	11:42:00	04:12:00	F
12	M44061	Naeslund, Epona	JR	H53910	Firecracker	203	11:42:01	04:12:01	F
13	M43375	Grassi, Laura	LW	H52789	Salsa Caliente (Tariq)	205	11:43:00	04:13:00	F
14	4472	Morton, Karen J.	MW	H40442	Goldust Montana Moonbea	250	11:47:00	04:17:00	F
15	M30961	Holder, Sandy	MW	H51686	Ghost Lightning WR	239	11:53:00	04:23:00	F
16	7442	Sullivan, Suzanne	FW	H44742	Monarchs Independence	235	11:57:00	04:27:00	F
17	M33473	Brayton, Kathy	LW	H53216	Rushcreek Fargo	241	11:58:00	04:28:00	F
18	M39895	Simpson, Veronica	MW	H53208	Indigo SF (Indy)	245	12:03:00	04:33:00	F
19	M38187	Granter, Barbara-Lea	MW	H49006	Quicksilver WR (Q)	201	12:04:00	04:34:00	F
20	M42706	Valtierra, Jessica	FW	H52518	Rushcreek Shiloh (Shiloh)	244	12:05:00	04:35:00	F
21	M39797	Perryman, Jennifer	LW	H46615	Roaster	243	12:05:01	04:35:01	F
22	M44102	McCabe, Jennifer	LW	H54008	Elko's Eye of Odin (Odin)	247	12:06:00	04:36:00	F
23	M38949	Nicholson, Christina	MW	H52792	Rushcreek Emery (Emery)	223	12:09:00	04:39:00	F
24		Huesby, Rachel	LW	H45033	FA Treylawney (Trey)	224	12:10:00	04:40:00	F
25	M38779	Gilbert, Trinette	MW	H52818	Arizing Moon (Rizzo)	213	12:22:00	04:52:00	F
26	M43574	Kent, Patti	FW	H53121	Levi	212	12:22:01	04:52:01	F
	M42121	Amer, Terry	HW	H50751	Major Spark	248	0:00:00	16:30:00	RO

PLACING	NUMBER	NAME	DIV	HORSE NUMBER	HORSE NAME	ENTRY	RIDE COMPLETION TIME	RIDE TIME	COMPLETION CODE
	M44104	Davies, Gweryth Ellen	HW	H54014	Talisman T (T)	249	0:00:00	16:30:00	RO
	M41770	Fobar, Danielle	FW	H41194	CR Alias Gulastra (AI)	234	0:00:00	16:30:00	M
		McLaughlin, Lisa	MW		Solana	240	0:00:00	16:30:00	L

QS Fall Classic -

Best Condition Results

50s - Dennis Tracy and Brilliant Disguize (Willy)

25s - Tiger Crites and Micky (Micky)

