



# Quicksilver Quips

November 2017

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### *Quicksilver on the Web*

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

Natural disasters have been dominating the news recently, fires and hurricanes. The fire in Napa Valley hit close to home. A lot of our endurance friends in the Napa area have been effected. Personally, I was involved in the Lockheed Fire in 2009 that burned 8,000 acres. We had to evacuate. Fortunately, no one's full time residence was burned in that fire. The trails, though, were trashed, and we're still dealing with the aftermath of the fire eight years later. Immediately after the fire you needed to be careful that your horse didn't step in a hole; even though the trail looked sound on top, a tree root underneath might be burned out. I remember someone, after the fire, was walking on a trail and fell through to their hip. Then years later, fire damaged trees are constantly falling, causing a lot of ongoing trail cleanup. Not to mention the tick bushes (California blue lilac) go wild after a fire in some areas. I say all this to highlight my sympathies to the Napa area equestrian community. Many Club members have had the Napa Valley fire on their minds. So, as a Club, we have been exploring the organizations that are assisting fire victims. The Board met on November 1st to discuss donating to these worthy organizations. We need to keep the fire victims (people and animals) in our thoughts and prayers. So many without homes...

The Quicksilver Ride was successful. Lots of smiles. Thanks to all the volunteers and especially Jill Newburn, Jayne Perryman, and Lori Olsen for organizing the ride.

For those who have a desire to volunteer to help the Club, we need someone to spearhead the calendar publication for the Awards Dinner. Interested? Contact Mary Anderson [horsemileage@hotmail.com](mailto:horsemileage@hotmail.com)

Hope everyone is enjoying their horses with this beautiful weather.

*Jeanine*

# Quicksilver 2017 Calendar



**December 2** - Holiday Party—Almaden Community Center  
6:00 PM



## Treasurer's Report—November

Trails Fund: \$ 1,074.46  
Junior: \$ 454.38  
General: \$14,963.78

## Quicksilver Fall Ride-October 7, 2017

INCOME:		\$12,105.00
EXPENSES:		
AWARDS	\$	687.80
VETERINARIANS		1,000.00
CAMP/SCCP&RD		1,390.00
SUPPLIES		915.07
CDFA/DRUG		380.00
FOOD		508.72
PORTA POTTIES		301.35
AERC		637.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		<u>\$5,819.94</u>
NET GAIN		<u><u>\$6,587.36</u></u>

## **Coming UP!** **QSER Awards Banquet**

**February 3, 2017 at 5:00 PM**

Westside Grill  
8080 Santa Teresa Blvd, #100  
Gilroy, CA 95020

**Prepaid dinner tickets \$35**

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

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

# *Quicksilver Fall Classic*

By Lori Oleson

The 2017 Quicksilver Fall Classic is now behind us. We had a very successful weekend. There were 32 in the 50, 44 in the 25 and 7 Fun Riders. Camp was packed and we had to put a few rigs in the overflow area.

We ate extremely well. Friday we had a big potluck with QS providing the tri-tip. Michael Newburn did the BBQing and took care of a multitude of other jobs throughout the entire long weekend.

Saturday night we had tacos. Juan from Southern California offered to cook for the ride earlier in the year so we jumped on it. Everyone loves his authentic Mexican cooking.

Nick Warhol took care of marking trail which takes a huge load off management's plate. Riders raved about the great markings. No one appeared to have gotten lost out there. We are very grateful to Nick.

The vets were efficient and well-liked by riders. We had Chuck Kessinger as our head vet, with Melissa Ribley and Ann Wimmer.

We were short on volunteers at times, especially on Friday. This caused management to work even harder. I hope next time a call goes out for volunteers, more will step forward.

Overall it was a successful weekend. Riders had a great time and are looking forward to coming back next year.



