



Quicksilver Quips

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dreams for next year. . .

As they say, life is full of those moments that take your breath away. For those of you that haven't heard, on June 16th at the Cooley Ranch ride, through my own fault, I found myself laying in the middle of the trail (past the starting line) minutes before the ride was to start flat on my back, no horse in site, without the ability to breath. As a recent AERC Hall of Fame person later mentioned, 'you know you're never suppose to change anything the day before a ride', I realized adding a different piece to the tack equation was probably a fatal mistake - at least for my dreams of Tevis this year and possibly the national championship ride.

HINT: If you haven't heard this story and care to hear it, read on. If you have and/or don't want to hear the story, please skip to the "Current Events" section below.

Heading out, walking to the start/finish line on foot, Dick Carter's 'Masseratti' Star was focused and intently listening to everything I said and asked him to do (leg yields to have him stretch and warm up), walk beside me, behind me, ignore other horses (well not entirely - none of us are that perfect) but pretty much as good as it gets. . . too good. Having walked to where the trail starts heading up, I pointed Star back towards camp with the intent of mounting and walking back to the starter to give my #. With a relaxed rein, I stepped into the saddle poised to swing my leg over when it happened, I clipped the rather large scoop I'd made into the side of our precious mount - oh, no, a very unhappy jump sideways. Attempting to get my leg quickly back over, unsteady and too quickly, I kicked it again. Completely frightened, Star lost it and off I came, the point of my shoulder hitting first. I had the realization in slow motion of him desperately trying not to step on me before lunging forward to escape whatever bad 'thing' had 'attacked' him. Without his effort, I would have been hurt far worse than I am.

Having gone through surgery on my shoulder before - same side, impact point, etc. I knew my helmet (secondary but high impact zone) had saved my brain from something worse than the minor concussion the doctor confirmed AFTER giving me a sense as to the damage I'd done (which with x-rays later in the week turned out to be far worse).

Fortunately for me, an EMT immediately showed up (I think she was camped within 20 feet of my incident) to stabilize me, checking my neck, encouraging me to relax and breathe and finally getting me out of the middle of the trail followed by 800 mg of Ibuprofen. Finally I could only whisper, what about Star? Word was sent to Ruthie and word came back, someone had caught our precious boy and help was on the way. Only later would I learn that he'd wiped out - sliding on his side - when

he hit the pavement at a dead run, barely missing a pony being hand walked (who jumped out of the way just in time). I am ever so grateful for those wonderful riders who offered to not ride that day if I needed them (all the QSER members I saw - Bob Eaton, Barry & Heather plus Sheila, Kim and a few others).

As it turned out, I didn't need them to interrupt a grand day. Ruthie sent an angel to help me instead. Terri Benedetti was that angel, lending me her frozen waterbottle to help with the pain on the way to the hospital. She held my hand, saved my shirt from being cut off and so many other things. I only realized later that my dusty, dirty backside just about destroyed her impeccably clean car - she just waved it off and laid a towel down in the seat before satifying my craving for a latte after getting the bad news from the doctor.

And yes, there was good news and bad news from the doc. My ACL is intact but the rotator cuff is grade 3 - as in severed. He could tell as he carefully manipulated it to put the pieces in the right place and relieve the pinched nerve that was causing the intense pain. I finally could take a deep breathe, still painful but deeper. I only found out later the deeper damage, broken scapula with more than 1.2 cm piece completely broken off - left inside post surgery.

Terri brought me back to our lovely boy and he nickered when he heard my voice, scraped up but reaching toward me to touch him. Terri, walked him around and helped check him out, finally trotting him to see how sound (yes, with some Banamine) he might be. Jamie Kerr had reassured me before I headed to the hospital that Star would be well taken care of, and he was. Someone (please let me know who) had taken him to Susan McCartney and she had ministered to him before handing him back over to this wonderful person (who untacked and put him back in his corral). Maryben made sure the blank check I left with her for Susan paid just for the care he'd received (although she teased me that they could have fun with the balance in my account - good luck with the 2 cents left over)!