Ride Results

Quicksilver Fall Classic 2016 QSER 50 Miles

PLACING	NUMBER	NAME	DIV	HORSE NUMBER	HORSE NAME	ENTRY	RIDE COMPLETION TIME	RIDE TIME	COMPLETION CODE
1	9758	Tracy, Dennis	LW	H39777	Brilliant Disguize (Willy)	105	14:15:00	06:25:00	F
2	M38495	Vreeland, Beverly	LW	H44363	Oledo	61	14:36:00	06:46:00	F
3	6577	Reens, Judy	FW	H46458	Tres Sheek (Tres)	104	14:36:01	06:46:01	F
4	M34723	Coble, Michelle	MW	H52441	Enteo (Teo)	52	14:58:00	07:08:00	F
5	M32997	Fisher, Lindsay Graham	FW	H44370	Foiled Ya (Fleet)	102	15:01:00	07:11:00	F
6	2410	Vanderford, Hugh	MW	H41909	BA Resolute (Gulliver)	83	15:01:01	07:11:01	F
7	M42908	Johnson, Joie-Danae	FW	H51990	PA Bravvo (Boo)	65	15:09:00	07:19:00	F
8		Potter McAndrews, Pat	HW		Contessa	99	15:17:00	07:27:00	F
9	14032	Kirkpatrick, Sharon	FW	H49872	Zip	96	15:48:00	07:58:00	F
10	14033	Kirkpatrick, Abe	HW	H40980	Cut Loose	97	15:48:01	07:58:01	F
11	M34458	Mancini, Karol	LW	H46451	Shahn Psy (Hemi)	110	15:51:00	08:01:00	F
12	M18253	Zvik, Kim	LW	H46045	Sharade Le Fey (Rader)	101	15:51:01	08:01:01	F
13	2446	White, Barbara	FW	H43428	Djubilee	73	15:52:00	08:02:00	F
14	11061	Fend, Gary	HW	H44391	RTR Thunders Navagator (F 100	109	15:55:00	08:05:00	F
15	M35979	Dull, Diane	FW	H52531	Lahbat Nejm (April or Flame	109	16:40:00	08:50:00	F
16	12322	McFarlane, Kathy	LW	H51215	Kahill El Jamaal (Cache)	91	16:40:01	08:50:01	F
17	M43790	McElroy, Juliana	JR	H49380	RTR Purple Sage (Sage)	88	16:45:00	08:55:00	F
18		Odell-Smedley, Anica	FW	H49024	Stars The Limite (Goose)	79	16:45:01	08:55:01	F
19	M43824	Quiroz, Mollie E.	JR	H46479	MM Chief (Chief)	69	16:45:02	08:55:02	F
20	M39441	Thomas, Shannon	MW	H49806	Fawkes	62	17:05:00	09:15:00	F
21	5022	Hiatt, Elisabet	LW	H42033	CV Chippawah (Tango)	90	17:05:01	09:15:01	F
22	M43704	VandenBerg, Blain	FW		Zephyr	68	17:36:00	09:46:00	F
23	M21040	Nichols, Sula	MW	H50115	Rastaban	67	17:36:01	09:46:01	F
24	M41027	Wyatt, Jody	FW	H51517	Kentucky Bay (Amira)	106	17:40:00	09:50:00	F
25	m44139	Reilly, Teri	FW	n54076	Aleczonder ()	111	17:41:00	09:51:00	F
26	9228	Warhol, Nick	MW	H53933	GS Sbilani	59	17:41:01	09:51:01	F
27	M43925	Holland, Kerri	MW	H53706	Let It Ride (Ryder)	112	17:49:00	09:59:00	F

PLACING	NUMBER	NAME	DIV	HORSE NUMBER	HORSE NAME	ENTRY	RIDE COMPLETION TIME	RIDE TIME	COMPLETION CODE
28	M38940	Marlin, Dennis	HW	H47878	Prince Paleo Cantar (Chanc	95	17:50:00	10:00:00	F
29	M43959	Wilson, David	MW	H53756	Eugene	87	17:56:00	10:06:00	F
30	M42068	Broquard, Melissa	LW	H50665	Confetti DYH (Confetti)	77	17:56:01	10:06:01	F
31	M40069	Ward, Roger	HW	H52735	Jakes A Gamblin Doc (Jake)	98	18:07:00	10:17:00	F
32	M43938	Mathis, Aubrey	LW	H53911	Jabi	92	18:07:01	10:17:01	F
33	M43603	Mehdi, Abbas	HW		Sultan	72	18:11:00	10:21:00	F
	8943	Benkly, Brenda	MW	H50023	Hash (Hash)	85	15:55:01	08:05:01	F
	M32514	Greggor, Jenny	FW	H40451	Cartagnian	94	0:00:00	16:10:00	C
	8600	Horst, Laura	MW	H33458	SH Embargo (Skipper)	54	0:00:00	16:10:00	RO
	M40496	Lefeber, Cathy	FW	H47851	Magnum's Red Baron (Baro	55	0:00:00	16:10:00	L
	7958	Ogus, Judith	FW	H51528	Dash to Cash	103	0:00:00	16:10:00	L
	M43594	Rabbat, Leyla	JR	H48698	Fixxer	107	0:00:00	16:10:00	L
	2411	Vanderford, Gloria	LW	H39597	Pilot Wings (Beauty Boy)	84	0:00:00	16:10:00	RO-L

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Quicksilver Fall Classic - 2016

What a great ride it was! The trails were beyond perfect, the trail markings the best I've seen in a long time, and the ride folks, well, we all know those folks! Always smiling and super helpful.

I approached this ride with a little trepidation. Tango had not done a 50 since Lost Padres in April. A slight, intermittent and elusive not-quite-lameness kept us just walking and taking it easy. Finally figured out that his soles were too thin, so Farrier's Formula, rest and careful trimming sort of did the trick.... Almost. There was still a slight lameness and we figured rest was the ticket along with a dose of Osphos. What finally really resolved the issue were Sneakers shoes! Wow, what a difference! I have to thank many of you who responded to my "call for information" on them, especially Michelle Roush, who patiently and gracefully endured a gazillion questions.

