



# Quicksilver Quips

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## President's Message

### Spring Ride a Smash Hit

What a Ride!!!

I was having coffee with my wonderful hubby this morning and musing that I was 'more tired' (yeah, exactly) than when I finished Tevis the first time. He agreed!!! He said 'we all are!!' Is that possible - being 'more tired'????!!

In any event, the other thought that came to my mind was TEAMWORK - those that work together, WIN together, and we definitely had another memorable ride!! Yesterday was the epitome of working together as a team. . . The out Vet Check team, the base camp VC team, the TWO drivers for the rescue trailers, the In/Out timers, finish line, the chefs (Dave and my brother Shawn), the Food Presentation Director (Vivian) as well as Bill Parker who held open the cattle gate at base camp until 'the end'. Did I mention the last rider to finish who helped rescue not only Shirley but also, later in the day, an escapee - her HORSE!!! The vets, the riders, the volunteers. . . what an amazing day. Thank you all for your positive contributions!!

In the end, I tucked in 3 riders who stayed overnight onsite as well as Tammy at our ranch last night (she and her horse originally feared they would be the only ones left at Base Camp and so we'd packed up her vendor stuff). Everyone was tired with a smile on their face and fond memories - including the two riders that were injured.

Speaking of our 'fallen comrades', I connected with Susan (likely concussion and torn ligament) and Shirley Sirman's husband (life flight - severe concussion). Both are doing as well as can be expected and are resting comfortably at home. They were very complimentary of our club in how we responded to the injuries they received and are both looking forward to our fall ride (where both WILL be wearing helmets).

Happy Trails,  
Sandy

P.S. Sandy had a little mishap on Star the other day and is out for Tevis this year. Please keep her and all our fellow riders who are out with injury or illness in your thoughts. And, good luck to you healthy riders with all the big rides coming up. The gimps are jealous. MG

<p>Share It With QSER</p> <p>Have you come across a great product or idea you want to share with the club. Send your input to Quips and it will appear here. Thanks, Margaret.</p> <p>Santa Lucia Botanica: This is an organic producer of arnica products that is wonderful. They make arnica liniment in a spray bottle and massage oil for horse and rider. They also have a muscle pain bath bag for a good soak after a long ride. I love all their products. Call (805)674-4656 for a catalog.</p>	<p>\$100 Endurance Horse</p> <p>Buy a raffle ticket for \$100 and you may win a fabulous three year old Arabian with endurance potential. Only 250 tickets <b>will be sold for this year's raffle to benefit the Western States Trail Foundation.</b> The winning ticket will be drawn and the horse presented at the Tevis Awards Banquet in Auburn on Sunday, July 20th. Mirifyque (Bando de Falgas x Mystique) has been generously donated by Asgard Arabians, Ltd., the breeders of Heraldic (2006 Tevis Cup and Haggin Cup winner) and other notable endurance horses. Mirifyque is 15 hands high, a big, rangy chestnut gelding with lovely movement. Tickets can be purchased through the WSTF office <a href="mailto:wstf@foothill.net">wstf@foothill.net</a>. For more information, contact Barbara White, <a href="mailto:barbdoug2@sbcglobal.net">barbdoug2@sbcglobal.net</a>. You could be the lucky winner!</p>
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June Meeting and BBQ  
Wednesday, June 11, 2008

As with the May meeting, there were not enough QSER board members to have an official meeting. **But due to the wonderful attendance at the Suhr's home, here is summary of the evening's activities:**

- Welcome Teri, Rick and their two sons, 7 and 9, who have moved to Los Gatos from Seattle. WELCOME.
- Jeri Scott, an adored longtime QSER member and wonderful horseperson, is ailing from pancreatic cancer. We all send out our thoughts and prayer to Geri.
- The Spring Ride was a success and profitable, to boot. Ideas for spending a bit of the money were tossed around; another club dinner, contributing to another water trough at Harvey Bear, helping fire victims. Please send us your input. Use the Yahoo group email system, or better yet, come to the July 16 meeting and give your ideas in person.
- If you want to be added to the Yahoo group, contact Mike Maul at [mmaul@flash.net](mailto:mmaul@flash.net).

Finally, we send out a huge thank you to Julie and Bob Suhr for hosting the meeting at their beautiful home. Their hospitality is legendary and the slide show was great fun. The weather was perfect that evening and thanks to all of you who contributed to the potluck.

Things You Learn When You Own a Horse (Part 2) submitted by Judy Etheridge

5. Children and ponies are natural allies and have identical dispositions.
6. The richest horse people most often look to poorest.
7. The closeness of a horse is one of the sweetest smells in the world.
8. A solitary ride through the woods is more beneficial than six months of psycho-therapy.