Good friends came from Half Moon Bay to load our boy and drive us home. A few problems with water in my diesel kept us from having a smooth ride home but we finally unloaded about 11 p.m. Sat night (yes, that included a 1 hr rest for him halfway home). Lori had left a nice pile of hay for Star in our upper pasture but Star was too anxious to eat alone, and after feeding him a sloppy mix and checking his gut sounds (pretty loud without a stethoscope) we let his friends join him from the lower pasture.

My dreams of riding Tevis again will have to wait for next year but I have a lot to be thankful for and people - some of which I don't know who they are - as well as "thanks" to share, particularly Ruthie for putting on one of my favorite rides, finding me an angel to help in a time of need, and calling to check on me a couple of days later. Surgery was Monday 6/25 and my biggest challenge (besides patience to heal) is the broken scapula 'sticky' but still slipping a bit. Note to self: follow doctors orders and sleep sitting up for the next 3 weeks!!! And yes, there's even better news! Dick's looking forward to doing his 1st ride in almost 2 years

- "soon", he promises me - as soon as he finds a (I hope temporary) replacment!! Any volunteers? I must say, his poetry is pretty funny at mile 49 or so!!

Current Events:

It was great seeing a big group of you at the annual bar-becue at the Suhr's on Wednesday night and I look forward to seeing you at Barry & Carol Waite's in July..

Important Dates

* July 18th - 6 p.m. Annual Wine Tasting @ Carol & Barry Waite's

* August 15th - 6:30 p.m. Junior sponsored meeting @ Ildi's

* October 2nd - QSER Fall Classic @ Grant Ranch (still need board to approve ride manager's budget & plan, also need volunteers!!)

Take care and hope all is well (and safe) with you and your loved ones - including the 4 legged ones!

All the best,

Sandy



CARDS SENT OUT

Over the last few months, we have sent out quite a number of cards:

- Heidi Smith - loss of her father, an old time endurance rider
- Angie Carter - hospital stay
- Jane Cloud - fall during a ride
- Kathy Miller - for the loss of Star, her paso endurance mare
- Diane Trefethen - horse accident
- Cathy Kauer - loss of her brother
- Trilby - She got a new hip
- Sandy Holder - torn shoulder at Cooley
- Ildi Nadasdy - on crutches from leg injury when Jake stepped on her
- Judith Ogus - broken leg from horse accident.
- Mary Wells - rider injured at American River
- Tammy Robinson - broken ankle
- Christoph Shork - loss of horse
- Margaret Graham - broke some ribs

Wow, isn't that enough guys. At the last QSER meeting there were three members on crutches and one with her arm in a sling.....**mb**

LEARNING FROM THE BEST

Any time one is given the chance to train with Alex North and Michele Roush, it is an opportunity not to be missed.

The offer was recently made to the Quicksilver Endurance Club members, so Patrick and I packed our two least ready mares into the trailer along with the two dogs and hit the road.

This was not a few days of "let's ride fast," it was training. There is actually a difference. Ground work; spooky things; being first, second, and last; being passed at a canter, trot, or walk; have your horse keep her brain; camping – that sort of training. In short, it was training that enables endurance riding to be fun, not a fight with your mount.

We rode every day, Patrick rode 2x on Thursday – it was a lot of training. We played leap frog, hide in the bushes, be passed, ride sideways (not on purpose, but I did discover I can do it!). Sparky turned into her mother having a fit, but T actually took a turn for the better.

At one point Sparky and one of Alex's horses were tied to trees with another horse in a pen – none could see the others well. Patrick, Alex, and Michele were out riding. The dogs and I were in camp – I was doing very well to make one lovely ride per day. The horses were all yelling when I fell asleep for my mid-day nap. Suddenly it was so quiet it woke me. I had to climb out of the trailer to check on the horses, I was sure one was injured. All horses were calm. They had finally figured it out.

I am now stringing cans and bottles to better 'torture' my horses, ordering hobbles so I can play you have ropes all over your body, go ahead, react.

Alex and Michele are wonderful trainers. Everything was very professionally done, safe for the horses and the handlers, but the horses did learn. They are turning out quick, quiet, competitive horses. I had to check the trailer after Patrick loaded everyone to be sure he did not purchase their bay.