*Melissa Ribley and Tami Elkayam*



*Robert Ribley and Chuck Kessinger*

*More photos next page*



# Quicksilver



# Fall Classic



Melissa vetting Tami's horse



Margaret Graham and Jayne Perryman



L to R: Nick Warhol, Jill Newburn, Barbara White



Mike Newburn and Juan, the taco maker



*L to R: Becky Hart, Ann Wimmer, DVM, and Darren Ross*



*Mike Newburn at the BBQ*

*Photos by Lori Oleson*

## ***Special Meeting Called***

On November 1st the club had a meeting and voted to give \$1500 to **UC Davis Veterinary Catastrophic Need Fund**. This fund provides veterinary medical treatments at the William R. Pritchard Veterinary Medical Teaching Hospital for animals that are injured in natural disasters or other accidents. In addition, it was voted that we give \$1500 to **Sonoma Horse Council – Equine Disaster Relief and Preparedness Fund Fire Relief 2017**. The Council's Equine Disaster Relief & Preparedness fund is an existing fund set-up after the Valley Fire indicated the need for such a fund. Proceeds shall be used to provide relief to local victims with equines and equine businesses and for preparedness programs going forward. Both the UC Davis Fund and SCHC are 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations so meet the requirements of Quicksilver.



# *My Riding Vacation in Ireland*

By Carolyn Tucker

Here are some photos from my horse riding vacation in Ireland this Sept. A really great 6 days of riding around the countryside with wonderful Connemara horses, lodging, and lots of great food! Can look up the vacation on [Connemaratrail.com](http://Connemaratrail.com).

Runs from May thru Sept. Meet riders from all around. Very fun! Our group was 16 riders mostly from the USA.





# "The Perfect Horse"

## Book Review

By Elisabeth Hiatt

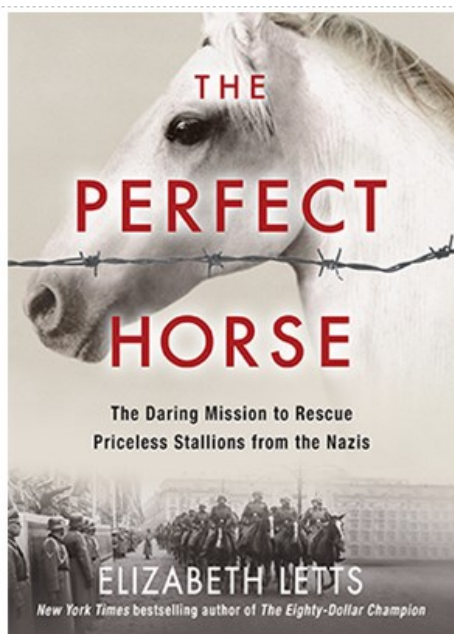
I was attracted to this book for several reasons. The pretty gray on the cover being the most shallow one. I had read "Snowman, the \$80 Champion" by the same author, and I really liked her writing and research on the subject. I am also interested in history, and if it involves horses, even more so... but the main reason I wanted to read this book was that it followed the journey the Lipizzaner and Arabian horses rescued from Poland during WWII, specifically because one of the Arabian stallions rescued (Witez) happened to be my late horse Solo's Great-great grandpa.

The book is divided in three story from the German/Nazi follows the same story from view and the third section picks horses start their journey to the after arriving.

Every section of the book reading. I seldom read one of a several books at a time few exceptions. The victories horses are amazing, but the for me was to see how mortal cause" and worked together to

I've loved Lipizzaner horses an opportunity to see them per-the next time I see them, it will because of the incredible per-cause I now know and under-being wiped out of the face of the earth!

Close to the end of the book, I had to finally let the tears roll. During what was to be Witez's last birthday, they had a party and gave him carrot cake, which was his favorite treat. Solo's favorite treat was also carrot cake, and he had some on every one of the 26 birthdays he was with me, including his last. I hope he's up in Heaven getting acquainted with his famous great-great grandpa, and having some carrot cake together!



sections. The first follows the point of view. The second sec-the American army point of up the story at the point the United States and their fates

grabs you and it's hard to stop book cover to cover... I'm more reader, but this was one of the and setbacks for this group of most incredible part of the story enemies joined in a "higher save these amazing horses.

since I was kid, and never miss form when I can. I know that mean a lot more to me, not only formance they put on, but be-stand how close they came to



