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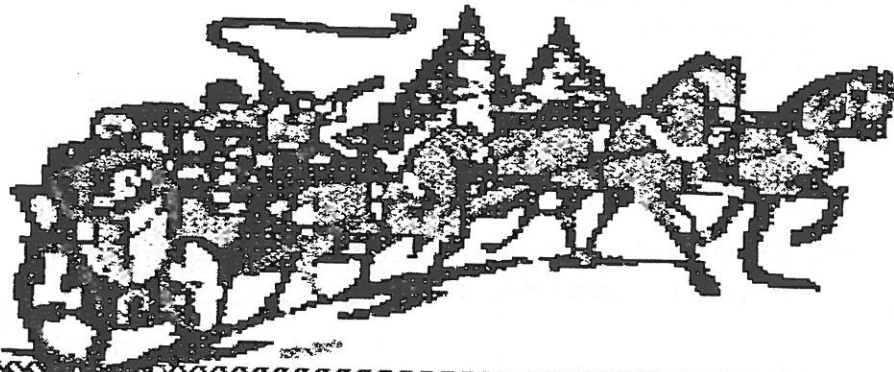
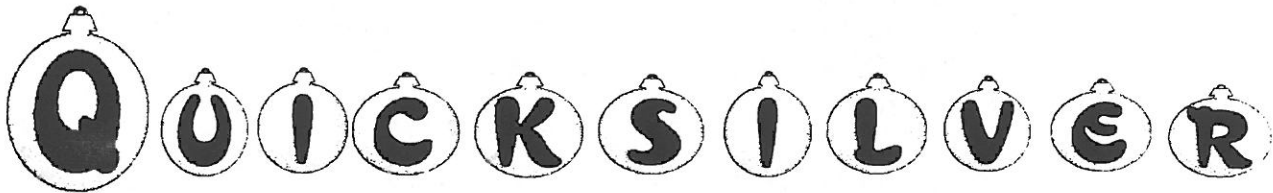
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A Time To Buy and A Time To Sell

Beth Wachenheim has a pretty 13 year old Arab mare, 15 hands, experienced in endurance and dressage. Gentle, great trot, Bezatal and Rushcreek Ranch breeding. Proven brood mare. Low P & R's. Easy keeper. Easy to ride. Very suitable for 50 mile rides. Call Beth at 925-937-3597

Lorrie and Dan Barger have a new priority in their household. Young Tristan is taking up their time and so they do not have much time to condition horses. So Maverick is for sale. He is a 9 years old year old gray who has completed four endurance rides and is a very experienced trail horse, easy to ride, always sound he has a lot of personality, \$2500 call Lorrie or Dan at 408-323-0958.



Trilby Pederson would like to sell her camper for \$600. She also has a 1989 Ford 1 Ton Van with new tires and engine and a conversion (propane stove, sink and cabinets) for \$6,000.

Bill Parker has a 1975 Miley two horse trailer in excellent condition to sell for \$2,100. It has a top rack and a portable metal corral to boot. Call Bill at 408-997-1948.

Mary Ann Conklin has a 3/4 Anglo/Arab 8 year old mare for sale. A chestnut with four white socks, she stands 14.3. She is a Saam+/ daughter and has lots of trail

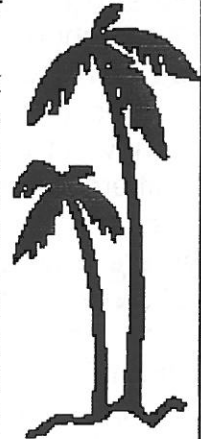
experience so is a super endurance prospect. She is priced at \$2750. Call Mary Ann or Tom at 831-659-5707.

Michelle Herrera is hunting for an endurance horse in the \$2,000 range. Either mare or gelding is fine between the ages of 5 & 10 years, Color or height is not of great importance to her. Call Michelle at 831-427-1533

Some Clubs Just Luck Out

How many clubs have a member who not only agrees to take on the burdens of the presidency, but also offers their condo on Maui free for a week? Yeah, **Steve. Jack Enderle** has offered to organize the raffle. Tickets will go for \$5 each or 5 for \$20. The goal is to help finance our awards ceremony. Jack

feels we capable to buy the air ticket to accompany the condo with the proceeds from the raffle. This way it will generate more sales. Jack wants to remind everyone that he bought *just one* raffle ticket and won his 1/2 Arab 1/2 curly horse donated by Bazy Tankersley.



PSST..Wanna Save \$5.00?



It's pretty easy. Just check out page 7. Every little bit counts! Buy a raffle ticket with what you save!