"BREAK A LEG" ROBINSON

I just wanted to drop you a line to say thanks to everyone in the riding club for thinking of me. Thank you for sending a cute and thoughtful card ... Sorry, didn't take enough drugs to donate \$100. yet.

I'm now feeling sorry for myself, "again"... My new "USA" (red & blue) saddle/water bags just came in the mail on Monday. I special ordered them for the Tevis ride coming up this year. One of my favorite sayings while I'm riding the Tevis is "We (my horse & I) may not be going fast...but we look good".

I still hope to be at the Tevis....vending. So I hope to see folks there anyway.

Thanks again!

– Tammy Robinson

A NEWBIE'S GUIDE TO ENDURANCE RIDING?

Last Saturday, a lovely (and most venerable) group of volunteers had an "Introduction to Endurance Riding clinic" at the Santa Cruz Horsemen's Association.

Having been in the sport for about 23 years, I probably would not have attended, but having a very recently-turned 5 "baby" about to do his first LD ride the following weekend (gulp!), I thought it would be good for "him" to attend.

The cool thing is that we both learned stuff (what is that about not being able to teach an old dog?), and we both had a great time. About 20 participants took advantage of the wisdom, knowledge, and information that was shared that day.

Julie, Maryben, Pat, Bob, Becky, Linda, Claudia, Junior rider Ildi, and I'm sure many others I am forgetting, spent most of the day checking in, lecturing, pre- and post-ride "vetting" the horses, feeding us and generally explaining to potential new endurance candidates what it takes to successfully compete in a LD or Endurance ride. Lots of questions were answered, and I'm quite sure that many of the participants left that day with a much better understanding of our sport. We only did about a 10-mile ride, which to most "endurance" riders is just a warm up, but to several people there, it was a perfect introduction to long-distance riding and even a bit of a challenge.

My baby Tango, happily demonstrated to all who cared to see what the latest in "pogo stick" trotting for the vet looks like... so, guess what we've been working on all week?

On the other hand, it was great to see that he didn't "lose it" at the controlled start, and that he was fine on the trails passing and being passed by strange horses. That alone took some of the butterflies that are wreaking havoc in my tummy just thinking about the real thing this weekend... and hey, the less butterflies, the better!

The whole affair ended with more questions and answers while enjoying a scrumptious salad buffet, also provided by the volunteers, as well as a demonstration on horse massage.

I drove home thinking to myself how wonderful it would have been to have something like this available before I chose endurance as my sport. I've been fortunate to never really having injured or hurt my horses, but I've had a few close and hairy calls. To be able to learn from others and, at least try not to repeat their mistakes is such a gift, and to have people in this sport with so much experience willing to give of their time to help us, (it was like having the Beatles and the Rolling Stones in concert just for US, dude!) is simply marvelous. A heartfelt THANK YOU to them, and I hope they do it again!

– Elisabet and Tango Hiatt

MONTHLY SPIRIT

7/18 QSER meeting - Annual Wine Even at Barry & Carol Waites
7/21 - Monthly Spirit Ride = ready to ride, 10 a.m. Calero
8/15 QSER meeting - Junior sponsored meeting at Ildi's - 6:30 p.m.
9/19 QSER meeting
10/2 QSER Fall Classic at Grant Ranch
10/17 QSER meeting

JUNE 2006 TREASURER'S REPORT

General account \$4,391.78
Trails account \$1,017.06
Junior account \$782.40

– Margaret

APOLOGIES

My profuse apologies for the lateless of this newsletter. Through a comedy of errors, which included editors on vacation when they shouldn't be for a special Nationals convention Sports magazine, with a new design and 48 additional pages, and a 40-page catalog that was a week and a half late getting here, but the deadline didn't change, AND my assistant on vacation (since catalog was supposed to have been finished last week) I've been working non-stop for the past two weeks. I couldn't stop to do the Quips newsletter until I was finished!