Elisabet, Solo, and Ron Hiatt

## *Classifieds*

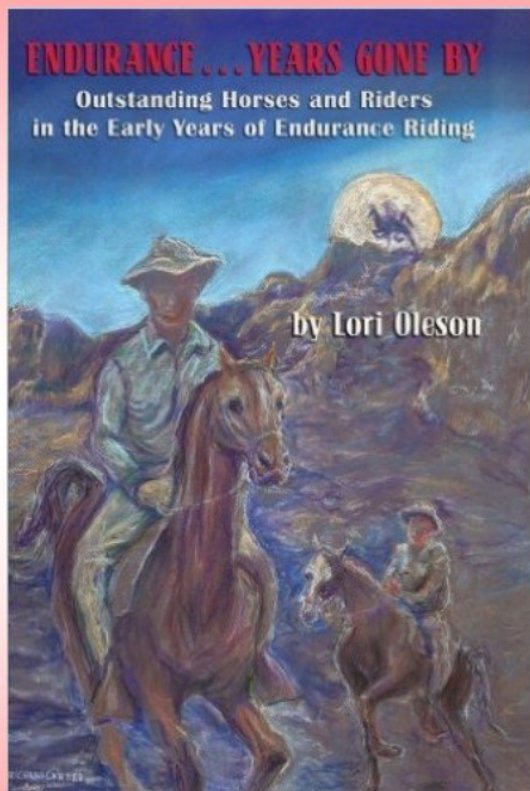
Anglo Arab Mare: Proven endurance horse. Check out her record at [www.aerc.org](http://www.aerc.org), BCR Bey Vixen number is H36496. Sound, healthy, consistently ridden, well trained, correct leads, responsive to leg cues. NATRC/Trail /Arena. 15.1 hands 19yrs. Ready for 25's or occasional 50 milers. Intermediate Rider. \$2,000.00 negotiable to the right home. (831) 423-4774 or [jmccrary@gmail.com](mailto:jmccrary@gmail.com)



**Editor's Note:** BCR stands for Big Creek Ranch. We bred this mare, so she has our prefix. She has the most beautiful, structurally correct legs I've ever seen on a horse. Jeanine bought her from us when Vixie was 3, or maybe 4 years old, and has been her primary rider ever since. Don't let her age deter you. Endurance horses are competing well into their 20s.



## *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

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Cost of book is \$24 + tax/shipping

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**[klmayeda@gmail.com](mailto:klmayeda@gmail.com)**

# Classifieds

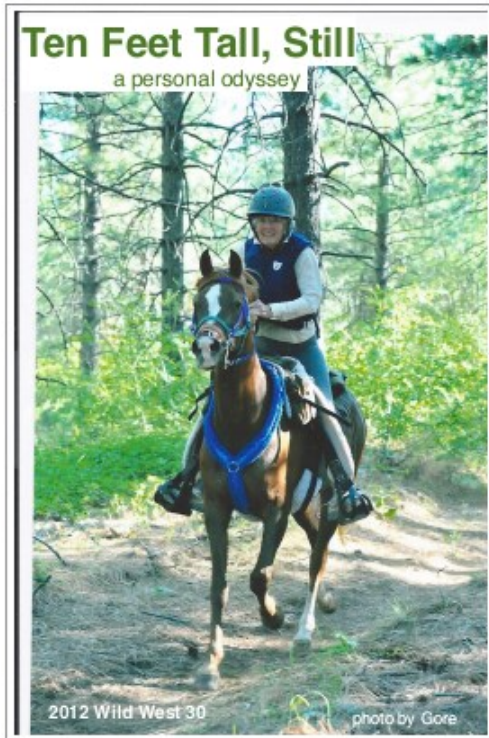


BOOKS ARE THE PERFECT GIFT!