Take Pen In Hand



HAVE YOU? (and if you *have not*, you are going to be really sorry when our Annual Banquet rolls around).

Have you sent in your Hall of fame nominations for both Horse and Rider and your Eleanor Norton nomination? Due December 1.

Have you sent your completed ride records for the 1998 ride year to Maryben.? See November newsletter for form. Due December 31st.

Have you renewed your Quicksilver membership? It is cheaper now than after the first of the year. Membership form on page 9. Due December 31.

Trail Riders Beware!

A word of warning to all who use our County Parks—the park personnel are becoming upset with the horsemen who leave their manure behind in parking areas. This is a particular problem in areas where other users also park. Non-horse people don't like wading through manure.

When you trailer to a park, be sure to clean up after your horses. Take the manure home or spread it in bushes, if that's reasonable. If we want to keep our trails open we need support from the parks people and the general public. Let's keep everyone happy!



Christmas, Everyone!

If you like turkey, if you like Christmas gifts, if you like camaraderie, we welcome you to the Santa Clara County Horseman's Grounds at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 9th. We will be having our annual Christmas Party with Diane Enderle and Trilby Pederson roasting turkeys. When it comes to the "fixin", if your last name starts with A thru L bring potatoes or vegetables. If it starts with M thru Z, bring a salad, dessert or bread. (Somebody remember the cranberry). The club will provide the liquid refreshments. All ages are welcome. Don't forget to bring a gift for the gift exchange (doesn't have to cost much, \$5 to \$10 is plenty). Christmas is special Let's celebrate with our fellow Quicksilverans.

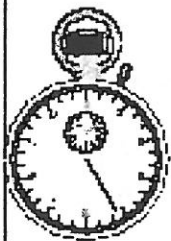


This Running Madness

by Marvin Snowbarger

Well, the ultra-running is over for this year and Sandi Parker ought to thank her lucky stars (Sandi's the one who has offered to buy me the completion garments so I can avoid having actually to do the ultra runs). I've now accumulated 4 t-shirts, 2 sweatshirts, and 1 vest-jacket.

In order to qualify for the 1999 Western States 100 Mile Endurance Run, I had to finish each of three 50-mile runs in under 12 hours. I got my first one in the Oakland hills at the Dick Collins Firetrails 50 on October 10 (11:51) My second effort was in Auburn at the Sierra Nevada Double Marathon on October 24. In driving rainstorm, and muddy and slick trails, I missed the cutoff by 17 minutes. That left two Western States qualifying runs on this year's calendar: Dan Barger's Napa 50 (above Napa, California) and the Helen Klein 50 on the American River Trail.



Saturday morning, November 7, at 5am, in a driving rainstorm (again), four of us left camp early to begin the run. Five minutes later my flashlight quit; water had apparently shorted out the electrical mechanism -- not a good beginning. But I kept running and with six minutes to spare, I crossed the finish line. Two down and only one run left for me to use as my last qualifier.

On a beautiful Saturday morning on the American River I began the Helen Klein 50. This run is on a flat bicycle path that stretches for miles between Sacramento and Auburn. Although this would be my fourth 50 run in 5 weeks and my second 50 on consecutive weekends, I just kept plugging away (that's about all the faster I would have to run to beat Maryben in a ride 'n tie, so that's no big deal). My finishing time was 10:46:55 and I was in!

Mark Falcone and I have submitted our Western States entry under the buddy-system

(meaning that if one of us is picked in the lottery -- to be held November 21 -- both of us would be entered).

I advise anyone interested in in this kind of "stuff" to get themselves a top-notch crew. Joyce handles my aid station requirements an it's one reason I lose very little time as I pass through., These aid stations are not like a vet check at an endurance ride, where everyone has a mandatory hold. In an endurance run, time doesn't stop at the aid stations. Any comforts that are requested or needed are at the expense of your finishing time. With Joyce's assistance I can walk through the aid stations and not have to stop my forward progress. For someone like me, who is generally right on the cutoff times, every second counts -- literally.



editorial comment:: we're glad that Marvin titled this *Running Madness*" because that is exactly what your editorial staff considers it. However, since he is religious about getting his secretary's minutes to us on time each month, we will egg him on and encourage him. With Maryben pacing him the last few miles, he is bound to make it.

But seriously, Marvin, by the time this issue of QQ is in the mail, the lottery will be a done deal and we hope you and Mark are among the lucky (?)ones. j.s.