So, after a few trials and some good trail rides, I finally felt that Tango was ready to do a slow 50. I was bummed that the timing didn't work out for us to do the original date for the QS ride, but then the fire happened and we were able to go. Yay!

Tango was totally relaxed at camp, which was great. Shannon Thomas and I planned to ride together, since both our horses had not done a 50 in a while. We started as late as possible and calmly walked for the first mile or so. The sunrise was spectacular and we were very happy to be on two happy and cooperative horses! We picked up a nice steady trot and soon were passing folks. Tango and Fawkes are very well matched, so we really had a great time. The Sneakers worked great and one of the most obvious signs that Tango was very happy was the return of his awesome 4.5 mph downhill walk. I don't feel guilty at all walking downhill at that speed!

Soon we were at the first vet check, both horses passed with flying colors, ate, drank and off we went. The weather was perfect. The hour hold came and went without a hitch and then we tackled the afternoon loop. It was getting hot, but thankfully we had a pretty nice breeze all day. Another away vet check and off we went for the last leg of the trail. I think that was the hardest for me. It was hot and longer than the trail from camp to the vet check. We managed to keep a nice pace until we got to the last few miles, which were all downhill. At this point, my calves were reminding me that it had been a while since I had done anything longer than 20 miles! No matter how sternly I told them to shut up, they kept whining... sheesh.

Camp was now in sight and we all got a second (or third?) wind and came to the finish with painfully big smiles on our faces. Both horses vetted through great. I had the added bonus of Tango not having a sore back in the least! He has had some consistent problems, and I am now wondering if this will be another great side effect from the Sneakers. More testing required, but for now I will take it with a smile.

We had a yummy dinner and a nice rest before heading home. A spectacular sunset was a perfect close to a great day. Too many folks to thank for putting on a top ride, but you know who you are. THANK YOU!! As I snuggled under my lovely "Trilby made" blanket when I got home and while looking at my ride photos, I thought about how incredibly blessed we are to be able to do this amazing thing with such willing and lovely partners and friends! To quote Julie Suhr: Aren't we lucky?!!?!?!?

By Elisabet Hiatt



I Want to Ride!

I want to go do a ride, I really do. Since 2002 when I first entered a Limited distance ride with my Paint mare, I have done at least one ride, if not more, a year. But I have managed to complete 2016 with NO rides under my belt! Let me describe the reasons why.

During last year's Lake Sonoma ride, my gelding complained that the bit was not comfortable in his mouth when I had to constantly remind him to go at my speed instead of the speed he preferred. So after the lunch stop, I took the bit out and decided to ride him in his side pull. Yeah! That was a very quick loop we did!!

Upon returning home I had my vet come out to check his teeth. He said everything looked good. So I thanked the good doctor and turned out my boy in the big playground/turnout pasture. Within minutes he had ran around the whole

20 acres and came charging down the hill and slipped and slid and fell into the wire fence, got his leg caught in it and sliced his right front leg open 6 inches long and 3 inches wide. Good thing the vet was still there. He spent an hour cleaning up the wound and stitching it up.

The next day he had ripped his bandage off and discarded it in a corner of his paddock and split all the stitches and had an ugly oozing wound! At this point it could not be stitched back again so I had to wrap it and doctor it for 8 weeks. He healed nicely. Never took a lame step.

We rode a bit as he got better but he was now totally out of shape and was turning into a little potato. In February I decided to purchase an awesome ranch property in Hollister. Between putting in an offer and getting through the loan process and selling my old house it was April before we were settled in. I was planning to move the horses in June. But by then my horse had picked an argument with his roommate and sliced the same part of his leg open AGAIN!!! Another 6 weeks for stitches and bandages to rule my life and no riding. The potato was turning into a pumpkin!!

I did move them into their new digs in June and have been thoroughly enjoying being a ranch owner and taking care of my horses by myself. It was all new to me and I was learning as I went along. There were days I forgot to close the barn door and they had come in and knocked everything over and ate as much hay as they could possibly consume! There were days when my neighbor would call and say they had walked out of the "not so hot" tape fence and were visiting with her horses. Once I left the pasture gate wide open and they went for a mile long walk and someone called and said, yes you guessed it!