– Jackie

LABS NEED GOOD HOMES

Most of you have seen me walking around ride camps with my yellow lab, Tally. Tally's breeder (Lynn) has 3 males from the same litter that she is willing to give to a good home. There are 2 blacks and 1 yellow. They are 2½ years old. Lynn says they are all 3 very sweet. Lynn's main concern is that they go to the best possible homes. If anyone is interested, give her a call at (408) 683-2324 or e-mail her at Isoprano@garlic.com.

– Lori Oleson

NEW TEVIS GOOGLE GROUP

A support group for the organizers, participants and spectators of the Western States Trail Foundation 100 mile ride from Squaw Valley to Auburn California has been started at <http://groups.google.com/group/teviscup>. You are invited to post questions, offer help and give advise for events and activities surrounding the Tevis Cup Ride. All you need is a Google account.

– Jackie

LOST PADRES

The middle of May found me attending my first endurance ride of the year, but not to ride endurance. Oddly enough, I had three horses in the trailer.

My riding buddy Bev Senior really wanted to go to Lost Padres. I didn't have a horse ready since I've had no time to really condition this year, given my work schedule and my Mom's health. So I made a deal. She paid the gas and we could take my rig. Done.

Since The Duck doesn't have LD's I figured I'd pay my "dues" and just ride Duck Miles. It would be a good first ride on Cheefy's daddy, Sorcerer. And it was! The Lost Padres ride was beautiful and I chose to ride Day 1 Second Loop but in the morning. So I was out there all by myself, just lollygagging along. However, it started out a little bit too darned exciting for me. Sorce seems to be in love with Bev's gelding Cezanne and had a total fit when Bev and Cezanne went off to the starting line. Somehow, in all his wrestling around, I missed the bit when I clipped the reins on, unhooked his lead, started to walk away and thought "gee, this horse is really light." I looked back and discovered that my very first time to a ride with a stallion had become my worst nightmare ... Sorce was off and running! Imagine my absolute horror and embarrassment.

But the funny thing was, he wasn't interested in anything but figuring out where Cezanne went. He made several big circles around our trailer, cantered over to a small hill just on the other side of us, came back and when I called him, just gave up with a big sigh and turned around, came back, and stood with his head down, dejected, next to Tank, who was tied to my trailer. Not once did he run off looking for any mares. I had several people come over later that afternoon, expressing how much they were impressed with him. That kind of made up for my stupidity.



Chief Cam Er Sorce Cam (following in his son's footsteps)

I decided not to take Sorce out again on the second day as I just didn't feel he had enough conditioning and it was the first time out for that long of a distance since he had recovered from suspensory injuries incurred when I got him. I was feeling pretty sorry for myself sitting around moping. But Bev came to the rescue and told me to take Cezanne



out for a loop. Cezanne is very strong athletically and he'd thoroughly trashed Bev the first day and no amount of coaxing could get her out on the trail again. Well, I jumped on that and did a very fast Loop 2 with the rest of the group after lunch. I don't often get to travel that fast and it was really fun.

Now for the second part of my embarrassing trip. Tank was tied to my trailer because Susan Garlinghouse suggested I bring him so she could try some electro-acupuncture to try to relieve some of the muscle spasms we can't seem to get rid of. Susan rode the second day and had a good ride, although she got dumped a couple of times. Monday morning while everyone else was heading out of Dodge, Susan started working on Tank. He got some happy juice and was quite relaxed. Susan had all the needles tapped in and as she tried to tap the last one in, Tank exploded and kicked her, knocking her to the ground. As she braced her fall, she broke her arm. Being Susan, she figured she could just sit in a chair for a little while, work through it and continue the job. Uh-huh. You can't imagine how badly I felt. But she kept telling me it wasn't my fault. It wasn't Tank's fault. She could have easily have broken her arm out on the trail the day before. Yes, yes that makes me feel better.

I am looking forward to attending Lost Padres next year, only I think I'll skip the loose stallion and breaking someone's arm. Both those events added way too much excitement to the weekend!