# Practical Introduction to Endurance Riding

Saturday, July 12, 2008

Santa Cruz County Horsemen's Association

Graham Hill Showgrounds – 1145 Graham Hill Road

Santa Cruz, California

## Educational Seminar and Simulated Endurance Ride

Presenters include Endurance Hall of Fame members and local endurance legends,

Julie Suhr, Maryben Stover, Becky Glaser and Junior Rider Ildico Nadasdy

**8:00 - 8:30** Check in

**8:30 - 9:30** Presentation ~ trail etiquette and rider responsibility, plus what to expect on the trail

Presentation ~ vet check procedures from check in through post ride vet check

**9:30 - 10:30** Pre-ride vet check

**10:30 - 12:30** Trail ride of 6 or 10 miles

**12:30 - 1:30** Post ride vet check

**1:00 - 2:00** Light Lunch served

**1:30 - 3:00** Presentation ~ post ride care of the horse, care of horse in camp, basic safety, parking,

methods of securing horse, feed and exercise

Question and Answer period

★ Participants receive an AERC Endurance Rider's Handbook, handouts and a Certificate of Completion ★ Cost: \$35/person – Send Clinic Fee no later than July 9 to reserve your spot – Limited to 25 persons

Include your name, address, phone and/or email. Make check *payable to SCCHA* and mail to:

**Pat Verheul 365 Nelson Road, Scotts Valley, CA 95066**

Questions?

Phone Pat Verheul @831-335-3907 or email: [pat@theverheuls.com](mailto:pat@theverheuls.com)

Schedule subject

to change

## CLASSIFIEDS

### HORSES

11-YR-OLD ARABIAN GELDING WITH 455 ENDURANCE MILES. Diamond Lute L (James Dean) Has done Grand Canyon, Ft. Schellbourne, Cold Springs, Cuyama, etc. and numerous other rides. 14.2h grey, energetic and athletic, always ridden slow miles learning what endurance is about. Jumps in the trailer without being asked, clips, bathes, trims. Camps on a Hi-Tie like a champ. Has fairly good arena skills. To the right person only, as he has a piece of my heart and is a wonderful little character. He has his own spot at the patio table in the back yard and we have enjoyed many a conversation together. If you think you are that right person, please contact me. Jackie Floyd 209-334-1981 [typéf@comcast.net](mailto:typéf@comcast.net)

ARABIAN MARE, 19 YEARS OLD. Registered Arabian mare, very calm, kind disposition. Professionally trained by Ramona Koch (Tom Dorrance-Ray Hunt methods). Years of trail experience, sound, smooth gaits, does everything well. Responsive attitude, no vices. Mahogany bay, 14.3 h. All shots and teeth 3/08. Has not done endurance. Great with children and adults. Cathy Kauer, [drotti1@yahoo.com](mailto:drotti1@yahoo.com)/831-726-2340/408-202-9168 cell.

REGISTERED 3 YR OLD AMERICAN WARBLOOD. "Red" (Braveheart's Red Baron), Suf-fox (Draft) Quarter Cross. Chestnut with small white marking on face. 16 hands, 1450-1500 lbs. Pleasant temperament and good personality. \$7,500. Weekdays (408)448-7594, weekends (209)742-2219: [slm@sti.net](mailto:slm@sti.net), [shirleym@benchmarkenvironment.com](mailto:shirleym@benchmarkenvironment.com)

### SADDLES

VERY LIGHTLY USED FREE AND EASY SADDLE. New numnahs. \$1,000. 17" seat with medium tree.

Please call or email Margaret Graham at 408 776 3932 / [mugsbgraham@aol.com](mailto:mugsbgraham@aol.com).

Black Albion Legend M M 18, Very good condition. Restuffed by David Gilpin. \$1,000. Black Stubben Seigfried 17, lightly used, seems better for a narrow horse. \$500. Both are dressage saddles. Judy Etheridge [mix-fire@yahoo.com](mailto:mix-fire@yahoo.com)

### MISCELLANEOUS

2004 SILVERLITE ALL ALUMINUM 3-H 8' WIDE TRAILER. Rear folding tack, stud divider, floor and wall mats. Pass-through door to LQ with a 9'6" short wall. Oak cabinets. Separate shower, separate foot-flush toilet, medicine cabinet w/mirror, vanity and sink with exhaust fan. Raised over bed. Dining table 7'2" bed. 6 c.f. refrigerator with separate freezer, air conditioner, TV antenna, lots of cupboard space, CD/AM/FM stereo with inside/outside speakers, awning, outside faucet, plus separate outside shower spray. Added bonus: 3 Hi-Ties, 2 on the left and one on the right, plus 2 35-gal water tanks on hay rack. \$48,500. Will need smaller trailer replacement if you have something for partial trade (see Wanted section for more details) Jackie Floyd 209-334-1981 [typéf@comcast.net](mailto:typéf@comcast.net)