I am still learning and loving every minute of it. We finally started slowly conditioning again. But not for long! He contracted an upper respiratory infection which needed antibiotics and rest! So another 2 weeks off. I was hoping to do the Quicksilver fall classic limited distance but he was still so out of shape I thought that would be too much for the pumpkin!

So as 2016 is coming to an end, I have successfully not competed at all this year. The pumpkin is round and happy and spoiled and out of shape still. Oh well, I am hoping for a better season in 2017. But I will continue to enjoy being able to see them and play with them any time I want instead of having to drive to the stables. They seem to like that too. They are not too happy that I am remembering to close gates and doors, though!!

By Sheila Kumar

Liz & Mocha Getting Started...

Mocha & I attempted our first "official" 25 mi. LD at the Kristina Chesterman Ride Oct. 23 in Magalia...just outside of Chico.

Due to an unforeseen accident (I believe both horse & rider are OK), we were not able to complete a full 25 mi., but I was pleased with Mocha's vet checks...all A's and B's 😊 Yeah, we were out sightseeing "a lot" and came in over time as well, but it was fun! Beautiful trails...thanks to Jayamae Gregory and crew!

By Liz Kinoshita



Ride Results Quicksilver Fall Classic 2016 QSER Fun Ride 10 Miles

PLACING	NUMBER	NAME	DIV	HORSE NUMBER	HORSE NAME	ENTRY	RIDE COMPLETION TIME	RIDE TIME	COMPLETION CODE
1	M41997	Ojala, Kristin	FW	H53543	Shoubrah Lanni (Lanni)	1	0:00:00	14:40:00	F
	M35980	Dull, John	HW		Mystic Penne	2	0:00:00	14:40:00	F

Katie and Stevie Go to Cuneo Creek

The Cuneo Creek Endurance Ride in Humboldt Redwood State Park has been a special favorite of mine ever since my first race there in 2010. My race at Cuneo Creek in 2010 marked my return to endurance riding after a hiatus during college and was my first race with my grandmother's sturdy little horse Jess, as well as being Jess's first full-length endurance race (we completed back-to-back 50's that weekend). I've since raced and completed at Cuneo Creek three more times, including a 75-miler on Jess and Stevie's first 2-day 100.

This year, Stevie and I traveled to Cuneo Creek with Jeanine McCrary and her mare Vixie. Even though the drive is fairly long, it's a really easy straight shot up Highway 101 with very little traffic, interesting scenery, and a great safe rest stop we've discovered for taking the horses out to stretch their legs and eat a little grass. We got to camp just after noon, scored a great campsite with shade, and had a good time visiting with friends and pre-riding the morning start.

Stevie is a very accomplished and easy-going little camper in her second season, but sometimes it takes her a couple of hours in camp to fully relax from the trailer ride and really start packing in the food and water. My strategy with her is to lightly electrolyte her with wet mashes for a few days before a race so she gets in the trailer fully hydrated, and then settle her in camp with a big sloppy mash and more electrolytes as soon as we get to camp. This helps her relax after the trailer ride and kicks her into gear with her eating and drinking. What I noticed at our last race however, is that she gets really picky about eating a beet pulp-based mash at a race. It just doesn't seem to be her most favorite food and I don't think she likes the texture all that much. The result is she only picks at her mash when we're at a race and doesn't get her full dose of electrolytes, so I have to make up the remainder by dosing her out of a syringe. Much less exact, one extra step, and I end up throwing away a lot of uneaten mash. So this race I tried something new. Instead of using beet pulp to add bulk and soak up water in her mashes, I substituted StableMix pellets from Elk Grove Milling. Those pellets soak up a TON of water, and make a really smooth and palatable mash when combined with the other ingredients I put in (rice bran, a yummy senior feed, Platinum Performance). The result is that Stevie gobbled down every single bite of mash as soon as she got off the trailer, practically begged for more, and started drinking and refueling earlier than she usually does the afternoon before a race. You know it's yummy when she manages to get mash in her eye-lashes. Success!