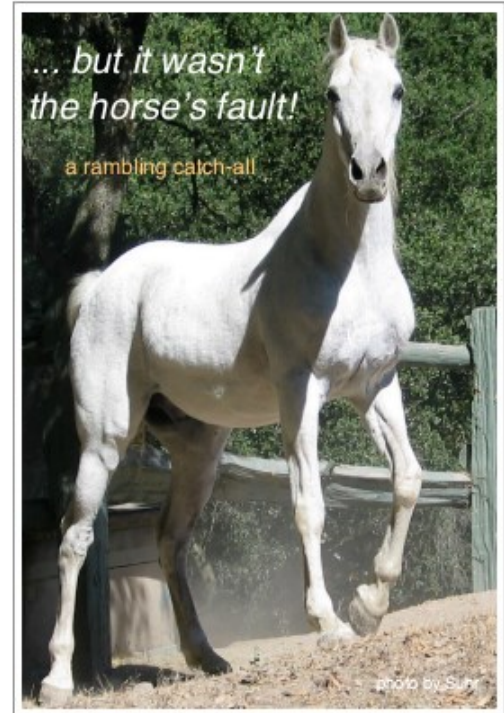
To benefit our trails and our horses, I have written two books. They are entirely different in style.

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

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN GUILTY OF LOOKING AT OTHERS YOUR OWN AGE AND THINKING, SURELY I CAN'T LOOK THAT OLD.

WELL . . .

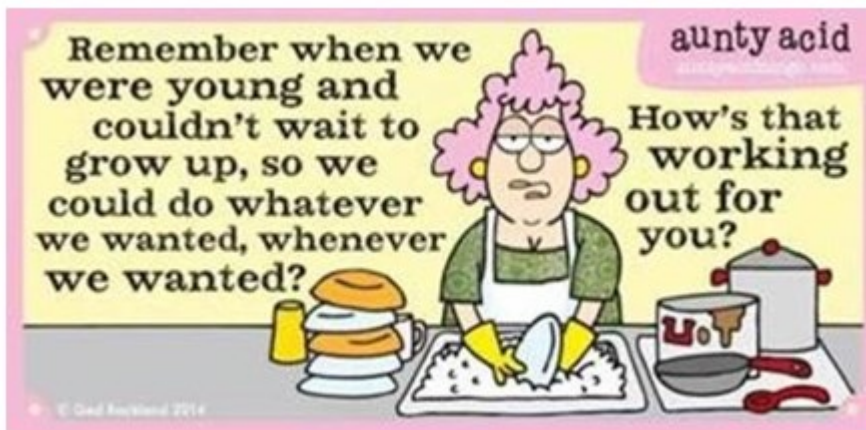
MY NAME IS ALICE AND I WAS SITTING IN THE WAITING ROOM FOR MY FIRST APPOINTMENT WITH A NEW DENTIST. I NOTICED HIS DDS DIPLOMA ON THE WALL, WHICH BORE HIS FULL NAME. SUDDENLY, I REMEMBERED A TALL, HANDSOME, DARK-HAIRED BOY WITH THE SAME NAME HAD BEEN IN MY HIGH SCHOOL CLASS SOME 30-ODD YEARS AGO. COULD HE BE THE SAME GUY THAT I HAD A SECRET CRUSH ON, WAY BACK THEN?

UPON SEEING HIM, HOWEVER, I QUICKLY DISCARDED ANY SUCH THOUGHT. THIS BALDING, GRAY-HAIRED MAN WITH THE DEEPLY LINED FACE WAS WAY TOO OLD TO HAVE BEEN MY CLASSMATE.

AFTER HE EXAMINED MY TEETH, I ASKED HIM IF HE HAD ATTENDED MORGAN PARK HIGH SCHOOL. "YES. YES, I DID. I'M A MUSTANG," HE GLEAMED WITH PRIDE.

"WHEN DID YOU GRADUATE?" I ASKED. HE ANSWERED, "IN 1975. WHY DO YOU ASK?"  
"YOU WERE IN MY CLASS!" I EXCLAIMED. HE LOOKED AT ME CLOSELY.

THEN, THAT UGLY, OLD, BALD, WRINKLED FACED, FAT-ASSED, GRAY-HAIRED, DECREPIT, SON-OF-A-BITCH ASKED, "WHAT DID YOU TEACH???"



# Happy Thanksgiving

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

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Katie Webb       | 7  |
| Vivian Beebe     | 8  |
| Sandy Holder     | 13 |
| Melissa Broquard | 26 |
| Lori McIntosh    | 26 |



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

FIRST: We need your name

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And then your address

\_\_\_\_\_

And your phone number, Fax, e-mail

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Junior (under 16 years of age) membership is \$ 20 \_\_\_\_\_

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

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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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