– Jackie

QUICKSILVER IN AERC POINT STANDINGS AS OF 6/29/07

Courtesy Mike Maul

WEST REGION

Featherweight

Div.PI.	Rider Name	Equine	Breed	Sex	Miles	Div.Pts.	Ov.Pts.	Ov.PI.
3	Karen Chaton	Granite Chief+/-	Arabian	G	665	999.5	665	
6	Judith Ogus	Mocha Mirah	Arabian	M	200	690	600	

Lightweight Division

Div.PI.	Rider Name	Equine	Breed	Sex	Miles	Div.Pts.	Ov.Pts.	Ov.PI.
3	Heather Reynolds	Cal Flaming Emit	Arabian	M	200	900	900	3
8	Dennis Tracy	San Francisco	Arabian	G	250	750	555	

Middleweight Division

Div.PI.	Rider Name	Equine	Breed	Sex	Miles	Div.Pts.	Ov.Pts.	Ov.PI.
1	Peggy Eaton	Dakota Midnight	Arabian	G	775	1173	815	6

Heavyweight Division

Div.PI.	Rider Name	Equine	Breed	Sex	Miles	Div.Pts.	Ov.Pts.	Ov.PI.
9	Steven Lenheim	Sorka	Other	U	355	597	355	
10	Robert Ribley	Oak Hill Vintage Red	Arabian	G	200	535	250	

National Mileage Championship

Senior Region

Rank	Rider	Region	Equine	Breed	Sex	Miles
7	Peggy Eaton	W	Dakota Midnight	Arabian	G	775

Bob & Julie Suhr Husband & Wife Team Award

Rank	Name	Region	Miles	Points
2	Jeremy & Heather Reynolds	W	550	1897
7	Robert & Melissa Ribley	W	870	1270

100 Mile 6-Day East Bay Hills Trail Ride To Benefit Bay Area Trails Wednesday, Aug. 29-Monday, Sept. 3

Ride Labor Day week with members of the Tilden-Wildcat Horsemen's Association and the Metropolitan Horsemen's Association in the East Bay Hills. Ride up to 100 miles in 6 days, or 14-18 miles each day in small groups at your own pace. Join us for one, for more or for all 6 days. The ride will follow and/or parallel the S.F. Bay Area Ridge Trail much of the first 3 days, and then move to Mt. Diablo for the final 2 days. . We will spend 2 days riding from each of 3 different campsites.

Trails and Camps: Camp opens in Tilden Regional Park Tuesday, the day before the ride. On Wednesday enjoy sweeping Bay Area views from the trails in Tilden and Wilcat Parks. On Thursday we will follow the Bay Area Ridge Trail from Tilden through Sibley, Huckleberry, and Redwood Regional Parks and EBMUD Watershed, followed by a scenic ride in Joaquin Miller Park, where we will camp on Thursday and Friday nights at Sequoia Arena. Friday's ride will pass through Redwood Park to Canyon on the way to Upper San Leandro Reservoir. Saturday's ride will include all of the French Trail in Redwood Park. Saturday afternoon we will move to Mt. Diablo and camp at the Concord-Mt. Diablo Trail Ride Association's grounds. On Sunday and Monday we will be riding on Mt. Diablo.

Food and Evening Entertainment:

Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided for riders and campers, and hay, carrots and water for the horses. Swimming and showers will be available at Tilden and at Mt. Diablo. Evening programs will include a visit to the Chabot Space Observatory (5 minutes from Sequoia Arena), a harp concert, and/or trail updates, naturalist talks, a veterinary presentation, cowboy music and dancing, cowboy poetry and a drill team.



Costs/Benefits: This ride will help raise funds for the Bay Area Ridge Trail and for equestrian improvements on East Bay trails. The Bay Area Barns and Trails Trust will match the first \$5,000 raised for the trails. The cost will be \$60/day, with a discount for 6 days at \$325. This fee includes camping, food and horse provisions. For visitors, dinner in camp will be \$15/night. We also have an optional program allowing riders to solicit pledges from friends, neighbors and other trail supporters to benefit the Bay Area Ridge Trail and other East Bay trails.

Volunteers: If you can't ride, join us in supporting the East Bay Parks and the Ridge Trail by volunteering to help with any of a range of important tasks that will make this ride happen.

Camp Rules: Dogs under control are allowed in camp but not on the trail rides. Riders will be responsible for stabling their horses at each camping area. You may tie to your trailer or bring your own portable corral or picket line. Stallions will not be allowed on this ride and we will enforce restrictions on generators after dark. Helmets are strongly suggested for all riders.