The morning of the race was textbook. Stevie is a treat to start; focused, forward, and easy to manage. What I really liked about this race was that I was able to see a significant improvement in her strength over the same course from her first endurance season to her second. She felt stronger on hills and is really using her hind end more effectively this year. I'm excited to see her get even better as she builds more conditioning. She's also developed a really efficient downhill walk. The morning half of our race was really pleasant. We made good time, rode off and on with some very nice ladies, and really enjoyed ourselves. One of the ladies we rode with was riding the politest acting stud I have ever been around. I seriously wouldn't have even noticed her horse was a stud if she hadn't been camped right next to us and I hadn't already noticed the extra dangly bits. They rode with us all day and he was a perfect gentleman. Neither of the mares we were riding seemed to mind having him along one bit.

The afternoon loop is really beautiful at Cuneo Creek. It has a gorgeous stretch of trail in the really huge redwoods. We have big redwoods at home, but these are GIANT. It was going along pretty good until about the 40-mile mark, and then we had what I'm calling "The Dramatic Yellow Jacket Event".

Unfortunately, the area where the race was held was having a particularly bad yellow jacket year. Apparently there are fewer bears in the area so they aren't digging up and eating as many yellow jacket nests as they usually do. We had hit a large nest during the morning, but luckily we were on a wide fire road and we were able to get by them without an issue. In the afternoon, we weren't so lucky. We happened to be on a really long section of trail that was narrow single track with a vertical drop-off on one side and a steep up-sloping bank on the other. Jeanine was in front, so her horse hit the yellow jackets first. Vixie started bucking, and instead of moving forward to get away from the bees, she just bucked in place and wouldn't move forward. I was right behind Jeanine, so Stevie and I got stuck right on top of the nest. It was about the size of a dinner plate, and the bees were boiling out like crazy and MAD. I've never had Stevie in bees before, so I had no idea what to expect. She held it together pretty well for a few seconds, but then it was just too much and she started bucking too. Luckily Stevie's buck is very smooth and very straightforward, so as long as you stay centered it's an easy ride. She also decided we had to get out of there NOW, and since Vixie was frozen in place and blocking our escape she dove off the side of the bank (which luckily was slightly less than vertical where we were), slid down a few feet, pivoted on her hind end, and popped us back up onto the trail in front of Jeanine and Vixie. All I saw as we went over the bank were Vixie's hind hooves heading straight for my face, but luckily Stevie was moving so fast they never had time to connect. As soon as we were up on the trail again, Stevie took off at a fast trot and we got out of range of the bees pretty quick and I was able to jump off, get her to stand still, and wait for Jeanine and Vixie to catch up once Vixie got moving again. With all the factors in play, we were REALLY lucky we escaped without a major accident. If we had been in any other spot on that particular trail it would have been a different story altogether.

All and all, I got a really hot sting on my knee, Stevie got stung quite a few times, and Vixie got stung bad enough to end up with nasty welts all over her hind end. Other than that though, both horses finished really strong and looked great after the 50. We had been planning to ride a second 50 the next day, and both horses looked more than able to

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complete, but since we had to go on the same trail where we ran into the bees, we decided to call it a weekend after just one day. I think we felt like we had really lucked out getting through the bees without a major accident the first time and we didn't feel like pushing our luck. I think most of the other riders on the 50 felt the same way, because very few decided to go out on the second day. Every single person I talked to had a dramatic bee story, and many of them were far scarier than ours!

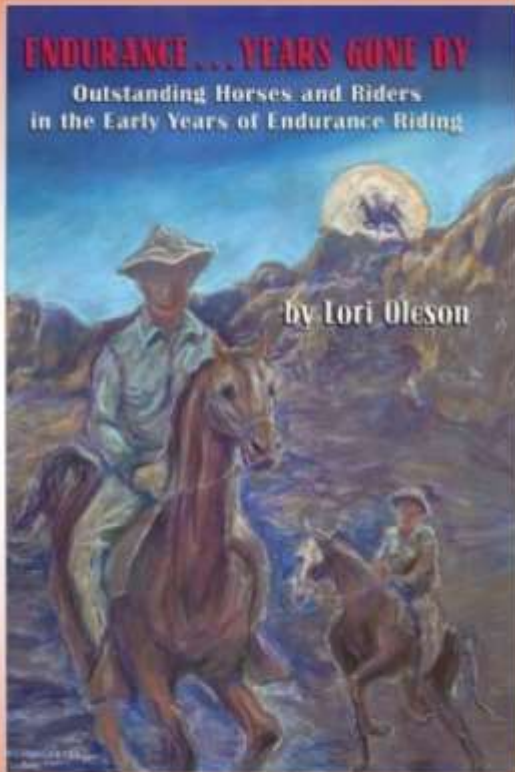
Overall though, we had a great ride at Cuneo Creek and it's still one of my favorite rides on the calendar. You really can't beat the trails, beautiful scenery, excellent management, great campground, and hot showers this ride has to offer.