Our Congratulations to Judith Ogus and Sonia for their wonderful B. C. win at Virginia City. This is a tough ride over every rock in the state of Nevada. They came through with flying colors!

*The hooves of the horses!
Oh! witching and sweet
Is the music earth steals from the iron-
shod feet
No whisper of lover, no trilling of bird,
Can stir me as hooves of the horses have
stirred."*

Ill H. Ogilvie

It's That Time Of Year!!!

Your **QUICKSILVER** membership fee is due by January 1, 1999

We need your name _____

and then your address _____

and your phone number, Fax, etc. _____

and last we need the names of other members of your family.

and then we need your money! A single membership is \$25 _____
A family membership is \$35 _____

BUT if your dues are postmarked before Jan. 1, 1999, you can deduct \$5 from your membership fee...just \$20 single or \$30 family.

How are our dues spent? Annual Yearbook/Calendar; monthly Newsletter; a representative voice in horse politics locally; trail maintenance and improvement projects; and monthly meetings with frequent speakers. Plus, you have the opportunity to participate in poker rides, moonlight rides, endurance rides, trail projects, banquets, parties and saving the best for last, you will meet the best friends you will ever have!

If you would like to surprise someone with a year's membership as a Christmas gift, we will send the person of your choice a gorgeous gift certificate tied with Christmas bows and guaranteed to impress. Or we can send it to you and you can hand deliver it. A sample of the certificates is shown on the back of this page. The authentic ones are printed on red, green or parchment type paper and decorated with glitter.

If you have a friend you would like to have receive one free copy of Quicksilver Quips, call 831-335-5933.

Send your 1999 dues, made out to Quicksilver Endurance Riders, Inc.,
to membership chairman: Maryben Stover
1299 Sandra Drive
San Jose, CA 95125-3535

May you and your horse have a wonderful 1999 riding together as members of the **QUICKSILVER ENDURANCE RIDERS, INC.**



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**WELCOME TO
THE QUICKSILVER ENDURANCE RIDERS, INC.**

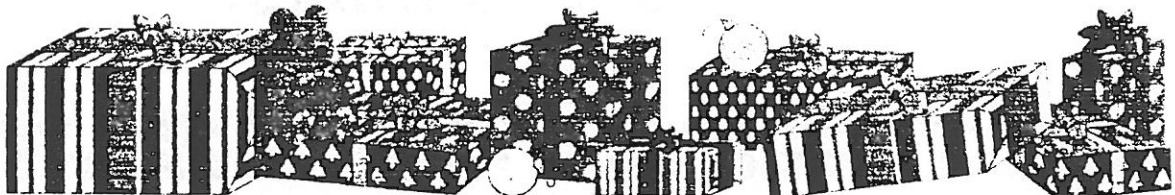
**THIS CERTIFICATE ENTITLES YOU TO A ONE YEAR
MEMBERSHIP IN THE QUICKSILVER ENDURANCE RIDERS,
INC. OUR CLUB MEETS ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF
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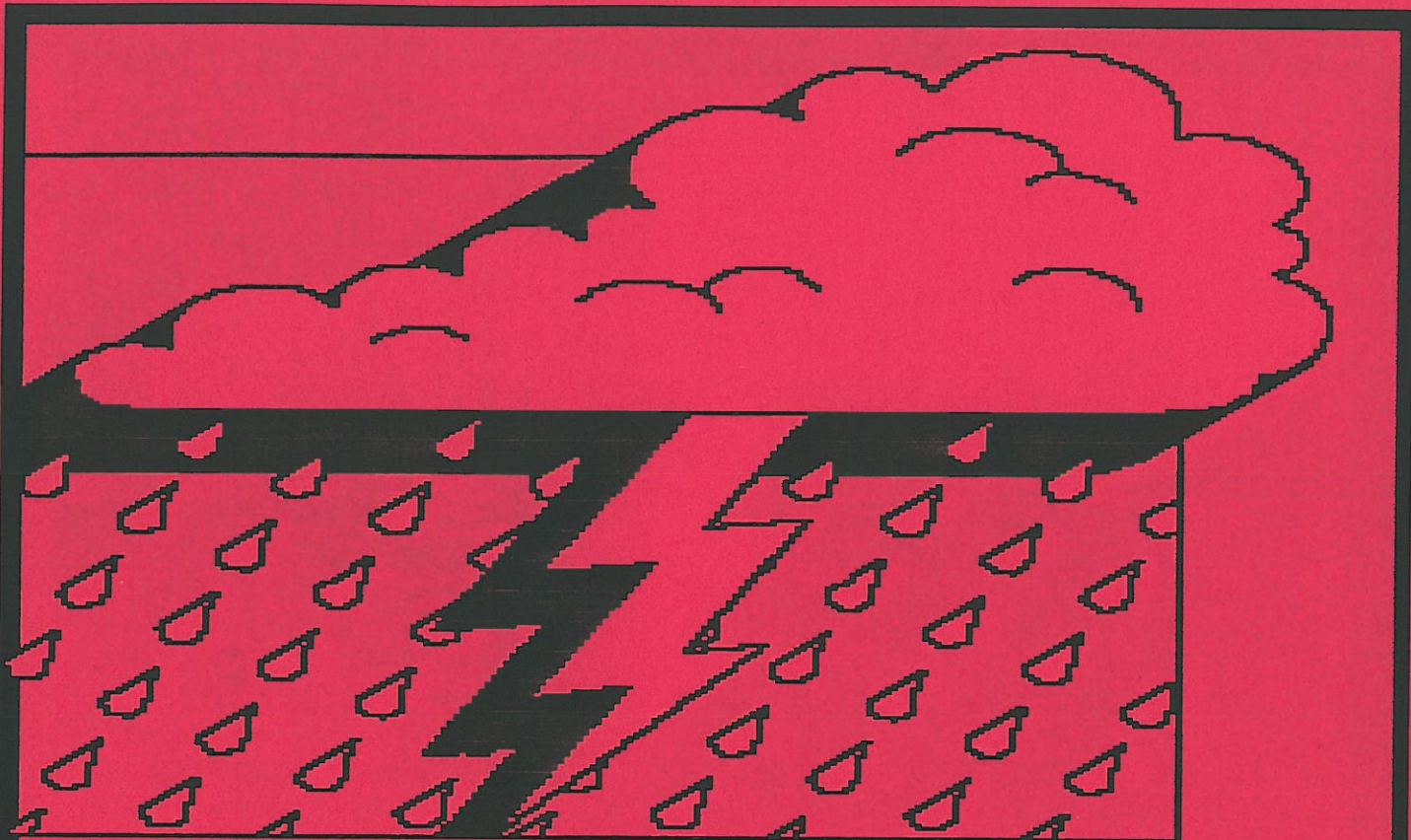
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MOONLIGHT RIDES, TRAIL PROJECTS, PARADE ENTRIES,
MONTHLY MEETINGS WITH GUEST SPEAKERS, INFORMAL
POT-LUCK SUPPERS, AN ANNUAL BANQUET, A MONTHLY
NEWSLETTER AND AN ANNUAL CALENDAR/YEARBOOK.**