1999 FORD F350 SUPER DUTY SUPER CAB, 86,000 miles, 7.3L diesel, Automatic, Long bed, Single rear wheel, 2 wheel drive, AM/FM/CD, AC/PS/PW/PDL/CC/Tilt Wheel/Sliding rear window/Privacy glass - all factory installed. Alloy wheels, 4 wheel ABS, Rear bench seat folds flat for a cargo surface. Extras added: "Superchip" programmable performance with 2 tow settings (for < & > 6k lb loads), high performance setting for no load or back to factory stock setting, 4" exhaust from turbo back, Heavy duty rear air bags. Class V hitch (2 1/2" receiver), Chrome billet grille. One

owner/driver since new. Never any accident damage. It is in exceptional condition. Gets good fuel mileage for a big truck. Located in San Luis Obispo county/ Bill Gahafer 805-528-2064

ALUMINUM TRAILER FOR SALE. Sooner, bumper pull. 1995, three horse slant load with a large tack room (could almost sleep in it!). Tires are like new. Has Rino liner under the mats. Comes with load leveler hitch components. \$8,000. Trailer is in the Santa Cruz area. (Aptos) Steve Shaw 831-685-3436. [sshaw@pacbell.net](mailto:sshaw@pacbell.net)

LANCE CAMPER FOR SALE: Air conditioner, oven/stove combo, refrigerator, radio/cd player, ELECTRIC JACKS, queen size bed, bunk bed option over table, wet bath, 2 propane tanks, battery, scizzor staircase, outside shower, power roof vent, furnace. photos on request or call for appt to see. Bluebooks between 12,120 and 14,625. Asking \$13,500. Dry weight 2010 lbs. 33-gal fresh water capacity; 8 gal grey water holding and 8 gal black water holding. Great upgrade from a tent! Call Peggy 831/238-0495 or [Peggety123@aol.com](mailto:Peggety123@aol.com) [02-08]

TAX SERVICES. Need your taxes done? Call Trilby Pederson Tax Services - 408-997-7500. [02-08]

SUPPLEMENTS/HOOF PROTECTION. Wild Eye Arabians is now supplying FASTRACK Probiotics (paste & powder) HOOF -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. [kirsten-zazz@hotmail.com](mailto:kirsten-zazz@hotmail.com) or [www.conklin.com/wildeyearabians](http://www.conklin.com/wildeyearabians). [02-08]

## FOR RENT

LOFT APARTMENT. 1,300 SQUARE FOOT LOFT OVER BARN. UTILITIES INCLUDED. \$1,800/MONTH. TRAILER PARKING EXTRA. AVAILABLE JUNE 1, 2008. TRILBY PEDERSON 408 997-7500.

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. [02-08]

## 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 Lakeside Stables (McKean Road, San Jose). She coached

Becky Hart to her Stockholm World Championship on Rio! You can contact Mary at (831) 761-2819. [02-08]

## WANTED

3-H GOOSENECK WANTED. Preferably aluminum. But will consider others. Looking for an LQ? See my ad in the For Sale section for possible partial trade. Jackie Floyd 209-334-1981. {05-08}

PLUS/MINUS 10-YEAR-OLD ARABIAN GELDING that is safe on the trail and hopefully an OK endurance horse. I am absolutely willing to pay a good price for the right one. He'll get a good home with us and Kesil, Zachary and No Fearr (has not done any endurance yet so you haven't met him). Contact through e-mail, mail Howes, 574 Trumbull, Novato, CA 94947, phone: 415/892-8528 (office), 415/847-0487 (cell). e-mail [UllaVince@aol.com](mailto:UllaVince@aol.com)

TWO HORSE (I WOULD PREFER A SLANT), SMALL, LIGHT TRAILER.

Anywhere between 3-5k, it must be safe and in good condition. Please feel free to e-mail me and send me photos!

Megan Doyle [mykideats-grass@hotmail.com](mailto:mykideats-grass@hotmail.com)

[11-07]

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR CLASSIFIED ADS SO THAT QUIPS CAN STAY CURRENT. MANY THANKS TO YOU WHO HAVE CONTACTED ME TO DO SO.

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR STORIES, ADVICE, AND OBSERVATIONS TO QUIPS. WE LOVE TO HEAR FROM OUR MEMBERS ABOUT THEIR TRAIL EXPERIENCES.

HAPPY TRAILS,  
MARGARET

**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 18 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 2008 dues, checks made out to: **Quicksilver Endurance Riders, Inc.**

Mail to Membership Chairperson:

Maryben Stover  
1299 Sandra Drive  
San Jose, CA 95125-3535  
408 285-0839

May your and your horse(s) have a wonderful Year 2008 riding together as members of the Quicksilver Endurance Riders!!!



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