Katie and Stevie
Photo by Boots and Bloomers

"Racing with Stevie in big tree country a few weeks ago at the 50-mile Cuneo Creek Endurance Race. I crave this race every year; a kaleidoscope of back-lit morning mist, meadow vistas, clear-running streams, deep forest hush, and sun-speckled shadows beneath some seriously big slumbering giants. Combine that with a good horse and some nitty gritty physical effort, and it's medicine for the soul!"

Classifieds



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The perfect gift for your horse loving friends and family members.

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Lori Oleson

\$22 + tax/shipping

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Opportunity to Volunteer

If you would like to volunteer at Lichen Oaks Adaptive Riding Center (LOARC) to help with lessons or horse care, please let me know. We can always use side walkers, people to feed the horses and clean stalls. We only have 4 horses, so it's an easy job! LOARC is located in Felton. Also, if you have any tack in good condition that you would like to donate, we can definitely use it. We currently really need three size 2 Easy boots (the old fashion, simple kind) and light weight endurance type saddles (no horn). A tax receipt will be sent. If you have any questions or would like a tour of the (beautiful!) facility, please let me know.

e@loarc.net Our website: <http://lichenoaksarc.org/>

Thanks! Elisabet Hiatt

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RV Space to rent with pasture for horses.

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Please contact **David De La Rosa** at **831-427-3040** to discuss

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15682 Bend Johnson Rd. Red Bluff, CA 96080

Liz Kinoshita

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Bring your horses! Whispering Sands Ranch is for sale by owner. This home and horse facility with 11 acres is located on the eastern side of the Sierras in Ridgecrest, CA. The property is located within city limits, is on a paved road, yet is very private, and secluded as it sets well off of the road with no immediate neighbors. It starts with a ranch style gated entry then continues with a long driveway that leads to the home and barns. The two barns have a total of eight stalls each connected to a run. There are two fenced pastures, a large walk in tack room, and two hay sheds. One pasture has a large walk under shelter. There is a handy tool room that makes for a great workshop. The bunkhouse in the barn with sleeping area, closet and small kitchen area is great for company or to stay in for foaling mares. Located in a horse community with easy access to many miles of trails right off of the property. Near the fairgrounds that has a riding arena, horse shows and gymkhanas. Beautiful, vintage ranch house with a custom built stone fireplace that heats the entire house and a large Master Cool evaporative cooler. Propane wall heater, Maytag washer and propane dryer. Three bedroom, two bath, approximately 1400 sq. feet. Very peaceful and secluded yet is conveniently close to town. Enjoy the beautiful views of the Sierras and Mount Whitney, the spectacular sunsets over the mountains, and the night lights of Ridgecrest. Has a large pool that could easily be brought up to operational status that has concrete all around the fenced/enclosed pool area and a nice shelter area for barbequing. Super for pool parties! Back yard is completely fenced and safe for pets. All buildings and house newly, professionally painted with top of the line paint. Has a good well with newly replaced pump. City water and natural gas available but not hooked up. The home is very efficient to run with low utility bills. Kitchen has all new appliances with a top of the line hot water heater, refrigerator, microwave, range/oven, and garbage disposal. One bathroom has a vintage, cast iron, 5 ½ ft. claw foot bath tub. Brand new carpet in the living room. Beautiful tile in the entry way, kitchen and one bathroom. All new dual pane windows throughout the house. Large closets for storage throughout the house. This house was built in the late 50's and you will not find a better built house in Ridgecrest. The lumber is a true measurement. The property is unique in that it is located within city limits and yet is zoned for a horse business. \$269,000.00

**Contact: Melissa and Robert Ribley**  
[mmribley@gmail.com](mailto:mmribley@gmail.com)  
530-268-1378



## Classifieds



**Elizabeth Williams & Judith Ogus**

**STUDIO ART SHOW**  
PAINTINGS & SCULPTURES  
PRINTS & CARDS

Saturday & Sunday  
December 3rd & 4th, 2016  
11am - 5pm

1541 Renton Court  
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408.425.7873

### Studio Art Show, December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

Elizabeth Williams and Judith Ogus met in 2010 when they shared a show at SJB's former Galeria Tonantzin. Judith was hanging illustrations from her Cancer Frog Blog, in which she used the avatar of a frog to recount the challenges of cancer treatment, failing parents, and living in a period of climate change. Elizabeth, also preoccupied with the plight of animals on this warming planet, filled the rest of the gallery with images of ocean life. The two immediately felt a connection and do to this day. They share a mutual love of folk art, stripes and dots, animals, wood cut outs and the use of a myriad of materials. Over the years they have become fast friends, inspiring and encouraging each other in their respective art journeys.