Reserve Your Space Now: before we fill up. We are limited by the available space for trailer parking, and last year we ran out of space. Use the entry form on the reverse of this flyer. If space permits, we will accept last minute entries, particularly for the last few days..

Questions: Contact Morris Older, at 925-254-8943 or at ebhillsride@comcast.net, or Martha Mikesell at 925-833-9279 or at martha.mikesell@sbcglobal.net if you would like to volunteer or have any questions about this ride. More info at <http://www.twha.org>--click on events.

CLASSIFIED

MISC. FOR SALE

HOUSE FOR SALE (BY OWNER) - Felton area (Santa Cruz County). 3 Bedroom 2 bath well laid-out home on almost an acre of flat, usable land. Beautiful creek side setting. Lots of parking. Custom kitchen to be designed and installed per buyers specifications during escrow. Potential horse property with miles of trails out of the back yard. \$759,000 Call (831) 234-4731. Photos and more information: <http://homes-realtor.com/prop/1081466802> [07-07]

****FREE**** Need wood pallets to stack hay or other materials on? We have dozens, most in good condition. Call Bing or Jennifer @ 408-997-2418. Or just come by and take your pick! [07-07]

TAX SERVICES. Need your taxes done? Call Trilby Pederson Tax Services - 408-997-7500. [09-07]

SUPPLEMENTS/HOOF PROTECTION. Wild Eye Arabians is now supplying FASTRACK Probiotics (paste & powder) HOOOF -IT Pour in Pads, Kentucky Equine Research products, ENDURAMAX Electrolytes (Paste & Powder) & Neigh Lox (Prevent Ulcers) Associated Feed products - EQUUS (complete feed) Auburn Labs - APF (Adaptogen). For more information contact **Wild Eye Arabians**, Kirsten or Michael Berntsen at 831 623-2120. kirstenzazz@hotmail.com or www.conklin.com/wildyearabians. [07-07]

HORSES FOR SALE

CP MAGESTIC, AKA Cal, AERC# H30480 Cal is an 12 year old, 15 honest hands, grey Arabian gelding. Hear rates are average. He is Sweepstakes Nominated and has an FEI passport. He has done 5 100 milers and is the most cheerful horse that I have ever ridden. Camps well, clips, loads, etc. as any pro would. Needs an experienced rider as he is forward. No vices. \$4500 OBO Contact Heather Reynolds 408 687-7082 cell 408 268-8703 home. [09-07]

Forced Sale due to owner's long term illness and inability to ride endurance. **PROVEN MULTI-DAY HORSE** finished all five days of Grand Canyon and four days of Bryce Canyon. Also top ten finisher last four rides, both rides being Saturday/Sunday rides and 100 of those miles carrying 270 pounds. 1055 sound, career miles, never been over ridden. GPS measured 5.5 mph walk, very smooth trot. Resting pulse 28 to 30, drops

very fast at vet checks. Extremely level headed and well mannered, extremely well trained. Very confident on the trail, will pick up the pace or take it slow depending on what the rider wants and the trail demands. Will ride in the front, middle, or back of the pack and be willing to leave the group without a problem, or will ride alone. No worries while in the saddle, has had much experience with wildlife, water crossings, narrow trails, pavement, jeep trails, canyon trails, climbing and descents, mountains, deserts, snow. Can open gates, side pass and back very well, stands still for mount, no buck, jig, or barn sour, good with tack and has a soft mouth. Excellent ground manners, doesn't pull or drag behind while led in hand, follows willingly behind on narrow trails, very calm at water crossings. Excellent feet and legs, A on confirmation. EDPP in ride camp, at vet checks, at trailer, in the trailer, on the trail. 1025 pounds, 15.1 hands. Rems Finn Guinness, AERC H33882, beautiful ten-year-old grey gelding, looks white with long mane and tail. Sweepstakes Nominated, Remington Steele get, Gaffizon, Ferzon, Raffles, Serafix bloodlines. Cyndee Pryor (209) 293-4384 or moonshadow@volcano.net Serious inquires only please. \$7500 negotiable terms. [09-07]