**OUR MEMBERSHIP WELCOMES YOUR PARTICIPATION IN
ANY OR ALL OF THESE ACTIVITIES AND WE LOOK FORWARD
TO SHARING OUR QUICKSILVER CLUB WITH YOU.**

PRESIDENT, QUICKSILVER ENDURANCE RIDERS, INC.

DATE





QUICKSILVER "SLIP AND QUIVER" 50 with Lori Oleson

We didn't have a bright and sunny day up at Grant Ranch for the 21st annual Quicksilver Fall Classic, but we did have a good time. Twenty-four horses and riders started the 50 with two pulls, and four started the 25. It rained off and on through the morning and early afternoon with strong winds at times. The riders who did start are true endurance riders, they did endure.

Mike Maul riding Gavilan was the highest placing Quicksilver member, tying for second with a ride time of 8:19. Other Quicksilver members on the trail were Bob Suhr riding Bravo, Julie Suhr riding Buddy, Jack Enderle riding Demon, Diane Enderle riding Sunlit Windstorm and Valorie Weizer riding drag on Goofy.

Those of us on the ground that day did our best to stay warm and help the riders. Brian Reeves, ride manager and Mary T. Moore, secretary were busy all weekend. Nancy Elliot took care of all the veterinary duty. The rest of us Maryben Stover, Judy Etheridge, Ken Cook and Lori Oleson took care of number checks and P&Rs. Linda Cowles was pulled at the first vet check, so she helped out with P&Rs and moved her trailer so we could use it as a wind break and shelter. Thanks Linda.

One of the biggest moments of the ride was when Julie Suhr and Buddy came trotting across the finish line. This was the ride that Julie reached 25,000 career miles. She is the third person in AERC history to reach this milestone. Congratulations Julie!



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December 9 Quicksilver Christmas Party

Santa Clara Horsemen's Grounds 6:30 pm

December 25 Christmas Day



December 28-31 Death Valley Encounter

Jackie Bumgardner 760-375-8915