#### Artist's Statement • Elizabeth Williams

I use wood, paint, and found objects to make sculptures and paintings. This show will exhibit "Americana" type subjects including winged angels, swimming mermaids, toothed whales, leaping horses, adoring dogs, funky dolls and anthropomorphic robots. I've been making art all my life. I grew up in an old New England town in the '60's during an arts and crafts revival. I learned

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tool use, making things by hand and love of art from my parents. Some of my favorite artists are: James Castle, Edward Hicks, Horace Pippin and Judith Ogus! I admire gothic sculpture, indigenous art and self taught folk/primitive art. I live in Watsonville, CA, where I enjoy looking at the clouds, fields, mountains and bay, having fun with friends, and making art.

### Artist's Statement • Judith Ogus

I am an eclectic artist. I carve, weld, paint, make mobiles, have conceptual art ideas, draw cartoons, pile rocks and take thousands of photos. The first piece of art I made as a six-year-old was a huge elephant painting. The possibility of making something bigger than myself filled me with joy. Now I make some large things and some very small things, some things material and some things digital.

Animals, the environment and what it is to be human are my sources of inspiration. This show will include carved small chairs, painted wooden cutouts of horses, "Chicken Littles," butterfly wings and dogs, a mobile of flying birds, Apocalyptic Puzzles and welded fish.

I am excited to share this exhibition with Elizabeth Williams. Her paintings of women flying over landscapes on horseback ring true to my feelings when I am riding – a sense of exaltation and being transported beyond all the worries of the day.

Greeting cards, wrapping paper, magnets and prints will be available in addition to paintings and sculptures – unique and wonderful gifts to enhance your holiday shopping!

The show is at 1541 Renton Court, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045, 11am-5pm, Dec. 3 & 4. Call Judith at 408 425-7873 for more information. Visit our web sites [www.randomarts.biz](http://www.randomarts.biz) and [elizabethwilliams-art.com](http://elizabethwilliams-art.com).

## Classifieds

My jam-packed tack room is now a little less jam-packed because of the following people who have purchased some of the items I have for sale for the benefit of the Center for Equine Health at the University of California at Davis where it will be dedicated to research on cardio-pulmonary and metabolic problems of long distance horses. The friends listed below found items they wanted. I still have saddles, saddle pads, easy boots, hackamores, bits, seat covers, blankets, bale bags, and other sundry horsey items. Pictures upon request.

Julie Suhr 831-335-5933 or [marinera@aol.com](mailto:marinera@aol.com)



Australian saddle

Bob Eaton,  
Guilia Orth  
Kay Spence

Jerry Dowdy  
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Orthoflex saddle

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**BOOKS ARE THE PERFECT GIFT!**



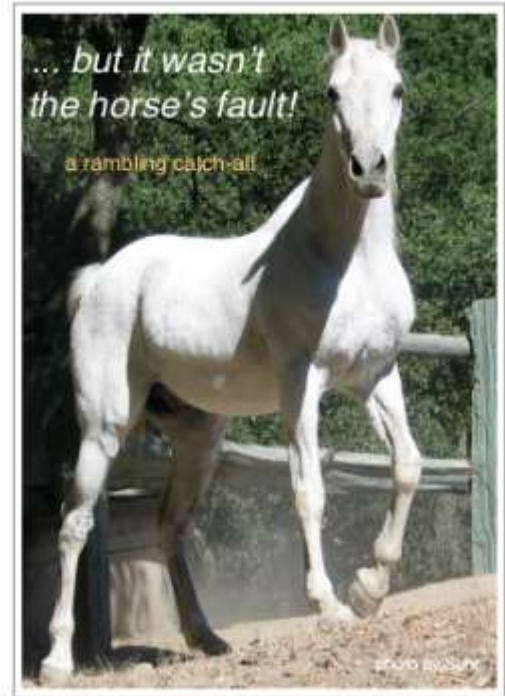
To benefit our trails and our horses, I have written two books. They are entirely different in style.