EIGHT-YEAR-OLD PURBRED ARABIAN GELDING. Been conditioned up twice so needs about 12 weeks to be ready to go on his first 50. 14.3h, good legs, good mind, needs good rider. Asking \$5,000. Contact Diane: tref@wakerobinranch.com or (209) 742-8586 (Mariposa, CA). [09-07]

PROVEN ENDURANCE HORSE FOR SALE: Shah Anahata AJ (Hank) (AERC: H32488) is conditioned and ready now for an experienced competitor! Hank is a huge boned, gorgeous, 11 year (DOB 02.19.96) old grey gelding, 15.3+ hand, 1125# (Bey Shah x Khemosabi). Started slow, but hasn't willingly embraced the concept. He is very competitive, aggressive, and is 100% about going down the trail, fast. Unflappable, very confident, no spook, handy horse. Extensive experience being ridden at night, encountering wildlife, beach/deep sand, desert, sierras, single track trails, and on both paved and unpaved roads. Travels very well, always EDPP in the trailer. He was shown, thus picks up his leads and is round in the bridle. Sadly, he is too big and large-gaited for my 5'3" 140# frame and has no interest in stopping for photos or smelling the flowers during rides as I do. Has serious FEI potential for the serious competitor. \$7500 with negotiable terms. Serious inquiries only, please: Cynthia (707)964.4184; (707)496.1020 or

clédoux@cw.com. AERC record: 8 Starts, 6 Finishes- 280 miles; (1)LD; (4)50s; and (1)75 [07-07]

FOR RENT

STALLS/PADDOCKS/PASTURES FOR RENT. Brand new 12x12 stalls with 24x12 paddocks, shavings; we clean. \$250 pastures, \$180. Feed twice a day, high-grade oat and alfalfa hay. 96x48 outdoor arena. Close to 3,600 acre Almaden Quicksilver County Park with 19 miles of manicured trails. Call Trilby at 408 997-7500. [07-07]

RIDING LESSONS

WANT TO LEARN TO RIDE WITH LESS STRESS AND FATIGUE? Do you want your horse to move properly so that he can minimize wear and tear on his body for the long haul? Mary Fenton, Senior Centered Riding instructor, has lesson spaces on Thursday p.m. at "Lightfoot" Stables (McKean Road, San Jose). I've taken many lessons and several clinics from her, and feel that it's been real worth it. She coached Becky Hart to her Stockholm World Championship on Rio! You can contact Mary at (831) 761-2819. [07-07]

STALLION SERVICES

Introducing **CF SORCERER** - now standing at stud. Sire of TBR Granite Chief+, 2005 AHA Distance Horse of the Year, 2004-2005 AERC Ntnl. Mileage Champion, 2004 XP Horse of the Year. Visit his website at <http://www.spanisharabian.net/> or contact Wizard Arabians, Jackie Floyd, 209-334-1981, tyepf@comcast.net [07-07]

WANTED

READY-TO-GO ENDURANCE ARAB WANTED. Contact Linda Heywood, cell phone 408-839-6874, email: lheywood@nanometrics.com [07-07]

WANTED: Horse to ride and companion rider for "Tevis Lite" 2-day 35 mi ride June 30-July 1. Will share expenses. Beverly Kane. AERC #33689. 650-868-3379. bkane1@stanford.edu [07-07]

I'M LOOKING FOR A COMPANION HORSE for my 16 year old Arab gelding. Covered stall. 3/4 acre turnout. Calero area. \$200/month. Call Niki Lamb 408-323-9953 or e-mail nlamb@cbnorcal.com [07-07]

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

FIRST: We need your name _____

And then your address _____

And your phone number, Fax, e-mail _____

And then we need your money! Senior membership is \$ 25 _____

Junior membership is \$ 15 _____

(a junior is under 16 years of age)

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 and 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 2006 dues, checks made out to: **Quicksilver Endurance Riders, Inc.**

Mail to Membership Chairperson:

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May your and your horse(s) have a wonderful Year 2007 riding together as members of the Quicksilver Endurance Riders!!!



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