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**

## TACK SALE

My tack sale of used items piling up in my tack room for the benefit of the Center for Equine Health at Davis has amounted to \$3,925.00. It will be put in a research fund to study cardio-pulmonary and metabolic problems of the long distance horse. Thank you to all who purchased items, and I still have lots of stuff left, including saddles. **Julie—(831) 335-5933**

## WANTED TO BUY: DOG KENNEL

Chain link panels any size!! Needed NOW, will pick up.

**Michelle H.—(831) 427-1533**

# Classifieds and Services

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We can discuss your issues and curiosities in detail in a free no-obligation telephone or email consultation. Please contact me to schedule a phone conversation or just shoot me an email!

**Kathy Mayeda, EBW-CST, CMT**  
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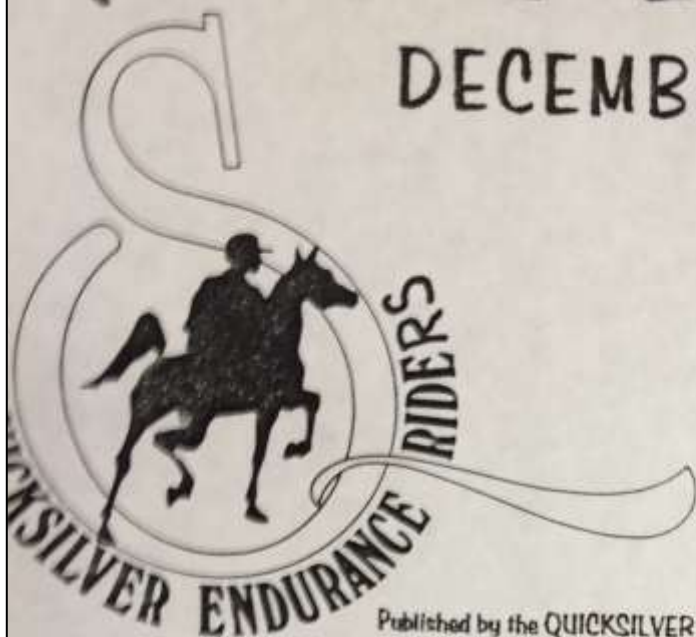
## OFFER

I have a whole bunch of hard copies of Quicksilver Quips for 1995, '96, '97, '98, '99, most of them when Brian Reeves and Steve Lenheim were presidents and even when Virl Norton was on the Board. I will keep them for two weeks and then throw them out if nobody wants them. I hope someone speaks up. **Julie—(831) 335-5933** **See next page...**



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## Quicksilver Endurance Riders Invite You To ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POT LUCK

Wednesday, December 13, 1995  
7 P.M at Santa Clara County Horseman's



With all this warm weather, it's hard to believe that December is just around the corner and time for our traditional Christmas Party. But it is!

You're invited to share the holidays with old and new Quicksilver members alike. Since this is a potluck, I am looking for folks to bring the following delectable dishes: Salads, side dishes, bread/or rolls and cranberry relish/or relish trays. Did I mention desserts!??

I'm also looking for 2 brave souls to volunteer to cook one turkey each and another 2-3 folks to help decorate & setup. Call Nancy or Cathy ASAP if you can lend a hand. The club will provide the beverages, plates, napkins, and plastic cutlery and festive atmosphere.

This won't be the Betty Crocker cook-off, but if you have an old favorite recipe or one you want to test before you try it on your in-laws, bring it to the potluck! We would also like to do a gift exchange and a can food drive for Second Harvest Foodbank. If you want to participate, please bring a wrapped gift of \$5 or so and 2 to 3 can food items. The gift exchange is a lot of fun. The food drive will benefit those folks in our county who may need some extra goodwill during the holiday.

## Classifieds

### FOR RENT

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E-mail **Becky: [bghart@garlic.com](mailto:bghart@garlic.com)**

## Humor and Birthdays



*Happy Thanksgiving!  
To You And Your Family*

**Happy November Birthdays  
to our Quicksilver Members  
and Endurance Friends**

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

**If you want a printed copy of Quips mailed to you (as opposed to PDF file e-mailed) add \$10 \_\_\_\_\_**

**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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